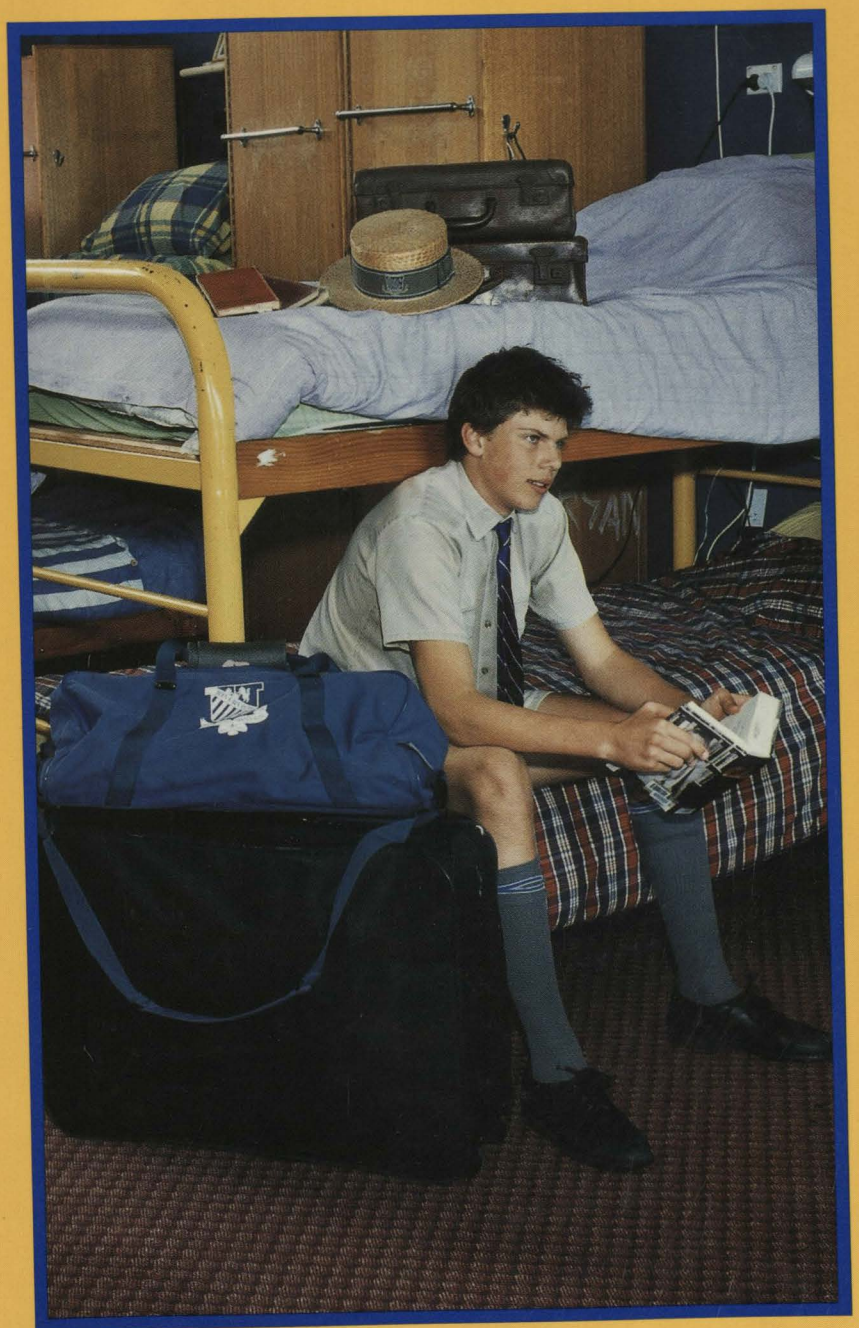
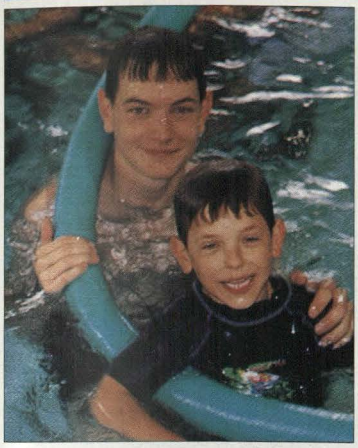
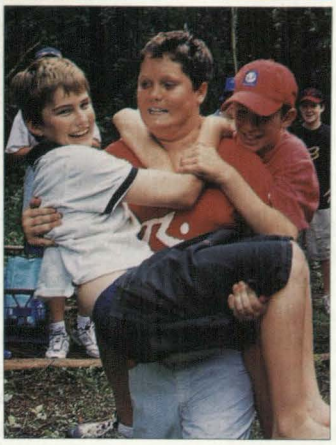
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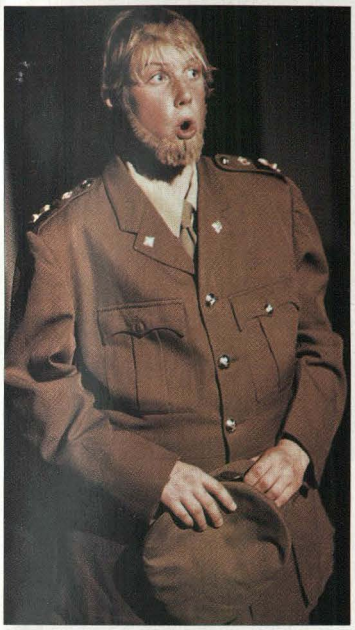


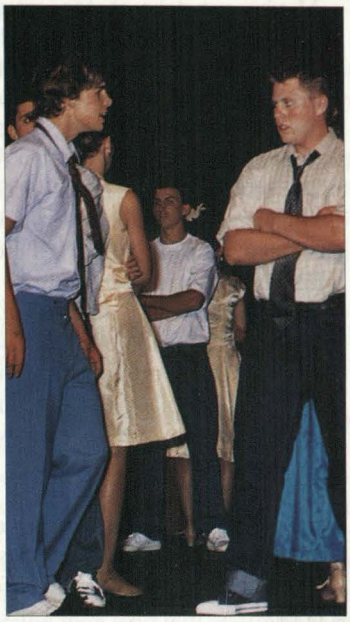
Front cover: the end of an era. For the past 123 years Riverview Boarders have slept in accommodation facing the main quadrangle - for most of this time in the Main Building. Now, the last of the Boarders, the Year 8s, are moving out to refurbished quarters on the Regis Campus. Photo posed by Toby Meagher, Year 8 and composed by College photographer, Chris Fitzgerald



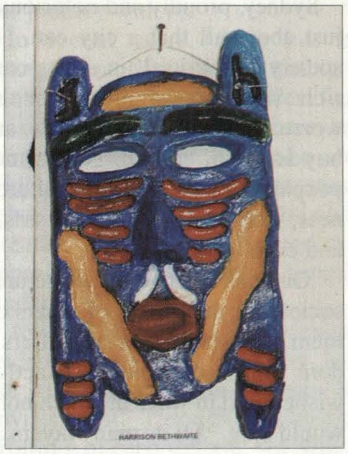


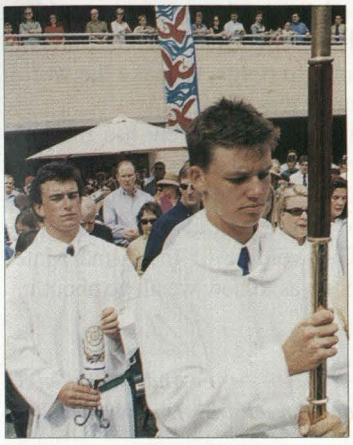
















We say it all the time - well at least I do, in situations both significant and mundane. I sometimes say it as a means of gentle persuasion, when I want the lads to try just that little bit harder. "Be a man for others", I say to them hoping they'll go far beyond that which is safe and mediocre to a place that's more challenging and enlightened.

We sometimes say it without thinking too deeply about it, taking for granted its enormous import for us. Perhaps that's because we've heard it said so many times before at College Assemblies and on other important occasions.

I first heard it several years ago - back in the eighties (yes I've been around here that long), and then it meant a lot to me. It still does, but over the years, through constant use (or abuse) it can occasionally sound rather trite, unfortunately.

But we continue to say it, because we do believe in it - and because we want our students to believe in it, too. And when I look at the photos in this edition of the Alma Mater and read the myriad reports on what's been happening throughout 2003, I can see that all our quiet exhortations have not been in vain. The students have been listening to us.

The young men of Riverview are indeed men for others. They are imbued with the Ignatian spirit. They do give and they don't count the cost. They do serve - oh how generously they serve. They toil - well, most of the time they do, except five minutes before the lunchtime bell. They don't seek for rest, unless it's last period on a hot Friday afternoon. They ... oh, let's face it - they are definitely not the personification of the prayer of St Ignatius, but they do have lots of fun aspiring to be.

And to me, that's what sets the students of Riverview apart - their ability to thoroughly enjoy 'striving for excellence' and to applaud most loudly and exuberantly those who do likewise.

There are people who, like the boys, have been exceedingly generous to me this year. Carla James has patiently typed countless names for me; Chris Fitzgerald has taken countless photos for me in a manner most professional and exceedingly diplomatic; Shane Hogan has allowed me countless 'free spaces' to work on this magazine; and my husband, Alan, apart from proof reading and providing me with countless cups of tea and coffee while I've sat at the computer for a countless number of hours, has given me something whose cost has no meaning when counted: his total support and absolute faith in my ability to produce yet another edition of the Our Alma Mater and for that I thank him very much.

Donna Wedesweiler

It is not just the view of the river itself, but the view along the Lane Cove River towards the city that provides this College with one of its great sights.

The jagged wall of the city's buildings and towers stretches across our eastern horizon. It is a spectacular view from Second Field for those energetic enough to go there.

The view from the Ramsay Hall foyer or balcony is stunning also, in all kinds of weather, and especially at night as the lights in the office blocks shimmer and glow. It is one of the great Sydney views.

Maybe we take it for granted, and maybe the students are usually more interested in what is happening on Second Field than in what you can see from it. After all, usually their task is to keep their eye on the ball.

The city, of course, is not just a beautiful backdrop to life at Riverview. It is a challenge to what happens here, and it influences what happens here.

The city shapes so much of what is on the curriculum, and nominates what is in danger of falling off the curriculum. It is not solely the place our students go to after school, they are on their way there throughout their school days.

It is the place which offers so much of what students and their families aspire to. The city, and all it stands for, has the pull of a magnetic force on the life of the school.

Sydney, proudly and notoriously, offers just about all that a city can. Here our society shows itself in all its complexity, rich with opportunities for better or worse. Here one can create and build, buy and sell, trade in goods, money and people, one can shape the future in business, politics, the law, the arts, fashion and even food.

One can change the structures of our society for the benefit of others or exploit them for oneself. The city offers the freedom to present oneself exactly as one wishes, and in ways in which nobody else would dare. All its many layers add up to what we rightly call civilization.

Civilization does not just happen; we make it, through century after century of human activity and creativity. The city offers opportunities to achieve the fullness of life, but it can destroy one's soul.

Because of all this, Jesuit education always has its sights on what happens in the city. The saying goes that the Benedictines preach in the fields, the Franciscans in the towns, and the Jesuits in the city.

St Ignatius sought to place Jesuit institutions close to the centre of the city – as



View of the City from Ramsay Hall foyer by Philip Barton Year 8

near to the duke's palazzo as he could get, or the duke would let him.

Jesuit education has long encouraged our students to appreciate the world in all its complexity, to acknowledge its proper autonomy, to celebrate the achievements of the secular world. Through this ability to respect and celebrate the city, our students have also earned the right, but also have a duty, to discern what is good and bad there. The presumption is that our students will work to enhance what is good and change what is bad.

This school has a long tradition of training students who go to the city to make their contribution and take their chances. Some have gained fame as lawyers, politicians, doctors, artists, businessmen, academics – the list, already arbitrary, could go on. Many have achieved success, and please God participated in the fullness of life; maybe some have hazarded their souls.

The ambition of Jesuit education, of course, runs deeper than achieving all the goodness secular success can bring. For there is another city that the Christian tradition has always been magnetized by. Sometimes it is called the heavenly Jerusalem – the earthly one proving as ambiguous as any and more violent than many.

Sometimes it is called the City of God. The Catholic tradition is strong in asserting that this mysterious and holy city is not reached solely in heaven. It can be achieved here in a hidden way in our human cities. We recognize it when we find a place where justice and mercy and love have their sway.

So Jesuit education trains our students to discern how much of this holiness they can find in the city that stands before them. Our students are urged to celebrate the City of God, perhaps as it hides in nooks and crannies of kindness and mercy amongst the great towers and patches of green of the other city, perhaps as it is protected and upheld by legal structures that foster justice rather than protect privilege.

It asks them to name fearlessly what is exploitative and manipulative, especially of those who are powerless, and to take the side of the weak against the ruthless strong. Jesuit education asks our students to put things to rights, to make the world, the city more humane.

Saint Ignatius, Riverview has the bold hope that by the work of its past and present students, the city down river can be shaped so that it, too, gives greater glory to God.This volume of the Alma Mater presents clues as to how we all go about it.

Fr Andrew Bullen SJ
Delivered at Speech Day, December 5, 2003

125 years ago, on June 28, 1878, Fr Joseph Dalton SJ purchased the Riverview estate on behalf of the Society of Jesus.

Eighteen months later, Fr Dalton was appointed Foundation Rector of Saint Ignatius College and on February 12, 1880, the first two pupils arrived at the school.

Looking back through old Alma Maters, it is easy to see how 1878 was a significant year in the history of Jesuit education in Australia.

Yet, in another 100 years from now, a person reading this edition of the Alma Mater would have to agree that 2003 was also quite a significant year, for reasons quite different, but nevertheless just as remarkable.

123 years ago when classes began at the school, the student population was 10; today, in 2003 the student population reached its maximum – 1528 – an increase of more than 200 on last year's numbers.

In 1879, there was just one cottage at Riverview to accommodate the students and the Jesuits. It served as a classroom as well as a dormitory, chapel and refectory.

In 2003, we opened the ONeil Science wing with 12 new laboratories, the Therry campus with 18 new classrooms and offices, the Regis campus with 3 additional Year 5 classes and 2 Year 6 classes, bringing the total number of classrooms at the College to more than 150.

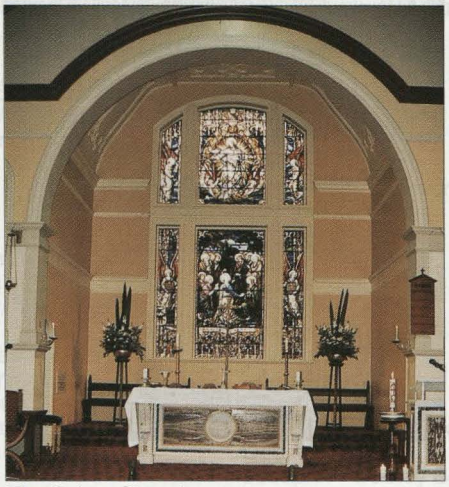
For the past 123 years boarders have slept in buildings facing the main quadrangle – initially in the Riverview Cottage and later in the Main Building that stands opposite the Chapel. In 2003 the last of the boarders, the Year 8s, moved out of the Main Building across to St John's House, marking the end of an era for our boarders at Riverview.

Historically speaking, 2003 will also be remembered as the year in which we were the first GPS school ever to win the Rugby, Debating and Soccer GPS 1st premierships in the same year. In 2003 we also won the GPS Senior and Junior Athletic Championships, while our GPS under 16, Cross Country, 2nds Tennis and 4th IV, 3rd IV and 2nd IV, as well as the GPS Swimming team all won premierships. Add to these, those GPS teams who were runners up; the many teams who finished the season undefeated, our two World Champions in Rowing and Debating, and 2003 can undoubtedly be called a legendary year.

And while we excelled in sport and other co-curriculum activities throughout 2003, we also 'dared to do our best' in the performing arts; with productions as varied as West Side Story, Murdering Ministers, Wind in the Willows and Riverview in Concert. Indeed, every Year group at the College had the opportunity to take part in live theatre in 2003.

In contrast to these 'public performances', 2003 also saw many 'quiet achievements' – students who excelled in the classroom and those who achieved success in national Maths and Science competitions. Damian Barlow, for instance, came third in the Australian Geography Competition and later in the year, 9 of our Year 12 Visual Arts students were selected for possible exhibition in the NSW Art EXPRESS.

2003 was also the year in which other 'quiet achievers' found their voice. Thanks to initiatives by school captains, Tom van Beek, Justin Fleming and Sean Williams, people such as Josh Rowlison, Ryan Macalyk and Mr Don Gock, told their stories – in public – at College Assemblies and so many of us were so very grateful that they did.



The Dalton Chapel Photo by Wendie Milazzo

In a different but equally important arena, some 1,000 students from Years 7-11 quietly gave of their time and their talents in Ignatian Service where the lines from the prayer of St Ignatius, 'teach me to serve you as you deserve', became a lived reality for so many of them.

2003 was a significant year for four of our Old Boys: Fr Mark Raper SJ (OR 55-60) began his first year as Provincial of the Society of Jesus; Fr Jeremy Clarke SJ (OR 82-87) began his first year as an ordained priest (he also celebrated the first school Mass for 2003, the Mass of the Holy Spirit); Fr Anthony Fisher OP (OR 72-77) was consecrated a Bishop of the Archdiocese of Sydney; and for Fr Steve Curtin SJ (OR 68-74) it was another successful Indian Bazaar when a record $160,000 was raised for Jesuit Overseas Missions.

Helping out at the Bazaar were many of our students who this year also raised several thousand dollars for charities both at home and abroad through various House and Year group activities. This generosity of spirit among our students was also seen in the numbers attending the voluntary student Masses during 2003. Invariably up to 600 students attended these Masses which for the most part were organised by senior students with the assistance of members of the Ignatian Centre Team.

It was not only the students, but the entire College community who were exceedingly generous throughout 2003. With the introduction of so many additional students, teachers and families, one of the main tasks this year was to firstly welcome and then introduce our new members to the Riverview community and our Ignatian ways.

The Parents and Friends, OIU, Development Office, Ignatian Centre and current teachers and students have been wonderful role models and hosts. Openings of buildings, cocktail parties, sporting events and any other gathering have been done with warmth and true Ignatian hospitality.

However, while there were many happy occasions experienced during 2003, there was also a tragedy that few if any of us will ever forget. The deaths of Sam Turner and Billy O'Connor on the 12th April devastated our community, yet their funerals in Yass and Harden have bonded us for life. The strength and character of our College were tested and found to be solid as we mourned our loss and then moved forward knowing that we had been touched by two wonderful young men who will continue to travel on our journey with us.

In recent years, there has been a changed emphasis in the testing of students at the Higher School Certificate and in other public exams. There are now greater rewards for those who are more widely read and who can express themselves in more literary terms and with greater imaginative expression. This approach does not always benefit male students.

And so, this year at Riverview we have undertaken the task of better preparing our students to cope in this new learning environment. Through the testing and profiling of each student, we will be able to better offer individual assistance to each individual learner. By placing an increased emphasis on reading and developing public speaking skills and vocabulary, we will better equip our students to express their ideas; and by encouraging the practice and development of writing skills, we will help each and every student achieve to his potential.

So much has been done this year and yet there is still so much more to achieve. 2003 has been an amazing year. I believe it's been the foundation for many more.

Mr Shane Hogan

report by the chairman of the college council

Dear Members of the Riverview family,
On behalf of the College Council I am pleased to share with you what Council has been focussing on during 2003.

Council was pleased to welcome our new Rector Fr Andrew Bullen in the middle of the year. Fr Andy was at the College in the late eighties so he is no stranger here.

The year commenced with the opening of the new Middle School (Therry and Regis campuses). Years 5 and 6 are now located on the Regis campus (the old Junior school) and Year 7 have moved to the Therry campus to join Year 8. This project completed the recommendations of the Council's first Strategic Plan.

As mentioned last year our second Strategic Plan had commenced under the leadership of the Preferred Futures committee. This year it has advanced on schedule with the completion of stage one, the Cultural Audit.

The audit entailed surveying students, staff, parents and recent past students to measure the current health of the College. The responses to the survey from all sections of the College community are positive and encouraging.

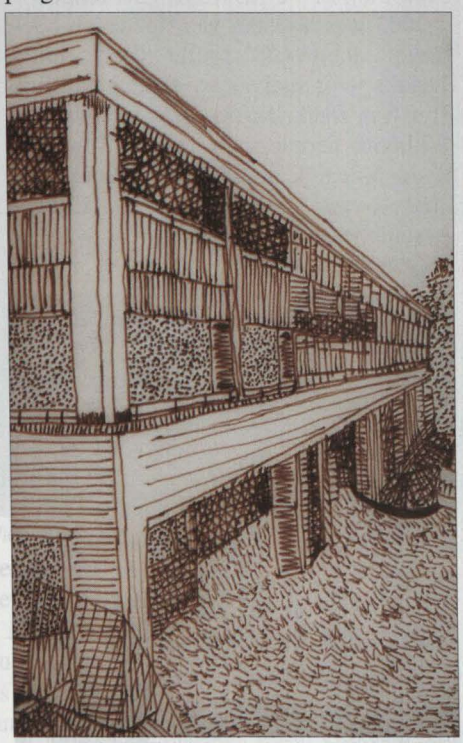
It was interesting to note the high level of convergence between the responses. Stage two is currently under way using discussion groups to identify and consider what might lie ahead for us in the next 10-20 years.

These meetings will address a wide range of subjects (eg: societal trends and concerns, literacy, diversity, what it means to be a Catholic etc.) to aid our deliberations. Stage three (the outcomes) are due to be completed early in the second half of next year. The Council through the College's various media outlets will keep you informed on progress.

The Academic Committee has been addressing a wide range of ongoing issues. Some of these are to:

- Promote the love of learning.
- Foster improvement in English at all levels.
- Encourage extension of our brightest students.
- Encourage and promote the good work being done with students who are in the middle and lower cohorts
- Encourage ways of challenging teachers to meet the changing demands of students.

Small but significant steps have been made so far with the introduction next year of a limited number of academic scholarships and teacher development programs.



The Finance Committee has identified a number of short, medium and long term issues to address. Some of these are:

Short term

- Continued upgrading of the Budget process.
- Shared responsibility for financial outcomes among the staff.
- Extracting value from the significant investment in Information Technology.

Medium term

- Ensure that the Bursary/Welfare Programme is adequately resourced
- Debt reduction
- Ensure appropriate risk management policies are in place.

Long term

- Ensure the financial well being of the Riverview family
- Ensure no financial restraints on the Ignatian Mission

It is pleasing to report that the College financial operations have been maintained within the approved budget while all the above is being addressed.

The priorities of the Human Resources Committee for the year have been: Leadership Development, Performance Reviews, Remuneration Processes and Best Place to Work Initiatives. Progress has been made on all these fronts and will be further developed in the coming year.

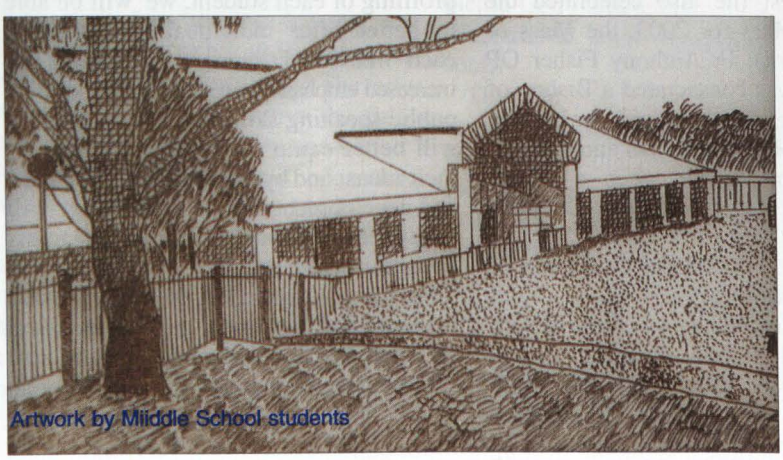
The Plant and Fabric Committee focussed on a number of smaller but important projects following the completion of the Middle School. These included a new recreation room and amenities in St John's Boarding House, upgrading and refurbishing the Year 7 and 8 Boarding facilities, and the Gartlan Centre pool plant refurbishment.

This committee has also been reviewing and improving how maintenance issues are best addressed throughout the College.

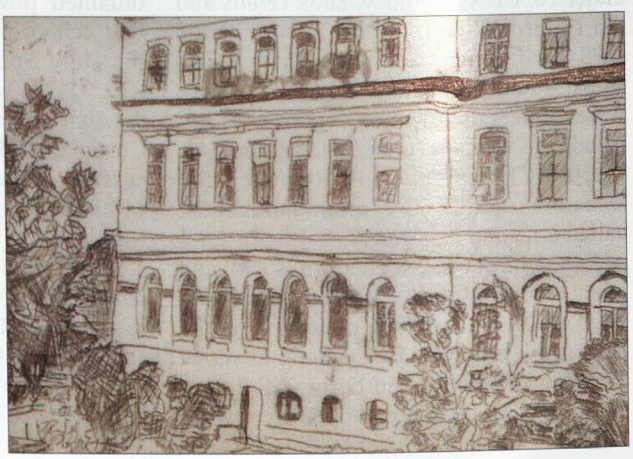
I would like, on behalf of Council and myself, to thank our Headmaster Mr Shane Hogan for his strong positive leadership through the year. He and his staff have faced some difficult times and have distinguished themselves in keeping the school going so well. Thanks also to their wives, husbands and families who have supported them and the school in these times.

In closing, I would like to thank my fellow Council and Committee members for the time they have given through the year so freely. It has been their energy that has helped us address the issues I have briefly described above. It is much appreciated.

Mr Neville Harpham



Artwork by Middle School students



No peace without forgiveness

Rector of the College

Fr Andrew Bullen SJ

Headmaster

Mr Shane P Hogan

College Council

Mr Neville Harpham (Chairman), Mr Shane Hogan (Headmaster), Sr Margaret Beirne, Fr Robert Bruce SJ, Mr Greg Conlon, Fr Des Dwyer SJ, Mr Jim Graham, Prof Jennifer Gribble, Mr Kerry James, Mr John Hannelly, Mr Wal Jarvis, Fr Ross Jones SJ, Mr John O'Neill, Mr Paul Robertson, Fr Michael Stoney SJ, Ms Gabrielle Trainor (Mrs Nina Riemer, retired, July, 2003)

Jesuit Community

Fr Andrew Bullen SJ, Fr Robert Bruce SJ (Superior), Fr Robert Davoren SJ, Fr Joseph Dooley SJ, Fr Adrian Lyons SJ, Fr Cecil Smith SJ, Fr David Strong SJ

School Executive

Mr Shane Hogan (Headmaster), Fr Andrew Bullen SJ (Rector), Fr Robert Davoren SJ (Director of Middle Schooling), Mr Chris Hayes (Director of Senior Schooling), Mr Paul Brown (Director of Staff Services), Mr Mark McGinnity (Director of Boarding), Mr James Rodgers (Director of Students) Mrs Jennie Hickey (Director of Religious Formation) Mr Chris Kitching (Director of Co-Curriculum), Mr Peter McLean (Prefect of Studies)

Chaplain

Fr David Strong SJ

College Captains

Tom van Beek (College Captain), Justin Fleming (Captain of Boarders), Sean Williams (Captain of Day Boys)

College Staff

Bernadette	Abdi	Admin Assistant - Senior School
Glenn	Abrahams	Head of Faculty - Mathematics
Paul	Adams	Year 7.2 Homeroom Teacher
Susan	Addinall	Learning Support - Year 7
Jean	Agior-Tis	Head of Centre for Learning Support
Deirdre	Agnew	Careers Advisor
Serena	Ahern	Teacher/Librarian
Phillip	Amata	Year 7.6 Homeroom Teacher
Sally	Andrews	Licona - Shop Assistant
Kurt	Bartelme	Yr 8.2 Hm'rm Tchr/Asst Yr 8 Crdntr
Brett	Bastin	Teacher TAS
Trevor	Bates	Assistant to Facilities Manager
Nicole	Beamish	Admin Asst Co-Curriculum
Jeremy	Bennett	Housemaster - Owen
Katie	Bindley	Year 8.1 Homeroom Teacher
Jennifer	Bird	Licona - Shop Manager
Meg	Board	Infirmary
Johanne	Bradley	Canteen - Canteen Manager
Tina	Brayan	Year 5.4 Homeroom Teacher
Ben	Broadfoot	CiT Network Engineer
Paul	Brown	Director of Staff Services
Stephen	Brown	Year 8.3 H'rm Tchr (res'gnd Sem 1)
Kate	Browne	Middle School Curriculum Crdntor
Robert	Bruce SJ	Superior, Jesuit Community
Linda	Bryan	Teacher - Mathematics
Andy	Bullen SJ	Rector
Julia	Burfitt	Yrs 5 & 6 Learning Support
Peter	Burke	Year 6.2 Homeroom Teacher
Angela	Burkett	Teacher - English
James	Busteed	Housemaster - Southwell
Sam	Butler	CiT Web Development Officer
Hussain	Bux	Maintenance - Plumber
Laurie	Byrne	Senior Housemaster - More
Pauline	Cain	Asst Head of Performing Arts/Drama
George	Cassar	Year 5.3 Teacher/Yr 5 Co-ordinator
Amanda	Catling	Teacher - Visual Arts
Simon	Causley	Tennis Coach
Jenny	Chalker	Teacher - Mathematics
Brian	Charlton	Dean of Students
Kiersten	Check	Teacher - Scence
Michael	Christie	Teacher - Visual Arts
Belinda	Clark	Housemaster - Dalton (October)
Graham	Clark	Property Services Manager
Simon	Clarke	Assistant Network Engineer
Heather	Cloudsdale	Librarian – Regis Campus
David	Cobner	Maintenance
Kieran	Coffey	Agriculture Assistant (resigned Nov)
Peter	Colledge	Teacher - TAS
Martin	Collins	Year 7.4 Teacher/Yr 7 Co-ordinator
Greg	Conlon	Head of Business Operations
Anthony	Connellan	Asst Yr 11 Crdntor/Teacher -PDHPE
Audrey	Cook	Infirmary
Bradley	Cooper	Teacher -HSIE 'Environment'
Michael	Cooper	Gartlan Centre Manager (Term IV)
Kathy	Corbett	Finance Manager
Ian	Craigie	Teacher - LOTE
Nicole	Creenaune	Capital Works Admin Asstnt
Margaret	Cullen	Year 6.1 Homeroom Teacher
Julie	Curtin	Licona - Shop Assistant
Alex	Damo	Year 11 Division Master
Robert	Davoren SJ	Director of Middle Schooling
Beatrijs	Dewulf	Counsellor
Chris	Diener	Maintenance - Carpenter
Tina	Di Sano	Teacher - Mathematics
Mark	Diggins	Teacher - R.E./ Faith in Service Crdntr
Mary	Diggins	Year 7.1 Homeroom Teacher
Mirella	Di Giorgio	Teacher, Music, Mat'nity Leave 2003
Declan	Donnelly	Maintenance - Painter
Joseph	Dooley SJ	Housemaster - Chisholm
Mary	Dorahy	Yrs 5 & 6 Visual Arts Teacher
Colleen	Duffy	Print Room Assistant
Katia	Durst	Visual Arts Teacher
Mark	Egger	Year 8 Division Master
Diane	Englefield	Canteen Assistant
Chris	Farnsworth	Year 9 Division Master
Nathan	Ferry	CiT Database Administrator
Chris	Fitzgerald	Assistant to Facilities Manager
Donielle	Gale	Year 9 Crdntr,Maternity Leave 2003
Sam	Gammo	Laboratory Assistant
Leo	Garbuz	Accounts Payable
Justine	Gesterkamp	Teacher - Visual Arts
Chris	Gillett	Head of Faculty - Science
Evelyne	Giovannetti	Teacher - LOTE
John	Giuffre	Teacher - HSIE 'Environment'
Don	Gock	Year 10 Co-ordinator/Teacher- TAS
Chris	Gordon	Teacher - LOTE
Robert	Gough	Teacher - HSIE 'Environment'
Michael	Grant	Maintenance - Painter
Michael	Gray	Head of Ignatian Centre
Ralph	Guthrie	Head of Faculty - TAS
Greg	Haines	Head of Faculty - HSIE 'People'
Ron	Hanby	Maintenance Manager
Davida	Hand	Library Assistant
Bob	Hanley	Teacher - RE
Genevieve	Hanlon	Teacher - TAS (resigned Sem 1)
Dean	Hargreaves	Housemaster - Cheshire
John	Harper	Teacher - R E
Richard	Hart	Senior Librarian
Chris	Hayes	Director of Senior Schooling
David	Hayes	Information Systems Manager
Helen	Heng	Admin Assistant Therry Campus
Therese	Herborn	Year 7.8 Homeroom Teacher
Jennie	Hickey	Director of Religious Formation
Ana	Hincapie	Payroll Officer

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Nora	Hinchen	Library Assistant
Maria	Hing	Library Assistant
Jennifer	Hoare	Year 7.5 Homeroom Teacher
Cathy	Hobbs-Faulkner	Archivist
John	Hogan	Maintenance - Carpenter
Shane	Hogan	Headmaster
Larraine	Holden	Registrar/Office Manager
Stella	Holmes	Teacher - LOTE
Susan	Hutchison	Senior Laboratory Assistant
Daniel	Hyde	Year 9 Crdntr, Teacher- Mathematics
Carla	James	Receptionist
Craig	Jeffery	Housemaster – Claver
David	Johnson	Year 5.2 Homeroom Teacher
Gary	Johnson	Maintenance, Carpenter
David	Jones	Maintenance, Property
Denis	Kelliher	Housemaster - Dalton (res'gnd Oct)
Jo	Kenderes	Liturgist (Maternity Leave, 2003)
Carol	Kenny	Teacher - HSIE 'Environment'
Reggie	Kidd	Audio-Visual Co-ordinator
Jodi	Kinchant	Teacher - TAS
Glenn	King	Teacher -English
Les	Kirkpatrick	Teacher-Mathematics
Chris	Kitching	Director of Co-Curriculum
Cheikh	Kone	Assistant to Facilities Manager
Peter	Kovacs	Head of Faculty - PDHPE
JoAnne	Kragelund	Year 8.1 Homer'm Tchr (Res'gnd Sept)
Michael	Lane	Teacher - HSIE 'Environment'
Charlyne	Lepparde	Library Assistant
John	Limbourn	Teacher - HSIE 'People'
Judith	Little	PA to Headmaster
Jiewen	Liu	Teacher - LOTE
Lewis	Liu	Teacher - LOTE
Rod	Loneragan	Deputy Director of Development
Vance	Lowry	Teacher - HSIE 'People'
Adrian	Lyons SJ	Ignatian Centre
John	Macdonald	Teacher - RE
Bruce	McLachlan	Teacher - HSIE /History (Term IV)
Bob	Marsh	Capital Works Manager
Therese	Martin	Teacher - R E
Dominique	Marturia	Head of Faculty - HSIE 'Environment'
Adam	Mauceri	CiT - Help Desk/Support Technician
Paul	McCarthy	Teacher - Mathematics
Mark	McGinnity	Director of Boarding
Bruce	McKay	Teacher - Science
Peter	McLaren	Teacher - PDHPE
Peter	McLean	Prefect of Studies
Sharon	McLean	Asstnt Year 12 C/rdntr, Tchr - HSIE
Suzanne	Millar	Yrs 5 & 6 - Speech & Drama Teacher
Susan	Miller	Teacher - Music
John	Miller	Cleaning Manager
Bradley	Moar	Year 8.5 Homeroom Teacher
Andrew	Moon	Teacher - RE
Christine	Moriarty	Teacher - RE
Anthony	Morris	Teacher, PDHPE, LSL Term IV
Melvyn	Morrow	Housemaster - Campion
Myriam	Moysey	Teacher - LOTE
Noella	Muir	Accounts & School Fees
Kasia	Mulukin	PA to Director of Staff Services
Susan	Munro	Admin Assistant - Senior Campus
Lucy	Murray	Licona Assistant
Neil	Mushan	Year 12 Division Master
Leonie	Mutch	Teacher - TAS
Leanne	Neal	Senior Matron
Angela	Newey	Year 7.3 Homeroom Teacher
John	Newey	Year 12 Crdntr, Teacher - Mathematics
Chris	Newton	Catering Manager
Susan	Nixon	Learning Support - Year 8
Christine	Norris	Licona Assistant
Michael	Noud	Years 5 & 6 Sports Co-ordinator, PDHPE
Declan	O'Donoghue	Teacher -RE/HSIE
Cornelius	O'Donovan	Teacher - RE
Christopher	O'Mahoney	Head of Centre, Information Technology
Paul	O'Sullivan	Year 8.8 Homeroom Teacher
Bruno	Pahlke	Head of Faculty - English
Craig	Painter	Teacher - TAS (resigned Semester 2)
Darren	Palmer	Maintenance – Leading Hand
Barbara	Paul	Asstnt Yr 12 Co-ordntr, Matnty Lve, 2003
Barbara	Peatman	Alumni & Special Events Manager
Marie	Peckham	Teacher/Librarian
Moana	Perawiti	CiT - Service Desk Coordinator
Louella	Perrett	Head of Faculty - LOTE
Liz	Phelan	Year 8.3 Homeroom teacher
Stephen	Pike	Gardens & Grounds Manager
Brian	Piper	Year 11 Crdntr/Teacher - Science
Michael	Plumley	Teacher - TAS
Angelo	Polatos	Teacher - Music
Judith	Powell	Admin Assistant - Senior Campus
Mathew	Powell	CiT Netwrk Engineer (Res'gnd Sem II)
Venta	Protas	Teacher - Science
Michael	Punch	Director of Development
James	Quiddington	Grounds
Sandy	Rankin	Sacristan -Admin Asst/Student Office
Erica	Reading	Asstnt Yr 5 Crdntr, Year 5.1 Hmrm Tchr
Anthony	Renshaw	Teacher - English
Jennifer	Richardson	Asstnt Yr 9 Crdntr/Tcher - Science
Bruce	Rixon	Head of Faculty - Performing Arts
Peter	Rizzardini	Year 6.4 Teacher/Yr 6 Co-ordinator
James	Rodgers	Director of Students
Julie	Rogers	Teacher - Music
Charles	Rowe	Housemaster – Gonzaga
Catherine	Ryan	Infirmary
Alex	Rybak	Teacher - English
Sally	Scanlen	Admin Asst – Fndtn Devlpmnt Office
Claire	Scott	Agriculture Assistant (Term III)
Adrian	Schofield	Teacher - TAS
Joanne	Schuster	Teacher - Science
Patricia	Schwager	Teacher - Music
Anthony	Sear	Assistant HOF English Yrs 9-10
Margaret	Shaw	Teacher - Learning Support
Terence	Sheehan	Junior Division Master
Terry	Shore	Yr 7 Asstnt Crdntr, Yr 7.7 Hmrm Tchr
Greg	Skeed	Teacher - Mathematics
Barry	Smith	Teacher - English
Bruna	Smith	Admin Assistant - Regis Campus
Cecil	Smith SJ	Jesuity Community
Georgia	Smith	Year 6.3 Homeroom Teacher
Jamie	Smith	Year 8.3 Hmrm Tchr (Res'gnd Term I)
Michael	Smith	Boatshed Manager
Patsy	Smith	Learning Support
John	Staunton	Admin. Support
Peter	Steffan	Housemaster - Ricci
Julie	Stevens	Head of Faculty, Vis Arts, Media Studies
David	Strong SJ	College Chaplain
Robert	Stuart	Housemaster - Xavier
John	Sullivan	Teacher - English
Andrew	Szabo	Teacher - Science
Annabel	Thistlewood	Housemaster - MacKillop
Dale	Thompson	Learning Support
Damien	Thompson	Year 10 Division Master
Dacia	Thomson	Admin Assistant - Music Department
Fred	Tinker	Teacher - Music
Stephanie	Tita	Teacher - LOTE
Vince	Toohey	Yr 8.2 Hmrm Tcher (exchnge 2003)
Kerry	Tremaine	Teacher - HSIE (Term IV)
Caterina	Troncone	Assistant HOF English Yrs 11-12
Sab	Trovato	Yr 8 Co-ordinator, Homerm Teacher
Michael	Turner	Teacher - HSIE 'People'
Monica	Uildriks	Yrs 5 & 6 Music Co-ordinator
Peter	Wakeling	Teacher - TAS
Kaye	Walker	Accounts Receivable
Robyn	Warburton	Laundry
Duncan	Warlters	Astnt Yr 10 C/rdntr, Tcher - PDHPE
Jane	Watson	Teacher - Science
Donna	Wedesweiler	Editor - Our Alma Mater
Patricia	Weekes	Teacher - R E
Greg	Whealing	Teacher -RE, HSIE
Dean	White	Media Assistant
Mark	White	Facilities Manager
Mark	White	Teacher - English
Emma	Whiteman	CiT- Training Oficer
Ross	Whitfeld	Counsellor
Rocky	Wijesinghe	Gartlan Centre Assistant
Brenda	Willoughby	Canteen Assistant
Bernie	Winters	Teacher - TAS
Lisa	Wood	Counsellor
Leanne	Yates	Assistant to Maintenance Manager

Music Teachers: Tom Andrews, Michael Bell, Tina Brain, Richard Cichocki, Kathleen Connell, Georgie Drury, Tony Gardner, Amelia Ghisla, Rosalind Graham, Joern Harris, Mark Holbert, Nancy Hoskings, Iain Howick, Lindsay Irik, Bill Kezelos, Reg Larner, Yvonne Lau, Maria Lopes, Monique Lysiak, William Moxey, Bruce Myers, Noeleen Neideck, Peter Neville, Tim Paillas, Richard Percival, Evan Powis, John Sheilds, Andre Shrimski, Neil Sutherland, Peta Thorley, Hilary Turnbull, Anthony Wheeler. Heather Trowse: Speech, Drama. **GAP Students**: Henry Russell-Blackburn, Ben Hunt, Sam Nolan, Paddy Walsh



School Executive

Back row, from left, Mr Chris Kitching, Mr James Rodgers, Mr Paul Brown, Mr Peter McLean, Mr Mark McGinnity
Seated, from left, Mr Chris Hayes, Fr Rob Davoren SJ, Fr Andrew Bullen SJ, Mr Shane Hogan, Mrs Jennie Hickey



School Captains

Justin Fleming (Captain, Boarders), Tom van Beek
(College Captain), Sean Williams (Captain, Day Boys)



School Leaders and House Captains

Back row, Andrew Cahill (SRC), Simon Moloney (Xavier HC), Sam Watson (Prefect), Andrew Cutcliffe (Southwell HC), James McDougall (Owen HC), Pat Tait (Ricci HC), Michael O'Brien (Claver HC), Jack O'Brien (SRC)
Seated, David Fisher (MacKillop HC), Carl Giammarco (Dalton HC), Sean Williams, Tom van Beek, Justin Fleming, Tom Flynn (Gonzaga HC), Jake Molkentin (More HC), Pascal Herington (Chisholm HC) Front: Henry Shepherd (Campion HC), Michael Roche (Cheshire HC)

Year 5

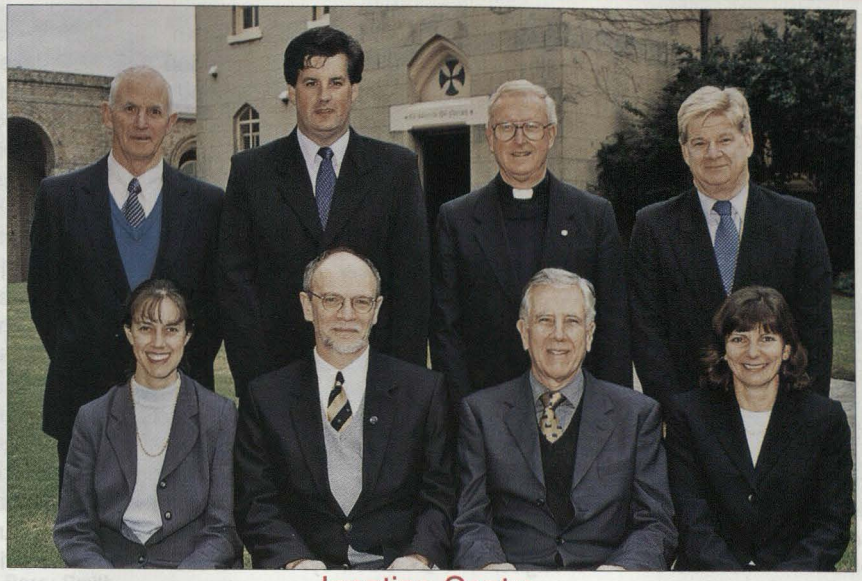
Thomas	Aitchison
Michael	Anthony
Thomas	Barkl
John	Barry
Lintyn	Basha
Thomas	Baxter
Nicholas	Biscoe
Christopher	Brassil
Joe	Brown
Jack	Bundey
Liam	Carmody
Sebastian	Chan
Tyrrell	Chase
Andrew	Clune
Benjamin	Coffey
James	Colla
Hamish	Conroy
Mitchell	Cook
Domenic	Cuda
Hugh	Delaney
Timothy	Donlan
Jack	Donnan
Matthew	Donnellan
James	Duncan
Thomas	Edwards
Kade	Fallins
Jeremy	Ferrer
Timothy	Fitzgerald
Harry	Flitcroft
Jack	Flood
Giancarlo	Giacomazzi
Samuel	Glissan
Tomas	Godlewski
Michael	Golding
Jack	Gracie
Oliver	Grimble
Daniel	Guihot
Joseph	Hamer
James	Hanrahan
William	Hanrahan
Thomas	Hartigan
Alexander	Hawtin
Arthur	Hayes
Sebastian	Henry-Jones
Jordan	Heyer-Wright
Jonathon	Hugh
Tobias	Hunt
Albert	Hyde
Henry	Hyde
Michael	Ippolito
Ryan	Jones
Alexander	Kalyk
Nicholas	Kirkwood
Zachary	La Cava
Patrick	Lane
Callum	Lee
Patrick	Long
Sebastian	MacGougan
Sean	Maroney
Stephen	Marshall
Alexander	Martinez
Samuel	Masi
James	McCallum
Robert	McClay
Jack	McElhone
Edward	McGowan
Angus	McKay
Alexander	McManus
Florian	Melinz
Joshua	Navybox
William	Newnham
Patrick	O'Neill
Charles	Ower
Ivan	Pavlovic
Thomas	Powell
Matthew	Prior
Samuel	Prior
Liam	Prosser
Hayden	Protich
Marc	Rahme
Dean	Rando
Conor	Riordan
Matthew	Robinson
Jonathan	Roel
Nicholas	Roubicek
Chester	Salter
Michael	Salvador
Michael	Samaha
Sean	Shanahan
Alexander	Still
Thomas	Sutherland
Dominic	Sweeney-Nash
Andrew	Taylor
William	Taylor
James	Watt
Michael	Wells
Clark	Wenborn
Michael	Wewege
James	Wilson
James	Zimbulis

Year 6

James	Anthony
Nathan	Aranha
Alexander	Bennett
Thomas	Beswick
William	Bigelow
Andrew	Bigg
William	Bonnefin
Jason	Brooks
David	Cain
James	Campbell
Harrison	Chapman
Thomas	Cohen
Henry	Cook
Patrick	Coolican
Maximillian	Cordony
Thomas	Corrigan
Michael	Costi
Samuel	Cox
Alexander	Crampton
Llewellyn	Cross
Alexander	Crowley
Alexander	Dale
Edward	Davidson
Michael	Dempsey
William	Dempsey
James	Dooley
Stephen	Dooley
Thomas	Duffy
Nicholas	Dye
Jack	Fernon
Thomas	Fitzsimons
William	Flitcroft
Jeffrey	Gatt
Damien	Giblin
Sean	Gill
Rhys	Gleecher
Lachlan	Gorman
Hugo	Gotterson
Henry	Graham
Lachlan	Hay
Dominic	Hayson
Joss	Hickey
Liam	Hogan
Lewis	Holmes
Matthew	Horgan
Nicholas	Hovey
William	Kelly
James	L'Estrange
James	L'Huede
James	Livesey
David	Lynch
Gordon	MacArthur
Thomas	Mangan
Guy	Marchand
Kyle	Mathieson
Conor	McCraith
Joseph	McElhone
William	McGushin
Christopher	McNamara
Luke	Mildren
James	Molloy
Christopher	Moore
Riley	Morgan
Thomas	Murphy
William	Myler
Jordan	Navybox
Thomas	O'Brien
Michael	O'Donoghue
Conor	O'Driscoll
Michael	O'Neill
Simon	Parsons
Timothy	Pascoe
Nicholas	Pembroke
William	Powell
Alec	Preece
Damian	Rocca
Thomas	Roper
Iain	Salteri
Alexander	Saxon
Joseph	Scarcella
Alexander	Scardino
Jonathan	Scardino
Nicholas	Scougall
Jonathan	Shuttleworth
Matthew	Skilbeck
Adam	Smallhorn
Stefan	Smoleniec
Maxim	Strokon
Anthony	Sullivan
Jeremy	Sullivan
William	Tait
Jarryd	Timm
Samuel	Tyrrell
Harrison	Wall
Justin	Walsh
James	Warne
Andrew	Watson
Joseph	Welch
Daniel	Welsh
Luke	White
George	Wilcox
Oliver	Wilson

Year 7

Adam	Abdi
Matthew	Ahern
James	Aitchison
Giles	Aley
Thomas	Allen
Matthew	Andersen
Patrick	Anderson
Xavier	Atkinson
Felix	Auzou
Nicholas	Bannister
David	Barclay
Adam	Barnes
Matthew	Barry
Hugh	Baulderstone
Jayden	Bedford
Daniel	Bell
Kurtis	Bellemore
James	Benecke
Matthew	Bennett
Timothy	Benson
Harold	Best
Aaron	Bicknell
Christopher	Bonnici
Adam	Bowers
Henry	Broad
Haydn	Brown
Scott	Browne
Damian	Bryant
Christopher	Bull
Matthew	Burns
Thomas	Burns
Phillip	Butcher
Samuel	Buttel
James	Cahill
Nicholas	Callaway
Benjamin	Carollo
Ryan	Chan
Harrison	Checkley
Patrick	Clapin
Matthew	Clune
Adam	Cogar
Drew	Collins
James	Condon
John	Conley
Martin	Corcoran
Andrew	Cougle
Gabriel	Crowley-Gray
Patrick	Curtin
Edward	Curtis
Hugh	Dalton
John-Paul	Daneel
Christopher	De Silva
Patrick	Dempsey
Kir	Deng
William	Dent
Timothy	Diacos
Jack	Diserens
Max	Dixon



Ignatian Centre

Back row, Bob Hanley, Mark Diggins, David Strong SJ, Greg Whealing
Seated, Jo Kenderes, Andy Bullen SJ, Michael Gray (Head of Centre), Jennie Hickey



Middle School - Regis Campus

Back row, Peter Burke, George Cassar, Julia Burfitt, Beatrijs Dewulf, Suzanne Millar, Bruna Smith, Mary Dorahy, Margaret Cullen, Georgia Smith, Tina Brayan, Michael Noud, David Johnson
Seated, Monica Uildriks, Rob Davoren SJ (Director of Middle Schooling), Shane Hogan (Headmaster) Peter Rizzardini



Performing Arts

Back row, Fred Tinker, Mark Egger, Suzanne Millar, Monica Uildriks, Dacia Thomson, Susan Miller, Julie Rogers, Angelo Polatos
Seated, Trish Schwager, Annabel Thistlewood, Bruce Rixon (Head of Faculty), Pauline Cain

Year 7 (cont'd)

Thomas Docker
James Donohoe
James Dudley
Nicholas Dunn
Curtis Dwyer
Matthew Emmett
Cameron Farrell
Daniel Fernandez
Nicholas Fitzgerald
Joseph Fleming
Elliot Ford
Jack Freeman
Matthew Garrett
Stefan Giammarco
Thomas Gillespie
Bartholomew Glasheen
Daniel Gormly
David Gray
Peter Grimble
Rory Grounds
Robert Guzowski
Jack Harris
Anthony Hayes
Timothy Heffernan
Troy Helmich
Adam Herborn
Nicholas Hill
Timothy Hill
Thomas Hopkins
Conrad Hor
Simon Hore-Thorburn
Shane Houwing
Joseph Howard
Michael Howden
Matthew Hundt
James Hunt
Jordan Hunt
Michele Izzo
Brendan Jacquet
Nicholas Jamieson
Hamish Johnstone
Michael Jones
Douglas Joseph
Jeremy Julian
Steven Kalyk
Matthew Keefe
Ben Kelly
Daniel Kelly
James Kelly
Bede Kennedy
Nicholas Kennedy
Thomas Kertesz
Joseph La Cava
Leonard Law
Sean Law
Charles Lee
Joseph Lenehan
Timothy L'Estrange
Justin Lloyd
Samuel Lloyd
Joshua Long
Timothy Ludeke
David MacAlyk
Gregory MacKen
Daniel MacMahon
Nicholas Mallett
Matthew Malloy
Matthew Malouf
Nicholas Marshall
Jesse Martin
Luke Martin
Nicholas Martinez
Jack Masi
Christopher McClay
Xavier McCoy
Henry McKay
Matthew McKay
Lachlan McKillop
Ben McLean
James McManus
William McPhee
Logan Mead
Jonathon Meagher
Michael Meagher
Mitchell Milicich
Christopher Millett
Joseph Molloy
Benjamin Moore
Christopher Moore
Edward Morgan
Jock Mort
Thomas Mort
Gianni Moseley
Christopher Mulcare
Benjamin Murphy
Liam Murphy
William Murray
Christopher Mushan
Jack Needham
Joseph Neely
Alexander Ng
Charles Nigem
John Noonan
Thomas O'Brien
Ronan O'Driscoll
James O'Neill
Joshua O'Neill
Frank Pacetta
Laurence Parker
Robert Passas
Brendan Petersen
Steven Phelps
Laurence Polfanders
Michael Power
Blake Priestly
Christopher Ratcliffe
Aidan Roach
Angus Roberts
William Roberts
Patrick Roche
Lawrence Rushton
Sean Rushton
Louis Russell
Nicholas Ryan
Thomas Ryan
Claudio Santoro
Hugh Satterthwaite
Richard Saunders
James Scobie
Alexander Sharpe
William Shirvington
William Sierakowski
Andrew Smith
Mitchell Soden
Nicholas Sood
Jacob Sperry
Matthew Stenmark
Jacob Stevens
Maximilien Stevens
William Story
Oscar Tatham
Matthew Taylor
William Tickner
Remington Tonkin
Joseph Trotter
Alexander Unmack
Oscar Videan
James Wainwright
Alexander Watson
Mark Watson
Geoffrey Wells
Toby Wiche
Michael Wilenski
Joshua Wilkie
John Wills
Ashley Wing
Matthew Wyndham
William Crowley
Jake Cumbers
Dean Curnow
Teak Curran
Mitchell Dale
James Daly
Mitchell Davies
Mitchell Dawson
Benjamin Diserens
Myles Docker
Brendan Donovan
James Douglas
William Doyle
Charles Duffy
James Easton
Michael Egan
Timothy Egan
Charles Evans
Patrick Everest
Huw Farrell
John Fennel
Nicholas Fergus
Thomas Fernon
Benjamin Fessey
Thomas Forrest
Andrew Fraser
Andrew Frawley
Christopher Gagliardi
Edward Godbold
Harrison Gorman
James Gregg
Christopher Haigh
Alexander Happell
Bartholomew Hardy
Christopher Harrington
Nicholas Harrington
Patrick Harrowsmith
Bryce Hay
Kane Hayes
Joshua Heazlewood
Ryan Henry
David Herlihy
Jonathan Hew
Robert Heyer-Wright
Timothy Higgins
Andrew Hill
Thomas Hovey
Joshua Hung
Jack Hunter
Lawrance Hunting
Maxim Hutton
Matthew Ingram
Samuel Irwin
Max Joseph
Damien Kean
Michael Kennedy
Michael King
Matthew Kirkwood
Anatole Koteczky
Jonathan Kowara
Christopher Kramer
Thomas Krawiec
Timothy Leung
Patrick Levins
Oscar Lewis
David Loneragan
Daniel Long

YEAR 8

Thomas Ainge Roy
Christian Arkell
Hamish Armstrong
Brendan Askey-Doran
Nicholas Baistow
Alex Barbara
Michael Barlow
Mallory Barnes
James Barr
Philip Barton
Patrick Bell
Donald Benn
Harrison Bethwaite
Lachlan Biancardi
Jonathan Bleasel
Franco Bonserio
Charles Broad
Timothy Buckley
William Callanan
Brendan Cameron
Alexander Cantori
Patrick Carey
Edward Carroll
Samuel Carruthers
Matthew Castino
Benjamin Charlton
Jonathan Chong
Ashton Clarke
Jack Clinton
Andrew Collignon
David Constable
Alexander Cook
Andrew Cook
Chesterton Cook
James Corcoran
Matthew Corcoran
Constantine Costi
Nicholas Crampton
Thomas Crandles
D'Arcy Cridland



History and Associated Studies

Back row, from left, Kurt Bartelme, John Limbourn, Dr Greg Haines (Head of Faculty), Declan O'Donoghue, Glenn King, Chris Hayes, Barry Smith
Seated, Stephen Brown, Brad Moar, Michael Turner, Michael Lane, Mark White



Visual Arts and Media Studies

Back row, from left, Katia Durst, Justine Gesterkamp, Mary Dorahy, Donna Wedesweiler
Seated, Michael Christie, Amanda Catling, Julie Stevens, Dean White



Infirmary Staff

Leanne Neal, Audrey Cook and Anne Egger
Absent: Catherine Ryan and Meg Board



Business Operations - Property

Back row, from left, Inset: Chris Fitzgerald, John Hogan, Dave Cobner, Michael Grant, Darren Palmer, David Jones, Chris Diener, James Quiddington, Trevor Bates, Hussain Bux, Steve Pike
Seated, Declan Donnelly, Greg Conlon (Head of Business Operations), Nicole Creenaune, Bob Marsh, Ron Hanby, Graham Clark, Leanne Yates, Gary Johnson

Year 8 (cont'd)

Thomas	Lowden
Thomas	Lowrey
Joseph	MacHart
Raymon	Mainsbridge
Damian	Mair
Christopher	Malouf
Justin	Manevski
Stephen	Manna
Jackson	Mark
Lachlan	McCaffrey
David	McDuling
Nicholas	McElhone
Alastair	McFarland
Dugald	McGinness
James	McGuire
Patrick	McNamara
Thomas	McNamara
Patrick	McNamee
John	McNicholl
Toby	Meagher
Jason	Meek
Patrick	Menary
Stephen	Mesa
James	Metcalfe
Richard	Montano
Patrick	Moran
Samuel	Morse
Michael	Murphy
Sebastian	Murphy
Timothy	Murray
Patrick	Murton
Christopher	Natale
Gabriel	Navidzadeh
Thomas	Neal
James	Nicholson
George	Nimmo
Henry	Norris
James	O'Brien
Thomas	O'Brien
Tomi	O'Connell
Harry	O'Neill
Patrick	O'Neill
Thomas	O'Neill
Oliver	Oxenham
Nicholas	Parrella
Joseph	Payten
Francois	Perrin
Lukas	Perrott
Peter	Perry
Guy	Pinnock
Anthony	Pirrottina
Rhys	Pogonoski
Luke	Prodinger
Edward	Quartly
Adam	Quigley
James	Quirk
William	Radford
Henry	Renshaw
Benjamin	Retter
Thomas	Riley
Liam	Roach
Christopher	Rooney
Edward	Rowe
Anthony	Russo
Diarmuid	Ryan
Patrick	Ryan
Adam	Seeto
Luke	Sheehan
Jack	Smallhorn
Cameron	Smith
Arwin	Soetanto
Andrew	Sommer
Alistair	Stephenson
Jack	Sutherland
Mitchell	Teudt
Andrew	Thomas
Nathan	Thomson
John	Took
Luke	Tsolakides
John	Tucker
Nicholas	Tuxworth
James	Vaughan
Nathan	Vaz
Daniel	Venuti
Sven	Von Sperl
Alexander	Walker
Hayden	Wall
Samuel	Wall
Marcel	Walsh
David	Watson
Konrad	Wehinger
Michael	Wells
Christopher	Whealing
Samuel	Williams
Byron	Wilson
Sebastian	Wirth
Kennard	Wong
Matthew	Wyllie
Laurence	Young
Joseph	Zakaras

YEAR 9

Eamon	Abdi
Jokin	Aboitiz
Adam	Ahern
Thomas	Anderson
Benjamin	Aquilina
Jared	Arnott
William	Atkinson
Edward	Bailey
Michael	Bailey
Jarred	Bambridge
Dominic	Barnes
Mathew	Benjamin
Andrew	Beresh
Andrew	Biady
Tyron	Bicknell
Michael	Bliss
Dane	Bollen
Christopher	Bowie
Patrick	Brassil
Michael	Brogan
Nicholas	Burt
Timothy	Butcher
Mitchell	Bye
James	Caillard
Adam	Campbell
Robert	Carter
Paul	Chandler
Nicholas	Cheung
Dominic	Clapham
Anthony	Clark
Grant	Clark
Oliver	Clarke
James	Cleary
Stephen	Clement
Alistair	Clifton
Benjamin	Cohen
Bryan	Coleman
Alexander	Colvin
Daniel	Condon
Brett	Constantine
David	Conway
Thomas	Coolican
Edward	Corcoran
Daniel	Costa
Nicholas	Cottee
Andrew	Cullen
Henry	Curtin
James	Daldorf
Andrew J	D'Ambrosio
Andrew M	D'Ambrosio
Michael	De Silva
David	De Souza
Alexis	De Vienne
Rafael	Del Rosario
Samuel	Diacos
Andrew	Dickson
Timothy	Dodd
Jarrod	Doyle
Michael	Drury
Patrick	Effeney
Benjamin	Egan
Michael	Falk
Daniel	Fearnley
Tomas	Fekete
Timothy	Fitzgerald
Jonathan	Forsyth
Paul	Francis
David	Friend
Bruce	Gaddin
Ryan	Gall
Matthew	Gallagher
Andrew	Galvin
Kim	Garling
Arthur	Gatt
Matthew	Ghisla
Benjamin	Gilholme
Ciaran	Gill
Thomas	Gillespie
Liam	Gleeson
Geoffrey	Goddard
David	Gordon
Thomas	Gormly
Jack	Graham
Christian	Grant
John	Grant
Sam	Green
Edward	Grey
Henry	Grogan
William	Grounds
Christian	Hagan
Murray	Hansen
James	Harnett
Brendan	Hay
Robert	Hellstern
Charles	Hemmings
Matthew	Herborn
David	Hickey
Patrick	Higgins
Stephen	Higgins
Robert	Hogan
Campbell	Hor
James	Hunt
Thomas	Hutchinson
James	Jedlin
Mark	Jeppesen
Jeremy	Johnson
Gwylim	Johnstone
Leon	Joseph
Timothy	Jude
Sam	Julian
William	Kalyk
Thomas	Kelly
Michael	King
Christopher	Kok
Hugo	Kuan
Nicholas	Lancaster
Kerry	Lane
Patrick	Lang
Christopher	Larkin
James	Lee
Peter	Leitner
Tyrone	Lindqvist
Edward	Livesey
Benjamin	Lloyd
George	Locke
Christopher	Long
Christopher	Lynch
Malcolm	Lynch
William	MacArthur
Alexander	MacLean
William	Mahony
Jack	Mallick
Lloyd	Malouf
Richard	Malouf
Christopher	Marchand
Brian	Marlow-Palmer
Benjamin	Marshall
Matthew	Martin
Philip	Matthews
James	May
Matthew	May
Patrick	McCabe
Christopher	McCullough
Carl	McEncroe
Benjamin	McGahey
Patrick	McGushin
Nicholas	McInerney
Hamish	McKay
Richard	McKeon
Thomas	McMahon
Matthew	McManus
Andrew	Meade
Liam	Meagher
Matthew	Millar
Hugh	Miller
Owen	Miller
Brenton	Montgomery
Aaron	Moore
Edward	Murray
Justin	Ng
John	Nigem
Thomas	Noel
Patrick	Noonan
Nicholas	O'Connor



Centre Information Technology

Back row, inset, Christopher O'Mahoney (Head of Centre), Emma Whiteman, Mathew Powell, Ben Broadfoot, Adam Mauceri
Seated, Sam Butler, David Hayes, Nathan Ferry



TAS

Back row, from left, Bernie Winters, Peter Colledge, Brett Baslin, Jodi Kinchant, Michael Plumley, Adrian Schofield, Mark Diggins
Seated, Don Gock, Leonie Mutch, Ralph Guthrie (Head of Faculty), Carol Kenny, Craig Jeffery



Centre for Learning Support

Back row, Richard Hart, Katie Brindley, Jo-Anne Kragelund, Dale Thompson, Susan Addinall, Davida Hand, Serena Ahern
Seated, Reggie Kidd, Susan Nixon, Jean Agior-Tis (Head of Centre), Margaret Shaw, Julia Burfitt



Housemasters

Back row, Craig Jeffery, Dean Hargreaves, Peter Steffan, Mel Morrow, Jeremy Bennett, Joe Dooley SJ, Charlie Rowe, Jim Busteed, Rob Stuart
Seated, Laurie Byrne (Senior Housemaster), James Rodgers, Annabel Thistlewood, Denis Kelliher

Year 9 (cont'd)

Luke	O'Donnell
Philippe	Oei
Cael	O'Leary
Nicholas	O'Loughlin
William	Passas
Thomas	Peattie
Harry	Peppitt
Timothy	Phelps
Luke	Pittorino
Anthony	Pizzolato
David	Power
Michael	Preiss
Michael	Purtill
Thomas	Rae
James	Reoch
Mitchell	Rixon
William	Robertson
Stuart	Robinson
Brendan	Roche
James	Rogge
Stephen	Rohl
Thomas	Rubenach
Christopher	Ryan
Dominic	Ryan
Thomas	Saunders
Gerard	Searle
Tom	Shannon
Matthew	Sheehan
Ryan	Siviour
Keppell	Smith
Thomas	Smith
Gerard	Smyth
Jack	Smyth
Anthony	Sommer
Dominic	Stack
Glenn	Stephenson
Matthew	Storr
Joshua	Tatham
Geoffrey	Ternes
Thomas	Terrell
Brendan	Tree
Andrew	Turkington
Timothy	Veyret
Matteo	Villani
James	Walsh
Richard	Walsh
Patrick	Warnes
James	Watson
Steven	Watts
Alistair	Webster
Lewis	Westhoff
Stuart	Whiteway
Daniel	Wiedenbein
Benjamin	Williams
Ian	Williams
Michael	Williams
Adam	Wilson
Gavin	Windsor
Sean	Wood
Digby	Woods
Stephen	Wyllie
Alexander	Young

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Daniel	Ahern
Thomas	Ainsworth
James	Amodeo
Dominic	Anderson
Daniel	Aquilina
Liam	Back
Anthony	Baine
Matthew	Barham
Damian	Barlow
Christopher	Bateman
Sebastian	Beilby
Edward	Benecke
Adriano	Biviano
Adrian	Bott
Daniel	Bourke
Michael	Bradley
Edward	Brand
Richard	Braund
Brenden	Brown
Timothy	Buttenshaw
Richard	Cahill
Jakob	Cakarnis
Edward	Callanan
Andrew	Campbell
Patrick	Cape
Gareth	Carroll
Sean	Carroll
Toby	Carroll
Samuel	Chaffey
Kenneth	Cheung
Paul	Chidrawi
Christopher	Clarebrough
Geoffrey	Clarke
Timothy	Clifford
Nicholas	Clift
Richard	Colvin
Nathan	Conaghan
Matthew	Conlon
Samuel	Conrick
Matthew	Cook
Joshua	Coulthurst
Lachlan	Crammond
Nicholas	Crisci
Jack	Cuddigan
Bryan	Curtin
Richard	Curtin
James	Cush
Aaron	Dal Broi
Benjamin	Daley
Campbell	Dalton
Paolo	D'Ambrosio
Jared	Deguara
Robert	Dempsey
Ian	Dennis
Patrick	Dennis
Joel	Di Bella
Jesse	Dixon
Jordan	Down
Robert	Dunn
Samuel	Egan
Christopher	Elsegood
Jackson	England
James	Evans
Michael	Everest
Anthony	Farac
Nicholas	Fearnley
Matthew	Fernandez
Edward	Fernon
Luke	Fisher
Adam	Fitzgerald
Jack	Fitzgerald
Matthew	Flynn
Mark	Fonseka
Benjamin	Forbes
Christian	Forbes
Samuel	Fox
Thomas	Frame
Alexander	Fraunfelter
Jack	Friels
William	George
Thomas	Gorman
Timothy	Graham
William	Gray
Joseph	Greathead
Simon	Grey
Kieran	Grieves
Alain	Guglielmino
Nicholas	Guzowski
Matthew	Hannaford
Nicholas	Happell
Patrick	Hartigan
James	Harvey
Vaughan	Hay
John	Hilton
William	Hiscox
Daniel	Horton
Richard	Hughes
Patrick	Hull
Daniel	Hulme
Benjamin	Hunter
Francisco	Hur
Daniel	Jones
Mark	Joseph
Samuel	Jurd
Karl	Kalamoe
Dominic	Kelly
Jack	Kennedy
Jonathan	Kennedy
William	Kennedy
Thomas	Kent
Andrew	Kerridge
James	King
Thomas	Kirkham
Nicholas	Lalak
Robert	Lamond
William	Laurantus
Darren	Leung
Timothy	Ley
Anthony	L'Huede
Patrick	Liddy
Nathan	Linforth
Robert	Linsley
Benjamin	Long
Simon	Long
Patrick	Lynch
Andrew	MacAlpine
Andrew	Mair
Jarryd	Malouf
Robert	Manna
Patrick	Martin
Christopher	Martino
Timothy	May
Patrick	Mayoh
Kieran	McCaffrey
Mitchell	McClintock
Edward	McCoy
Alexander	McCullagh
James	McCullagh
Michael	McDermott
Matthew	McDougall
Alexander	McEncroe
Blake	McGarry
Richard	McGuire
Alexander	McIntosh
Jacob	McKay
Stuart	McLean
Daniel	McNamara
Henry	Meagher
Thomas	Metzner
Alexander	Miles
William	Miller
Nicolas	Millett
Christopher	Mohen
James	Montano
Tod	Montgomery
Benjamin	Morgan
Nicholas	Morgan
Alexander	Morrison
Mathew	Morrow
Damien	Morton
William	Nathan
Darius	Navidzadeh
Nicholas	Nedeljkovic
Thomas	Needham
Nicholas	Nelson
Jeremy	Neville
Damien	O'Brien
James	O'Brien
Thomas	O'Connor
Thomas	O'Dell
Lachlan	O'Kane
Patrick	O'Mahoney
Spencer	Palfreeman
Simon	Panzarino
Nikolai	Pavlovic
Mitchell	Perrott
Thomas	Phillips
Joseph	Portelli
Michael	Porter
Anthony	Power
Patrick	Pragasam
Samuel	Purcell
Christopher	Radford
Thomas	Radford
Dominic	Reardon
Sam	Resch
Samuel	Ridley
Daniel	Roach
Stuart	Robertson
Tomislav	Rogulj
Christopher	Rolleston
Sam	Rush
Eamon	Ryan
Richard	Salter
Andrew	Samaan
James	Sheehan
Thomas	Silver
Austen	Simpson
Alexander	Smith



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William Tse
Jack Turner
Benjamin Von Sperl
Alexander Vrisakis
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Nicholas Ward
Robert Warmoll
Liam Wells
Martin Whybourne
Angus Wirth
Andrew Wong
Edward Woolrych
Oliver Woolrych
Samuel Young
Christian Ziade

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Dane Andrews
John Andrews
Joshua Andriolo
Alexandre Auzou
Trent Backhouse
Ryan Bailey
Robert Balkin
James Bannister
Temujin Barr
Samuel Barrow
Nicholas Baulderstone
Matthew Beardsley
Robert Bennett
Jason Bertacco
Dominic Biancardi
Jackson Bird
Lachlan Bollen
Marcus Bortolotti
Michael Boyd
Michael Boyle
Andrew Bray
William Brennan
James Brettell
Timothy Brogan
Conor Burke
Richard Buttenshaw
Laurence Bye
Jeremy Byrne
Andrew Cahill
Marco Cantarella
John Carney
Ryan Carroll
Matthew Carter
Hugh Cashmore
Jeremy Chapman
Mark Cheung
Sam Cincinnato
Bradley Clark
Dominic Clark
Matthew Cock
Heath Collins
Kevin Condell
Mitchell Cook
Dean Dal Broi
Nicholas D'Ambrosio
Jason D'Apice
Elliot Davis
David De Candia
Robert Deves
David Dickson-Battye
James Dodd
Luke Doyle
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Jack Dwyer
James Dwyer
David Ellis
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James Fox
James Friend
Christopher Gallagher
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Alexander Graham
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Matthew Green
James Guion
Andrew Hamilton
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William Marsh
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Timothy McBride
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Michael McGuire
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David McIntosh
Andrew McManus
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Samuel Watson
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Matthew Whelan
Timothy Whybourne
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David Wright
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Seated, Phillip Amata, Jenny Hoare, Sharon McLean, Michael Turner, Dominique Marturia (Head of Faculty), Paul O'Sullivan, Michael Lane, Alex Damo



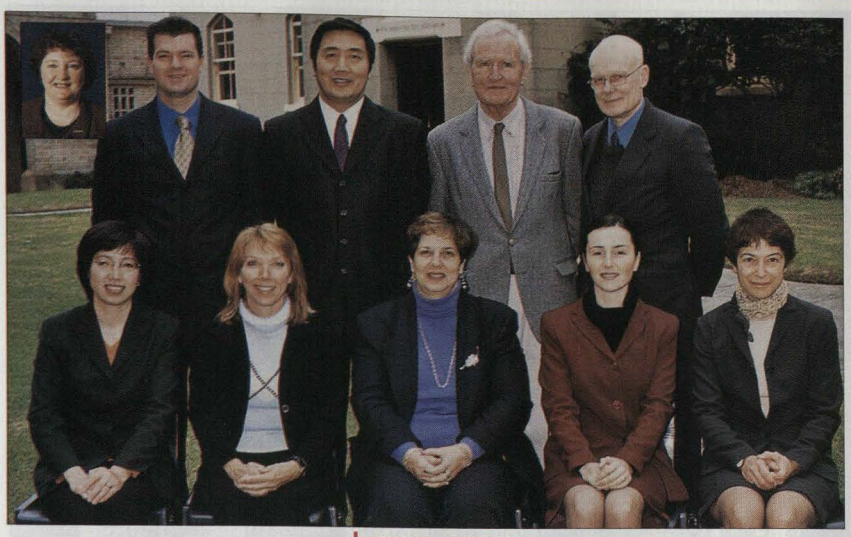
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Back row, from left, Fr Adrian Lyons, Fr Robert Bruce, Inset: Fr Cecil Smith
Seated, from left, Fr David Strong, Fr Robert Davoren, Fr Andrew Bullen, Fr Joseph Dooley

The Jesuit Community has had a few personnel changes this year. The change of Rector in the school meant that Fr Gleeson left to undertake the task of Director of Jesuit Publications, and Fr Bullen returned to Riverview as Rector, a position he held in the late 80s but which does not involve the task of Superior of the Community here as it formerly did.

So, instead of a Rector with charming affability and an enviable golfing handicap, we how have a Rector also with engaging cordiality but a weakness for things artistic.

Fr Bullen since his mid-year arrival has zealously immersed himself in the many meetings, decisions and social engagements that the office entails, and has done so with panache and brio.

The Community numbers expanded with the arrival of Fr Lyons: he continues part-time work as chaplain in another school and assists part-time in the Ignatian Centre here. Recently, he was pleased to see through to the printers a book exploring aspects of Faith.

After writing several books on Jesuit history, Fr Strong, in addition to his work as school chaplain, is researching another book on the work of the Jesuits in China.

The completion of the Middle School complex has brought more smiles to the face of Fr Davoren. And although he has to keep an eye on two campuses as Director of Middle Schooling, he feels the task more manageable now that the buildings are finished.

There were a few teething problems when the boys moved in at the start of the year, but when those issues were dealt with, the many pleasing features of the new building were readily appreciated.

As Chisholm Housemaster, Fr Dooley continues to guide its members with care, good humour and affability. Although he emits some groans at Reporting time, we know the boys benefit from his interest and ready interaction. Not all boys are on his canonisation list; but many are, and he speaks of these in very glowing terms.

Fr Cecil Smith has been spending much time comparing the relative value of various hospitals. He has spent some time sampling the care of RPA, the Mater, Royal North Shore, Hunters Hill Private and Longueville Private.

In the recent past he has 'done time' at various Melbourne hospitals and at one in Geelong, as well as Greenwich. We are eagerly awaiting his definitive book: 'Hospitals I Have Known'.

A few weeks ago, an official from one rehabilitation hospital came to evaluate Cecil's mental acuity. After having taught Maths for many years, Cecil was peeved when he was asked to do a simple subtraction. So, he offered to test the official. He said if he took 3 from 5, what would he have.

When he told the official that her answer of 2, was wrong, it should have been 3, the official gave a weak smile and started edging for the door. Semantics can be a trap for the unwary.

The Community Superior labours gently to keep the Community happy, with reasonable success.

Fr Robert Bruce SJ

Geoffrey James was a man of life, like the Lord, a lover of life, one with an imperishable spirit. We come to thank God with whole hearts for this priest once described by one who loved him as a "larrikin for Christ".

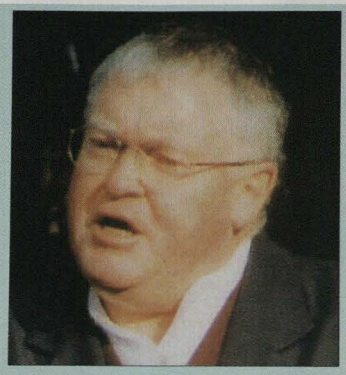
The funeral notice, composed by Geoff's own community here at Hawthron, covered well the ministry of this man who was impish, shrewd, contemplative, and possessed of great zeal:

"Schoolmaster, chaplain and counsellor to many students at St Aloysius' College, Milson's Point; Saint Ignatius' College, Riverview; Xavier College, Kew; St Kevin's College, Toorak; Spiritual Director at Corpus Christi College, Clayton. Parish priest at Norwood, South Australia, and Immaculate Conception, Hawthorn, from April 1997 to the present. His brother Jesuits, along with all those to whom he ministered, especially the bereaved and hurt, will always treasure his fun, friendship and freedom of spirit; and his boundless reserves of compassion for all" ...

It is the Gospel reading that brings us to the heart of this man, whose sense of compassion sent him to the hungry and the thirsty, the naked and the sick, the stranger and the prisoner. He gave so much of his energy and life to the least of his brethren – those stripped naked of hope through loss of loved ones, or imprisoned in grief because of that; those hungry to find their love for Christ again; those thirsty for someone to listen to them and take care of them; those battling great sickness in the midst of families who needed the presence of Geoffrey the priest to strengthen them. And these are precisely the people who will make up Geoffrey's last judgement, these are the ones who evoked the priestly passion of Geoffrey James.

Geoffrey and I were close friends, though a bit like chalk and cheese, according to most observers! At one stage the Provincial sent Geoffrey and myself overseas, so that Geoffrey might study schools and I might study novitiates; in the way of the Jesuits, upon our return, it was I who spent most of my life in schools, and Geoffrey who spent most of his life in the work of formation! When we travelled he wanted to stay in doss houses, and I preferred something a little loftier, so we had to compromise. His sense of fun was known to all. He was one of the first to wear the T-shirt, "I am a priest: in case of accident please call a Catholic".

Geoffrey's father died when Geoffrey was only a young scholastic at Loyola; he was devoted to his mother Eileen over the long years of her life, and the banter between them was constant. While Mrs James would roll her eyes in mock exasperation, Geoffrey would say something like, "even Jesus had trouble with His mother". Mrs James confessed quite openly that she had failed miserably to impart any decent dress sense to Geoffrey. Those at his first Mass might recall that he wore odd socks. It is highly unlikely that the St Vincent De Paul Society will accept the gift of Geoffrey's present wardrobe.



Fr Geoffrey J James SJ

Born: March 8, 1943
Entered Society of Jesus: 1961
Ordained to priesthood: December 15, 1973
Parish Priest Hawthorn: April 1997-August 2003
Died in Christ: August 24, 2003

There are a number of loves that guided Geoffrey's life. One was the love of his own family, his family history and background, and his love for Australia. He was a natural student of history, researching and celebrating well various anniversaries in his family's story, the Carmody's and the James'. He had a great knowledge of detail about Mary MacKillop and the Josephite Sisters, and at the other extreme, of Ned Kelly, a hero to Geoff. Mary MacKillop and Ned Kelly, twin poles of the Australian spirit, part of the soul of Geoffrey James in each of them, both capturing his sense of being himself. He said a Requiem Mass for Ned every year on the anniversary of his hanging.

The Sisters of Mercy in South Australia were heroines for him because of their commitment to the Aboriginal people. In hospital the other night he was talking about his hopes to go to Gallipoli, and make a pilgrimage along the Australian battle sites on the Western Front. We were working together on how to make that project look like an apostolic venture in order to secure the Provincial's permission!

His love of the Society of Jesus and the men who make it up was palpable. Being a member of the Society was his identity. He relished telling and hearing humorous accounts of what we described in earlier years as "the sayings and doings of Ours". Difficult Jesuits seem to have helped his prayer life – just the mention the name of one, and Geoffrey's usual response would be, "Jesus, Mary and Joseph!"

Being a Jesuit was total for him. He made his vows and he accepted fully the imagery Ignatius put into the formula of those vows, that they are a holocaust, an all-consuming offering to the God of love and mission. He was (also) fascinated by our history.

He had a clear love for the Church; its foibles endeared the Church to him rather than alienated him. He was described to me as the cord that kept a number of the alienated connected to the Church. To one man who with a certain brazenness said to Geoffrey, "I am a lapsed Catholic", Geoffrey's reply was, "Good, so am I".

That wasn't the real picture. Despite his constant irreverence, the Church through Word and Sacrament and the people who made it up was the place where Geoffrey met Jesus. His relationship with Christ was familial, it seemed to me. It shone through his conversation, that the relationship to Christ dear to Ignatius, that of the Companion Lord, was one that Geoffrey lived. He felt sorry for Jesus at times. The last time I stayed with him here at Hawthorn, about a month ago, he said to me, as we were once again solving every body else's problems, "poor Jesus, He thought He was founding a Church, and look what he ended up with!"

Be assured, his projection of irreverence was only a thin mask to disguise deep reverence. Those who knew him well know how strongly he was attracted to the contemplative, monastic life. (His cousin, Peter Norden, SJ, told us last night how as a boy he observed Geoffrey praying by himself in St Anne's Church.) He managed to live the activism of a Jesuit fostered, as Ignatius would have it, by the quiet centre of his prayer life. "Be still, and know that I am God."

As we all know, there was something of the iconoclast in Geoffrey, literally in the case of some statutes, but this was balanced by his great love for the liturgy; he was an eloquent word maker, a very good preacher, and he revelled in symbolism and the power of the liturgy. The words of the prayer for a priest who has died are apt for Geoffrey, that he might rejoice forever in the vision of the mysteries which he faithfully ministered here on earth.

We Australian Jesuits will miss this man greatly. People, lay and religious, cherished Geoffrey's friendship; the proof is how they maintained it over the years and the distances they came to see him. The testimonies to him since he died have been strong – said one, "He salvaged our family out of disaster" after a tragic young death; another said that he gave strength and peace to those wounded beyond the limit.

What a gift he was to us, this larrikin man of prayer and compassion. It is the practice at the Requiem of a priest to place the chalice and stole on his coffin, and to position the body so that the priest's head is towards the altar. It has something to do with consecration. It is probably one of the very few external indications of priesthood that Geoffrey would tolerate: Consecration.

Fr Greg O'Kelly, SJ

Extracts taken from the homily given at the Requiem Mass for Fr Geoffrey James SJ, at the Immacualte Conception Church, Hawthorn Victoria, Thursday, August 28, 2003

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During 2003 a recurring phrase has reminded the students and staff that the 'core business' of the College is teaching and learning. The teachers are responsible in implementing the mission of creating young people who are not only going to succeed in exams but are going to make a difference in this world by their generosity, service and seeking justice.

The ultimate goal of Jesuit education is the Ignatian ideal of Ad Maiorem Dei Gloriam , (AMDG) or For the Greater Glory of God. Within the structure of the College's management and administration, this office is charged with the responsibility of overseeing the direction, content and vision of the curriculum. In any school the curriculum is the vehicle by which learning occurs.

Fundamentally, the Director of Senior Schooling is to be of service to the Heads of Faculty and assist them in their leadership. The numerous activities of the Director include developing policies and procedures and organizing classes for effective teaching and learning to take place.

HSC Results 2002

The results of the 2002 HSC were very pleasing and impressive over all. Given that the College is not academically selective; to achieve 61% of students in the top 20% of the State reflects the sound commitment to learning of all those involved, students, parents, boarding staff and teachers. This figure represents our best result in six years. The College is also proud of an average UAI of 79.

Some of the highlights are as follows:

- Jack Tregoning, Dux of 2002 who obtained a UAI of 99.6. Jack also scored 90 or above in his best 10 Units and received a Premier's Award.
- Daniel Roberts gained a UAI of 99.10 a score in excess of 90% in his best 10 units and received a Premier's Award.
- Thomas Finn received a UAI of 98.85 a score in excess of 90% in his best 10 units and received a Premiers'sAward.
- Riverview students also received 146 mentions in the top band Merit lists published by the Board of Studies.

Each year we look at courses in which Riverview's results are outstanding. For 2002, based on a high ranking in Performance Band 6 Ratio, Performance on Exam Mean and Performance on Variation from State Exam Mean the following course results were excellent, Aboriginal Studies, Chemistry, Ancient History, Geography, English Extension 2, General Mathematics, Mathematics 2Unit, Music Courses1 and 2, Music Extension, Modern History and Visual Arts. We note again too that the breadth of these subjects is not just a tribute to the boys themselves, but also to the teachers and traditions of Riverview in seeking excellence in all that we do.

If we consider the UAI scores for the year we note with pleasure that the results were strong. Almost a third of our boys were in the top 10% of the State and we had a notable shift of the middle range students towards the top with 77 % of boys in the top 30 % of the State.

Year 9 Challenge

Following the last three years' outstanding success, the Year 9 Challenge this office in association with the co-coordinator of the project, Mr. Brad Cooper undertook enlarging the project to occupy three weeks from traditional classroom activities. Each Year 9 boy would spend three days each in the Powerhouse Museum, the bush, NIDA the Australian Television, Film, and Radio School (ATFRS) and a school-based course comprising of The Royal Lifesaving Society's Bronze Medallion, a History day at Cockatoo Island and the Maritime Museum. A surf education day at Manly Beach and a hospitality course in association with the Manly International College for Hospitality and Tourism.

On one night of each of the weeks, the boys would cook and serve their parents a wonderful meal at the Hospitality College at Manly. The boys would also go on retreat with their respective House. The basis for the programme is grounded in giving the students opportunities to develop Key Competencies that pervade the current educational thinking. These competencies include:

- Collecting, analyzing and organizing information
- Communicating ideas and information
- Planning and organizing activities
- Working with others in teams
- Solving problems
- Using technology

The outcomes of the 4 week project is to activate the boys' minds and for them to:

- Develop Christian values
- Gain competence in speaking, listening, reading and writing
- Develop critical thinking
- Make decisions
- Understand the world of work
- Adapt to change
- Use initiative

The ATFRS course gave the boys the opportunity to develop skills in interviewing, vocal development, writing for Radio, on air practice and presenting a shift. At NIDA the boys receive an introductory course in drama and acting skills. Thank you to Ms Pauline Cain for her organization of this new component to the project.

The Bush experience was a very challenging trek for three days through the Bungonia SRA followed by the option caving with either their father or mentor. Ms Venta Protas and Southbound Adventures expertly organized this tour.

The City experience, which is documented elsewhere in the OAM, gave the boys the opportunity to examine the city as a living entity. For three days the boys would work in groups to explore and explain some facet of life in the city, whether it be transportation, entertainment, food, law and order or a topic of their choice. The use of technology was essential in presenting the final report. Mr Brad Cooper orchestrated the whole experience. The technology base came from the expertise of Mr David Hayes and Mr Barry Smith.

I thank Mr Peter McLean, the Prefect of Studies for his excellent organization of classes and teachers this year. The Heads of Faculty for their outstanding leadership and teamwork during 2003. Also Ms Judith Powell, my P.A. performed her duties magnificently. Her professionalism ensured a new benchmark in the quality of reports. Her organizational skills also meant this office was able to perform duties with speed and effectiveness.

Mr Christopher Hayes



Year 9 at NIDA taking part in a Vocal Workshop Photo by Pauline Cain

report by the director of religious formation

The spirit of the College is alive in many areas and religious formation is no exception.

All Year 12 students of 2003 began their HSC Religious Education classes (both school based classes and Studies of Religion classes) reflecting on the different aspects of their education at Riverview, in light of its Catholic, Ignatian tradition.

After a considerable amount of reading and reflecting, they were required to draw some conclusions about the relevance of this in their lives and the impact this may have on them in the future. Their reports were insightful, clearly articulating how a Catholic, Ignatian tradition comes alive only when it is lived.

They understood how a well-rounded, genuinely Ignatian education involves not only the intellectual component and the normal co-curricular component of sport, drama, music and debating, but also includes the areas of service, retreats and liturgy.

They acknowledged the value of reflection on experience and that action flowing from this reflection leads to change and development.

I mention these reports to give a clear example of the many dimensions associated with Religious Formation. It involves bringing together, in a religious context, the rich diversity of activities in which the boys participate. This formation is nurtured by all members of the staff involved in the lives of the boys, where certain values are presented which resonate with the ethos of the school.

It must be remembered, however, that parents are the first and foremost educators of their children. We can provide opportunities for the students to have a variety of experiences, but mostly they will be influenced by their parents, the values they have, and how they respond to important issues.

It is very heartening that so many parents show interest in direct involvement with us, and are concerned enough to request that opportunities for formation be provided for them as well. Over the year there has been a number of mini courses and one-night presentations which have been well attended by parents who wish to discuss and become more aware of their own spiritual and religious growth, as well as that of their sons.

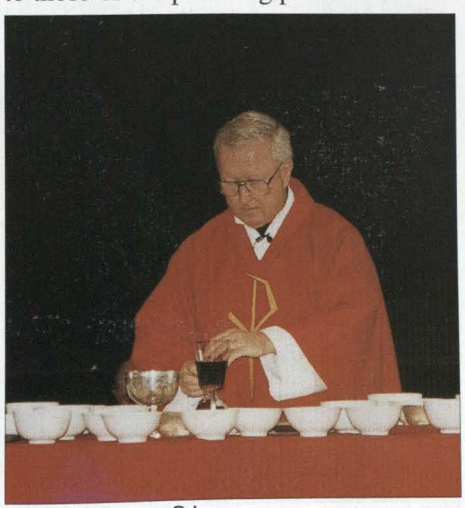
Working with Michael Gray, Fr Andrew Bullen and Fr Adrian Lyons, in this area, has been a wonderful experience for me as they share their wisdom and knowledge. The staff formation programs have been another area that has flourished during 2003. Just like our parents, the staff at the College, are requesting personal and religious formation. There is a variety of programs which are available through the Ignatian centre: Bob Hanley and Fr David Strong join us in this aspect of our work. Their charismatic personalities, life experiences and knowledge are greatly appreciated by all.

During this year the Religious Education department relocated into the area where the Ignatian Centre was established. This has allowed for 'the union of head and heart' to be realised.

The need to have an integrated approach to all areas of a student's development has meant that there has been a review of class liturgies, retreats and faith in service, in conjunction with the curriculum, aimed at ensuring that the cognitive and affective areas of a boy's development are working together.

The College Retreats Program has been sequentially devised with a view to making explicit links with curriculum issues that are covered in the same period of time. Greg Whealing's efforts in this area are to be commended. The Faith in Service program is currently being reviewed and developed with a cognitive aspect to it that is infiltrating the Year 7 Religious Education classes. Mark Diggins has a long term plan to continue this development through the senior school. His keen interest and his creativity in this area are being increasingly appreciated.

Throughout the year, under the generous and gentle direction of Fr. David Strong, individual RE teachers help the boys to prepare and be involved in a class Eucharist. Care is taken to bring into these celebrations themes and issues that are being discussed in class, and the boys appreciate the opportunity offered in a small group, to add their own reflections to those of the presiding priest.



Fr David Strong SJ

I thank Fr Strong for putting in so much time and effort into making these class liturgies memorable and I thank Fr Joe Dooley also for his participation. Middle School liturgies have also been inspiring throughout the year under the direction of Mary Diggins. Her expertise in this area has been most evident.

The work of the Housemasters and homeroom teachers is extraordinary in terms of their relationships with the students and the role they play in retreats, service programs and other areas of faith formation. I take this opportunity to thank them for their work and assistance in this area of the boy's development.

As I reflect on my first year at the College, I marvel at the diversity of opportunities that exists to explore and develop the religious formation among all members of the community. The richness of the Ignatian charism and its relevance to today's society provide a framework which ensures that all have been given ample opportunity to grow completely as people.

One of the highlights are the student Masses which I have written about in Viewpoint at various times throughout the year. These provide opportunities to see students share talents, provide reflections on readings and develop videos or powerpoint presentations which encompass significant aspects of their lives. I always find them very inspiring.

These Masses are held every three weeks or so; they are run by the students; they are voluntary for Years 9 – 12 and provide a chance to celebrate as a community. The fact that more than 600 plus boys attend says much. And at those sad times as experienced during the year, such as the loss of Billy and Sam, having a ritual and a faith that can be called on to comfort and give guidance is a gift that needs to be acknowledged.

Over the year there has been more direct liaison between the Ignatian Centre and the Religious Education Curriculum. I thank Michael Gray for his leadership, enthusiasm, guidance and friendship throughout the year. I look forward to continued developments in this area in the future.

Mrs Jennie Hickey

"Everything that happens in this world happens at the time God chooses. He sets the time for birth and the time for death..." (Ecclesiastes 3:1-2)

2003 will go down in the history of Saint Ignatius' College boarding as a most memorable one, for this year our boarding community experienced some great highs and some very challenging lows.

However, with great faith in God, wonderful support from the extended Riverview family, very caring staff and a resilience and strength drawn from each other, these young men have not just survived but grown stronger for the experiences they have shared.

Junior Division arrived to be greeted by their Big Brothers from Year 11 Division. This initiative by Mr Ross Whitfeld, one of the College counsellors, helped the boys ease gently into the ways of the boarding house while giving them an older boy to link with and go to for assistance when required.

Those in the Big Brothers' Club had pizza and video nights, a meal out at a local restaurant and many other activities to assist with the acclimatisation process. Mr Sheehan guided the boys through their first year of boarding with a minimum of homesickness and many happy times.

Year 8 Division with Mr Egger in charge had a most enjoyable year and the boys will be remembered as the last boarders to live in the Doyle/Main Building area. Year 8 Division next year will be situated across the road in the refurbished Junior Division building. While it has been a climb up the stairs for many parents and boys over the years, the boys have very much enjoyed the camaraderie that comes with close living and the space of the old recreation room.

The Fr Power SJ room was blessed early in the year as the new Year 9 Division recreation room. The extensions to St John's House made for a most pleasant environment with a bright recreation area, a parents' retreat, as well as new bathrooms and a computer room. Recent old boys wouldn't recognise the old concrete building in which they completed their years in boarding. Mr Farnsworth has gone to great lengths to make the building as hospitable as possible for the boarders.

The house full sign was up for Year 10 Division this year with a number of boys on a waiting list to join the 62 boarders. Special thanks to Mr Johnson and Mr Szabo who shared the role of Division Master during Mr Thompson's well deserved long service leave in Term 3. The Chapel Sunday big BBQ breakfasts were quite a hit with the lads as was the big screen TV footy nights Mr Thompson organised.

An influx of new boarders into Year 11 Division particularly from the Riverina and the North Coast added to the diversity of talent evident amongst the boys. It is no surprise that we again won the Brennan Cup for Australian Rules Football with such enthusiasts around.

Mr Damo's gentle yet firm guidance made for a very happy year. Congratulations to the Captain of Boarders for 2004, Michael Boyle, the Beadle, Simon Hegarty, and the young men elected to the very important role of Proctor - Richard Buttenshaw, Edward Hiscox, Timothy Ireson, Nicholas Jones, Anton Joris, Daniel Kelly, Michael Ryan, Benjamin Tickner, Jack Walker and Michael Zucker.

I have been fortunate enough to witness several 50 year reunions of men who attended boarding schools in their youth. When these older men meet it is like a family gathering with old nicknames used and stories recounted. Many are even closer than brothers with the familiarity of having shared a significant part of their adolescence together. So it is no surprise that the death of Billy O'Connor and Sam Turner affected our whole College community, but especially our Year 12 Division in a very significant way.

Champions in all walks of life are those who pick themselves up after a loss. Our Year 12 division were champions to a man in the way that they supported each other and soldiered on after what was the most devastating of losses. Billy and Sam were so popular and so much loved by their mates that to cope with this and move on necessitated tremendous courage and mutual support. The members of Year 12 Division 2003 are to be congratulated that they were able to achieve so much in these circumstances.

Elsewhere in this Alma Mater will be chronicled the many and varied achievements of our senior men this year and those involved will say how they were especially motivated by the memory of their lost brothers, Billy and Sam. However, none of these achievements match the strength displayed by Billy and Sam's friends who persevered and finished with such dignity in their final two terms.

The leadership displayed by Justin Fleming, Captain of Boarders, Declan Walsh, the Beadle, and all the Proctors was of an exceptional standard and this helped the Division tremendously. Right to the very end when on their final day of Year 12 they collected money for Royal North Shore Hospital with a sausage sizzle and windscreen wash, these young men showed what it was to be truly 'men for others'.

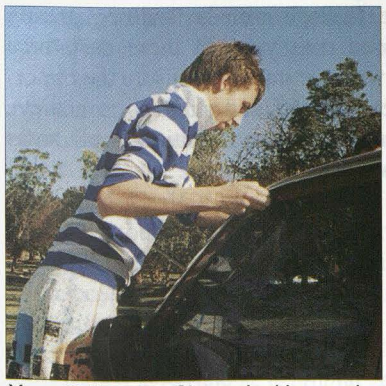
Special thanks must go to Mr Neil Mushan who guided Year 12 Division so wonderfully throughout this year. His leadership and care was of an extraordinary nature and instrumental in the success of the Division.

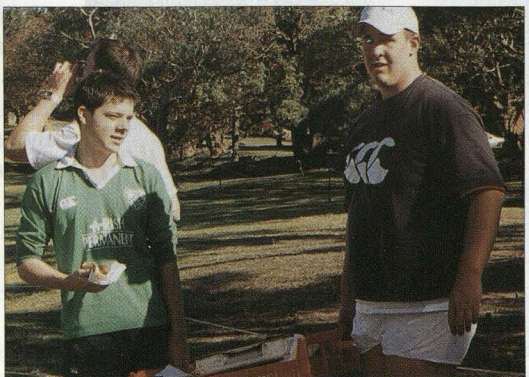
So many people from among the entire Riverview community have contributed to the Boarding community this year that it is difficult to thank them all. Some 50 plus staff are involved in the out of school hours care for the boarders in many areas from supervision within the Division, at the Gartlan, in the Library, or in the Health Centre.

My personal thanks to Mrs Sally Deves, Convenor of the Boarder Parents' Association, who is a great funnel of information from our parents and to Mrs Sandy Rankin who does such a wonderful job especially looking after the boys and their travel.

The culmination of each year brings with it many families departing the College, some after quite lengthy periods of association. It has indeed been a privilege to have been associated with so many wonderful people and I thank all these parents for their support. I look forward to catching up soon.

Mr Mark McGinnity





Year 12 Boarder, Simon Jenkins washes a car, while Andrew Ford and Simon Angove give away free bbq'd sausages in an early morning fund raiser for Royal North Shore Hospital

report by the director of co-curriculum

The Co-Curriculum program continues to be a vibrant part of the College, demonstrating the diversity of interests, skills and talents of staff and students. The expanded sports and activities offer all our students a wonderful opportunity to discover their talents and gifts in an atmosphere of shared enjoyment celebrating both effort and achievement.

The key themes constantly reinforced this year to promote co-curriculum areas have been: enthusiasm, humility, fair-mindedness, and competitiveness. In the activities all boys are encouraged to find an area where one's talents can be enhanced and developed; whilst in sport emphasising that our games are played with other teams and not against them promotes an understanding and acceptance of visiting schools more consciously.

The introduction of Golf and Volleyball followed their introduction in other GPS schools, and Rugby League responded to the interest that had been expressed. Many boys have played prior to coming to the College and some still play in addition to their school sport. In Golf and Rugby League we secured representation at the CIS level. In addition, we've had success in Mountain Bike Cycling, Fencing, as well as Snow-Skiing and Diving where the boys have done well, securing both State and National titles.

In Debating our representation and honours extend to the World Championship level and consolidate our reputation in this century old practice of articulating thoughts, argument and public speaking. The Performing Arts students in drama and music have continued to be challenged and extended in their creativity, endeavour and achieved a high level of performance and public acclaim.

Again in these areas having students attain National representation for Drama (Shakespearian Festival) and recognition for their contribution to the wider community in musical performances brings credit to both staff and students.

Accompanying this the Co-Curriculum Awards Assemblies in both semesters have justifiably given accolade and applause to boys at all Year levels. The expansion of the awards system has been deliberately planned to ensure that due and appropriate recognition is given to all boys. By year's end 1200 awards had been presented from the highest individual honours, team successes, specific team based awards to the introduction of awards in our activities programs.

This year, our success is recorded with the following GPS Premierships: Association Football – Soccer (1st XI) – an historic fifth successive title, Cross Country Running (U16) Swimming (Senior), Tennis (2nds), Rowing (2nd IV, 4th IV), Rugby Football (1st XV), Track and Field – Athletics (Junior and Senior Division), Debating (GPS 1sts, ISDA 1sts).

In eight GPS sports our competition finishes also recorded seven runners-up places. The consistency of the second teams and those below is remarkable and is a factor in ensuring those at the highest level sustain their commitment and value their place and opportunity highly.

Much of this year would not have been possible without the Year 12 students providing a focus and direction to all students and, by their own participation and interest, they have shown the significance of being involved. The senior students in each area and the student leadership of Tom Van Beek, Justin Fleming and Sean Williams are thanked for their selfless commitment and interest in all areas.

Two of their peers are duly honoured for the international honours they attained in the two areas of co-curriculum – activities and sport: Christopher Croke (Australian Debating Team captain – World Championship winning team) and Angus Campbell (Australian Junior Men's coxed IV World Championship winning crew). As well, the leaders of the various areas of sport and activities and the respective senior teams have all left a legacy that will be built upon in the years ahead.

This year, many events and decisions on a global scale have touched our lives. The social and political issue that confront us are discussed and represented in the voluntary groups we have - Aboriginal Reconciliation, Amnesty International, Philosophy Club, Hot Potato Shop, Debating and Public Speaking.

The Gulf War gave rise to much interest and debate with the newly formed Student Action Group attending the Student City Rally. Furthermore, I attended with student representatives the Sydney Peace Forum – charged with developing a program of awareness, education and participation by all students.

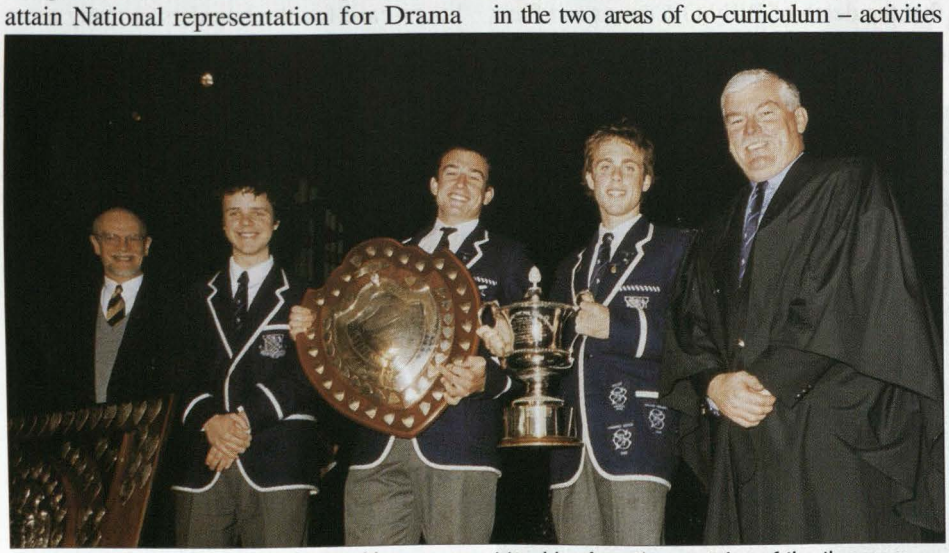
The encouragement of the individual in becoming more confident and skillful members of a contemporary society is evident within the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme and it is an area that we encourage more boys to participate. The community service component of the award cannot be under-valued as its impact is lifelong.

The accompanying reports of this edition record the details of the sports and activities throughout the year.

As we approach the end of the year the review process of this area has identified an acceptance of practices, standards and strategies. There has been much acknowledged change in response to a school that has grown and diversified. Of great satisfaction is the identifiable improvement and changed culture of acceptance and equity.

Further improvements in the development of coaching and staffing of our sports and enhanced administration and reporting will follow. In addition, the use of the College website will be greatly improved next year. In these past three years we have started to ensure the opportunities for staff and students to achieve and enjoy the opportunities in all areas are provided.

Mr Chris Kitching



Fr Andrew Bullen SJ and Mr Shane Hogan accept trophies from the captains of the three premiership winning 1st teams - Debating (Chris Croke), Rugby (Michael Roche) and Soccer, Nicholas Guglielmino.

In July this year, James Rodgers spoke at the International Boys' Schools Coalition Conference at Shore School on "Boys' Sport, Self Esteem and Resilience" In his talk, James discussed the signifcant role teachers have on developing the right attitude towards sport in schools.

"Any Headmaster knows that school morale can be affected gradually by the school's performance in sport. It has always been a thin line, because if teams win too much, boys become barbarous; if they do not win often enough, they become mutinous." (Fr Greg O'Kelly SJ, 1990, 1).

I would argue that competitive sport by itself in schools is neither good nor bad. But its value depends on the culture and context of the school and the values and integrity of the coach.

Let us be careful about this notion of culture. What matters is not necessarily the stated culture or the mission statement or what the Principal thinks but what boys feel that people want them to do.

In West's studies, the message from boys is clear:

"Peers, parents, and teachers want us to be heroes. We have to prove our masculinity on the football field....." (West, 1998, 47).

As West has further observed this year, it is no use for mothers to preach a gentle masculinity if boys are bombarded with TV images telling them to be mean and competitive and it is futile for father to tell them to do their best if we keep seeing that winners take all or that winners are the only grinners.

"Without strong counter-images, boys won't be able to construct an alternative discourse on masculinity or even bounce back from the inevitable losses and disappointments on and off the sporting fields.

So we need to see schools as counter cultural in their approach to competitive sports and as formative in nature.

Sport, then, should be part of the formative process in schools as we as teachers are charged with the development of the whole person: mind, heart, soul and body.

We need to see part as just one of the educational experiences in schools and to teach that we should be indifferent to praise and recognition.

Placing too much emphasis on colours, awards, prestige can destroy resilience when boys don't achieve or miss selection in the top teams.

And the need to see sport as one of the educational experiences is crucial. Gard's (2001, 232) conclusion to his research and experience in schools is that we should avoid simply playing sport:

"As much as possible, the act of doing sport (should be) embedded within a broader pedagogy, not simply a thing done by itself and for its own sake."

And this would seem to stop the over reaction when competitive sport leads to unhealthy excess that can then produce one dimensional boys.

I heard Hugh Rose recently propose a solution to 'sporting scholarships' as a means of bolstering a school team's success. He saw competition as the devil and proposed removing competition and premierships from school.

I would still argue that the school needs to have its values straight before this drastic measure.

There is still room for healthy competition that produces fine qualities and enhances self esteem.

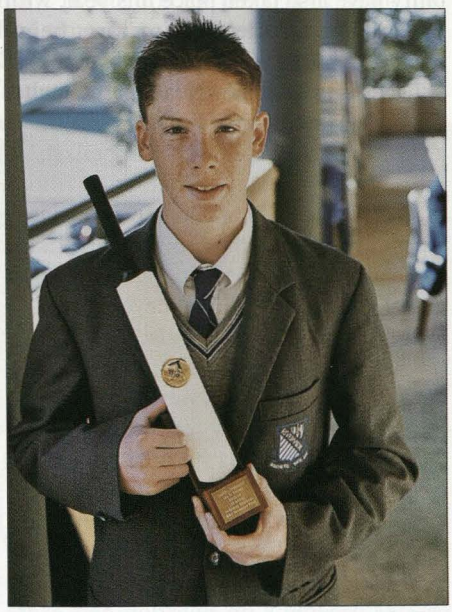
I would emphasise the crucial factor here is that teachers continue to coach sports in schools or at least have a measure of control and responsibility over the sports.

"If sport is taken out of the control of the teacher, then many of the so called values of sport may be lost." (O'Kelly, 1990, 5).

"With specialised professional coaches coming into the various branches of sport, then there is the danger of a segmented view, a partial vision of the person, and the likelihood that there may not be communication on the overall development of the child." (O'Kelly, 1990, 6).

TEACHERS' AND COACHES' ROLES

A lot of research suggests that the key factor in boys' achievement and resilience and feeling of well being is the attitude of the teacher and, in this context, the teacher as coach.



David Loneragan with his trophy for scoring 102 (retired) against SGS

Those who model a healthy approach to sport:

- emphasise the process, not the result; the journey, not the destination; the result is what the players deserve not just what they desire
- value their players for who they are rather then what they do or achieve
- emphasise individual improvements and then build resilience through those improvements
- play an important role in countering other over zealous and unhealthy influences
- model fairness, honesty, integrity and instil in their players a love for the game
- encourage confidence in trial and error learning. In this respect, boys must be helped to realise that mistakes are an important ingredient in the process of learning. Thus, coaches must emphasise what their players can do.
- encourage their players to reflect on and confront inevitable failures along the way.

"When we impulsively protect our children from failure, we deprive them of learning the skills (of persistence)...." (Seligman, 1995).

Or, as the Roman philosopher, Seneca observed:

"If a child has always been given everything he asked for; If his anxious mother always comforted him when he cried or let him do what he wanted, he will never be able to cope with anything unpleasant."

And there is evidence now that boys who are task oriented may have their self esteem enhanced by participation in competitive sport. In these boys, sport promotes the value of increased personal mastery and fosters behaviours that made boys respectful citizens. (White et al, 1998, 474).

In these sports, it is the team emphasis that is the saviour. Achieving a team goal or achieving a personal standard builds resilience.

Mr James Rodgers

report from the director of staff services

In a speech on the Reform Bill of 1867, Benjamin Disraeli said, "In a progressive country change is constant; change is inevitable". Disraeli's description of a progressive country applies equally well to a progressive educational institution. Change has been a constant at Riverview in recent times and, in a rapidly changing world, one could argue that meaningful change is not only inevitable but desirable.

The real skill in implementing meaningful and effective change, is to be able to critically assess (and change where necessary) operating practices, specific goals and strategies, while ensuring the College's framework of strongly held core values and purpose are preserved. Success depends on how well we achieve this balance.

The 'Preferred Futures Project', which commenced in the second half of this year and whose very rationale is how best the College should meet the challenges of a changing future in the local and broader community, is also in a way a balancing act – a mixture of the known and the unknowable, of truth and speculation. We dream of where we want to be and endeavour to provide the blueprint that will enable us to realise those dreams; of what to change and what to preserve.

William Wordsworth once said that he thought of himself as a man with certain powers of imagination, but limited powers of invention. In other words he knew what to do with a story once he had hold of one, but was no good at making things up from scratch.

The challenge in charting a new course for the College for those who work and study here, is to utilise the powers of imagination and invention from as broad a spectrum of people as possible, so as to continue to make our story profound and valuable now and into the future.

2003 has been a year of significant change at the College. In last year's report, it was observed that the expansion of the Regis Campus presented the College with an exciting opportunity to welcome many new staff to the College and of the primary importance of quality staff to school effectiveness. As the year draws to a close, it is evident that the staff new to the College in 2003 have graced Riverview with their presence and professionalism and made the College a more effective educational community.

However, change does not necessarily have to be momentous to be profound. Subtle, gradual change can also have a lasting, long-term effect. Change has occurred during this year in the way we do things as a staff. For example, the change in emphasis on learning and development programs for members of staff has seen professional development opportunities being undertaken in ever increasing numbers.

To the end of November 2003, more than 300 individual professional inservicing opportunities have been undertaken by College staff. Another change in 2003 has been the incorporation of an IT period into the teaching load of academic staff to allow them to further develop their computer skills.

The year has also seen a marked increase in the number of teachers involving themselves in SC and HSC marking. And, once again, the College is supporting a number of staff undertaking postgraduate university studies that are relevant to the College's educational and operational program.

All of these professional development programs run parallel to the work of the Ignatian Centre Team, who provide Ignatian Formation Programs for staff in all stages of their careers at the College, to ensure that the balance between change and the preservation of values and purpose is maintained.

Change has also occurred in 2003 in the way we as a staff evaluate our roles and plan for the future. The Individual Review and Development System was undertaken this year by all academic staff and has successfully promoted the Ignatian idea of action based upon reflection. The individual review and development system has been a catalyst for stimulating the demand for personal and professional development opportunities.

Rigorous reviews of performance for those in contracted positions of responsibility have also taken place this year, with six of the College Directors being reviewed by external panels of experts. Other staff, such as Heads of Faculty, Division Masters and Housemasters, have also undergone processes of appraisal.

For the first time this year, those Managers who work in the Business Operations area of the College will undergo a review of performance and engage in personal and professional development.

Significant change has also occurred in the nature of our staff support programs during 2003. The Riverview Staff Benefit Program was greatly expanded during 2003 and now affords staff the opportunity to avail themselves of a greater range of financial services and lifestyle services. Similarly, the College's Health and Wellbeing Program has conducted successful programs on nutrition and exercise so as to promote healthy lifestyle choices among staff.

Earlier this year, I spoke to College Council and stated that the work of Staff Services could be broadly categorised into three main areas of endeavour; to be professional and efficient, to add value, and to be relevant.

To be professional and efficient, Staff Services strives at all times to be professional in conduct, responsive, communicative, hard-working and accountable. Staff Services has to provide a benefit to the College and its staff through the promotion of positive employment relations, effective policy development, constructive advice and high quality administrative services, within the constraints of relevant legislation and industrial awards.

Another aim is to add value to a staff member's experience of working at Riverview. Working at Riverview has always been a unique experience for staff due to the added dimension of spiritual formation, participation in co-curriculum activities, and pastoral care, all activities that are not a part of most people's daily working lives.

However, we believe that through a comprehensive staff support program we can further enhance the employment experience for our staff and attract new staff to the College. The aim of our support programs is to assist and support staff in a variety of ways so that they are able to pursue their specific role at the College and develop their careers at Riverview.

The third main area of endeavour is for Staff Services to be relevant to the College. It is important for us not to define ourselves too narrowly as simply an administrative arm of the executive. The true worth of Staff Services will be the way in which we make ourselves relevant to the every day tasks and responsibilities with which staff have to deal. It is by being involved in the process of learning and development, the review process, and leadership training, that we can assist the work of the College.

In the performance of all of these tasks, I would like to publicly acknowledge the work of my dedicated assistant, Mrs Kasia Mulukin.

Finally, in last year's report, I stated that it is the staff of the College who deal with the students and parents of Riverview each and every day and it is they who will ultimately determine whether or not we fulfil our mission. While change itself is a constant, according to Benjamin Disraeli, so to is the pre-eminent role of all staff in ensuring school effectiveness.

Mr Paul Brown

2003 was the year in which the Middle School at Riverview finally gained the building and facilities which had long been in the planning stage.

It was the year that Year 7 moved from the traditional location in Junior School across to be part of the Therry Campus which they shared with the Year 8 boys.

This Therry Campus included 17 classrooms, the Therry Hall, a chapel, an administration office, a computer lab, staff facilities, staff room and offices, a toilet block and also a canteen. Outdoor facilities included a courtyard and twin basketball courts.

2003 was also the year that the junior classes were expanded to include four years each in Year 5 and Year 6. The Junior School was renamed the Regis Campus in 2003.

The Junior School, renamed the Regis Campus, had additional classes in Years 5 and 6, and so some renovations were necessary. A new music room was set up together with an additional Year 5 classroom A thorough paint job rendered the Regis campus bright and shining ready for the new year. On the main campus, renovations to the Therry Wing provided a home for the boys of Years 7 and 8.

Each student in the Middle School is under the care of a Homeroom Teacher. In Year 8, the team of Homeroom teachers was led by the Coordinator, Mr Sab Trovato and he was assisted by Mr Kurt Bartelme. Mr Robert Gough, Mr Paul O'Sullivan and Mr Brad Moar were teachers that had been with us in the Middle School for some years.

Mrs Jo-Anne Kragelund had been a Middle School teacher for some years, but left part way through 2003 to take up a posting in a Chinese school. She made a significant contribution to the life of the Middle School especially in her work in Learning Support.

Mr Stephen Brown was with us for some time as Homeroom Teacher of Year 8.3. Unfortunately, family commitments required his presence in Tasmania. His place was taken over by Miss Elizabeth Phelan who ably followed on the academic direction and pastoral care of the boys. We were also pleased to have Miss Kathleen Bindley join our team and she took up much of the work in the area of Learning Support mentioned earlier.

The Year 7 team was led by Mr Martin Collins assisted by Mr Terry Shore. Other members of the Year 7 team included Ms Jenny Hoare, Mr Philip Amata and Mrs Mary Diggins. We were pleased to have new teachers join our Year 7 team in 2003 and these included Mr Paul Adams, Mrs Angela Newey and Mrs Therese Herborn.

The absence of Year 7 and additional Years 5 and 6 classes meant that the Regis Campus in 2003 was quite a different learning environment than previously. In Year 6, Mr Peter Rizzardini led the team of four Homeroom teachers who included Ms Georgia Smith, Mr Peter Burke and Mrs Margaret Cullen. Mrs Cullen was charged with the responsibility of providing for teacher absences which she did in a most competent fashion.

In Year 5, Mr George Cassar was the Year Coordinator and the Year 5 team included Mr David Johnson, Miss Erica Reading, and Miss Tina Brayan. There were also several specialist teachers who taught at the Regis campus this year. These included Ms Mary Dorahy in Visual Arts, and Mr Michael Noud who taught PDHPE in addition to coordinating the inter-school sports programme. Ms Susan Millar took Drama classes and directed "Wind in the Willows" our dramatic production for the Year. And for the first time, boys in Years 5 and 6 studied Chinese (Mandarin) throughout the year. They were taught by Ms Jiewen Liu who also taught on the Senior Campus.

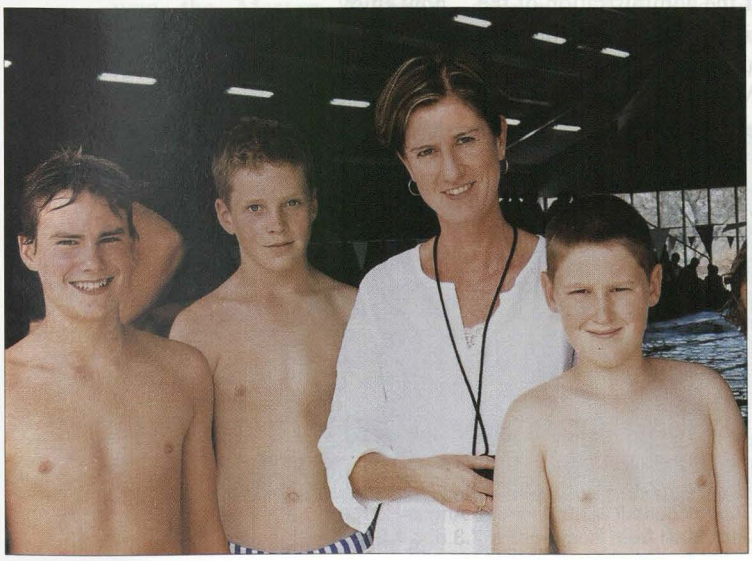
Ms Monica Uildriks quickly settled into the role of Regis Music Coordinator . Monica organised the instrumental music programme, the musical activities programme and taught each class in Music. The boys took part in a number of concerts including all music students performing in the Musical Activities concert. A smaller group ably represented Riverview in the JSHAA concert in the Town hall.

Learning Support on the Regis Campus came under the care of Ms Julia Burfitt who also ran some innovative programmes in writing and study skills, as well as occupational and speech therapy activities. Learning support activities in Therry were led by Susan Addinall, Susan Nixon and Kathleen Bindley.

In the library, Mrs Heather Cloudsdale continued to provide a vibrant and stimulating atmosphere for the promotion of the boys' reading. Year 7 and 8 students made good use of the senior library and special thanks go to Serina Ahern and Marie Peckham for their enthusiastic direction of the boys library activities.

The Regis production of "Wind in the Willows" was a highlight for the year with many Regis boys involved. The able direction of Ms Suzanne Millar resulted in an engaging production which played to sold-out houses on each night. She was assisted, in particular, by Mr David Johnson and Ms Mary Dorahy, but in one way or another, all Regis staff became involved.

An important part of our offering for the boys in the Middle School is the provision of Counsellors at each year level. These vital members of staff care for the boys on an individual basis and also work with the Homeroom teachers to advise them on the best way to deal with situations which can be sometimes challeng-





ing and delicate. Mrs Lisa Wood and Mr Ross Whitfeld cared for the boys in Year 7 & 8 and in 2003, we were pleased to have Ms Beatrijs Dewulf join us as Counsellor and Educational Psychologist on the Regis Campus.

A Riverview calendar is renowned for its busy-ness and the Middle School activities were no exception to this. Soon after the start of the year, a number of parent information and cocktail evenings were held where the parents had the opportunity to meet the Homeroom teachers who care for their sons. Also, a number of family BBQs were held and for occasions such as these, the parents' support in planning and executing these functions was considerable.

I thank the P&F for their involvement in the Middle School, and in particular thank Mrs Christine Robertson, President of the P&F, and Mrs Lenore Robertson, the Vice-President. In addition, class mothers played a significant part in arranging social activities and providing community care and prayers for those in special need.

In first term, Regis, Year 7 and Year 8 all participated in swimming carnivals which were popular events given the warm temperature on each day. A considerable amount of fund-raising occurred for various charities and in the latter half of the year, a Regis swim-a-thon raised over $14,000 for a number of charities including The Starlight Foundation, The Sporting Chance Foundation, The Steve Waugh Foundation and Bear Cottage. Other events in the Middle School calendar included activity camps for each year level, a Year 7 Mother/Son Mass and Dinner, and Grandparents' Days for the Regis Campus and for Year 7.

Many of the activities that occurred in the Middle School throughout the year feature in other places of this Alma Mater. I would like to place on record my congratulations to the Student Leaders who were elected by each year level to assist in the management and social activities of each year level. For the first time in 2003, a Captain of the Regis Campus was elected and Thomas Murphy was elected the inaugural captain. On many occasions, he was called upon to welcome visitors or to speak on behalf of the student body. At each year level, the leaders did an excellent job on behalf of their classmates.



One teacher who has played a significant role in the development of the Middle School at Riverview is Mrs Kate Browne who is currently the Curriculum Coordinator for the Middle School. At the end of 2003, she will leave Riverview to take up an appointment at a girl's school, Santa Sabina College.

Her patient, skilled and efficient direction of examination and report processes, her leadership in all curriculum matters and her supervision of the students within the Promotion Review process were always of the highest standard. Her happy and friendly presence was also a significant asset to our team of teachers and Kate will be sorely missed from the College. However, we wish her well and know that her good work will continue at another place.

A vital part of the administration of the Middle School is the reception offices on both Regis and Therry Campuses. On Regis campus, Mrs Bruna Smith manages the office and cares for the needs of the boys, staff and parents. Ms Helen Heng, has a similar role in the Therrry Campus. This welcoming presence for parents and students does much to enable good communication and also to reduce the apparent size of the school by allowing the smaller communities of the school to be attended by their own office.

In many ways, obtaining the new facilities turned out to be of greater advantage than we had hoped. On both Regis and Therry, the staff and boys quickly made good use of the facilities and enjoyed being in their special places which were provided for them.

The initial relocation and settling in throughout the year would not have been possible without help of the College Property Office, Maintenance Department and the Groundsmen. I thank them for their considerable efforts.

Although many years elapsed between planning and achievement of the Riverview model of Middle Schooling, the wait has been worth the outcome. Boys, parents and staff have given a definite thumbs-up to the Middle School we now enjoy.

Fr Robert Davoren SJ





Touch Football 2003 Winners, Angus Roberts, Jack Freeman, Doug Joseph, Jack Masi from Homerooms 7.3 and 7.5

Reflecting on the past year, the College has grown significantly in its community spirit. It is clearly evident to me that spiritually the College has grown stronger and richer through the difficult times it has experienced, the strong leadership shown and the community response to our adversity.

There have been important lessons learnt that will benefit everyone who has tasted this richer spirit in our lives. The challenge ahead is to carry and spread this spirit to others outside this privileged Riverview community.

We have also experienced a significant increase in the size of the community and with this have come change and increasing demands. Yet, with our richness of spirit, we have come a long way in meeting the challenges that come with such an increase in the size of our community. The College is in good spirit, so to speak.

The increase in student numbers and associated teaching numbers have indeed placed great pressure on the business operations of the College. The Business Team has met these challenges with great spirit and dedication. The team goals include: continual improvement of business services delivered to our school community, efficient delivery of new and improved administration services, provision and upgrade of first class facilities/resources and developing our business staff to help them achieve their potential.

This year has seen some significant improvements as we strive for our goals. The Property Team has played a major part in the delivery of the new Middle School – Therry Campus. This Campus has been a brilliant success. The buildings, landscape and learning resources in the Campus are up there with the best.

In recognition of this achievement, the Science/Middle School development recently won the Masters Building Association Award for the best educational building development in the cost range of $5m to $20m over 40 other applicants.

Our thanks go to all those associated with the Project, in particular our school Architect, Peter Mayoh, our builder Novati Constructions, Project Management by Kaye Vild and our own staff led by Bob Marsh. Other members of the Property Team have also made significant achievements this year and the College property is something that we can all be very proud.

Special thanks must also go to our Maintenance Department led by Ron Hanby, our Property Services Manager, Graham Clark and his team of College contractors and our Garden/Grounds team led by Steve Pike. These teams have served the expanded population and met the additional demands placed on them, without additional staff or increase in real expenditure. This is an outstanding achievement.

This year has seen the use of College facilities grow significantly with more than 200 extra students and an ever increasing calendar of events and activities. Mark White and his team have again been outstanding in providing the best in service and support. He has again worked with students and staff, P & F, OIU and the Riverview Foundation to provide memorable Valete celebrations, musicals, cocktail parties etc all the while catering for the educational requirements of the boys day in day out. Mark has gained the respect of all the boys, staff and parents whom he serves – quite an achievement, I would say.

The Finance Team, led by Ms Kathy Corbett, continues to excel in providing efficient, friendly and customer focused service to the whole Riverview Community. This year a significantly larger student population together with the accompanying increase in teaching personnel has seen workloads increased. Nevertheless, this area, through improved efficiency, sheer hard work and longer working hours, has completed its expanded workloads not only without an increase in personnel but without any decrease in the quality or timeliness of its delivery of these expanded duties.

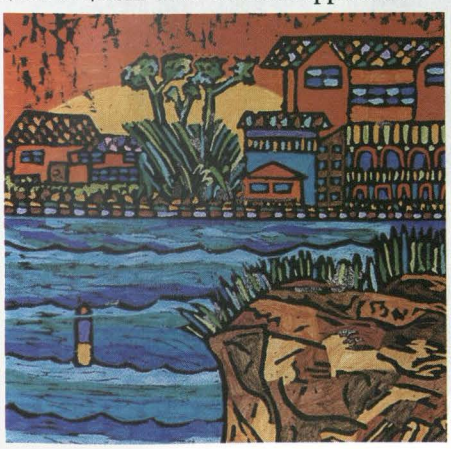
I am sure that students and parents, particularly the 330 plus new parents and their sons, would join with me in acknowledging the invaluable work undertaken by the Licona Shop in supplying uniforms for the boys, as well as our Tuckshop staff and all the volunteer mothers who help cater for our students. Ably led by Mrs Jenny Bird and Mrs Johanne Bradley, these shops serve the students daily providing wonderful examples of 'service to others'.

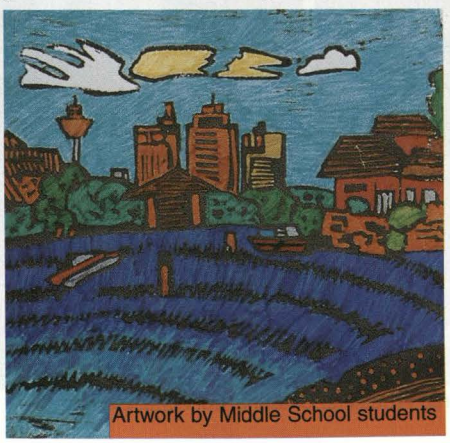
As the leader of the Business Operations Team, I am extremely proud and thankful that the College has the services and input of all the members of this team.

I would also like to thank those volunteers from the Riverview community who have worked with the Business Operations to make this year so successful and enjoyable. Staff, parents, students, families and friends all combine to make Riverview such a successful learning environment. In particular, the leadership, direction and time provided by Shane Hogan as Headmaster, the College Council and its Finance, Plant and Fabric, Human Resources and Information Technology Sub-Committees and all involved in the Riverview College Foundation have been instrumental in the success of the Business Operations at the school.

Finally, the Business Team would like to wish all the students, parents and staff of this wonderful College a special thank you for their cooperation and support. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all the Riverview families involved with us in providing an Ignatian education for the boys at the College.

Mr Greg Conlon





Artwork by Middle School students



The Ignatian Centre has seen a year of change and development in 2003. The most important change has been the integration of the Religious Education Department and the Ignatian Centre. This has been both a physical and philosophical meeting.

The Religious Education Faculty is now located next door to the Ignatian Centre Offices, so that the focus of faith development is coming from one location. Both teams now work under the banner of Religious Formation, under the leadership of Jennie Hickey. This is an encouraging change for all, so that the spiritual development of the boys in our care can be more focused and better directed.

The five areas of focus for the Ignatian Centre remain; liturgical experiences, faith in service, retreat experiences, staff formation and parent formation. Each of these areas has seen significant change and development as we work towards our goal of engendering a deeper appreciation for the Ignatian tradition at Saint Ignatius' College, lived out in service of neighbour and reflected in prayer and worship.

Our theme for this year: 'No peace without forgiveness', has kept us mindful of the need to join heart and mind in our service of God and our quest to better know him.

The most delightful thing to note about the Retreat Programme, organized by Greg Whealing, has been the blossoming of the Kairos Retreats. This style of retreat was introduced last year. Talks and presentations are given by the boys for the boys, enabling them to reflect in a more personal way on who they are and how they are moving through their lives with their families, their friends and their God.

Participation in the three day retreat, is voluntary. This year there were three Kairos retreats for Year 11 and 12 students, involving some 55 boys and feedback has been most encouraging.

There has been a major review of the retreat program for Years 7 to 12, with particular emphasis on integrating the retreat programme and the Religious Education teaching programme, and on ensuring that the retreats are truly prayerful and reflective experiences.

The liturgical life of the College continues to develop. Mrs Jennie Hickey has taken on the responsibility of orchestrating the liturgies here at the College, and along with her other duties has brought a freshness and vitality to the role.

Mrs Jo Kenderes, currently on maternity leave, continues to write liturgies for us. The monthly Student Mass continues to grow in popularity, and Fr David Strong brings it together in a prayerful and welcoming way. In place of the early morning Mass in the Dalton chapel on Tuesdays, a Communion Service has been established, for which Religion classes take it in turn to prepare the prayers and readings. We have formally introduced student Eucharistic Ministers for the first time. Forty Year 11 boys have undertaken the training for this ministry.

Our three big Masses of the year, the opening and blessing of the new buildings, the celebration of being on the site at Riverview for 125 years, and the Mass of St Ignatius were wonderful experiences. The music and participation of the boys at each of these great celebrations were memorable.

Our Faith in Service Programme under the direction of Mr Mark Diggins continues to expand. Perhaps the most important change here has been the change of name. We have moved from Community Education, to Community Service, to Faith in Service, to the now more comfortable 'Ignatian Service'.

This title encapsulates the College ideals of responding to the signs of the times, of finding God in all things while seeking to serve the Lord through serving the poor. At last we have found a title for our program that does not suggest an aloof charitable stance. The Ignatian Service Program has been extended to Year 7, and the Year 9 program has been revamped with a greater emphasis on reflection.

It is important for our boys to understand that there is little point serving another if you do not know why you are doing it. The program for Years 8 to 11 has a greater emphasis now on helping the marginalized rather than simply serving our immediate community.

Once again the Ignatian Children's Holiday Camp was a wonderful event, with the children, their families, student carers and staff all saying that they had received so much. The applications from potential carers were again so numerous this year as to exceed all expectation.

Staff formation has this year become more systematic and available to all. Record numbers of staff have attended one day courses and reflection days at Canisius College, Pymble, and 18 people have taken part in the three week Retreat in Daily Life. The reading groups have been re-established, with books such as Henri Nouwen's, The Wounded Healer, being studied and discussed by staff.

Parent formation has continued this year with the development of the course, Will Our Faith Have Children?, conducted by Fr Adrian Lyons, and run over four sessions in Term III. In Term IV, Fr Andy Bullen gave a seminar on 'Images of Parenthood'.

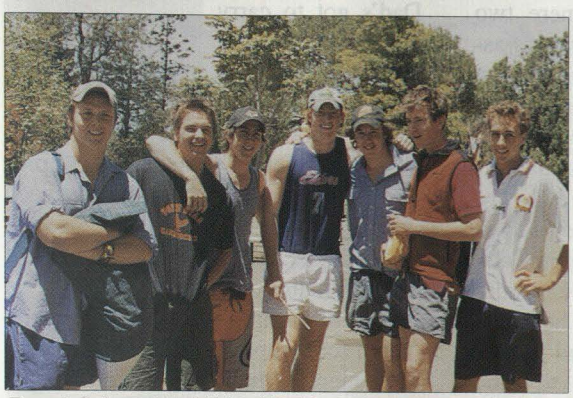
The Parent and Staff Formation Programmess can only show the boys in our care that a relationship with God is the centre of all we do, and is something that must be nurtured and fed and rejoiced in, so that finding God in all things and truly being men and women for others becomes a reality in our lives and in our world.

Mr Michael Gray

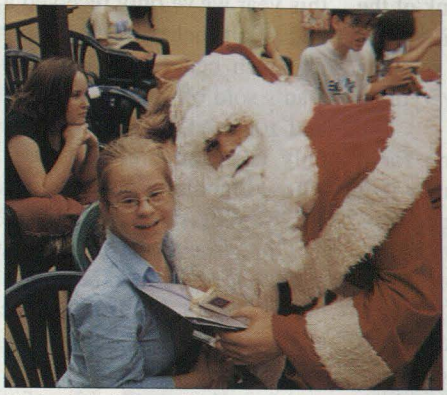




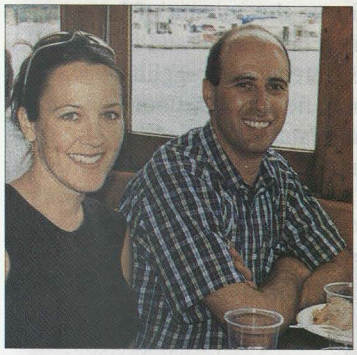
Staff who helped out on Kairos retreats, above, Greg Whealing, Caterina Troncone, Belinda Clark and Ross Whitfeld; above right, Year 12 students at a Kairos retreat.



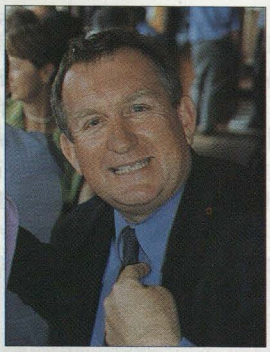
From left, boarders Michael Boyle, Tim Ireson, Matt Cock, Tim Corcoran, Mitchell Quigley, George Skuthorp and Billy O'Connor (RIP) head off home on the last day of term.



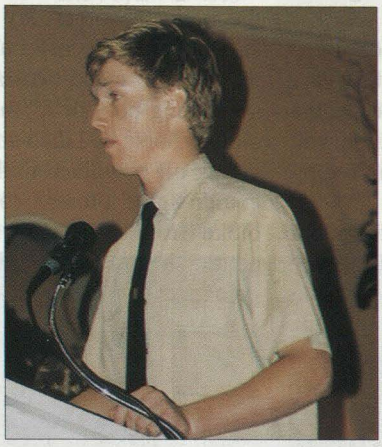
Chris Broadhurst with a young friend from the Clarke Rd School



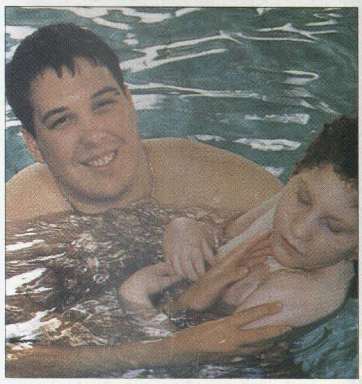
Donielle Gale and Alex Damo on the staff harbour cruise.



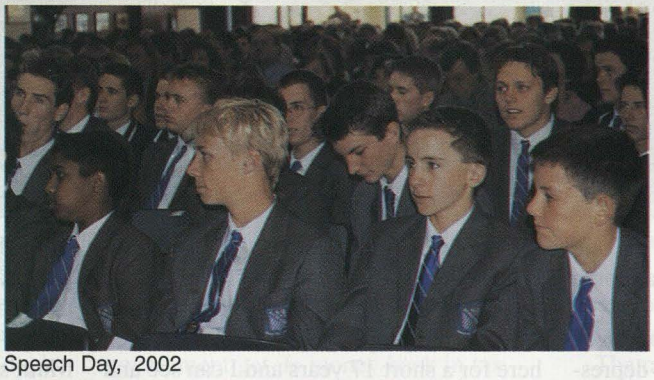
At the end of term, Martin Collins reminds this editor that contrary to publication in the 2002 edition of OAM, he is definitely not Laurie Byrne.



Captain of Boarders, 2003, Justin Fleming at the Boarders' Christmas Liturgy



Peter Hartman (Year 12, 2002) and friend at the Ignatian Children's Holiday Camp



Speech Day, 2002



Division Masters celebrate Christmas



Fr Jeremy Clarke SJ blesses his great aunt at his first Mass at the College after his ordination

december, 2002

The end of term, 2002 was, not surprisingly, very busy and at times quite challenging for everyone at the College.

At the school assembly held not long after the Rector, Fr Gleeson, had resigned, Year 11 student Hugh Kennedy, spoke on the impact of the drought on his family.

His speech was the first in a series of 'personal stories' given by students at College assemblies - an initiative of school captains Tom van Beek, Sean Williams and Justin Fleming.

In December, Mass was celebrated at the Junior Campus to mark the 'end of an era' for, after almost 40 years, Year 7 classes were going to move across the road to the senior campus.

That same week, Owen Housemaster, Jeremy Bennett with Therese Martin and students Chris Broadhurst, Patrick Bodimeade and Anthony Brown distributed Christmas gifts to students at Clarke Rd School.

In the evening, boarders took part in a Christmas liturgy after which Boarding House Division Masters turned up dressed as characters from a Harry Potter novel.

At Speech Day, on the final day of term, some 150 boys received academic awards from the Jesuit Provincial, Fr Daven Day SJ. Later, that day, College staff enjoyed themselves on a relaxing harbour cruise.

Towards the end of the week, after the school term had ended, several staff members and senior students stayed behind and helped out on the Ignatian Children's Holiday Camp.

December also saw the ordination of former College Captain, Fr Jeremy Clarke SJ.



"The only way in which I can think of the drought with some sort of a positive sense is to see it as a test. It just brings so many challenges and pushes nearly everything about you to the limit.

And that's not always a bad thing, for in my eyes you can become a person by it; it strengthens your weaknesses and gives you experiences that lay the foundations of a more grateful life in the future.

A greater test to be faced in drought, however, would be your faith. It comes to the point when you think, is it worth taking the time to ask God questions like, 'what's going on with the rain big feller?' And then you think, I'm sure he's got his plan all worked out.

On the other hand, there were four of us Kennedy boys here in boarding this year and we managed to find ourselves in the worst drought in decades, but then you think that maybe God just got his timing slightly out, this time around.

This would be by far the worst drought of my dad's lifetime and hopefully mine. There was a long dry spell back in 65-66 but even that one had patches of rain where you could stop feeding for a month or so, but not this one.

Fortunately, something we have moved away from, for the better, is the depression and suicide that occurred last time. Now we've got better transport, phones (which were non-existent then) and things like tele and stuff. These give a person a chance to have a yarn to someone, but back then blokes just lost everything, got so badly depressed they just lost it, and it would go down with the coppers as a 'farm accident' but everyone knew what was going on.

At home, the drought has pretty much done its worst. Almost six months ago there was no feed about. We were carting all the house and garden water. No crops were sown, the only factor that had to be taken into account was time: how long was this going to go on for. Of an average rainfall of around the 17/18 inches mark this year we've only received a mere two and a half inches, that's it. Last year wasn't much better with only seven inches. Dad's sold off almost 100% of the cattle and roughly 70% of the sheep, leaving only our core breeding ewes and rams whose bloodlines go back decades.

Now I'm sure everyone's heard how bad this drought is. You just have to look at the tele and papers and you can't miss it. But I'm not sure if you blokes have had a chance to see past the facts and figures in the media and look to the emotional/personal side of things and take this seriously.

It might be hard to do this because on the radio the other day I heard a bloke saying it was so dry out at Walgett that they had to close two lanes of the local swimming pool or it was so dry that the clothes horse had died and the cattle were giving off powdered milk. Or maybe you couldn't give a toss; I could be just some bloke from who knows where talking about sheep or something. Well, I'm going to tell you anyway.

My old man has lived on 'Kensington' all his life. It's been in the family since the 1880s and there's a lot of sentimental value to the property. Now I've only been here for a short 17 years and I can see and feel what's going on. In the hols when you go out doing the shed feeding run, you really find it hard to enjoy working.

Seeing the land look so bad really makes it hard. It hurts, it really does. I can't speak for Dad but I can't even imagine what he feels, going out, day after day, doing the same tedious jobs.

Every day he would see things slowly getting worse. He would see his sheep that he's slaved over for the past 30 years getting poorer each day. Every time the silo would run out of corn there would be a crucial decision made as to whether or not to keep feeding or to clear them out and start fresh when the rains came. It's really hard to plan because you never know what's around the next bend.

Dad's got to carry around the rifle everywhere he goes now. There's nearly always a poor old sheep who's had enough or a flock of emus or mob of pigs trying to eat the corn laid out for the sheep that need to be blown away. The foxes, crows and pigs are really doing well on all the dead remains of stock while the native animals are battling hard. There's really no room for sympathy in times like this.

Then there's Mum. She came from the Hunter Valley so this was all new to her. Now, she's a really passionate gardener, that's where she's the happiest. You couldn't even estimate the amount of hours mum has put into our garden and now the oldest of trees are even struggling.

Our footy field is a dustbowl, countless trees and plants have died and there are these giant 50m tall skeletons of trees out the back which my grandma planted some 50 years ago.

We just don't have the water. We're not on a river or creek and then the last drop of fresh water ran out the other day. We'd been carting the water with the tractor – it took about half a day just to load it up and bring it back. I've got no idea what Mum's got up her sleeve to solve this water crises but if she doesn't find something soon, I'm worried I'll be the one these hols driving for a half a day to the river and getting a load of water for her precious garden.

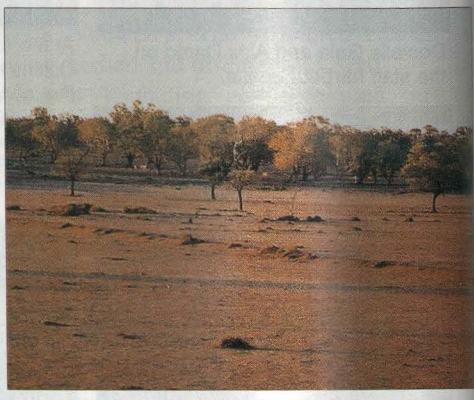
Mum's also the one who gets stuck with all the housework. With no sisters and only a bunch of incapable blokes in the family, Mum's on her own. We're really getting our money's worth out of the vacuum cleaner with Mum whizzing around on nearly a daily basis trying to clean up after the constant onslaught of blinding duststorms. Mum also brings all the laundry up here to Sydney to wash when she visits. The bore water that gets used at home is no good at all for washing, well that's what she tells me.



Dust storms about 10 minutes away



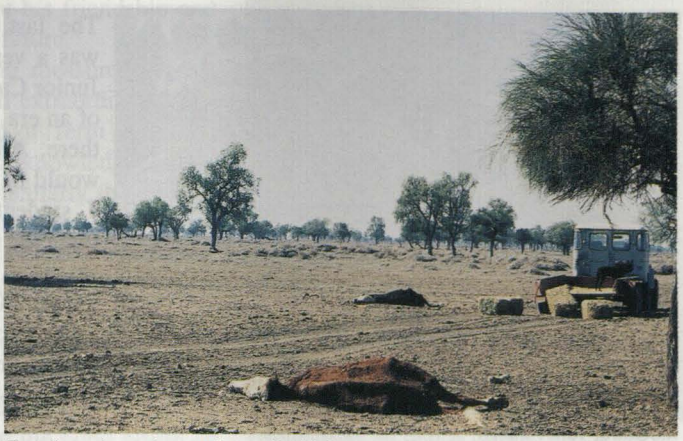
We just don't have the water ...



View from the top of the silo at sunset



'Gronl' the goanna runs off after grabbing a quick feed



Feeding along the cattle trail with lucerne hay donated by the Delaney and Payten families

And if I look at Ted, my brother and thousands of others in his position who are currently attempting to make future career choices, it's easy to understand how a bloke who was looking at this industry as a possibility has now completely turned his back on it. The drought is turning many blokes away from the land. All they see is the pain and suffering, the worst case scenario.

So these blokes have to make a decision based on what's happening now and this could very well be bad news for the future of rural NSW.

A major drawback of this drought would have to be the grasp it has on the entire state. All of NSW is at its mercy and everyone here today would have been affected by it in some shape or form, even if it's just having to dig a little deeper in your pocket for a bit of steak. In past droughts there has always been pockets of the country still showing good form and you could still get reasonable prices for your depleted stock, but not this time, everyone's in the same boat up the same difficult creek.

And when it comes to government assitance, the last thing farmers want is free handouts. If politicians feel that they want to give a hand then they should go to the banks or local industries such as the machinery deale and repay some of that money that is outstanding or cut interest rates so that way the money stays in circulation. The government helps out the farmer, the farmer repays his debts, the local business stays afloat and the government get its money back in tax.



From left, Will, Michael, Hugh and Ted Kennedy with their parents pictured at the College, September, 2002

At the moment there's this domino effect going on. The government or other organisations are giving farmers useless relief with programs like counselling or free grocery goods. We don't want complementary toothpaste and toilet paper, a simple bale of hay would go much further. And because farmers' bills can't be paid, local services are losing money and quickly dispersing, and the government doesn't get its money back in tax.

Where we live, the abattoir has closed, there's nothing to be slaughtered, the weekly sales have now become non-existent, the stock has been gone for months so the local stock and station agents lose their job. The Walgett Wheat Co-op has lost a lot of its professionals and the local school is therefore losing those parents' kids.

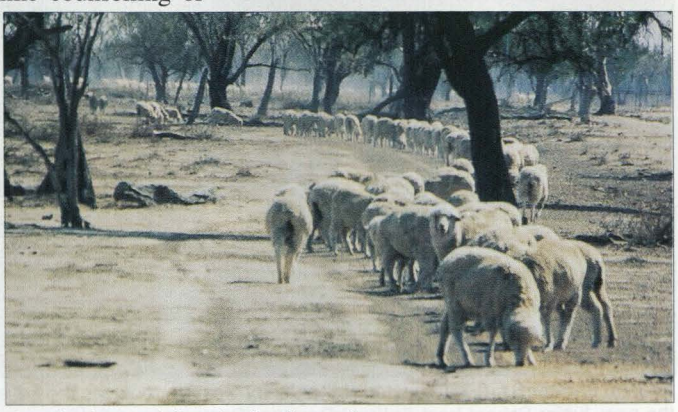
And when we look to this summer, I'm afraid things could only get worse. The intense heat forecast and the absence of any rain could only dishearten farmers further. It looks like it could take a few years to pull out of this one but to me it's all about patience.

The rain will come – it's just a matter of when.

Hugh Kennedy
Coonamble



A few of the cattle feeding off the BJ



A mob of ewes follow the feeding trail



Sebastian Wirth, James Corcoran, Alex Barbara, James McGuire, Tom Fernon



Mrs Mary Diggins with students at the special Mass.

The last week of Term IV, 2002, was a very significant week at the Junior Campus as it marked the end of an era for both students and staff there. After almost 40 years there would be no more classes for Year 7 students at the Junior Campus Instead they would be moving across to the Senior Campus at the start of 2003.

On December 5, Fr Rob Davoren SJ and Fr David Strong SJ concelebrated Mass at the Junior Campus to mark this important occasion. Many current parents and former students attended the Mass including Mr James Rodgers (the Director of Students). Speaking at the Mass Mr Rodgers recalled his first days as a student at the College.

"This place, the Junior School, has been, for almost 40 years now, a place where boys in Years 5, 6 and 7 have been looked after, cared for, encouraged and formed in values that have stayed the same despite the many changes in this school. It is a place where the spirit of the Lord has been given to generations.

"In 1966, only two years after these buildings were opened, I knew only two other boys in the school .... One of these boys was best man at my wedding and the other a great friend throughout my life. But I met many others who became my friends. I was taught by teachers who had a great influence on me. such as Fr John Farmer SJ who taught Religion.

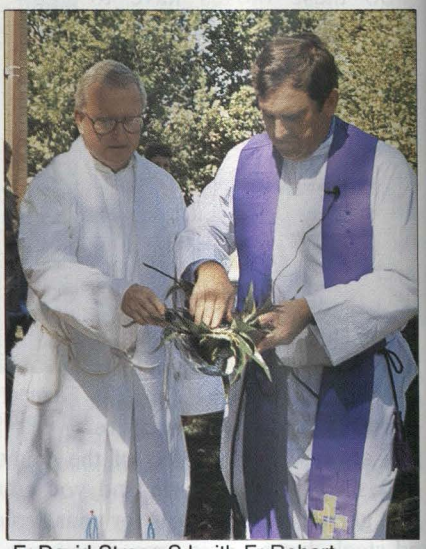
"In 1978 I cam back to Riverview (as a teacher) and in these buildings taught English, Latin, History, and Religion to Year 7. I was further influenced by many great teachers including Mr Bruce Kinnaird whose name is remembered in the library here."

This place has been one where we make friendships that keep going for life; where we meet teachers whom we'll remember for life ; where we are given valules that will stay with us forever."



Mr James Rodgers speaking at the Mass





Fr David Strong SJ with Fr Robert Davoren SJ at the farewell Mass



Fr John Farmer SJ (Headmaster of the Junior School) receives the keys of the new Junior School from Fr FrankGorman (Rector) May 27, 1964.



Junior Campus teachers and staff

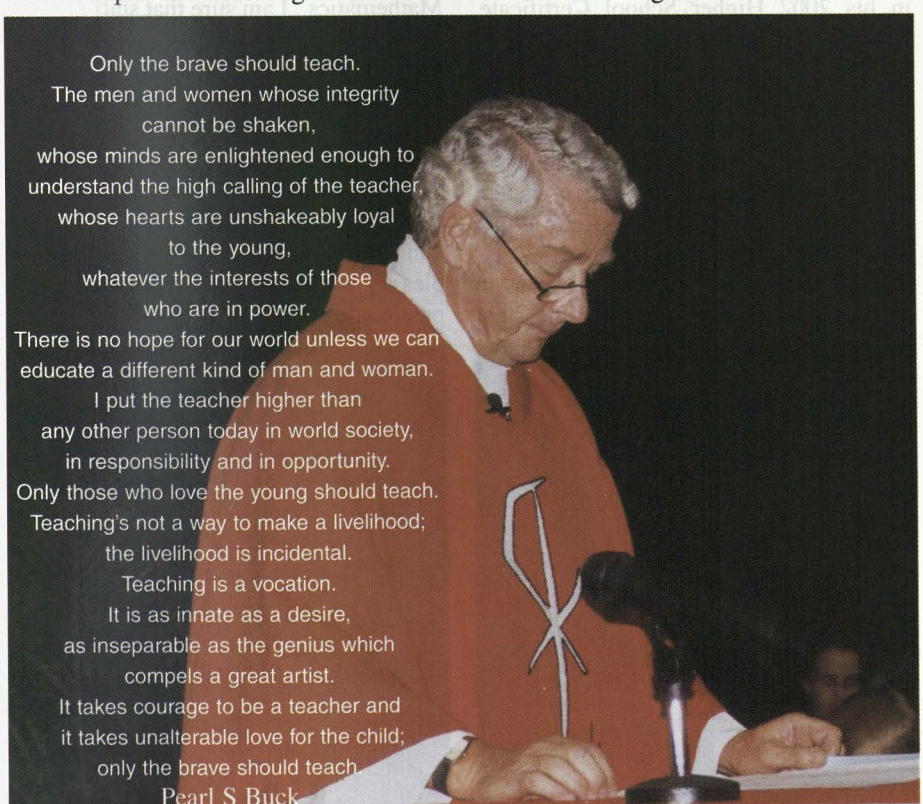
Guest of Honour, the Most Reverend Fr Daven Day, students of Saint Ignatius' College, Chairman of College Council, Mr Neville Harpham, Superior of the Jesuit Community, Fr Bob Bruce, members of the College Council here present, staff, parents and distinguished guests.

Mr Harpham will have the privilege of introducing our guest of honour today but I would just like to add my thanks on behalf of the College community to Fr Day for his leadership of the Australian Jesuit Province during the past six years. Fr Day finishes his six-year appointment as Provincial next week and I would personally like to thank Daven for his friendship and the support he has given the Riverview community over this time.

Riverview has grown in spirit and size over these years and we have always received encouragement and support from our Provincial who sees the importance of the work we do in the school's apostolate. I know that Neville will have more to say but from me personally – thank you Fr Day.

On the wall in my office I have a poem entitled 'Only the Brave' by Pearl S. Buck. It is about those who choose teaching as a profession. I would like to read to you an excerpt from this poem as a tribute to Fr Chris Gleeson SJ, Headmaster and Rector of this College for the past nine years. His contribution to teachers at Riverview and Xavier and to education across Australia can be summed up in the following:

Only the brave should teach.
The men and women whose integrity
cannot be shaken,
whose minds are enlightened enough to
understand the high calling of the teacher,
whose hearts are unshakeably loyal
to the young,
whatever the interests of those
who are in power.
There is no hope for our world unless we can
educate a different kind of man and woman.
I put the teacher higher than
any other person today in world society,
in responsibility and in opportunity.
Only those who love the young should teach.
Teaching's not a way to make a livelihood;
the livelihood is incidental.
Teaching is a vocation.
It is as innate as a desire,
as inseparable as the genius which
compels a great artist.
It takes courage to be a teacher and
it takes unalterable love for the child;
only the brave should teach.
Pearl S Buck



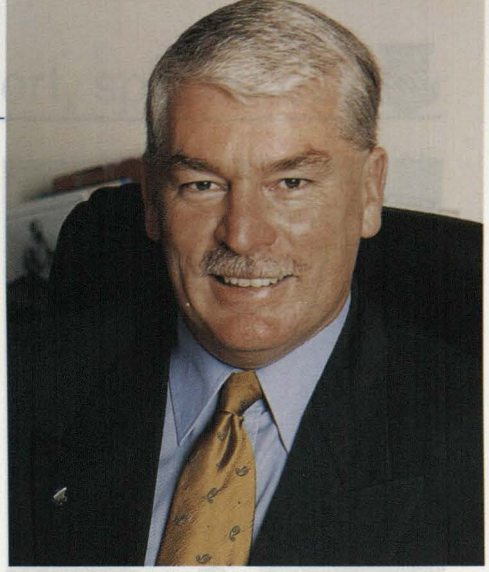
Fr Christopher Gleeson SJ

I thank Fr Chris for his friendship and wish him well in the future.

By any yardstick to measure success, Riverview has had an extraordinary year in 2002. At the end of Term III at the Valete Assembly we acknowledged many of our successes, particularly those associated with our senior sporting teams. Yet success and the spirit of the College must be measured by factors other than sporting competitions. In recent weeks I have had the opportunity to speak to our Old Boys' Association, our Past Parents' Association and our Parents and Friends. All have a passion for the good health of the College and were interested in receiving a report card on the College for this past year.

For each of these groups I have reported on four key aspects that define our College's status this year. These are our spiritual development, our academic achievements, the building programme and our co-curricular activities.

Catholic schools clearly stand apart from all other schools in the development of their students. While the term, character and development of a student's character, is a virtuous pursuit, Catholic schools go one step further, their's is the education and development of a student's soul. The soul takes in all those attributes of a student's character, his mind, his heart, his actions, his desires, but in the image of God. A Riverview education, a Jesuit education is God-centred. Finding 'God in all things' was the rationale of



Headmaster, Mr Shane Hogan
Photograph by Chris Fitzgerald

The Spiritual Exercises written by Ignatius himself. Even though Ignatius lived 500 years ago, his spirituality remains a rock of strength and wisdom. His *Spiritual Exercises* continue to guide men and women to a more profound commitment to Jesus.

Throughout this year, a number of changes have occurred. In the area of Religious Formation, Jennie Hickey has taken over a new role as Director of Religious Formation. Jennie's role is to link all aspects of the educational curriculum with the Ignatian formation aspects of service, retreats and liturgies.

This past term, all Year 11 students, as they start their HSC year, have been completing an interest study project that requires the students to reflect on the ethos of St Ignatius' College and the different aspects of their experience at the school. This report is a further development of the Kairos Retreats and the Arrupe Academy programmes that are offered to Year 11 and 12 students.

Year 9 and 10 students have been exploring social justice issues from across Australia and gathering information about organisations and people who work towards establishing a more just society whilst attempting to see the Church's teaching in action.

Year 10 more specifically looked at the issue of human rights globally, and, working with the Geography classes, becoming aware of the injustices that occur in other parts of the world. This culminated with a Eucharistic celebration, and a shared lunch, which were extremely successful.

As always, the retreat programmes continue to be geared towards giving students an opportunity to reflect on various aspects of their lives and share these reflections in a safe environment.

Community Service, under the direction of Mr Diggins, has provided a variety of opportunities for students to become



Prize winner: Thomas Corrigan, Year 5, 2002



Conor McCraith, Year 5, 2002



Hugh Satterthwaite, Year 6, 2002

aware of their privileges and to share their time and gifts with those who are in need. This programme continues to be developed and made even more suitable to the varying ages of all students across the school.

Liturgies are wonderful expressions of our faith as a community. The ample opportunities for this to occur throughout the year are an outstanding feature of Riverview. Clearly, this satisfies the needs of students when there are on average 500 students attending the optional student Masses that occur throughout the year. Involvement of students in both planning and orchestrating these Masses is to be commended. I would like to thank Jo Kenderes and Chaplain, Fr David Strong SJ for their outstanding leadership in this area and I hope that Jo can return to us soon after her maternity leave early next year.

In terms of our academic pursuits we began this year learning of very fine results in our Higher School Certificate examinations, with one third of our students in the top 10% of the State.

Not only did we cater for the academically elite, our average UAI was 82.5, our highest in six years, and higher than the average for all NSW Wales selective state schools. We await the results of the Class of 2002 Higher School Certificate, knowing that the preparation of this class by our teachers was of the highest standard and every boy has been given the opportunity 'to dare to do his best'.

Another feature of our academic year included the Year 9 Challenge. This was an outstanding success in creating an integrated curriculum model that brought 80 teachers and 20 parents together over four weeks. The students' experiences included the Powerhouse Museum, the Radio School at Macquarie University, trekking in Bungonia State Forest and a course at Manly with the International College of Tourism and Hotel Management. Thank you to Mr Brad Cooper and Ms Venta Protas for their co-ordination of this programme.

Other curriculum news this year included a perfect score of 50 for Patrick Brown in his 2002 Higher School Certificate, Extension History paper. In the area of Geography, our Year 10 students participated in the Australian Geography Competition. From over 65,000 participants, 38 boys received high distinctions and 98 boys received a credit or better. Martin Silk was in fact placed 8th in the nation with a score of 37/40.

Our Mathematics Faculty continues to produce outstanding results. In the 2001 HSC all Mathematics courses were considerably above the state mean: in fact 48 students of Mathematics received an honourable mention in the HSC Merit List. For the first time last year a Year 11 class of Mathematics was accelerated so that students completed their course and sat for their 2U paper in one year rather than two. 14 students in this class recorded scores of 90% or greater.

Our School Certificate Mathematics results were also well above state average and Thomas Clement, Year 11, was awarded a prize and a special achievements award in the 2002 Australian Mathematics competition.

Mr Abrahams and the Mathematics Faculty eagerly await the permanent move into new classrooms and staff room facilities in 2003. The former Science block is being refurbished as a Centre for Mathematics. I am sure that staff and students will enjoy these improved classroom facilities.

In Elective Music our students had the opportunity to attend concerts at the Sydney Opera House and concerts at the College featuring the Sydney Symphony Orchestra as well as a workshop with the band 'Killing Heidi'. Our students are blessed with outstanding facilities and a passionate staff.



Joseph Molloy, Year 6, 2002



Jonathan Hew, Year 7, 2002



Joseph Payten, Year 7, 2002

Those people privileged to have seen the Year 12 'Riverview on Stage' in September would have witnessed one of our finest years of acting talent in the history of the College. Our Visual Artists have risen to new heights with an outstanding Year 12 exhibition in August, and the whole school community has benefited from the expertise of Dr Ann Clark Visiting Fellow, Stephen Thomas. We have received notice from the Board of Studies that seven of 29 of our HSC Art students have been listed for Art Express. This is an extraordinary result for the College and congratulations must go to Ms Julie Stevens and her staff.

Over this past year we have also successfully implemented a most comprehensive student academic and co-curricular report. Our reporting to parents and students is now outcomes based and our reporting is now clearly based on communicating a student's progress based upon his ability to achieve particular outcomes rather than solely on a raw mark based on a test or assignment.

I would like to thank Chris Hayes, Peter McLean, Kate Browne and Fr Rob Davoren SJ for their leadership and energy and also our Heads of Faculty for their work this year. The College is blessed with outstanding leadership in all aspects of curriculum. With the expansion of numbers in our Years 5 and 6 classes next year we will have the opportunity to develop curriculum and programmes that will see our students challenged and developed from the day they enter the College.

Next year, in order to minimise disruptions and give greater focus on classroom teaching, we will be moving to a six-period day. To keep our teachers at the cutting edge we will continue to mandate teaching and curriculum inservicing of our teachers so that they can be regularly updated and retrained in the use of Information Technology and new research aimed at getting the best from every individual.



James May, Year 8, 2002

Next year also sees the launch of a Riverview Writing Style Manual. In every boy's diary will be the outline of the minimum basic requirements for writing, development and presentation. Our aim is to promote and improve the reading and writing skills of every boy, to add to the many attributes of a Riverview graduate, that of a competent and thoughtful writer.

I would also like to take this opportunity to mention our Educational Support team for the support they give students and staff to ensure that every individual is given the opportunity to perform to his potential. Their work is at the core of what Ignatian education is all about; the development of every individual to the very best of his ability.

Next year, on Sunday February 16, we will hold our official opening, of the new Science Wing and new Therry Middle School Campus as well as the new Years 5 and 6 Campus. Associated work that will be done in conjunction with this includes Stage II of development of the Senior Library, a new car park above the Gartlan and parking and bus bays near the Father Mac Pavilion and Gartlan Centre.

A new recreation room will be opened for boarders in St John's House as well as a new Mathematics Centre of nine classrooms and offices and three new computer labs on the ground floor of the Wallace Wing. The College looks magnificent at the moment. Our grounds and maintenance staff, under the supervision of our Business Manager, Mr Greg Conlon, are doing an outstanding job and I hope you are as proud as I am to drive through the gate every day.

While so much has changed, now is a time for consolidation. We need to stop and enjoy what we have and enjoy a period of no jack hammers, no trucks and less change. We also need to pay for the work that has been done! As we start to develop our next strategic plan, I believe our focus will move from buildings to that of our important asset, that of the teacher. In a world of rapid change the one thing that does not change is that well-educated, well read, keen, and motivated teachers will produce well-educated, keen and motivated students. This, I believe will be one of our major tasks in the future.

I am keen to champion the continued search for good teachers and to maintain the development of our current staff. I think the wisdom of appointing a Director of Staff Services and the work done by Mr Paul Brown are already setting Riverview apart from other schools. We are attracting good teachers and the individual care of every teacher and employee is now at the forefront of our planning and management.

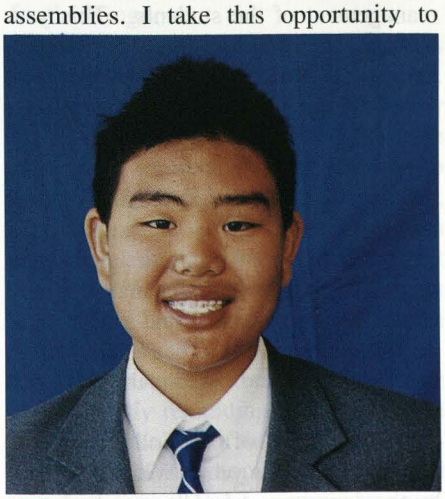
The last key aspect of review of this year is the health of our co-curricular programme. Chris Kitching is to be congratulated for overseeing one of, if not the most successful years in the College's history. Our GPS premierships have been mentioned many times but the true measure of success is to ensure that every boy is involved and is enjoying his chosen programme. Riverview continues to offer the broadest of programmes of any school in Sydney. Students have a choice of activities and then have the opportunity to participate or engage at a fun level, development level or elite level, depending on their ability and interest.

Over recent years, Riverview has maintained a vigorous programme of co-curricular Music and Drama activities, and 2002 was no different. This included two College musicals, 11 College Drama productions, musical concerts and performances at the foreshore, Jenolan Caves, Masses, lunches, the Indian Bazaar, Art Show and many others.

Competitions, eisteddfods and over 400 students under private tutors would suggest a busy year, yet on top of this we undertook an extensive tour of the United Kingdom, Ireland and France.

2002 has also been a wonderful year for Debating and Public Speaking. We have a great reputation and tradition as a Debating school and two GPS premierships and outstanding performances in many other competitions by students from all year groups have seen 2002 as another great year for coaches, staff and students.

Mr Kitching does a wonderful job of ensuring that every activity and every boy are given due recognition at our Summer and Winter Co-curricular prize giving assemblies. I take this opportunity to



Philippe Oei, Year 8, 2002

thank him and his team of Masters in Charge who ensure that every boy is catered for, cared for, and enjoys this significant aspect of a Riverview education.

I would also like to thank Mr Mark McGinnity for his leadership in the boarding community this year. Under Mark's direction we have continued to make our facilities the envy of many boarding schools. Extra supervision and assistance have also been made available during study time to all students and the Higher School Certificate results of our senior boarders are something of which our boarding staff can be quite proud.

While NSW is experiencing its worst drought in decades, next year will see our boarding numbers exceed 340 for the first time in 11 years. The time Mark McGinnity now gives to each and every potential boarding family means that very few boys and their families look anywhere other than Riverview when searching for boarding. Word of mouth is the best form of promoting our boarding in the bush and at present we are very much the school of choice. Thank you to Mark, his Division Masters and their staff and in particular to our boarders and their families who promote Riverview so well.



James Sheehan, Year 9, 2002



Nicholas Janu, Year 10, 2002



Andrew Cahill. Year 11, 2002

Thank you also to Mr Rodgers for his management of the students. This year has seen the establishment of a comprehensive leadership programme that provides structure and opportunities for boys from all years.

We have a behaviour monitoring process that acknowledges the positive and less positive through the Merit/Demerit System. James also works with the Year Coordinators and Housemasters to ensure that every boy is known, known well and has an adult mentor who will stand by him in both good and testing times.

I am so proud of our College and our achievements this year. While saddened by the departure of Fr Gleeson, he leaves us when the school is in great spirits, our student leadership is strong and focused and our staff united and focused on the students' happiness and success. Our students are blessed to have so many people who care for them and encourage them to reach their true academic potential and to develop their souls.

At this point I would like to thank a number of significant people. To Fr Bruce and the Jesuit Community, thank you again for your support. Your presence in our school community defines the essence of why we are here today! Our Jesuit/Ignatian tradition is evident in how you touch the lives of everyone in our school community.

To my teaching colleagues seated behind me. We have been through some difficult times in recent weeks but your friendship and support have been very important to me. The good health of the College is testament to the way in which you fulfil your vocation.

Thank you:

- To Donna Wedesweiler, thank you again for *Our Alma Mater*, it is simply outstanding.
- To Peter McLean and Sue Munro for our College calendar, College diary and for being the very glue that hold the workings of this College together.
- To the Ignatian Centre, for your inspiration and programmes. You are so vital in keeping the Ignatian charism alive in our lives.
- To Judith Powell for her work in supporting Mr Rodgers and Mr Hayes and for the preparation of our Year 12 Valete and this Speech Day. Thank you.
- To Mark White and his team, thank you for always being there.
- To Cathy Hobbs-Faulkner for her outstanding work in the Archives.

Thank you also to so many of our non-teaching staff who support us. Our Grounds, Maintenance, Reception, Student Office, Infirmary, Kitchen and Business Office, thank you for your loyalty and the pride you take in your work. Without you we would not survive!

I also thank Mr Neville Harpham for his leadership as Chair of the College Council and all members of Council. There is little doubt about their passion for Riverview and Fr Day and Fr Raper can rest assured we are in good hands.

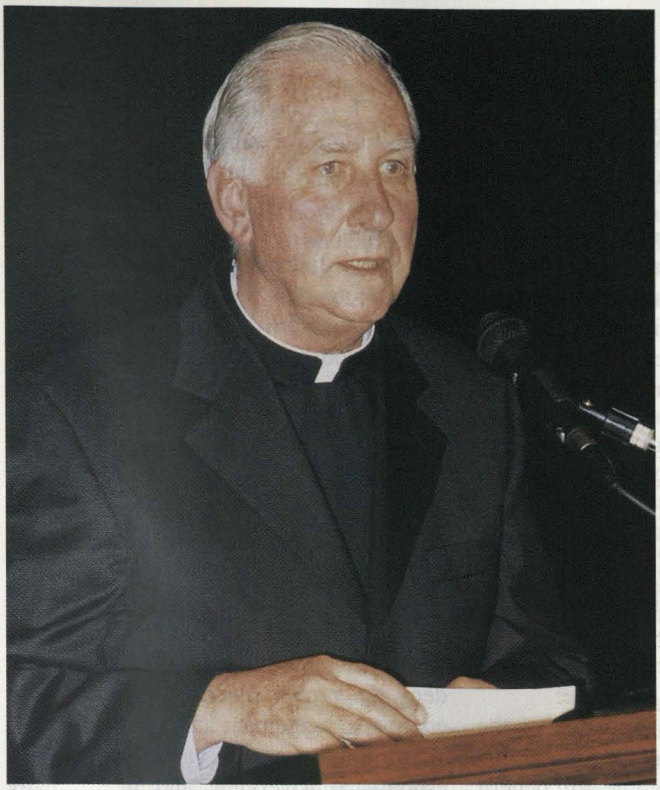
Thank you to Judith Little, my Assistant, for looking after me and ensuring that every voice is heard and everyone gets a response. Thank you also to Larraine Holden our Registrar. Larraine is either the most popular or unpopular person at Riverview, depending on what time of year it is and what type of letter people receive regarding their son's enrolment.

Finally, thank you to my wife, Catherine and my sons, Liam and Dominic and daughter, Erin. I have not seen much of them in the past three weeks but they share me unselfishly with you and keep my feet on the ground. My love for them is what keeps me going and looking forward to the next day.

And, thank you to you the students. As you leave today we are faced with fires around Sydney, NSW experiencing its worst drought in decades, and we are all faced with the fear of terrorism.

Remember that the Riverview community is just a phone call away and we are here to give assistance in whatever way we can. You are why we exist, you make this school what it is – yours is the world of tomorrow.

Shane P Hogan
Headmaster
6 December, 2002



Fr Daven Day SJ , Provincial Photograph by Chris Fitzgerald

Mr Neville Harpham, Chair of the College Council, Mr Shane Hogan, Headmaster, Members of Council, students, staff and members of the Riverview family.

I wish to begin this morning by offering a word of congratulations and encouragement to those who have made the College what it is today. We are blessed with an excellent Council that governs the College so well in partnership with the Province. It is with a debt of gratitude that I acknowledge the leadership of Council Chair, Neville Harpham, and all members of Council, together with its numerous sub-committees. In thanking each member, I wish to be understood as acknowledging, with equal gratitude, the understanding and unselfishness of the members of their families.

With you all, I share the disappointment that Fr Christopher Gleeson has concluded his time as Rector at Riverview. We are all in his debt and grateful that he gave so much of himself to the school community. Country boarding families, I know, have appreciated his special care and interest. The development of the middle years of boys education and the associated building programmes were all tribute to his educational vision. I join with you in prayer and with best wishes for his recovery and continued contribution to the ministry of education.

Thank you, too, Mr Shane Hogan. In various leadership capacities at Riverview over a number of years now, you have been such an asset to the College. You have the full confidence of your fellow teachers, the boys and their families and I add you have the high regard and confidence of the Australian Province of the Society of Jesus in your present role.

But now to the occasion of the day.

You should all know that in joining this celebration, you are sharing in a continuum of experience that spans many centuries. Annual distributions of prizes had become a regular event in Jesuit schools as early as the mid 1500's. Some aspects were very different then. Prizes then were normally made for compositions, speeches and poems in Latin, Greek and Hebrew.

An account at the time describes the format of a presentation:

"One of the students recites an introductory poem from the stage.

Then he proclaims the names of the successful candidates using a Latin formula. Immediately after the announcement, the orchestra will sound a salvo to the victor.

As each victor receives his prize, one of the students will recite or chant two verses of praise followed by another couplet counselling modesty and humility."

All very commendable indeed!

We continue to award prizes today not simply because it is an old tradition. We award them because there is value in the tradition. We award prizes for excellence. Now in some circles that is seen as elitism or discrimination. But the real sense of excellence is not about beating others, but about achieving full potential. It is about 'a personal best'.

On many occasions during your association with Riverview, I would be quite sure that you have heard stressed the importance of a complete education, a well-rounded formation. An education that embraces mind, heart and hands. To that end, today we acknowledge and reward academic excellence, commitment to studies, outstanding practical ability, exceptional leadership and generous service. In addition are awards in the domain of communication – the art of effective speaking and writing, the art of being persuasive, imaginative and articulate.

I understand that more than 150 students will receive awards today – a sizeable proportion of the student body. That is as it should be. Talents reside in us all, forever being discovered and developed. And of course, it must never end there. One's gifts and talents are not to be selfishly hoarded, but to be spent freely in the service of others, put at the disposal of the community.

The recognition of talent in our schools and the orientation given to students in the right use of that talent have a long history in the Jesuits. We refer to such a culture as 'our way of proceeding'. 'Way of proceeding' is one of those terms used by Ignatius with a long and rich heritage. It is another way of saying 'our approach', 'our values' or 'our style'.

But what does it mean in practice? I believe that, in a school, such a culture will always embrace the following elements.

At the heart would be Ignatian spirituality as captured in *The Spiritual Exercises*. This includes sharing and promoting Ignatian prayer, discernment (that is, finding God's will in making choices) and the way of seeking and finding God in all things.

Secondly, it means adopting Ignatian Pedagogy, our teaching style, which expects the sequence of experience, reflection and action. It is to extol the critical importance, especially of the latter two, and so often ignored, steps. Reflection is where the meaning of a particular experience is allowed to surface, where significance and relationship emerge. It can also be conscience-forming. Action is the practical outcome, which is manifested not only in a new skill, but more importantly in a change of heart or attitude, a new value appropriated, or a passion for doing something bold for the Kingdom.

Our Ignatian approach also concerns motivations for action, such as the *magis*, that yardstick whereby one makes better choices, does the greater good, or is more influential. Or service, which draws us to be men and women with and for others, especially those who have greatest claim on our talents and resources. Or great desires, which Ignatius would see as a sign of the Spirit at work in the human heart.

As our General Congregations have been recently reminding us, our Ignatian way promotes a faith that is linked to justice, so that those whom we are privileged to influence in a school, may become con-

templatives in action, people who are both prayerful and prophetic.

Finally, an Ignatian approach, from its earliest days, welcomes enculturation and adaptation. These strategies approach the world, its cultures and institutions with a certain freedom born of a deep integrity, liberating one to shed the superficial while not compromising core values. It means, as Ignatius was so fond of saying, 'entering through another person's door and leading them out your own'.

If those are some of the characteristics of 'our way of proceeding' we ought embrace, there are some limited expressions of them which, when employed unreflectively, may misrepresent the Jesuit vision. They are part-truths, if you like. I will mention four. I do so, because in their incompleteness, they lead us in beguilingly secular ways.

The first of these is our exhortation to be 'men and women for others'. A contemporary American Jesuit historian traces the origin of this theme to a line of Cicero, so much loved by the Jesuit educators, riding the wave of Renaissance humanism: non nobis solum nati sumus – we are not born for ourselves alone. Ignatius and his followers were, of course, Christian humanists. For them the pinnacle and principal reference point was not the human person, but God. So serving others – however great the need or persuasive the claim – is not an end in itself.

In the spirit of Matthew's Gospel treating the last judgement, the early Christian community was surprised to learn (as we are still) that in serving the poor, the dispossessed, the hungry and the sick, we serve Christ who dwells intimately in them. And, equally surprisingly, we in turn reveal the face of Christ to them.

St Ignatius himself, throughout his writings, most frequently used the expression 'saving souls'. By 'soul' Ignatius did not mean some disembodied spiritual element, but the whole person. So he encouraged his companions to help others by providing food for the body, learning for the mind, and (importantly) provision of spiritual guidance, the Gospel or the sacraments for our ultimate ends. We are not mere social workers.

The former General of the Society of Jesus, Pedro Arrupe, spoke of 'men for others' more than a quarter of a century ago. Such a quality would lead one to become more fully human – of course. But Pedro Arrupe was quick to add 'not in a merely natural sense'. But in the sense of being a 'spiritual' person as well, that is, filled with the Spirit of Christ. The Spirit of Him who came to save and liberate humankind, from all that enslaves and limits in this world – yes – but also to be freed for union with God.

A second epithet, also very much wide of the mark, is the saying often ascribed to the Jesuits 'give us a boy of seven and we will account for the man'. This adage has never been found in the writings of Ignatius or the early Jesuit educators. And there is little basis to it simply because, in the early days of the Society, Jesuits were never involved anyway in the education of young children.

The sentiment possibly derives from one of the benefits of Jesuit colleges for civil society as outlined by Ignatius in a letter of 1551 to a Provincial in Spain. He spoke of the advantage to society of sound education. He argued that the graduates of Jesuit colleges would become men of influence in society, both sacred and secular leaders and, he wrote:

"... since the boy is the father of the man, a suitable intellectual and moral formation given to young people will benefit many others and steadily further human development".

This is not about manipulation or brainwashing, but about formation, formation which will lead to what has been described as a multiplier effect. Ideally, a Jesuit graduate will be leaven in the bread of society.

The third of these is a shallow understanding of the oft-quoted summary of Ignatian spirituality: finding God in all things. Some early critics of Jesuit spirituality described this approach of 'finding God in all things' as simply pantheism – that God is everything and everything is God. Actually, Ignatius more often spoke of seeking and finding God in all things.

That is, there is a necessary degree of orientation and activity on the part of the human person. It is not a mindless stumbling upon something. It describes someone who is alert and discerning to God's presence and action in the world. Without such a discerning attitude, we might readily deceive ourselves into thinking that everything that gives rise to joy or contentment is a sign of God's presence and affirmation in our lives. Not so. The gleeful cheers of bank robbers as they speed away from the heist with their loot betrays such a misleading understanding. One who truly appropriates Ignatian spirituality artfully distinguishes between true and false consolations.

Invariably I hear the last of the misleading descriptors of Jesuit education whenever I spend time with groups of alumni. I am sure to hear one of them say something like, 'I really value my Jesuit education because it taught me to think for myself'. At first glance, it is an appealing quality. It is true that a humanistic education would offer subjects and approaches that opened the mind, sharpened wits, developed clarity of thought, and force in expressing it.

It gives students an adroitness of mind in meeting new questions, and lays a foundation from which to explore the more important questions they would come to later in their studies, or in life. But becoming an independent thinker is not to think entirely alone. Remember, we are speaking of the culture of Christian humanism, which has Christ as the end point, Christ as the reference point. Thus 'independent thinking' does have reference points. It is never entirely relative. It is done within the context of a tradition and a Church community. This is not to deny the proper place of conscience in coming to judgement and action.

So those are the values which we espouse at Riverview and in so many other Jesuit schools and colleges and universities – more than 760 of them internationally. This is a style and approach which has emerged in over 450 years' experience. Why do we Jesuits continue to stay in education? Because such formation is concerned with so much more than just matters of the head. And because it is hope-filled.

The Spanish Jesuit, Juan de Bonifacio (who produced the first treatise on Jesuit education), wrote in the 16th century, 'The education of youth is the renewal of the world'. If you believe that – you teach. The vocation of teaching is one vocation by which history can be made and re-made. It is my hope and prayer as retiring Provincial, that many more will join us as Jesuits or as lay collaborators in the vocation of teaching and will work with us to change the world, to the greater glory of God.

Fr Daven Day SJ
Provincial

Year 5 Academic Prizes

Aggregate
Maximillian Cordony
Religious Education
Simon Parsons
Application
Thomas Murphy = 1
Matthew Skilbeck = 1
Headmaster's Prize For Essay
Conor McCraith
Language
Maximillian Cordony
Written Expression
Maxim Strokon
Mathematics
Maximillian Cordony
Music
Maxim Strokon
Human Society and Its Environment
Thomas Corrigan
Visual Arts
Jonathan Scardino = 1
Alexander Scardino = 1
Science & Technology
James Warne
PDHPE
Matthew Skilbeck


Simon Parsons

Year 6.1 Academic Prizes

Aggregate
Matthew Barry
Religious Education
Hugh Dalton
Application
Thomas Burns
Headmaster's Prize For Essay
Nicholas Fitzgerald
English
Matthew Barry
Science & Technology
Hugh Dalton
Music
Matthew Barry
PDHPE
Jack Freeman
Human Society and Its Environment
Nicholas Fitzgerald
Mathematics
Patrick Dempsey
Computing Studies
Matthew Barr
Written Expression
Christopher Ratcliffe
Visual Arts
Joseph Neely = 1
Nicholas Fitzgerald = 1

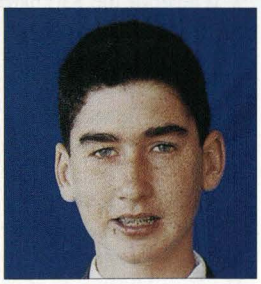

Patrick Dempsey

Year 6.2 Academic Prizes

Aggregate
Hugh Satterthwaite
Religious Education
Hugh Satterthwaite
Application
Nicholas Hill
Headmaster's Prize for Essay
Gregory Macken
English
Hugh Satterthwaite
Visual Arts
Cameron Farrell
Mathematics
Hugh Satterthwaite
Human Society and Its Environment
Hugh Satterthwaite = 1
Brendan Petersen = 1
Written Expression
Hugh Satterthwaite
Science and Technology
Hugh Satterthwaite
Computing Studies
Joseph Molloy
Music
Jack Masi
PDHPE
Nicholas Hill


Brendan Petersen


Andrew Thomas


James Jedlin

Year 7 Academic Prizes

Aggregate
7.1 Henry Norris
7.2 Joseph Payten
7.3 Andrew Thomas
7.4 Joseph Machart
7.5 Matthew Kirkwood
7.6 James Vaughan
7.7 Christopher Natale
Religious Education
Joseph Machart = 1
John McNicholl = 1
Application
7.1 Raymon Mainsbridge
7.2 Damian Mair
7.3 Jonathan Hew
7.4 John McNicholl
7.5 Rhys Pogonoski
7.6 Laurence Young
7.7 Alistair Stephenson
Headmaster's Prize for Essay
James Vaughan
English
Joseph Payten
Mathematics
Alexander Cantori
Science
David Herlihy = 1
Joseph Payten = 1
History
Henry Norris
Classics
Andrew Thomas
French
Samuel Morse
Chinese
Timothy Leung
Geography
Joseph Payten
Visual Arts
Joseph Marchart
Music
Matthew Castino
Design & Technology
Matthew Ingram
PDHPE
Joseph Payten

Year 8 Academic Prizes

Aggregate
Stephen Rohl
Religious Education
Benjamin Williams
Application
Alistair Webster 1
Thomas Rubenach 2
Robert Hogan2
James Jedlin 2
Christopher Larkin 2
Luke Pittorino 2
Patrick Warnes 2
Essay
James Reoch 4
English
Benjamin Williams
Mathematics
Stephen Rohl
Fundamentals of Mathematics
Benjamin Marshall
Science
Thomas Peattie
History
Patrick McGushin
Latin
Thomas Saunders
French
Stephen Rohl
Foundation French
John Nigem
Chinese
Ciarin Gill =1
Philippe Oei =1
Italian
Peter Leitner
Visual Arts
Peter Leitner =1
James May =1
Geography
Patrick McGushin
Music
Mitchell Rixon
PDHPE
Adam Ahern
Design & Technology
Thomas Rubenach

Junior Campus Special Prizes

Prize for Persistent Application in Studies: Jake Cumbers
The B. C. Kinnaird Prize for Constant Application in Studies: Donald Benn
The Andrew Dawson Memorial Prize: Joseph Neely
The Year 7 Art of Speech Prize: Constantine Costi
The Year 6 Art of Speech Prize: Hugh Dalton
The Award for Junior Campus Music: John McNicholl
The Richard John McEvoy Prize for Year 5 student with a great love of reading: Thomas Murphy
The Year 7 Debating Prize: Thomas Lowrey
The Year 6 Debating Prize: Alexander Sharpe
The Junior Campus Debating Prize: Andrew Thomas
William John Henderson Memorial Prize for Year 7 Division Boarders: Joseph Payten
The Year 7 Award: Constantine Costi
The Cecil O'Dea Memorial Prize for General Excellence in Year 7: Joseph Payten

Special Year 8 Prizes

The Art of Speech Prize: Benjamin Williams
The Kirkpatrick Prize for English Composition: Michael Falk
The Bill Roche Prize for Year 8 Division Boarders: Ian Williams
The Year 8 Award: Patrick McCabe
The Year 8 Prize for Excellence: Thomas Coolican

Year 8 Prizes

1. Winner of the Prize for Persistent Application in Studies.
2. Winner of a Bryan Veech Memorial Prize for Constant Application in Studies.
4. Winner of the Headmaster's Prize for Essay.

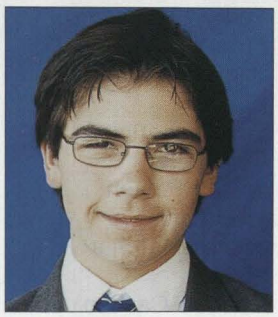
Year 9 Academic Prizes

Aggregate
Gareth Carroll
Religious Education
Paul Chidrawi
Application
Stuart McLean 1
Matthew Barham 1
Paolo D'Ambrosio 1
Essay
James O'Brien 3
English
James O'Brien
History
Robert Dunn
Science
Bryan Curtin
Writing Mastery
Edward Callanan = 1
James Amodeo = 1
Mathematics Advanced
Sean Carroll
Mathematics Intmdte
Timothy Ley
Mathematics Standard
Christopher Clarebrough
Commerce
Dominic Sood
French
Jarryd Malouf
Latin
Patrick Pragasam
Classical Greek
Dominic Kelly
Chinese
Kenneth Cheung
PDHPE
Henry Meagher
Computing Studies
Robert Dunn 5
Media Studies
Samuel Young = 1
Patrick Mayoh = 1
James Sheehan = 1
Technics
Richard Cahill 6
Music
Dominic Kelly
Visual Arts
Dominic Taylor = 1
Thomas Kirkham = 1
Nicholas Nedeljkovic = 1
Drama
Dominic Anderson

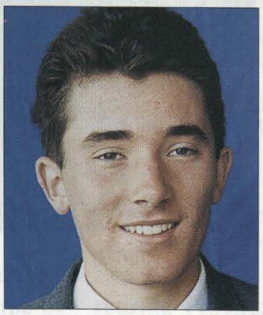
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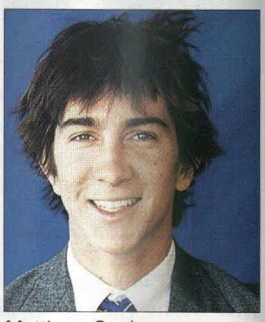
Aggregate
Patrick Wall 1, 2
Religious Education
Jason Wong 4
Application
Ian Quartly 5
Matthew Kenny 5
Andrew McManus 5
Jack Dwyer 5
Luke Latter 5
Essay
David Rohl 7
English
Tom Norris
English Composition
Sam Cincinatto 9
History
Patrick Wall
Science
Patrick wall
Commerce
Sean O'Connor
French
Damian Raper
Chinese
Jason Wong
Latin
Jason Wong = 1
Patrick Wall = 1
Classical Greek
Patrick Wall = 1
Drama
Byron Fay
Mathematics Advanced
Matthew Lewis 10
Mathematics Intmdte
Roger Fan
Mathematics Stndrd
Matthew Cock
PDHPE
Nicholas Jones
Media Studies
Daniel Lenehan = 1
David De Candia = 1
Andrew Giannasca = 1
Visual Arts
Tom Norris
Music
Marcus Bortolotti 4
Writing Mastery
Kieran Conway = 1
Michael Spencer = 1
Computing Studies
David Rohl 11
Technics
Glenn O'Sullivan
Australian Geography
David Rohl = 1
Nicholas Janu = 1
Elective Geography
Kip Koenig = 1
Martin Silk = 1


Dominic Anderson


Nicholas Nedeljkovic


Patrick Wall


Michael Spencer


Matthew Cock

Year 9 Prizes

1. Winner of a Bryan Veech Memorial Prize for Constant Application in Studies.
3. Winner of the Headmaster's Prize for Essay.
5. Winner of the David John Lincoln Brennan Memorial Prize for Year 9 Computing Studies.
6. Winner of the Anthony Nowland Memorial Prize for Year 9 Technics.

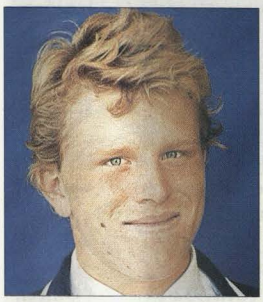
The Art of Speech Prize: Anthony Baine
The Kirkpatrick Prize for English Composition: James O'Brien
The O'Connor Prize for Year 9 Division Boarders: Jacob McKay
The Year 9 Award: Thomas Silver
The Year 9 Prize for Excellence: Patrick Mayoh

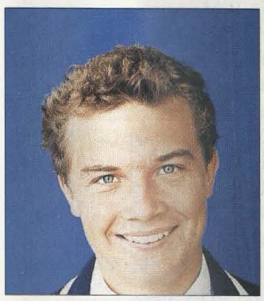
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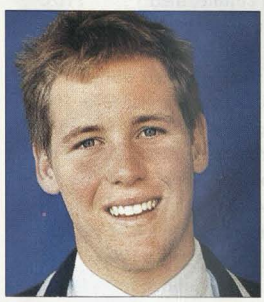
1. Winner of the J. J. Leahy Memorial prize for Dux of Year 10.
2. Winner of the University of Sydney 'Year 10 Academic Excellence Award'
3. Winner of the J. J. Leahy Memorial prize for Runner-up in Year 10.
4. Winner of the Brian Smith Memorial Prize for Religious Education
5. Winner of an Esmond Gilhooley Memorial Prize for Constant Application in Studies.
7. Winner of the Headmaster's Prize for Essay.
9. Winner of the Kirkpatrick Prize for English Composition.
10. Winner of the George Wootten Memorial Prize for Mathematics.
11. Winner of the David John Lincoln Brennan Memorial Prize for Year 10 Computing Studies.

The Art of Speech Prize: Jack Dwyer
The Gordon Oxenham Memorial Prize for Year 10 Division Boarders: Michael Boyle
The James K Kinkead Prize for Year 10 Debating: Patrick Wall
The Year 10 Award: Matthieson Hor
The Year 10 Award: Luke Latter
The Year 10 Prize for Excellence: Nicholas Jones


William Sheehy

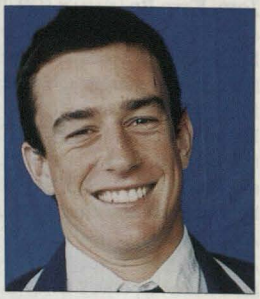

Sean Killham


Sam Watson

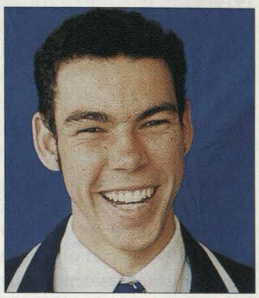

Michael Delaney

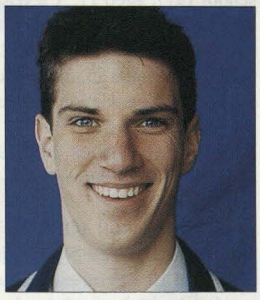
Year 11 Academic Prizes

Aggregate
Christopher Croke 1
Pascal Herington 2
Application
Jacob Molkentin 3
Sebastian Cheung 4
John-Paul Beaumont 4
Will Magnus 4
Myles Rogerson 4
Christopher Broadhurst 4
Studies of Religion 1U
Luke Edwards
Studies of Religion 2U
Luke O'Sullivan 6
French
James Harvey (Year 9)
Latin
Christopher Croke
English Standard
Mark Beck = 1
Mitchell Quigley = 1
Essay
Thomas Robertson 7
English Extension 1
Thomas Robertson =1
Christopher Croke = 1
English Advanced
Christopher Croke = ¡
Pascal Herington = 1
Thomas Robertson = 1
Mathematics Extension 1
Sean Killham 9
Mathematics 2U
Christopher Croke
Mathematics General
Patrick Bodimeade = 1
Luke O'Sullivan =1
HSC Acceleration Mathematics
Thomas Clement
Chinese
Patrick Ho
Italian
Adrian Fiorito
Physics
Daniel Gunn
Biology
Edward King
Chemistry
Thomas Clement
Senior Science
Alexander Cassegrain = 1
Matthew Whelan = 1
Modern History
Michael Reardon
Ancient History
David Fisher 10
Business Studies
Nicholas Johnston = 1
Andrew Slattery =1
PDHPE
Andrew Ford
HSC Acceleration Music Course 2
Pascal Herington
HSC Acceleration Modern History
Christopher Croke
Photography
Patrick Roberts
Aboriginal Studies
John Hartman 11
Visual Arts
William Sheehy = 1
Jack Meagher = 1
Drama
Harry Windsor
Music Course 1
Jeremy Moore
Music Course 2
Andrew Cahill
Industrial Technology
Mark Flower
Design and Technology
Pascal Herington
Information Processes and Technology
Douglas Marshall
Software Design and Development
Sean Killham
HSC Software Design and Development
Thomas Clement 12
Economics
Samuel Watson
Agriculture
Michael Delaney
Geography
Andrew Slattery 13


Michael Roche


Christopher Croke


Patrick Bodimeade


Thomas Clement

Year 11 Prizes

1. Winner of the Brian Hughes Memorial Prize for Dux of Year 11.
2. Winner of the Brian Hughes Memorial Prize for Runner-up in Year 11.
3. The Prize for Persistent Application in Studies
4. Winner of an Alan Bridge Memorial Prize for Constant Application in Studies.
6. Winner of the Lou Loneragan Memorial Prize for Studies of Religion in Year 11.
7. Winner of the Headmaster's Prize for Essay.
9. Winner of the John King Branagan Memorial Prize for Year 11 Mathematics.
10. Winner of the Herodotus Prize for Ancient History
11. Winner for the B & V Toomey Prize for Aboriginal Studies.
12. Winner of the David Brennan Memorial Prize for HSC Software Design and Development.
13. Winner of the R. Graham Mitchell Prize for Year 11 Geography

Special Year 11 and Senior Prizes

The Brendan Lane Mullins Prize for English Composition: Harry Windsor
The Joseph and Madeleine Donnelly Prize for the Best Contribution to the College Musical Production: Pascal Herington
The Father Charles McDonald, S.J. Medal for Senior Debate: Christopher Croke
The Michael Bryant Prize for a Year 11 Country Boarder: Michael Roche
The Jack Smyth Prize for Year 11 Division Boarders: Justin Fleming
The Year 11 Award: Andrew Cahill
The John McGlinchey Memorial Prize for General Excellence in Year 11: Christopher Croke

John King Branagan (OR.1939-42): died 1945, aged 19, from a football injury while a student in Engineering at Sydney University. Outstanding Mathematics scholar, sportsman and Catholic. Prize established in 1947.

David Brennan (OR.1975-80): died in 1999 at the age of 36 from a heart attack. An avid computer specialist involved in finance. Prize established by his parents and three brothers in 2002.

Alan Bridge (OR.1921-26): died 1966, aged 57. A barrister, he succeeded in his studies by dint of hard work. Appointed to the Bench 1961. Prize established in 1969.

Michael Joseph Bryant (OR.1950-53) died 1999. Grazier at Greenethorpe, member of a family long represented at Riverview. A zealous Catholic and stalwart defender of rural interests. Prize established by his family in 1999.

Jude Bunbury (OR.1976-81): accidentally killed 1984, aged 20, while a student in Engineering at Sydney University. Excellent all-round student while at school. Undergraduate member of University Senate, stalwart Catholic leader. Prize established in 1984.

Colin Campbell (OR.1966-69): killed in a motor accident in 1970, aged 17. Prize established 1974.

Dr Ann Clark who died in 1997 was a founding member of the Riverview College Council established in 1993. She taught in secondary schools in Australia and New Zealand and was the Founding Director of the Parramatta Catholic Education Office when it was set up in 1987. In that role she was instrumental in the approval of the establishment of Loyola College, Mt. Druitt. The Riverview College Foundation established this prize in 1997 as part of their funding of the Ann Clark Artist in Residence Programme at Riverview.

D'Arcy Cobcroft (OR.1915-17): died while at school 1917, aged 17. Clever and industrious student; fine athlete. Prize established in 1918.

Michael Cunich (OR.1952-58): accidentally killed 1966, aged 25. Noted for strength of character, religious conviction and perseverance. Prize established in 1967

Dr Murray Curtis (OR.1901-05): died 1966, aged 78. School doctor 1915-47. Prize established in 1933.

Andrew Dawson (OR.1986): Happy, friendly and courageous Year 5 boy, who died of cancer at the age of 10. Prize established in 1989 for award to a boy in the Junior School, who, like Andrew, has shown perseverance in his studies and maintained his involvement in co-curricular activities.

Daniel Henry Deniehy (1828-65). Politician and writer in colonial New South Wales. Prize established in 1997 by an anonymous admirer

Madeleine & Joseph Donnelly, grandparents of Nicholas Brennan, one of the principals in 'The Pirates of Penzance', which, in 1976, signalled the revival of Gilbert and Sullivan productions. Prize established in 1976 to encourage College musicals.

Fr Francis Douglas (OR.1930-31): died 1984, aged 70. Quietly efficient and a very successful administrator, Secretary to the Archbishop of Brisbane and Chancellor of the Archdiocese; laboured at his tasks despite the loss of voice. Prize established in 1986 by Miss Susan Douglas for those who have persevered against difficulties.

George E Flannery (OR.1886-88): died 1945, aged 73. Barrister, famous for his clear and orderly mind. Prize established in 1933.

Edmond Gilhooley (OR.1932-34): killed in action 1942, aged 26. Idealist, patriot and devout Catholic. Prize established in 1942.

Fr Noel Hehir, SJ. Headmaster 1940-45: died 1947, aged 48. Dedicated priest, teacher and coach. Prize established in 1948.

William John Henderson (OR.1930-38): a Sub-Lieutenant, R.A.N., died on active service 1942, aged 21. Popular as a boy at school for his honesty, cheerfulness and readiness to assist others. Prize established in 1979.

Richard Herlihy (OR. 1938): died while at school 1939, aged 16. Noted for gentlemanliness, great ability and good humour. Prize established 1940.

The Herodotus Ancient History Prize: established in 2002 by two current Ancient History teachers, Mr Michael Turner and Mr John Limbourn.

Bryan Hughes (OR.1900-04): killed in action 1918, aged 30. Admired for his unselfishness, courage and amiability. Prize established in 1918.

Thomas F. Kelly (OR.1881-85): died 1901. Solicitor, noted for absolute integrity. Principal founder and first President of the Old Ignatians' Union. Formerly called the Keating prize, this award was established in 1902 and is the oldest prize in the College.

James K. Kinkead (OR.1902-05): died 1950, aged 62. Prominent barrister. Zealous participant in many academic, musical and sporting activities while at school. President of the Old Ignatians' Union in 1932. Prize established in 1951.

Bruce Columba Kinnaird, a member of the College staff 1947-1984, was Master of the Junior School from 1976 until his retirement. Following his death in June 1997 the Junior School prize honouring his name was established.

John Ferris Kirkpatrick (OR.1940-47). From Cleveland, Mungindi, he was Dux of the College in 1947. Prize established in 1946 by John Ferris Kirkpatrick Snr to encourage achievement.

Brendan Lane-Mullins (OR.1907-08): killed in action on the Somme 1917, aged 22. Model of a refined and purposeful gentleman. Prize established in 1917.

James J. Leahy Prominent grazier whose sons attended Riverview. Prize established 1941 and continued by his family after his death in 1959.

Dr James L'Estrange (OR.1938). Died 1990 after some thirty years of service as College doctor 1962 - 1990. Papal Knight, noted for his service to the community and the medical profession. Prize established in 1995 by the family.

Lou Loneragan (OR.1893-97): died 1950, aged 68. Grazier and businessman, active in charitable interests. Prize established in 1951.

Anson Mak (OR.1992-97): Prize established 1999 in recognition of his outstanding achievement in Economics.

Fr Charles McDonald, S.J. (OR.1938-45): Died 1982, aged 54. Master at Riverview 1962-80, celebrated as an English teacher and especially as Debating master. Prize established in 1982.

Richard John McEvoy (OR 1918 – 20): died 2002, aged 100. A devout, peaceful and loving man who was devoted to his family and friends. Always captivated by the written word Richard was an avid reader. Prize donated by his wife Sophia McEvoy and family in 2002 specifically for a boy "who has a great love of reading."

John McGlinchey (OR.1977-81): Died while at school, 1981, aged 16. Leukaemia victim whose patience and fortitude inspired the school. Prize established in 1981.

Fr Thomas J. McLoughlin, S.J. Master at Riverview 1911-1916, 1921-1925 and 1936-1963, in which year he died, aged 76. Legendary as a French teacher but most of all for his deep interest in the students. Prize established in 1970.

Paul Meagher (OR.1913-20): died 1948, aged 45. Active Catholic layman and popular figure in all Riverview affairs. Prize established in 1948.

R. Graham Mitchell. In 1987, while teaching at Riverview on exchange from Stonyhurst, Lancashire, Mr Mitchell founded this prize to encourage a deeper interest in Geography.

Anthony Nowland (OR.1978-79): Accidentally killed in a farm accident in 1979, aged 13. Prize established in 1980.

E.D. O'Connor. Established in 1968 and first awarded in 1970; prizes donated by Mr E.D. O'Connor whose three sons attended the College 1964-70.

Cecil O'Dea (OR.1917-22): died 1988. Talented solicitor and a great supporter of the Old Ignatians' Union and the Indian Bazaar. Prize established in 1990.

Gordon Oxenham (OR.1906-09). Flight Lieutenant, Army Flying Corps, killed in action during the Palestine Campaign in 1918, aged 25. Prize established in 1918.

Paul Family: Prize established in 1997, specifically for a boy who has shown outstanding development in the area of Visual Arts, both in achievement and in application.

Stanley Ricketts (OR.1932-34). Pilot Officer, RAAF, lost in action over the Irish Sea, 1943, aged 26. Prize established in 1963.

Roland Rixon. Prize established in 1996 by Mr Bruce Rixon, Director of Music and Creative Arts at the College, in memory of his father who had a great fondness for band music.

Mark Robinson. (OR.1969-76): died 1978, aged 21. Prize established in 1979, specifically for a boy 'who has given his whole heart to the school'.

Bill Roche (OR.1988-89): died at home during vacation, July 1989, aged 13. Noted for his bright humour and amiable approach to life. Prize established in 1990.

Patrick Ryan (OR.1987-92): keen student of Chinese language and culture, died 1997. Prize established by his family 1999, specifically for a non-native speaker of Mandarin.

Brian Smith (OR.1955-58): Died whilst at school, 1958, aged 15. Prize established in 1958.

Jack Smyth Prize established in 1967 by the father of a pupil, in gratitude for the care taken of his son and in the hope that others would be encouraged to trust their sons to Riverview.

Robert Stuart Successful Coach of 1st XI Association Football (Soccer) 1984-1999. Housemaster, teacher at the College from 1982. Prize established 2000.

Arnold Joseph Tancred (1904-63). International footballer; managed 1947-48 Wallaby tour; father and grandfather of Old Ignatians; coach of senior College teams for a number of years.

B & V. Toomey. Prize established 1993 by Mr and Mrs Toomey (Barry and Vanessa) to foster a deeper interest in Aboriginal Studies at Riverview.

Ian Tucker (OR.1985-91): died playing rugby for Oxford in 1996. Ian was an inspirational role model of the highest ideals of sportsmanship. Prize established 1997.

Bryan Veech (OR.1906-11): died 1921, aged 30. Medical practitioner at Canowindra, devoted to the care of the poor and 'had just as much time for the swagman as for the richest man'. Prize established in 1921.

Rita Wilson College Receptionist and Registrar 1974 - 92, died 1992. Her thoughtfulness towards the boarders was much appreciated by country parents. Prize donated by boarder parents 1992

George Wootten (OR.1932-38): Sergeant Pilot, RAAF, killed in action 1943, aged 22. Prize established in 1943.

"This four-day camp proved to be a very valuable lesson in life. I've learnt more about myself and others. The experience left an unforgettable impression on me; one that will continually affect my character and morality. It taught me to be tolerant and patient. Also there is only one way to live, in the service of others."
William Mansfield

"Never before have I made a best friend so quickly. A little 9-year old, weighing a debilitated 22-kg, with a radiant smile and a heart of gold."
Mark Story

"The pinnacle of the experience was when I saw Jack go. They say you never know what you had until you loose it. I didn't realise until Jack was waving from the car seat that I had lost something so important. He meant so much"
Warwick Williams

"Although the camp was indeed challenging, it provided a life-changing and eye-opening experience. It was a profound character building experience that showed me how I need to put my life into proper perspective."
Luke Hogan

"The Ignatian Children's Holiday Camp was an experience I wish never to forget: it was like no other. It has to be one of the hardest things I have ever done in my life, yet at the same time one of the most rewarding and enjoyable events I have ever experienced"
Samantha Wilford

"On Friday night my child told me that he wanted to go home, which disappointed me. This is what I was afraid of. The next night when he said 'I want to…' I asked 'Go home?'. 'No', he corrected me, 'I want to stay'. So I stayed with him until he fell asleep. It meant so much to me that I could do something for him."
Brian Gray

"I came to several important realisations whilst I was on the camp. I came to see that each child was an individual and not one of them was defined by their condition. Their strength of characters left me awestruck on more than one occasion as I realised their unique gifts and abilities"
Sarah Steele

"Driving home from the camp I knew something had changed. Maybe it wasn't noticeable to my friends and family when I arrived home but a small part of me had definitely changed. Now when I see people with disabilities, I don't see the wheelchair or pain like I used to. Instead I see the beautiful grinning boy that I came to love and the happiness we shared."
Claudia Hoeben

summer holidays 2002-2003

Despite being officially on holidays, there was still plenty of activity going on at the College during the summer vacation especially in the first few weeks of January.

Students and staff could be found in locations both near and far. Some were in distant lands such as France, Nepal, USA and India, while others were much closer to home at exotic places such as Canberra, Adelaide, the SIC tennis courts and the Gartlan.

Activities such as rowing, tennis, cricket, basketball, drama master classes occupied the hearts and minds and bodies of these dedicated enthusiasts for several days, even weeks, during January.

Meantime, the administration and business staff continued to keep the school running smoothly while the maintenance staff worked seemingly non-stop on projects large and small including the new ONeil Science wing, the Therry Middle School Campus, and the Vaughan Wing a well as carparks and road works.

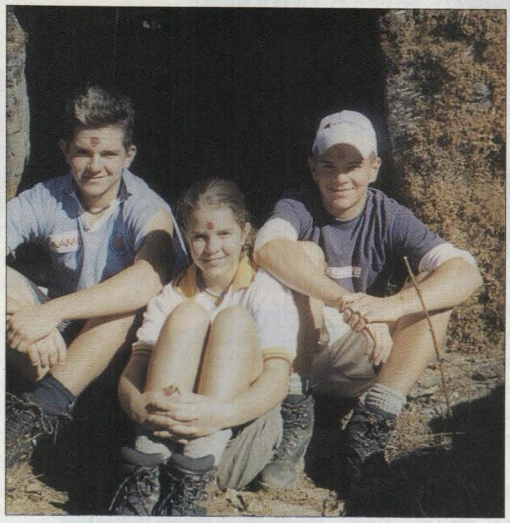
Although the drought was taking its toll on the lawns and gardens, the grounds staff managed to ensure their survival and eventual revival when the rains came late February.



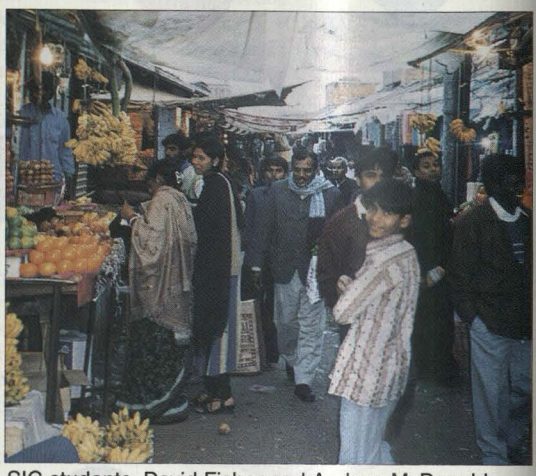
The Tennis team at Gosford



Sebastian van Veenendaal, Mrs Louella Perrett and Ed Noel in Paris



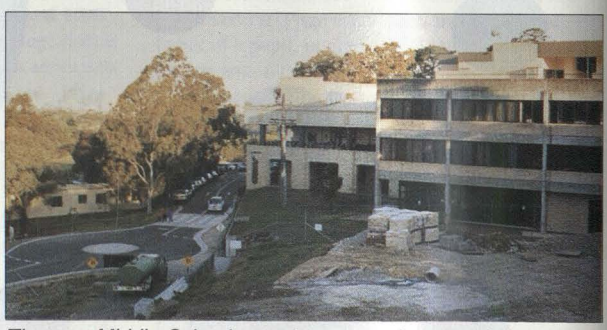
Tim, Kathryn and Marty Whybourne in Nepal



SIC students, David Fisher and Andrew McDonald Hughes visit the Jesuit mission in India



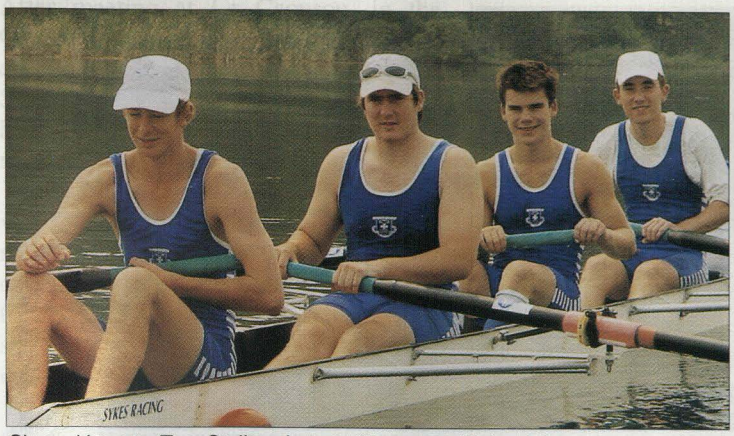
Adam Campbell and Chris Larkin at the rowing camp



The new Middle School complex ... nearing completion



Cricketers at the Australian Jesuit Schools' Cricket carnival in Adelaide wth Mr Andrew Szabo and Mr Mark McGinnity



Simon Hegarty, Tom Stalley, Jeremy Chapman, Michael Spencer

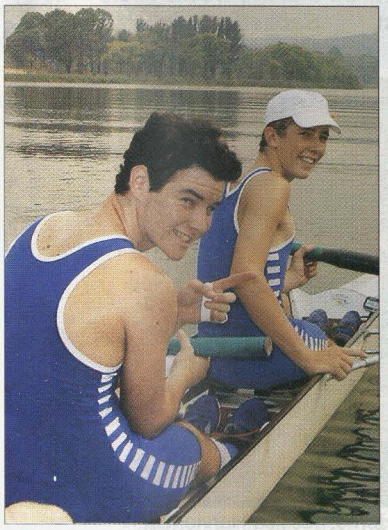


Patrick Higgins and Kerry Lane

January 2003 was an important month for rowers of Riverview.
In mid January, 2000m ergometric rowing tests were held at the Gartlan Centre, followed by the week-long GPS senior rowing camp at Canberra.
A few days later the Year 10 and Junior rowers gathered at the College for their rowing camps which concluded on Australia Day.



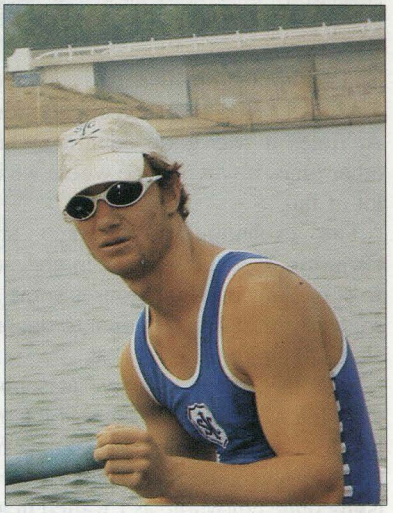
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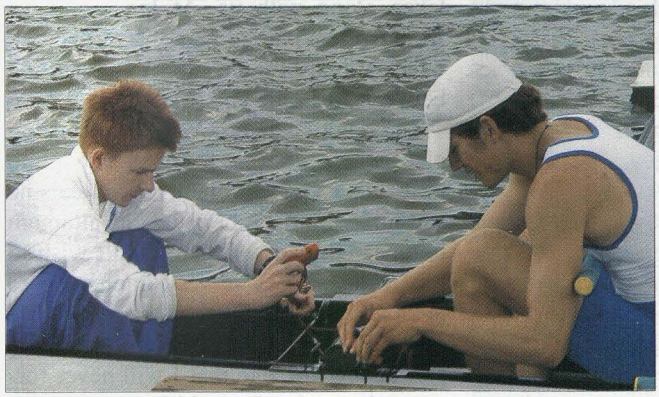
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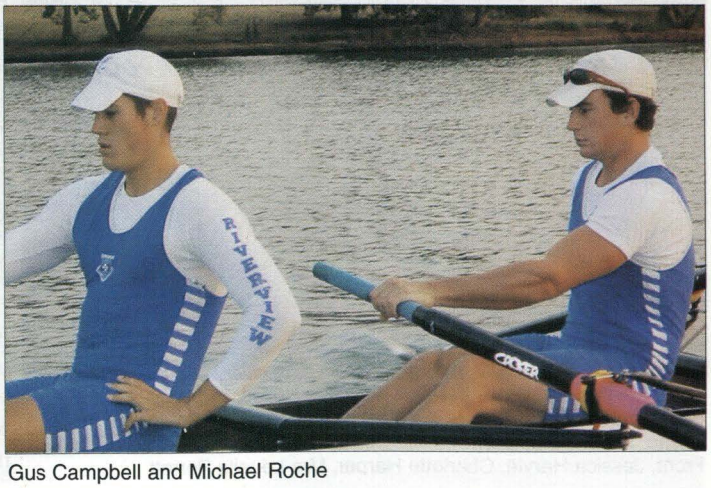
Lachlan McCaffrey, Henry Renshaw, Ben Diserens and Damian Mair



Tom Flynn



Laurence Shanahan and Andrew Cutcliffe



Gus Campbell and Michael Roche



Sebastian van Veenendaal with his French friend take flying lessons


Snow in Tarbes

On December 9, 2002, a group of eight Riverview boys and two Monte Sant' Angelo girls jetted off on a six-week exchange program to France.

Nine of the students stayed in Toulouse in the south of France. I was the only member of the group who was placed in Tarbes, a town 160km further south, in the Midi-Pyrenees region.

The thought of staying so far away from my friends in a different country on the other side of the world speaking a totally different language was daunting at first.

However, on arrival at Toulouse Airport I was met by my friendly host mum. However, after 26 hours of flying I wasn't all that elated to find out that I had two more hours of driving before reaching my final destination

My attitude changed when I got my first glimpse of the French Pyrenees. What a sight! I spent the entire car trip just following the mountain along the highway. It was an awesome sight!

Most of my time in Tarbes was spend at school with my French correspondent, Francois Xavier, or FX. If you think Physics or 4-unit Maths at Riverview is hard, try sitting though a Year 8 Physics lesson or a Spanish lesson in France. It's ridiculously difficult! After the first few days of school I started to find it easier and my French improved. However, my English must have been deteriorating as the English Grammar teacher in France, kept correcting the way I spoke. When I wasn't at school I spent my time at the skate park with FX. I went on weekly snow trips (yes, I went to the snow twice a week!), I watched French cartoons on TV and I even went flying with my host father.

I enjoyed my time in Tarbes enormously. I never knew that five weeks could pass by so fast. ***Sebastian van Veenendaal***

The schooling life that I experienced in Toulouse was a great experience for me. At times it was quite daunting,while at other times it was a place where we had a lot of fun.

The exchange took place at Le Caousou, a Jesuit school in the south-west of France, which houses some 2200 students, from Kindergarten to the equivalent of our Year 12.

Each day, I would arrive at school in what felt like the early hours of the morning, it was still pitch black and near freezing. However, these mornings ended up being quite enjoyable as I waited in anticipation for the first sight of an Aussie. On the first day of school we were given a tour of Le Caousou by a group of young French boys and girls aged about eleven or twelve who had a level of English a little lower than our French.

This showed to us that the French must work very hard and they certainly did. School in Toulouse can be very exhausting and on one particular day per week, school went from 8:15am until 6:20 in the evening.

The worst part of this long day at school was having to sit through three hours straight of French and being forced to take notes on something I could not understand. However, this was minor and probably the only part of school I didn't enjoy.


The travellers, back row, from left, Dominic Holles, Hugh Cashmore, Seb astian van Veenendaal, Ed Noel, Laurence Bye, Pat Westhoff, Jake Horne, Simon Anderson.
Front, Jessica Harvie, Charlotte Harper, Mrs Louella Perrett

As we got to know the other French kids at the school, we became friends with the older students as well as many younger students who were very interested in an Aussie as well as the mini koalas we had taken along with us. At lunchtime we would often play a game of basketball which usually turned into a competition between Australia and France.


Jake Horne, Jessica Harvie, Laurence Bye and Pat Westhoff outside their 'new' school

The school cafeteria was an interesting place where we were fortunate enough to taste some very different French cuisine and mix with the other students although it appeared many of them didn't wish to mix with us. It was very interesting to learn about and be part of the school life of the French. School was a memorable part of my trip, one that I will never forget and one that I would love to experience again.

Ed Noel

After meeting at Le Caousou, in the Grand Hallway, the Aussie Group left on a short walk to Toulouse-Matabiau Train Station. We arrived in Lourdes some two hours later to discover that it was cold and rainy.

Lourdes was not a big town, nor was it very lively. Very few shops were open and many of the streets were deserted, but that didn't matter: after all, we weren't there to horrify our parents at our ability to spend money. We were there for spiritual enlightenment.

The troop stopped at one of the few shops that were open: a small bargain shop which sold all the essentials for a traveller to Lourdes: icons of the Virgin Mary, pictures of Saint Bernadette in all shapes and sizes, prayer beads and rosaries and of course bottles for collecting the holy water (which is provided at the sanctuaries through half a dozen taps in the rock face near the grotto). These bottls varied in size from those that could hold several millilitres to those that could hold several litres.

Many of us went in to buy some bottles. The lady at the counter for some reason did not accept my 20 Euro note. As a result, I spent a little bit more time in the shop than I had originally intended, only to find that the group had left without me! I was lost and didn't know where the Grotto was (it's not signposted at all), so I walked to the nearest police station where I experienced French Police hospitality at first hand. Of course, since they were no help to me whatsoever, I walked back to the shop. Luckily, I ran into two friends who had returned to look for me.

We arrived at the Sanctuaries a while later. The site was really quite impressive: two churches built one on top of the other, plus an underground church further off. After visiting the Basilica we made our way to The Grotto. It was a rather moving experience.There is an instant silence that seems to overcome all who stand in front of the area where the Virgin appeared to St Bernadette. Although no one from our group actually kissed the wall (as has happened in previous years), we did feel something special.

There is a definite mood change when you get there, a certain awe that you cannot put into words. You can't help but wonder why Mary chose this place of all places to appear to Bernadette. Quite honestly I can't answer that question, but I can tell you that it is a very special place.

We all lit our candles and said our prayers and filled our little bottles with holy water. We did a quick tour of the surrounding area and said a prayer in each of the churches, starting from the top and working our way down. Each chapel was unique, offering a place where people could pray to God and Mary in their own way. We finished the tour and got back on the train, which would take us back to our correspondents' families.



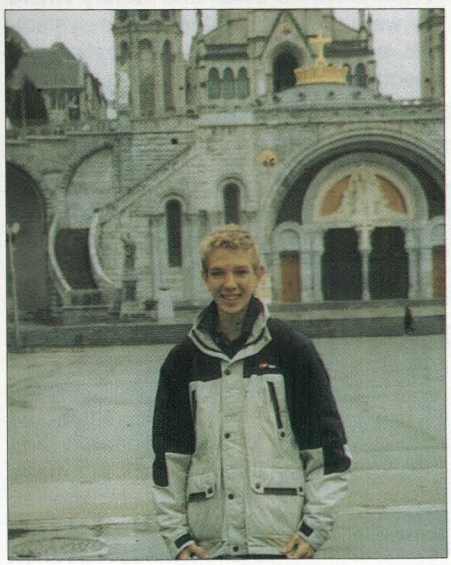
Simon Anderson disguised as a Fench person

When we went to Montpellier, we travelled on the TGV, much to our delight. The first thing we saw when we got out of the station was ultra-modern and, dare I say, Un-French, an electric tram.

Montpellier was a slightly busier town than Lourdes. It had its own little Christmas market set up where quaint little French things could be bought such as cheeses, wines, chestnuts as well as trendy gadgets that weren't so French.

Patisseries were open and we all enjoyed the culinary delights of France, as well as some Maccas (McDonald's hamburgers). Montpellier was lovely and there were many places to visit and see. The old part of the city was particularly interesting with its narrow lanes and shops. We had fun exploring all around the area. Before we knew it, it was time to go back to Toulouse and our families again.

Simon Anderson



Jake Horne in Lourdes

While we were in France for the exchange, we spent two weeks of the Christmas holidays with our host families. I was also lucky enough to go around most of southern France with my own family.

On the first week, we went to visit their maternal grandparents in Nice, and in the second week, we went to see their paternal grandparents in the Pays-Basque, in western France.

Nice is one of a number of major coastal cities in the South Eastern region of France. On our first day there, we could see just how beautiful the area is. The sun was shining, and the weather was warm. It was wonderful to have a picnic on a Mediterranean beach while, at the same time, looking at the snow capped mountains to the north - not more than 20 kilometres away.

While we were on the French Riviera, we also had the chance to visit Cannes, Monte Carlo and even San Remo in Italy. Cannes is where the Cannes film festival is held each year. Monte Carlo, probably the most expensive city in the world, has streets lined with Porches, Ferraris and even Rolls Royces.

We spent Christmas in the Pays Basque, where the family's ancestral house is. The house itself was originally built in the 1400s in the middle of a valley with farms on both sides (mind you: it is now a health hazard for people over 5ft 10in). The house was very old with kerosene lights and heaters and an old shotgun hanging above the fire in the kitchen.

There were huge slabs of slate on the floor and the hay mattress beds that we were sleeping in were quaint. I was surprised when I found the dishwasher in the kitchen pantry. My correspondent's grandparents who live in the house, have a neighbour who used to be an ETA (a Basque nationalist movement) terrorist. It was quite funny when my billet's father described him as "a very agreeable and nice man, but a terrorist". I later found out that he'd served two years in a Spanish jail for fighting for the ETA in the 60s.

The Christmas celebrations took place from Christmas Eve right through to Boxing Day. For three days we ate the most exquisite food and drank quality wine and champagne that had been sitting in the cellars for no less than ten years. It was a wonderful setting, with all the children and grandchildren staying in the old family home in the country.

After Christmas, my correspondents took me to Biarritz on the West coast of France, as well as up into the Pyrénées for some skiing. The whole experience was absolutely fantastic and one that I will remember for the rest of my life.

Dom Holles

Before arriving in Paris we'd spent some time in the historical city of Toulouse for five exhausting yet rewarding weeks. Towards the end of our stay with our corresponding families all we could think of was: Paris.

We left our 'families' at the Toulouse railway station after a few tears were shed and a lot of double kisses were given. We boarded the TGV for a quick five hour trip not quite realizing what was ahead.

Paris is not like any other city in the world. From the moment we arrived we could all sense the Paris 'atmosphere' in the air. As we headed for the Hotel Anjou Lafayette on our luxurious coach, we kept catching glimpses of the Eiffel Tower. Just seeing the tower briefly brought shivers of excitement down our spines. We got settled in our great hotel rooms, but we didn't plan to spend much time in them anyway.

As soon as we got the chance wewere out on the town. We kept saying to each other,'can't believe we're in Paris!!'. One of the most memorable experiences was when we started "chillin" - this just meant sitting in a café for hours just relaxing, having a hot chocolate, watching the people go by and telling hilarious stories from our trip. That night we grabbed some pizza which the French only know how to make. Everyone went to sleep late, thinking about the fact that we were actually in Paris.

Each morning started early with the soft little knock on the door from Mme Perrett around 8.30. Each day we visited different places and saw new things and all of these had such a tremendous effect on us tahat we were 'gobsmacked'.

On the first day we went to mass at the Notre Dame Cathedral, which was long but interesting. Everywhere we visited, we took photos. After each day's group activity we were given permission by Mme Perrett to roam around and see other sites by ourselves. We weren't forced to go together as one whole group, but since we all got along so well we couldn't be separated. So for the first few hours we chilled out in a café and absorbed the French culture. After this we ventured down towards the Arc de Triomphe, walked past the Louvre and strolled on down to to the Champs Elysees - the most relaxing walk I have ever experienced. The moment we laid eyes upon the Champs Elysées we couldn't take our eyes off it and the large mass of French people packing the world famous sidewalks. This day was one of the many memorable moments we had in Paris.

Every second we spent in Paris was an experience whether it was seeing world famous sites, acting French, having a hot chocolate, reminiscing about little things or just being with a great group of people in a great place all just having fun. I will never forget the Palace of Versailles, travelling on the Metro, the Eiffel Tower, the Arc de Triomphe, the Church of the Sacre Coeur and the Moulin Rouge.

When we finally came home, what we brought back to Australia with us was an experience of a different lifestyle and way of thinking which we will never forget.

Simon Anderson

The life in France is a whole different experience to life in Australia. For me, I was able to experience two different families' lives - one in rural France, another in the city of Toulouse.

However everyone else was assigned to one family for the five weeks in Toulouse, except for Jess, one of the girls from Monte Sant' Angelo.

All French people are very particular about their food and drink, they only take the best of the best. Lunch was bigger than the four course dinner, everything seemed to be raw and if you didn't eat absolutely everything on your plate, they thought that you didn't like their cooking.

Luckily for me in one of my families my French exchange student had a brother who was a chef.

The French people, at home, were very nice people but out on the roads they were psycho! They would take no notice of the speed limits and drive 120 km/h or more in any condition. Not to mention that a blinker was never used and that lane lines were invisible.

For example on the famous Champs Elyseé there is no such thing as lane lines. Cars would weave in and out of different directions. It's quite amusing to watch from the top of the Arc de Triomphe.

Whilst in Paris as tourists we noticed that there is much poverty. "Shady Ladies", pickpockets, and buskers. In all, I had a fantastic learning experience. Having come from the Northern Beaches of Sydney to live in a medieval village in rural France. It was a wonderful time, which will always be held firmly in my memory.

Patrick Westhoff

It was extremely cold on the morning of our excursion, because it had snowed the day before in Toulouse and the surrounding areas. Wearing gloves, beanies and scarves the group of eight Riverview boys, two Monte Sant' Angelo girls and nine other exchange students from Lauriston School in Melbourne, gathered at Le Caousou and soon we were on our way in our well-heated private coach.

The first stop was Limoux, a beautiful small town famous for its sparkling wines. With our fabulous French and English-speaking guide we headed straight for the renowned wine cellar and factory where we were given the details of the systematic procedure involved in creating the spectacular wines. Our taste test at the end confirmed that all we had heard about the low alcohol wines was true - they were divine!



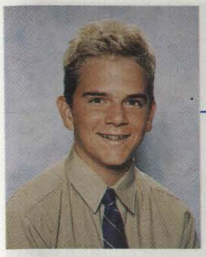
The group at the height of their journey

Our next stop was the medieval city of Carcassonne. The town is surrounded by huge stone walls which used to defend and protect the people living inside. This town, small by today's standards has been used in many Hollywood movies including Joan of Arc, the famous French series Les Visiteurs and Robin Hood, Prince of Thieves with Kevin Costner.

Stunned by the sheer size of the building our group was swallowed into the old world through the massive and rusted iron gates. Once inside we had a brief tour showing us the grand cathedral built in the 12th century with gargoyles and other superb decorations as well as the houses and small buildings around the town that were sheltered by the walls. Following the tour we explored on our own.

As it was absolutely freezing (cold enough to penetrate my two huge coats, three jumpers, long johns, beanie, scarf and gloves), some people tried the specialities of the region in the restaurant. However, Patrick and I braved the cold and walked the circumference of the city seeing the amazing view of the snow covered hills and houses of the adjoining town. After a group snowball fight we reboarded the bus, everyone well satisfied with the events of the day.

Laurence Bye



The trip began on 3rd January, 2003 when the whole group, which consisted of the Whybourne family (parents, Colin, Maree and children, Tim, Kathryn and myself), Kip Koenig (Year 11), Phil Matthews (Year 9) and Peter Matthews (Phil's dad) gathered together for the first time at Sydney International airport as we were to fly to Melbourne and then on to Bangkok.

At Melbourne airport we had to wait for three hours for our next flight so I took this time to catch up on some sleep, while the others did some shopping. Finally we got on the plane that took us to Nepal.

My first impression was one of sadness. I had thought that the capital city of Nepal (Kathmandu) would be not too dissimilar to Sydney. However, Nepal is a third world country, and the city was nothing like I had imagined. Seeing it made me feel guilty for even thinking I was unlucky to live where I do in Sydney.

The people in Nepal are easily the friendliest people I have ever met. Every one of them would smile or say "Namaste" meaning hello, goodbye, how are you and many other such phrases.

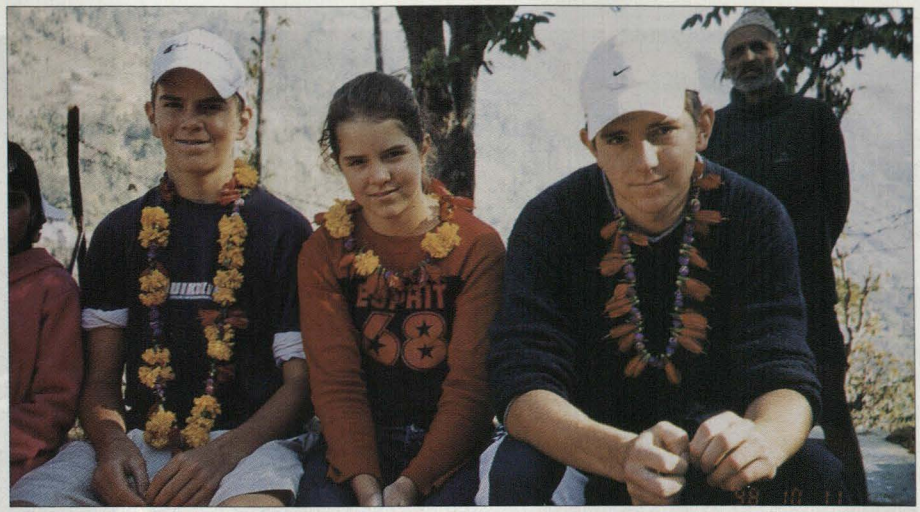
I did feel a little uncomfortable as little children with babies on their backs would beg for money or try to sell things to you for very little money. The streets of Nepal are tight and congested. The roads are covered with trash that the villagers burn every morning for warmth. Animals roams the streets freely eating the trash and sleeping where ever they please. We also witnessed the cremation of a well respected villager while we were there.

We left Kathmandu the next day and started our trek in Pokara. We walked for several hours just admiring the scenes, animals and friendly locals. The trek was not hard. It was just long. At the top of most hills, the villagers would always offer us soft drink which we would then pay for.

The walk was a five day trek. It was scenic and interesting. Often we would see little children with big blades chopping down weeds and crops. We would drink lots of water and take massive breaks after only an hour of walking just to enjoy the scenes of the Annapurna region.

The mountains were the highlight of the trek. We seemed to be surrounded by them on all sides. Mathew Swait, our tour leader, took us every where and was a really nice guy. He was open for questions and very informative.

We finished our trek and got a bus back to Pokara where we rested in a very nice hotel called The Fishtail Lodge (one of the finest hotels in Pokara). The streets of Pokara weren't as crowded and busy as Kathmandu and it was easily the most settled and relaxed city of our trip.



Marty, Kathryn and Tim Whybourne at Jhib Jhibe

The next morning, we left for Chitwan National Park. It was about a five hour drive and I slept through most of it. We reached the park and I couldn't see anything there except a lake and a little man in a tiny wooden boat. And you guessed it: we had to cross the crocodile- infested water in this tiny little boat just to get to our destination.

When we reached the Park, we were briefed about what animals live in the area such as the tiger, sloth bear, rhino, snakes, birds, crocodiles, and elephant. We went for an afternoon elephant ride, saw nothing but it was still pretty exciting; it's not every day you get to ride on an elephant.

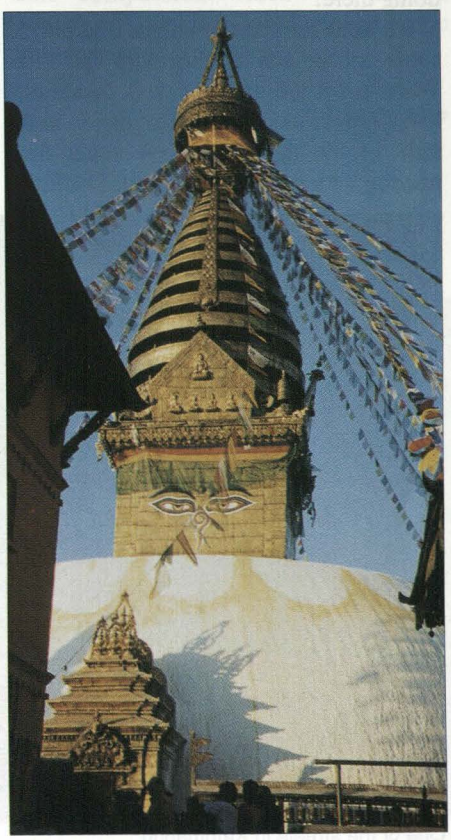
The next day we went for an early morning elephant ride and again saw only lizards and snakes – nothing bigger. My sister (who knows how) managed to fall asleep on the elephant's back. We then went for a walk to try and find some crocodiles and were more successful this time as we did see two crocodiles. We got to the end of the road and caught the tiny wooden boat back.

That night back at camp some boys did a traditional stick dance that went for ages. They were very fit and energetic. It was the most amazing war dance with sticks I have ever seen.

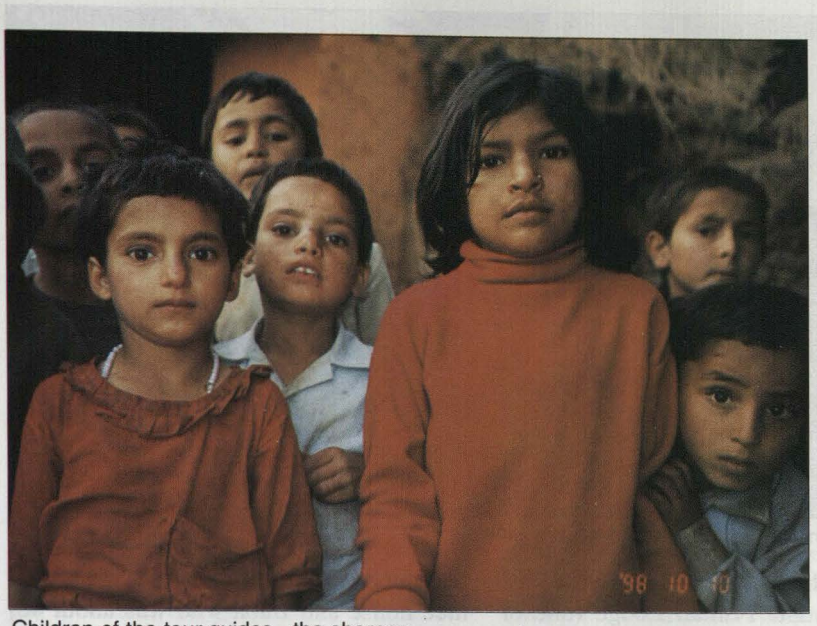
We left the next day and then got back in the bus to head for Jhib Jhibe (a village where we were going to stay). We reached the village and were reunited with our cooks and sherpas who had been with us on our mountain trek.

I got to know some of the sherpas very well such as Gargon who was about 30, had three children and a wife and a very nice house and Buba who was about 40, had six daughters, one son and a nice house with a wife. We stayed with our local Nepalese tour guide, Balaram. He has one daughter ,called Camala about the same as as Kathryn (11), a boy, my age, called Bim (15), a boy, 10, called Gargon and a boy, 6, called Sudan. They are all very nice people and I got to know Bim very well.

We went to the local hospital and donated the money our school had raised for the people who live there. We then went to the local school and helped with an English game made up by Will, the Cranbrook teacher who'd been on the



The Monkey Temple



Children of the tour guides - the sherpas



A consulting room in the local hospital

plane with us. At the school there were some students who were very good at English and there were also some who weren't quite so good.

The day was just coming to an end when some big looking men came in with some big looking guns and told us we had to go up to the street with them. We went to the street and were stopped by some officers who asked Matt, our tour leader if he was a journalist, because they didn't want to be spoken about in the news. They then let us pass when they understood who we were and what we were doing there.

We went back to the village and played some soccer and cricket with the kids. When it got too dark we went inside and had a few drinks on the verandah (a highlight of the trip). Later we spent time playing with the children there. The littler kids would tickle us so hard that we couldn't stop laughing, They also copped a fair bit from Phil and I.

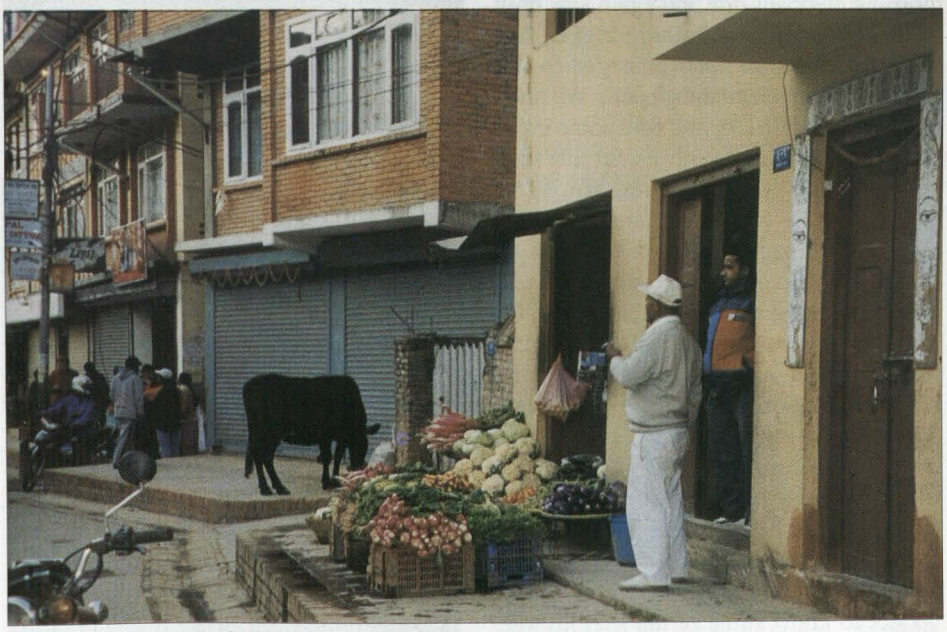
That night the locals put on a show for us – they did a bit of a song and dance and Buba danced with Phil. I got up for a bit but couldn't help but feel like an idiot. Bim told me that he hated dancing and he was too embarrassed to do it so I didn't feel too bad.

The next day we left the village forever. I said goodbye to everyone and gave Gargon my soccer ball. We got back to Kathmandu and I didn't seem to be so uncomfortable anymore. It was as if I could handle myself now. We looked around a bit and then went to bed. The next morning we got up early and went to the airport, said our last goodbyes and then got on the plane to go back to our lives.

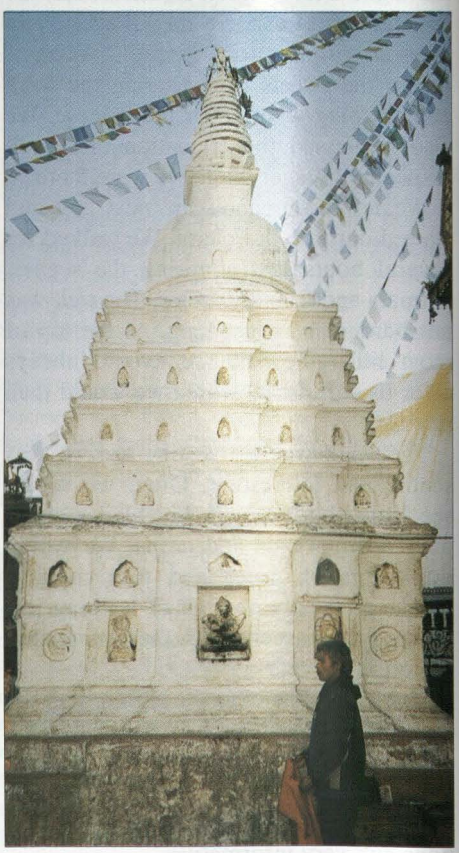
I thought that I wouldn't miss Nepal, but I do. It was the biggest and best experience I have ever had. I recommend this trip to anyone. It will be the best choice you ever make.

Just before I went, my mother told me that a girl who had gone on this trip had said it had changed her life. I thought the girl was just show bagging. Now that I've done this trip, I know she wasn't just saying it, she actually meant it. This trip really did change my life for the better.

Marty Whybourne



One of the streets in Kathmandu



One of the many shrines the group visited during the tour.



Andrew and I came into this experience with mixed expectations. We were both, understandably, extremely excited at the prospect of going overseas.

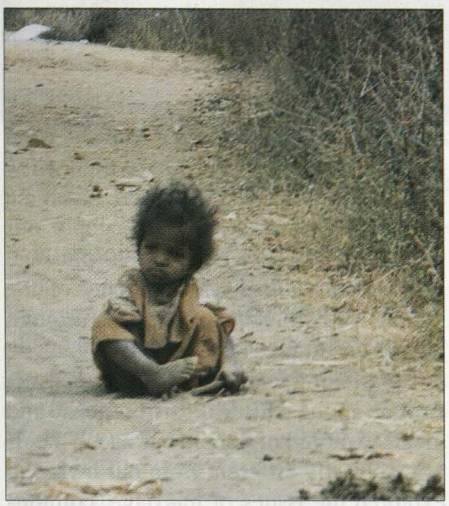
The excitement of the experience, however, came coupled with the daunting knowledge of the culture shock we were about to experience. This, along with the fact that this was to be my first overseas trip, made for a very exciting, yet intimidating time.

I was always told not to judge a book by its cover. Let me tell you that I was happy to have this small, but vital piece of information stored away. We arrived in Kolkota airport at 8:35pm, dazed and confused, armed with only the name Dilip Llakra, the young Indian Jesuit novice who was to pick us up, eventually.

We couldn't have got off to a more frightening start. We came out of customs expecting a banner of sorts with our names on it. I had placed a bet of one rupee that it would be a big banner, so it was much to my dismay to find that there was no banner awaiting us. I stopped worrying about my lost rupee when we realised that there was not only no banner, but no Dilip. We wandered outside looking very, very lost. Outside insult was added to injury when we were hustled by very insistent taxi drivers and scared to death . by the trigger-happy, fully automatically armed army security personnel.Still no Dilip. Well eventually Dilip arrived, at 9:30pm, only one hour late! We were then all bundled into taxis, whose models dated back to the 70s, and then endured the lawless trip to our new residence, without seatbelts!

Now let me tell you, if I was reading India by its cover I would have been on the next plane home. But I can tell you India grows on you. When you look beyond the differences of culture and living standards you uncover an amazing group of people. Their generosity, their friendliness, their dedication to their culture, to themselves and to their families are things we can all learn from.

The one night that I will always remember was the night of January 16. We had just arrived in Burkunda and it was decided that one of our group, myself, was to go out for a regional mass at a small slum just outside Burkunda called Nitche Dhawra. A member of the local Jesuit parish took me, by motorcycle, helmet less, to celebrate the mass. Nitche Dhawra is found on land owned by



the mines, not the people who live there, so their homes are non-permanent and there is no telling when they have to leave. The members of this community were quite poor, and we celebrated our cultured mass in the mud house of one of the parishioners. The faith of these people is amazing. They large majority of the parish were converts so they all, including an elderly deaf and blind woman, celebrated with zest and much fervour. The mass may have been said in a totally different language, but it was one of the most captivating and moving I had ever participated in.

After the mass had finished, the people of the village sang me their tribal songs of welcome and asked me, in Hindi, about my family, what I enjoyed and what I wanted to do when I had finished school. This loving and caring nature cannot be expressed by words.

The one man I will always remember was Bhagwan. He told me to make sure I told everyone back in Australia that I had dined with God, as his name literally translates into God. I met Bhagwan before the mass and he invited me, as was the custom, into his house for snacks. His daughters washed my hands and we sat down to a beautiful snack of Samosas and water. Bhagwan was quite interested about my life back here in Australia, so I answered every question as best I could.

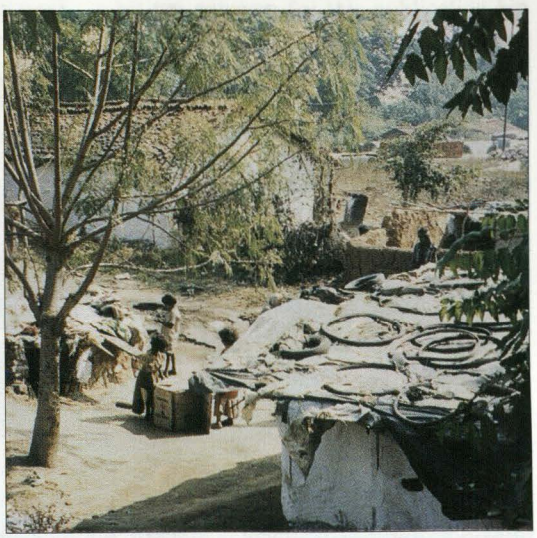
When he found out that my father had passed away he decided that we must be spiritual brothers. Bhagwan lost his wife five years ago. He decided that I had to stay at his house for the night and he would supply food and a room for me. To fully understand the compassion shown here, you have to understand that Bhagwan had four daughters and was supporting them by working in the mines.

Sadly, I could not take up Bhagwan's offer, but it is this selflessness, this genuine compassion which will always remain with me. It is how I remember the Indian people

David Fisher



A welcome from the villagers at Bhurkunda



Shahphur



After a term of organisation and liaising with Mr Diggins and Mr Gray, on December 8, David and I, as Riverview's third participants, departed on our seven week pilgrimage through the Australian Jesuit mission of Hazaribag, in India.

In our short layover in Singapore, our travelling companions from Xavier College, James Hortensen and Matthew Terrill met us and together we departed on what would be an unforgettable and amazing experience.

After landing in Kolkota our first experience of India was being left stranded at the airport on arrival. Our guide, the delightful Dilip was running an hour late on the newly discovered India-time, so we waited, surrounded by hassling taxi drivers and being hurried along by Indian guards with very large semi automatic rifles,wondering if he was ever going to show up. Finally Dilip made it and we departed for our short stay in one of the Jesuit compounds in Kolkota.

Kolkota is a city of vast contrasts. It is blessed with the amazing architecture of the British Raj, but at the same time it's immersed in poverty and heavily polluted. But our visit to India did not entail travelling the beaten tourist track but rather to tour the Australian Jesuit province of Hazaribag.

Our experiences were varied and contrasting, ranging from kicking a soccer ball around at 4pm (sports/activities time in any institution in India), to emotionally challenging visits to leper colonies and tuberculosis clinics, to visiting convents (who happened to feed us extremely well).

We experienced village life on several occasions dining with the poorest of the poor as well as in the up-market restaurants boasted by Kolkota and Delhi. We visited many schools and were harassed for our autographs and queried as to whether we were Shane Warne or if we knew him.

Everywhere we went we were treated like royalty. There were amazing and plentiful gifts brought forward to us by those who had virtually nothing. It was so humbling to see that those who have so little can give so much.

The amazing smiles and faces of the thousands of Indian children acted as a great inspiration to both my companions and myself. We met and interacted with children and those members of the younger generation (and we did not happen to find many of these in the Jesuit communities) were very insightful to speak to (when they could speak English). They added a continually widening perspective to our lifestyles and the outlook we have as Australians.

A memorable highlight was being taken out to dinner by four senior students from St Xavier's College in Bokaro Steel City. The night was fantastic, as were given the opportunity to interact with people our age – a great relief from the 40 plus age gap between ourselves and many of the people we had met in our travels through out the Jesuit province.

The evening featured intriguing conversation about cultural differences and ideals explored of people our age in a culture so vastly different from our own. We explored the issues of marriage, community and family living and many other facets of life so foreign to us.

As our journey continued we were given the opportunity to leave the province for a short few days to visit the cultural landmarks of both Delhi and Agra.

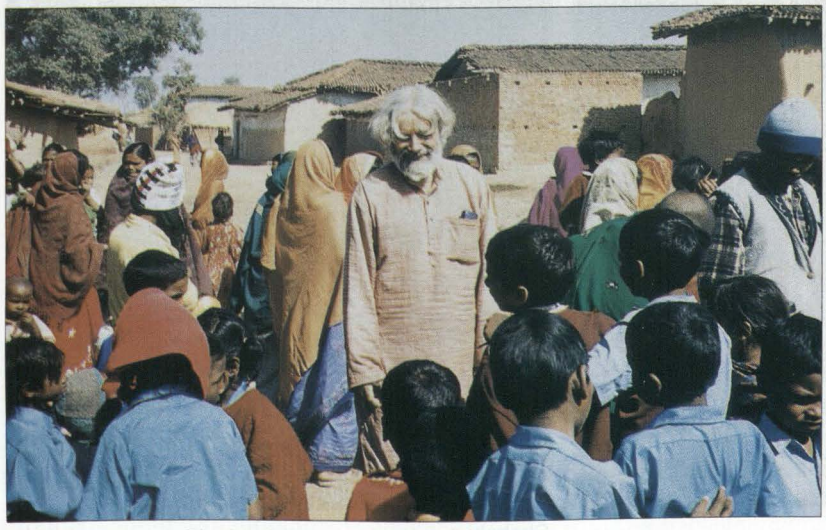
Our accommodation varied substantially whilst we were travelling. It ranged from mud houses to large developed complexes. We even slept on the floor of a barn in one village alongside a buffalo. But we experienced the lifestyle of people who live in rural areas of the developing world – people who comprise more than half the world's population

The most rewarding facet of our journey was the insight it gave us into a culture that was so completely different from our own. It allowed us to see the way in which these people, who are so foreign yet so similar to us, live and conduct their lives.

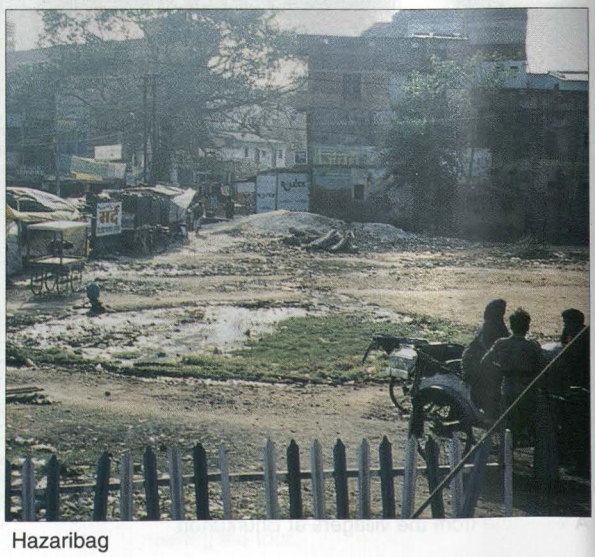
Hazaribag began as a mission station for the Australian province, comprising of only half a dozen Jesuits. They became ultimately so content with their vocation and were seen to be fully alive. Hazaribag has now flourished into a province of its own with the support of the Australian Jesuit community, directly reaping the benefits made possible of the generous donations made by Riverview and Xavier College.

With our continued support we can help this community and the children of India flourish into a community striving to reach their full potential.

Andrew McDonald Hughes



Fr Bob Billings at Bhurkunda



Hazaribag



usa - mission accomplished

On December 30, 2002, California, USA, was invaded by 35 young, hot, tanned teenagers on a mission to have as much fun as possible in the short three weeks abroad. This was a mission every single person accomplished with ease.

At 1:55pm on 30 December 2002, nine students from Riverview including, Josh Tatham, Kerry Lane and Anthony Clark from Year 9, Chris Martino and Liam Wells from Year 10 and Daniel Lenehan, Matt Hor, James Guion and myself, Lachlan Bollen along with Mr Sab Trovato as our 'mate', along with 26 other teenagers and three teachers from Bendigo and Maitland, departed Sydney airport bound for San Diego.

Seems simple. Not when you have to go through San Francisco and Los Angeles on the way. 26 hours after departing Sydney we arrived at Valhalla High School in El Cajon, San Diego, where we were greeted by our host families and taken to their homes. For the next 10 days, these were our new families.



Back row, from left, Matthieson Hor, Lachlan Bollen, Daniel Lenehan, James Guion, Kerry Lane, Liam Wells, Chris Martino
Front row, from left, Mr Sab Trovato, Joshua Tatham, Anthony Clark

Days one and two with the families was a time of "getting to know the Aussie". We were quizzed and questioned relentlessly by masses of family and friends about our sunburnt country. "Is it true you ride kangaroos to school?" "What's a wombat?" "Say g'day mate". We didn't care. All we wanted was to sleep. Our first day in the USA was New Year's Eve. Some have their own stories from the night, but for most it was a blur.

After our recovery period, it was time to start looking around. For the good part or the next eight days, the Aussie Red group was taken around San Diego sampling American life and sight seeing. We were taken to such places as: Downtown San Diego, Coronado Bridge, Hotel Coronado, La Jolla Cove along with major tourist attractions such as Sea World, San Diego Zoo, Mission Beach, San Diego Harbour and a couple of days attending school at Valhalla High. The majority of us thought the best days in San Diego were spent at school. Everyone couldn't get enough of the attention. And my gosh, the girls there – they were so fine.

After 10 days of tasting life in San Diego it was time to leave our families, who had shown us the best night life and day life, for that matter, and head on up to San Francisco.

We arrived in SF in the late afternoon. First thing on our minds? Food! We chuck our bags in our rooms and head on down, and up, and down again, and up again (SF is a very hilly place), and down once more to an area of SF known as Little Italy. We find a nice little Italian restaurant. Everything is nice ... until the bill! We get charged with a whopping tip of 80 dollars Australian.

After being 'ripped off', we were all a bit cautious about the people in this city. The next two days were spent touring the city from Alcatraz, to Oakland, to the Golden Gate Bridge, shopping in the town square, touring the alternate suburbs, visiting Fisherman's Wharf, getting scared by a man hiding behind a bin and getting shouted at on the cable cars for trying to dodge fares and then again for pulling the stop rope.

After touring SF it was time to move back to LA. At around 7pm we arrived in Anaheim at our hotel. Everyone is tired and hungry. After a quick dinner at Sizzler, we crash for the night. The next day is Knott's day.

Knott's Berry farm is a theme park in Anaheim, which boasts one of the fastest roller coasters in the world. After 29 rides on the Accelerator and wasted rides trying to get Mr Trovato on it along with uncountable turns on less extreme rides as Sam put it, our day was over.

The next day was a free day. We chose to go on a Hollywood tour. We strolled around the famous Venice beach, home to different lifestyles and different people, as well as Rodeo Drive and Hollywood Blvd. A day much enjoyed by all.

The Happiest Place on Earth was our next destination. Disneyland! A whole day from 10am to 10pm was spent here. Every ride was ridden. every shop was bought from and every part of the park was visited. All our childhood dreams had come true.

Our last day in the USA was spent at Universal Studios, touring the back lot, getting a taste for how movies were made and getting charged way too much for food.

Our trip was drawing to an end. For the 35 students and four teachers, now mates, this day was a time of looking back on what had happened over the past three weeks and how it had changed our lives and broadened our perspective on the world. The trip had been an extremely worthwhile adventure and had matured us all in some way. We had made 26 extra friends from Bendigo and Maitland who still stand to this day.

This is a very general overview of our trip. There are many, many stories that are a bit too extreme for this publication but trust me, there are many.

However, too soon our trip was over. Fourteen hours later we were back in Sydney, back to our families and friends and most of all, back to summer -all 46 degrees of it!

Lachlan Bollen



Players, including Riverview students, who participated in the Jesuit Cricket Carnival

In the week before school commenced the Ist XI travelled to Adelaide for the first Jesuit Cricket Carnival to be hosted by St Ignatius' College, Athelstone. The format is a round robin of 50 over one day fixtures between the four Jesuit schools and then the top two teams playing a two day game to decide the carnival champion.

We were sent in to bat against St Aloysius compiling 185 runs from our 50 overs. Tim Harrington showed great application for his 77, well supported by Damian Raper with 35. The surprise ploy of opening the bowling with our young spinner Stuart McLean threw their batsmen off their games and we bundled them out for only 81. Our catching and general fielding were quite outstanding considering we had only arrived from Sydney that morning after a very early start.

Day 2 was a match against old rivals Xavier College, Melbourne. We had them in trouble at 5/47 and later at 8/112 but they regrouped to finish with 174. A highlight of the innings was Tim Byrne's hatrick with the final LBW decision taking an agonisingly long time to be awarded. Tim's medium pace bowling was an asset throughout the season as he bowled very accurately rarely giving the batsmen any width.

Our top order batsmen found the going tough and we were 5/42 and then 8/96 but a 50 run ninth wicket partnership between Dan Kelly and James MacDougall helped add respectability to the total. We finished 25 short of the target. This was a crucial game as it was about this time that the team really believed that they could win the championship.

The third day was against St Ignatius' College, Athelstone. Again we were sent in to bat and compiled a very respectable 5/181. The outfield was quite thick with very little value for shots hit along the ground. This made Tim Harrington's 90 all the more impressive. It would be fair to say that on any other outfield we played on during the season this score would have been in excess of 100. Indeed Tim did not hit a boundary until his score was 43, he finished with 4 fours and a six.

James Fitzgerald's 71no was another fine innings displaying wonderful concentration in the conditions. The Adelaide team batted well early although their scoring rate was restricted by our accurate bowling. They went from being 4/85 to all out for 129 in the 49th over. Jack Bird, while restricted to a short run up by a back injury, was the pick of the bowlers finishing with 5/15 from his six overs.

On the Wednesday evening all those involved in the carnival were presented to the Governor of South Australia, Her Excellency Marjorie Jackson-Nelson, at Government House. The "Lithgow Flash" was a most gracious hostess and spoke passionately about the value and importance of amateur sport and playing for the love of the game. The entire ground floor of Government House was made available to the boys to wander through, this included a wonderful display of memorabilia from Mrs Jackson-Nelson's running career.

Following some photo opportunities on the front lawn of Government House the boys walked to the very picturesque Adelaide Oval where the carnival dinner was held. The lads had time to walk around this special part of Australian cricket history and saw the city lights particularly those of St Peter's Cathedral come on as they enjoyed a fine meal in the top floor dining room of the Members' Stand. Ex Athelstone student and current South Australian cricketer, Michael Smith, spoke to the gathering about the opportunities and enjoyment of being a first class cricketer.

Our own, Mr James Rodgers, gave an impromptu address about some of the great events that have been staged at the Adelaide Oval. This included a fascinating story of how Percy McDonnell, a famous Jesuit ex student and Captain of Australia after whom the carnival trophy is named, had hit 124and 83 in a Test played at Adelaide Oval in 1884.

We finished top of the table after the round robin on net run rate. Our opponents in the final were Xavier College, Melbourne. After winning the toss and batting, Tim Byrne batted for just under four hours and 63 overs for his invaluable 54 runs. The temperature was over 40 degrees and it was an outstanding display of concentration.

Tim was ably assisted by his opening partner, Ed Tighe, who saw off the new ball for over an hour with stout defence. All the top order batsmen showed great application in the conditions to build a

jesuit cricket carnival



The Riverview team celebrates victory



Matt Shield proudly holding the winning trophy

Photo by Chris Fitzgerald

total that put the game beyond Xavier's reach. The last wicket fell with the score on 240 in the 96th over and this was the end of the day's play.

The Friday was the hottest day of the week. Fortunately our trusty band of parents was there to assist with the hydration of the boys. This proved to be a crucial factor in the boys' success. Jack Bird and Tim Harrington each took an early wicket but Xavier were beginning to consolidate at 2/68 just before lunch. Tim Byrne came into the attack and took two wickets in his third over including the vital wicket of their top scoring batsman from the earlier game.

James Montano kept wicket very tidily after an exhausting week finishing with a catch and a stumping in this innings. A run out effected by Tim Brown after an excellent throw from the boundary was another memorable moment on the last day. Myles Rogerson took the final catch and Xavier collapsed to be all out for 114 from 59 overs. Riverview had defeated Xavier for the first time since 1998.

Fr Greg O'Kelly SJ presented the Percy McDonnell Trophy to us, the first occasion that it has been won by Riverview. Congratulations to the following boys selected in the Jesuit Schools' Carnival Team: Tim Harrington (captain), Jack Bird, Tim Byrne, Stuart McLean.

After a very hot and intense week of cricket the College Ist XI, ably led by captain, Tim Harrington, had successfully completed their mission. Concentration in all facets of the game: batting, bowling and fielding had been a crucial ingredient in their victory. Most importantly the boys had enjoyed themselves both on and off the field and had done much to further the spirit of camaraderie that exists among the Jesuit schools.

Mr Mark McGinnity

Results

Round 1

SIC, Riverview: 9/185 (Tim Harrington 77, Damian Raper 35)
defeated
St Aloysius, Milsons Point: 81 (Stuart McLean 3/42, Tim Harrington 2/5)

Round 2

Xavier, Melbourne: 174 (Tim Byrne 3/17 (including hat trick), Stuart McLean 2/21, Tim Harrington 2/26)
defeated
SIC, Riverview: 149 (Daniel Kelly 40no, Tim Byrne 23, Ed Tighe 22)

Round 3

SIC, Riverview: 5/181 (Tim Harrington 90, James Fitzgerald 71no)
defeated
SIC, Athelstone: 129 (Jack Bird 5/15, Stuart McLean 2/9)

Final

SIC, Riverview: 240 (Tim Byrne 54, Damian Raper 35, James Fitzgerald 28, Jack Bird 26, Tim Harrington 23)
defeated
Xavier, Melbourne: 114 (Stuart McLean 3/26, Tim Byrne 2/4, Tim Harrington 2/10)

february, 2003

In so many ways, February marked the beginning of a brand new year for the College. Even before the school term began there were more than 30 new teachers on hand to greet the students, some 200 of which were themselves brand new.

There were also some younger new additions to the College community: babies, Georgie Di Georgio, Connor Lau, Paul Robert Kenderes and Kye Gale.

In February, new Jesuit Provincial, Fr Mark Raper SJ announced the appointment of our new Rector, Fr Andrew Bullen SJ. And while Fr Andrew did not arrive at the College until the end of Term II, (owing to prior commitments), another Jesuit, Fr Adrian Lyons arrived in February, much to the delight of staff and students.

Other matters new to the College in February included: new classes in Years 5 and 6, new classrooms in the new Therry complex, new bell times, new timetables and new numbers on every door of the College. Even the tuckshop at the senior campus was renewed – it, along with other sections of the College, had been refurbished and redesigned over the holidays.

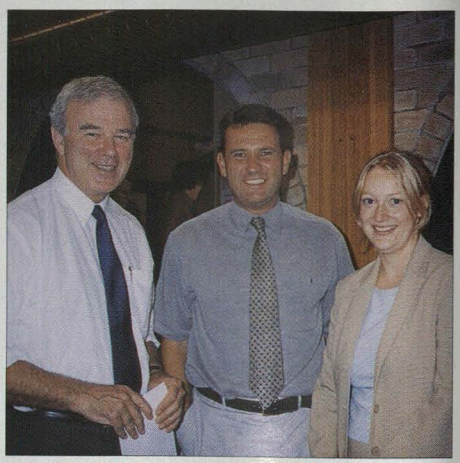
Newly ordained Old Boy, Fr Jeremy Clarke SJ celebrated the first Mass of term, while new Old Boys, Jack Tregoning, Daniel Roberts and Tom Finn were guests of honour at the first school assembly.

Later in the month, new monitors were appointed and they, along with school leaders were presented with their new symbols of office at a College assembly.

After all this 'newness', the College then settled down into its ordinary, every day routine which as anyone can tell you is far from ordinary and far from routine.



Chris McNamara, Justin Walsh, Harry Chapman, Will Tait, Riley Morgan and Alex Bennett on the first day of school.



Provincial, Fr Mark Raper SJ with College staff members Stephen Brown and Carol Kenny



Headmaster, Mr Shane Hogan, presents Tom van Beek with his captain's badge

Below, HSC top scorers with family and friends at the first College Assembly



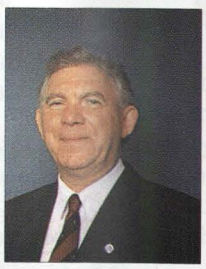
Year 11 students at the PDHPE camp held late February





New teachers at the College, 2003

Photograph by Chris Fitzgerald



Fr Adrian Lyons joins the College community



For a nation slowly emerging from the hardship of what has been an unrelenting drought, and for a world which stands on the brink of war, these reflections from our pleasant harbourage of faith must seem immaterial.

But times like these also remind us of the purpose of this great institution: to produce students with more than a touch of humanity, such that their actions – in drought or rain, peace or war – are always inspired by conscience and performed with dignity.

The achievement of this purpose was manifest at the beginning of February, when Riverview welcomed back its most recent alumnus to join the Society of Jesus, Fr Jeremy Clarke SJ. At a time when the priesthood is depleted, it is refreshing to be reminded that ordinations have not entirely ceased.

His celebration of the Holy Trinity – made complete with a pink shamrock – was simultaneously energetic and accessible, showing that our liturgy and our Church can still be vibrant and lively.

The congregation to which Fr Clarke preached was comprised of what has now become a gargantuan school population, exceeding 1500 students. This opening of Riverview's doors ensures that the opportunity for a Jesuit education is now available to more people, which can only be construed as a good thing.

The increase primarily affected the junior years, and followed the completion of a building program which has now spanned years. Nonetheless, it will be a test of the college's infrastructure to see if it can support this number. The challenge for the school's management is to ensure that inviting more people to attend the college does not compromise the quality of the school.

This number gathered again for the year's first assembly, which saw the furthering of an old tradition, as the previous year's dux, Jack Tregoning, addressed the school. His message, however, was moral as against traditional.

He asked the school if it can still accept the embedded and antiquated notion that older students are somehow more worthy citizens than younger students, offering the very practical example of older boys demanding seats from their younger counterparts on public transport. It was a speech from which many could learn.

In February, another gathering of the school heard Mr Don Gock speak, telling his story, in a continuation of the school captain's theme. In what was a moving speech, he recalled his family's life in China and their migration to Australia. Beyond this, he spoke of his great appreciation of his parents and the huge amount of work which they had done while raising their family. The affection which he showed for his parents was a note which resounded with all.

The riches of Riverview's hugely talented drama students also re-surfaced at the commencement of this year, with a Year 12 production of Pierre Corneille's *The Cid.* Although dealing with a clever but unremarkable text, which is stilted in translation and very much confined to its times, the cast exhibited tremendous ability: the fruit of years of experience.

Drama is one arena in which Riverview's success is now proven. This success is a credit to the staff who, for some time, have given themselves to injecting culture and imagination into Riverview's students.

The students who performed in The Cid and their 200 peers now face the challenge of a reformed Higher School Certificate. The syllabi which we study, particularly within the humanities, are very much influenced by recent literary theory and many have been moved to ask if the changed courses are worse than their predecessors.

Regardless of the merit of post-modern theory, it is frustrating that valuable time within the courses is dedicated to what is, perhaps, only adequate literature, rather than the greats: Milton, Chaucer, Dickens, Joyce, Tolstoy. I don't doubt that post-modernism will hold sway in the future, but it troubles me that a generation should be deprived of particular study of the most powerful classics of history.

At this time, it is also most notable that Riverview proceeds without its former Rector, Fr Christopher Gleeson. Fr Gleeson channelled energy, intellect and compassion into his role, with a daily beauty in his life. The most important component of his leadership was the example which he set for the student body, to whom he would speak with familiarity and respect.

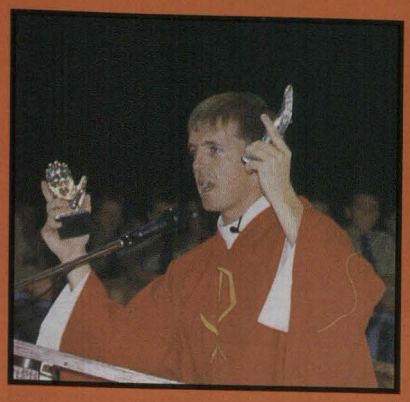
Now, while we miss Fr Gleeson, it is a mark of the school's vision and realism that a layman, Mr Hogan, fills the role of Headmaster while we await the arrival of Fr Andrew Bullen.

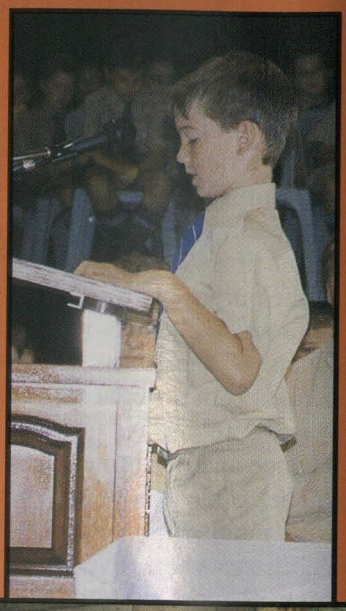
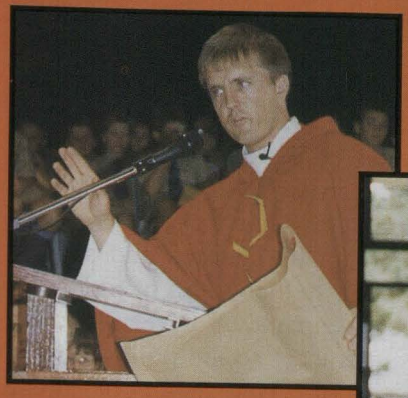
In much the same way that each language, with its nuances and shades, contributes to the wealth of literature, so each segment of Riverview provides utterances to the philosophy of this school. That each of these tongues is in chorus will ensure that the Jesuits' teachings are not restricted to the calm repose 'neath sunny skies of this peninsula, but that they are pronounced with such clarity that they resonate in all of our words and actions.

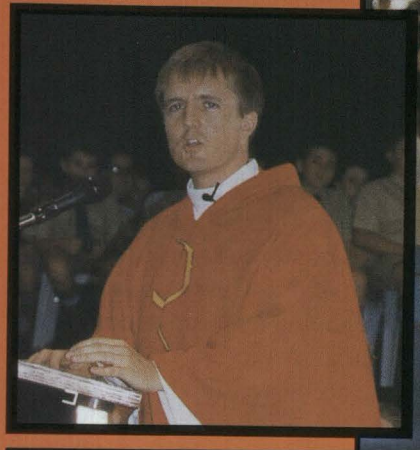
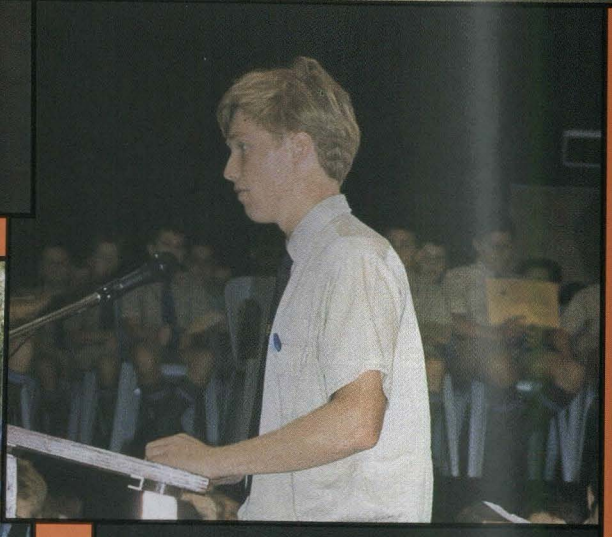
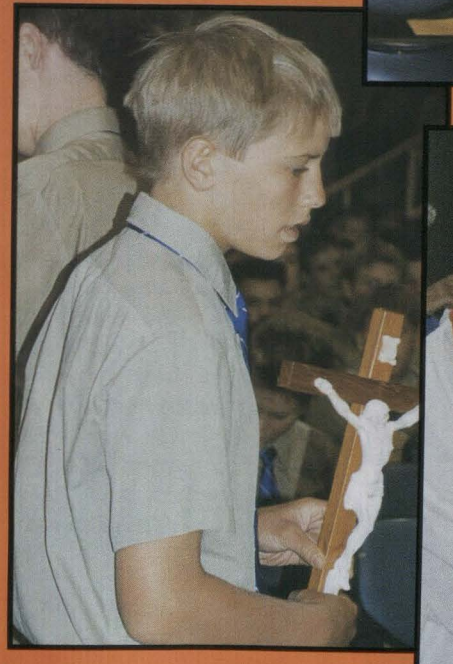
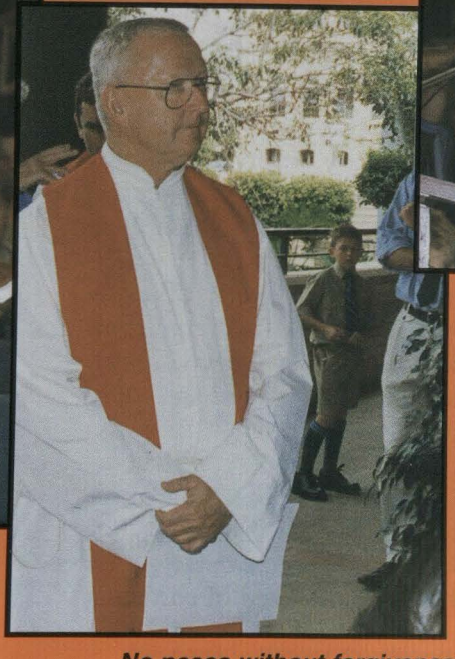
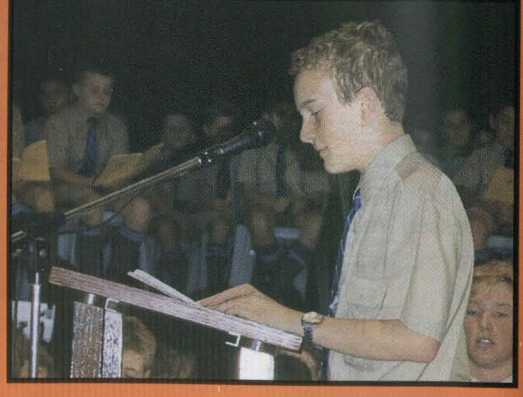
With February having offered the influence of Fr. Clarke's preaching, Jack Tregoning's reminiscences and Mr Gock's memories, I think, perhaps, we are nearer this goal.

Daniel Gregory

mass of the holy spirit



No peace without forgiveness

Good morning students, teachers, and my fellow Year 12 classmates here on stage. Last year, at a Kairos retreat, I was talking to someone who was telling me about how afraid he was to engage with people in his early years at Riverview for fear that he would be challenged. In Year 8 when he was transported to the foreboding alien world of the senior school, this apprehension grew into a sensation that everything was too big, too certain in its path, to allow for his presence. It was only through observing a single person who was finding his own independence, that this boy gained the strength to stand out confidently from the crowd.

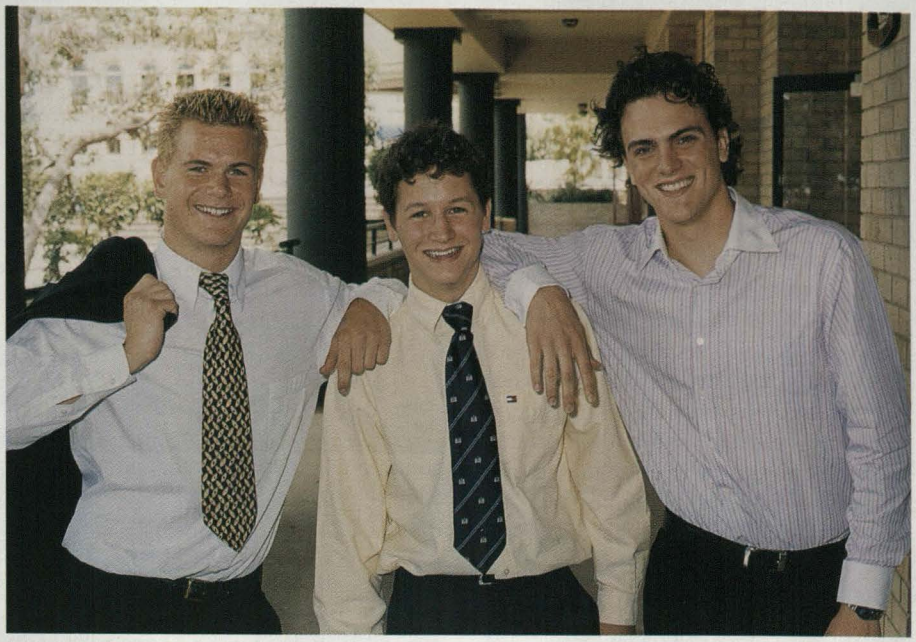
In relaying this story to you now it may come across as trite, but when you hear it from a person who attended this school, the relevance of it is disarmingly apparent.

When I look back at my time at Riverview, there are moments that I am incredibly thankful for and there are moments I remember where I cringe. As deeply set as the codes and conducts of the College, is the hierarchy of the back seat of the bus or the Year 12 demand for superiority. There are simple, fundamental flaws in the behaviour of people that no amount of rhetoric or no amount of war cry practice and school spirit can exorcise.

This is not, I wish to make clear, an attack on the College, a school where the edict 'Where I Love, I Live' is displayed in a plethora of ways. The solution to some of these more deep seated inadequacies begins and ends with the students. Everything is cyclic, and examples of this abound within the confines of the College. If a Year 12 student pushes a Year 8 boy off a bus seat, is that Year 8 boy going to believe this is right, these are the rules of the hierarchy?

There is nothing intrinsically right about what has gone before you. One of the most profound moments for me at Riverview was when I saw a student in my year, with a megaphone, patrolling the playground, commanding a mass migration to war cry practice. Suddenly, my memory of the big burly guy who used to herd us to war cries was replaced with one of my peers. I wondered if he understood what he was doing, or really cared about it, or if he was simply perpetuating the unspoken Riverview tradition implanted on his psyche.

Without preaching, I want to leave you with a challenge, a goal of sorts, and I say this as much to the boys in Year 5 as to those in the later years. I'm talking about a culture of repetition that can only be outdone by individuality.



From left, Daniel Roberts, Tom Finn and Jack Tregoning photograph by Chris Fitzgerald

If adolescence is the most formative time of your life, there is no excuse for following a crowd simply because you believe in what someone older, or more imposing, has been told by his big brother or his war cry leader. The school asks you to 'dare to be different' and being different isn't rebellion, it isn't defiance. It is simply refusing to repeat what you don't believe in, it's pushing through the crowd.

There is little fun in being an individual much of the time, but if you stay true to yourself people can only afford to give you respect. Individuality is what makes you human, what makes you worthy of affection and friendship, and don't sacrifice that because someone is more ignorant or more afraid than you.

For all the Year 12 students, the HSC is a blurry and often painful year with flickers of excitement and moments of genuine support from friends and family. People will be prepared to openly engage you in fierce competition, but you can prove nothing without humility and hard work. Never believe a person who says they study more than 10 hours a day; it is not humanly possible and most likely counter-productive.

I have immense gratitude for a wide range of people. I was blessed with some inspirational teachers who were prepared to go beyond the call of duty for me and others. One of the most comforting realisations throughout your final year is that your friends are on the same path as you; mateship is completely indispensable. I have my parents and girlfriend to thank for a constant concern and support; there are thousands of things, practical and emotional, I could not have achieved without them.

Don't be afraid to do what you love, you can't get marks if you don't care about a subject. In Year 12, you are asked to abandon your sense of logic and play a very particular game, so accept it, don't fight it. Pretend that *Changing Worlds* or writing a talk-back radio transcript is of some relevance to your life. Above all, and I can't stress this enough, have a life that goes above and beyond the school; consider it a touchstone for sanity away from the muddled year.

To conclude, I want to thank the school for its initiatives to nurture a rounded person; the Ignatian Children's Camp being the most profound for me.

There is nothing stopping anyone in front of me doing anything he wants or being anything he wants except an inbuilt fear that the crowd will swallow him. Just because a majority believes in something, it doesn't mean it's right. Believe in yourself, believe that there is a world outside what others tell you, or think of you, and discover it. Don't be a zombie and follow a person because they think what they believe in is definite and right. Find out for yourself .

And if you actually believe that where you love, where you accept differences you flourish, then you can distinguish if your spirit at Riverview has truly been alive, or slowly dying.

Jack Tregoning

(Jack Tregoning was Dux of the School, 2002. He achieved a UAI of 99.6 in the HSC. Jack, along with Daniel Roberts (UAI 99.1) and Tom Finn (UAI (98.5) were guests of honour at the first College assembly for 2003)

Anthony Walsh: teacher; born Perth, WA, 12 July 1928; died Sydney, 6 February, 2003, aged 74.

Anthony Walsh was one of the most delightful eccentrics that one could know. His engaging personality, gentle kindness, sharp wit, and intelligent observations about life made him a wonderful companion.

However, the mask he wore, shown in his idiosyncratic manner and way of speech, covered shyness or lack of ease with people. His brushes with authority sometimes elicited anti-authority comments, humorous or irreverent, and even resulted in hostility or withdrawal. His over sensitivity as well as long term depression showed in his constant talk about death.

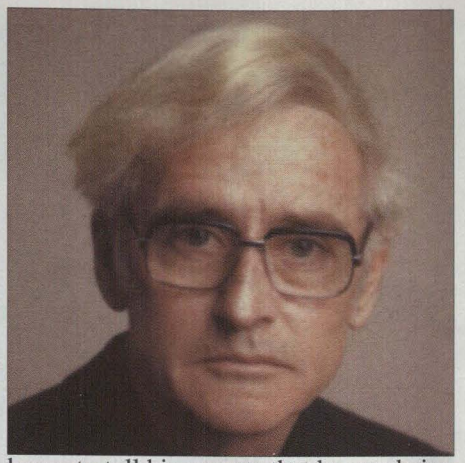
It was always difficult to know when Walsh was serious or playful. He would tell people that he came from a poor family, had no shoes until he was 10 years of age and travelled with his father in the guardsvan on the train between Perth and Kalgoorlie. Or about his late wife, Charlotte, who was black, with a glass eye and wooden leg and died when her wooden leg was caught in a railway track and she was run over by a train.

As a result, he said, he joined the Jesuits. He could be badly caught out with his stories as when he told some students that he was a survivor of the Titanic. They immediately telephoned the local newspaper with this amazing news. The paper contacted Walsh asking for an interview. Alarmed, he had to pretend he had amnesia, and they retired disappointed.

In fact his family was a significant presence in the Perth Catholic community. His father was a partner in the law firm Lavan and Walsh, and was the legal adviser to the Catholic Archbishop, Dr Prendiville. Walsh was one of four children, and was educated at Aquinas College and St Louis School. After leaving school he studied Law at the University of Western Australia, and practised for a short time in his father's practice.

He entered the Society at Loyola College, Watsonia, 1 February 1954, and after philosophy there went to St Aloysius' College, Sydney, for regency, 1959-61, where he taught history, organised debating, and assisted with sport in the Junior School. He was never a sportsman, and his one attempt to referee a Rugby match pleased neither players nor spectators.

However, he made an impression on one young student at this time who went



home to tell his parents that he was being taught by a former ace pilot from the Battle of Britain!

After Theology at Canisius College, Pymble, 1962-65, and tertianship at St Beuno's, 1966-67, he returned to teaching at St Louis School, Perth, 1968-71, before returning to St Aloysius' College, 1972-79. There he taught History, and was at different times, Prefect of Studies and Minister. He spent the years 1980-96 at Saint Ignatius' College, Riverview, where again he taught senior History and was Minister in the community.

He was highly valued by his students for his ability to help them think freely and question often. He treated all with respect and dignity. He was well read and had eclectic taste. In his office could be found copies of *The Spectator*, the trials of Cicero, the novels of P D James, various editions of Fowler, Brewster's *Dictionary of Phrase and Fable* and Butler's Lives of the Saints. He also enjoyed reading *The Economist, Law and Justice,* and *The Tablet* which kept him well informed. He also enjoyed reading mystery novels.

However, it was not only his erudition that was appreciated, but also his pastoral care. He was appointed Southwell Housemaster in 1983, and was debating master, 1981-87. As one of his former students, James Eyers, commented: 'He craved informed, well-reasoned debate and had little respect for blind agreement. Historical inaccuracies were certainly not tolerated. He was a man of substance – of concrete propositions. His intellectual discipline ensured that he always retained the trust of his confidants.'

Eyers continued: 'He was a lifelong student of the classics. One of Riverview's last outspoken advocates of the benefits of Latin, he encouraged his students to question anomalies, engage in critical analysis and to attack problems from another perspective. He told them to strive for greatness in a world where mediocrity too often reigns.' The unexpected comments from him were always eagerly awaited, as when he asked the class: How do you know when you are old? When silence followed, he replied, 'You are old when regrets take the place of dreams'.

He also had his 'lepers corner', a place at the back of the class for those more inattentive students. Others did not relish the thought of joining their company and did as asked. He had a fascination for Fr Damien, and upset superiors by naming a proposed new community as 'Molokai'!

His wit and charm won him many friends. Ironically, he would say that because he was intelligent, efficient and socially presentable he would never be made a Superior in the Society!

He could sometimes be off-putting to those who did not know him, especially when he indicated that he hoped that he would soon be dead. It was always unwise to wish him well when he was sick, as he dismissed such care with the comment that he hoped the illness might be fatal!

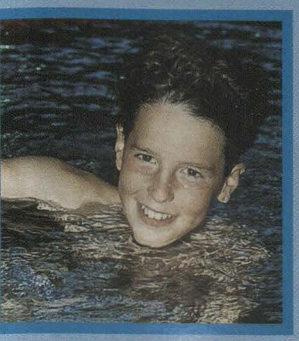
But at all times he was a gentle man, who correctly assessed good manners to convey a genuine respect for the feelings of others. He chose his words carefully, and was always keen to pursue an argument logically and relentlessly, without meanness, harshness or lack of compassion..

He enjoyed intellectual conversation and was a very pastoral priest, generous with his time in administering the sacraments, without any pomp or ceremony. His homilies were always short and to the point. He gave wise counsel to those who sought his advice, and he especially influenced many young men that others had overlooked. He was devoted to his family, and the Society, even if at times he spoke irreverently about both. He was always interested in what was happening and enjoyed hearing the latest news.

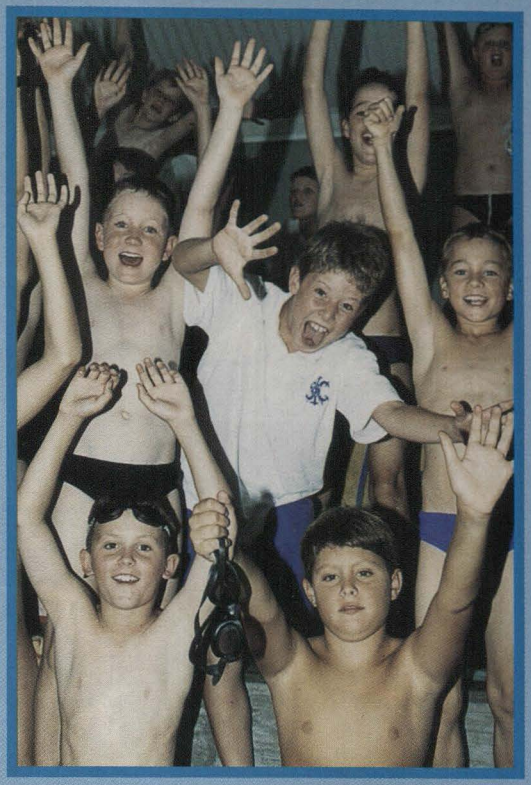
He retired to Canisius College, Pymble in 1997 because of ill health, but this situation increased his periods of depression. He was always very suspicious of doctors and suggested remedies. When well, he did priestly supplies in the local parish, and entertained his many friends. He also enjoyed watching good mystery videos. He finally died tragically in the swimming pool of a cousin. He is well remembered for being the quintessential priest educator.

Fr David Strong SJ

middle school swimming carnivals

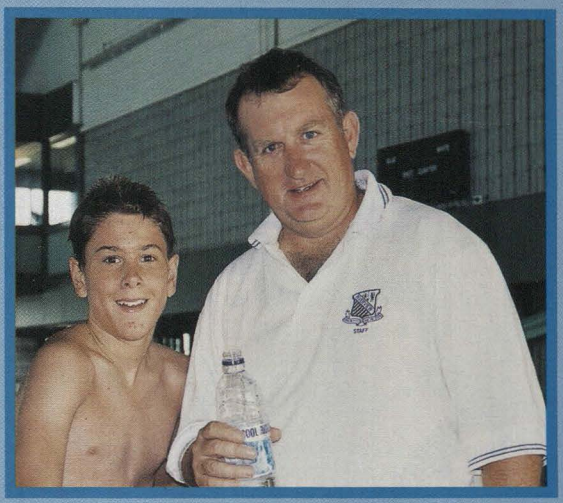


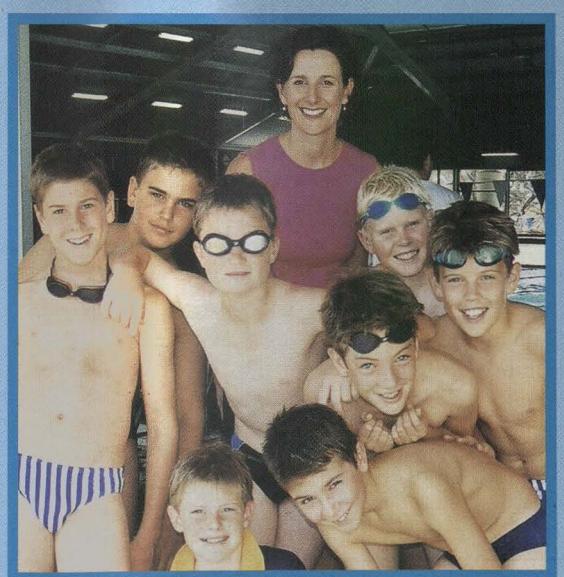


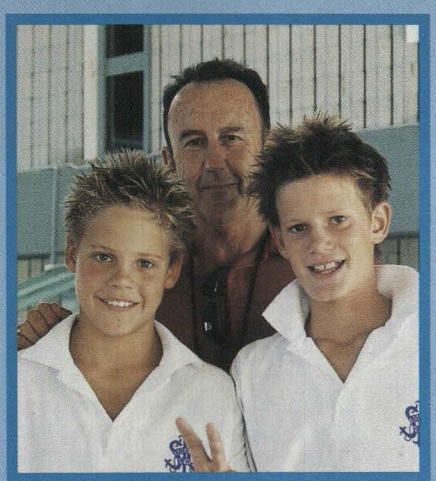


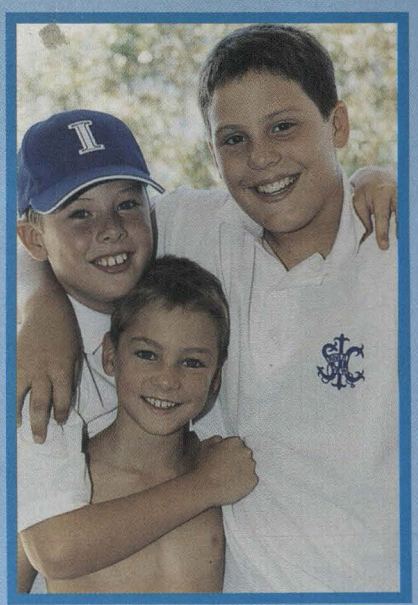








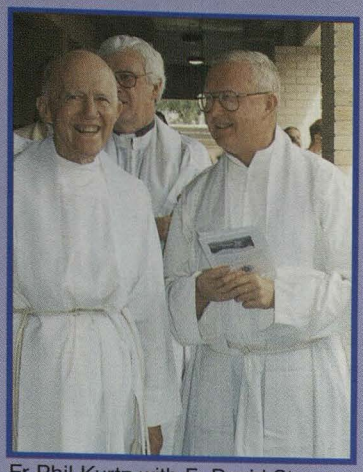




On Sunday, February 16, 2003, Jesuit Provincial, Fr Mark Raper SJ officially opened and blessed new buildings at the College; the ONeil Science Wing, the Therry Middle School Campus, the Regis Campus and the Vaughan Wing. Several hundred people attended the opening and Mass celebrated in the courtyard of the new Therry Complex.



Mary and Leon Reardon with Dominic



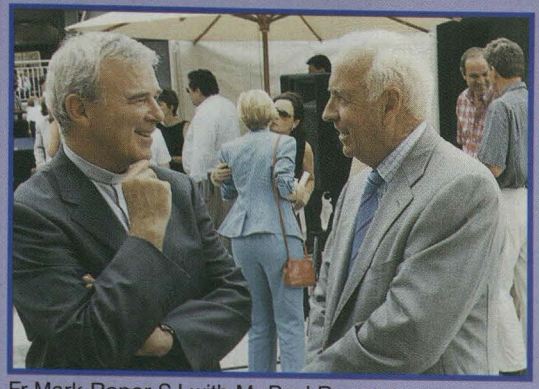
Fr Phil Kurtz with Fr David Strong (Fr Patrick O'Sullivan, back)



Students and staff in the Offertory procession at the Mass



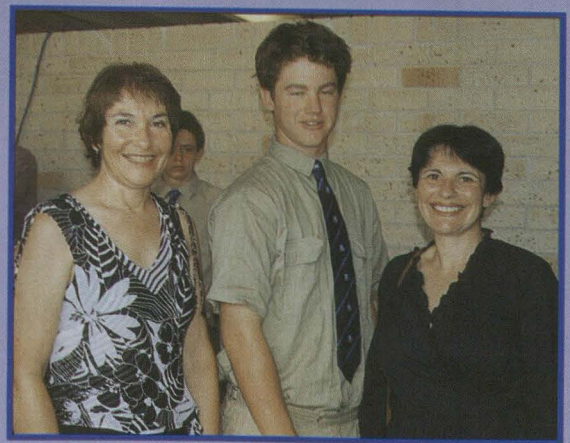
James Molloy and Will Tait



Fr Mark Raper SJ with Mr Paul Ramsay



The new basketball courts

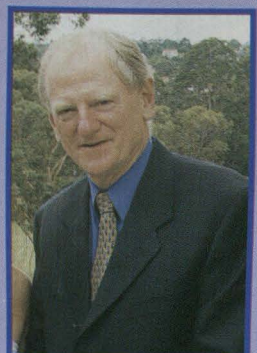


Mrs Linda Bryan, Hugh Kennedy and Mrs Tina Di Sano



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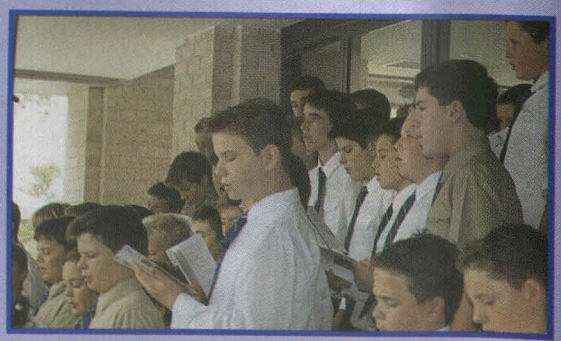




Above, Mr Paul Robertson, right, Mr Neville Harpham, Chairman of College Council



A very young Paul Kenderes with his mother Jo who helped organise the Mass.



The College choir who sang at the opening Mass.

This courtyard is clearly a meeting place. Another friendly corner of this school is Michael Punch's Riverview Foundation office. Visiting there a few weeks ago, I spotted, among cricket bats and footballs signed by famous people, a plaque carrying the ONeil family name and also my own name.

With a shock I realised that within weeks that plaque would be cemented in concrete, and we would become a part of Riverview tradition, along with the names of Regis, Vaughan, Therry, Norman Thomas Cardinal Gilroy, 'A friend of Brother Doyle' and Frank Wallace.

A poem of Percy Bysshe Shelley, introduced in my youth by Fr Frank Wallace, I guess, came to mind. It is called 'Ozymandias of Egypt'. It opens:

I met a traveller from an antique land
Who said: - Two vast and trunkless legs of stone
Stand in the desert. Near them on the sand,
Half sunk, a shatter'd visage lies ...

And it ends:

Nothing beside remains: round the decay
Of that colossal wreck, boundless and bare,
The lone and level sands stretch far away.

Matthew's Gospel today gives us a different metaphor of stone. "The stone the builders rejected has become the corner stone."

Your building is a statement of hope. Despite all that we see, God works for peace. His Son is our cornerstone of our lives.

Shelley's irony points us beyond the plaques and buildings to the living tradition of Ignatian education which, through your support, this College seeks to offer: education of the whole human person to seek the greatest universal good. 'Quantum potes, tantum aude'.

Many of us experienced what used to be called a 'Jesuit education', that is, we were actually taught by Jesuits. That era is not going to return. The tradition of Catholic, or even Ignatian education now has to be interpreted in the quite new circumstances of our day, circumstances of change, even threatening changes.

The boy that graduates from this College, for example, must be prepared to change his work, his career, his city of residence and even his country, several times in his working life. Seeking the greater good today means opening wide horizons indeed.

Nonetheless, the basic characteristics of Ignatian education, consolidated towards the end of the 16th Century, remain remarkably familiar and practical, if challenging, for today. The College Council and faculty, together with your Rector of these last years, Fr Chris Gleeson and the Jesuits in the community, have been working hard to ensure that they are reflected in life at Riverview.

The Ratio Studiorum, published in 1599, listed 10 characteristics of Jesuit schools, and I mention just a few. First, the schools charged no tuition. (That would be nice, you are saying! But these schools still offer many opportunities, precisely because of the generosity of many benefactors.) Second, at least in theory, they were open to students from every sector of society. Third, they put an emphasis on character formation. Fourth ,they taught a balance between 'human letters', sciences and theology.

There were other points, but I mention only two more. The ninth feature is that they created an international network of schools. And tenth, there was a respectful familiarity between teachers and students; each was known as an individual.

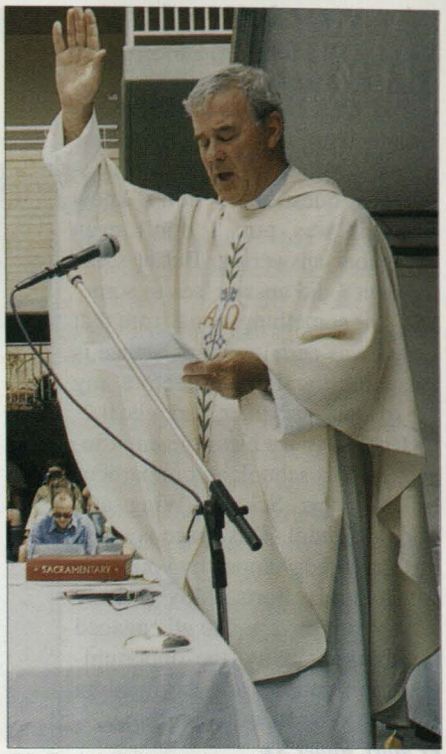
The very name of the Society of Jesus helps to explain this tenth distinctive feature of Ignatian education. It is a translation of course, and simply means 'companions of Jesus'. Ignatius often described his band as 'friends in the Lord'. Then the nickname, 'Jesuits', become more commonly used. It means simply that those who wish to be close to Jesus Christ will more easily be close to one another.

And conversely, as our Jesuit constitution says, we will more easily be united with one another, if we are united with our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ. Taking this further, it stands to reason that we will be more easily united with Jesus if we become friends with those whose company he naturally seeks out, and that is with the poor. John Francis Regis was always with the poor, and today we name the Junior Campus in his memory.

Christian faith after all happens when the person of our Lord, and his life and teaching, touch us deeply, when our heart surges towards him in a love that we don't want to restrain, and our minds say 'Yes!' – this makes sense for me. Of course we cannot expect that a boy of 13 or 15 or 17 years old can have such a mature appreciation of God's presence in the world. Our role here is to create an environment where this search is not ridiculed, rather is encouraged. For without this search, humanity is diminished.

In a very real sense we are not alone. Through the ages people have sought wisdom and we join with them in that search.

Rabindranath Tagore's 'Invocation to the Divinity' for his country's redemption, which was published in 1910 in Gitanjal can be our prayer too. You should



Provincial, Fr Mark Raper SJ blesses the new buildings at the College.

know that Tagore, all his life a Hindu, studied at a Jesuit school in Calcutta.

Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high;
Where knowledge is free;
Where the world has not been broken up into fragments by narrow domestic walls;
Where words come out from the depth of truth;
Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection;
Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way into the dreary desert sand of dead habit;
Where the mind is led forward by thee into ever-widening thought and action –
Into that heaven of freedom, my Father, let my country awake.

Our experiences of God may occur at special moments: at the birth of a child or in a special moment with a child; in the beauty of nature; with the death of someone close; or at a moment when we sense we are being guided by God. It comes as a sense of awe or wonder; it may be a feeling of being forgiven, or renewed; it may be the gift of extraordinary joy without reason; or a sense of determination to change my life; or a sense of harmony with all beings.

These are moments, I urge, when "God has placed the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, who cries out Abba, Father" (Gal 4, 6). "The Spirit himself intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words" (Rom 8, 26).

Ignatian education gives us tools to access such wisdom, gives us tools to continue this search. As Albert Camus put it, "The whole life of a person is a slow

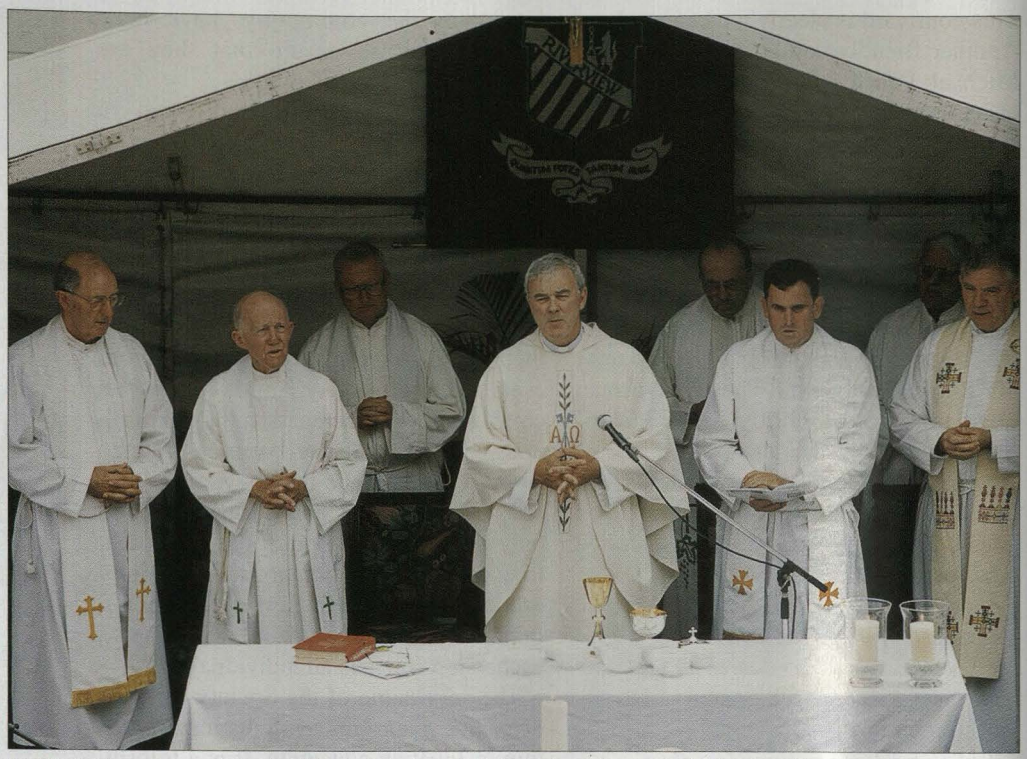
trek to recover the two or three simple images in whose presence his heart first moved"

And Dag Hammarskjold, in his famous book, *Markings*, wrote:

"I don't know who – or what – put the question, I don't know when it was put. I don't even remember answering. But at some moment I did answer Yes to someone – or something – and from that hour I was certain that existence is meaningful and that, therefore, my life, in self-surrender, had a goal."

Here today we bless the environment of this school, and in particular this new Science Wing and Middle School. This space is given by God and developed by your generosity and efforts. May it truly offer to our boys and to all engaged in this community, the opportunities, the resources and the freedom of heart to find God in all things.

Fr Mark Raper SJ
Provincial



Fr Mark Raper concelebrates Mass with, from left, Fr Robert Bruce, Fr Phil Kurtz, Fr Robert Davoren and Fr Adrian Lyons

Photographs by Chris Fitzgerald

The vision of Fr John Joseph Therry

125 years ago this year on the Feast of the Sacred Heart June 28th Fr Joseph Dalton purchased the land on which we now stand. Clearly it was a monumental day for all associated with this famous College. Apart from the 5000 or more Old Boys directly associated with this College it has also had an incredible effect on the lives of so many people, parents, our local community and people who have become involved through work, community service programs and sport.

For Riverview to be the school it is today it required people with great vision and wisdom 125 years ago. Vision to buy the land, to choose to build a school and to invite the Jesuits to be the keepers of this vision. The decisions made 125 years ago will have an effect on the young men who pass through today and for many years to come – hundreds of years we hope.

We stand here today, in these magnificent surrounds, thanks in part to the vision, hard work, clever deals and smart real estate negotiations of one Fr John Joseph Therry. Fr Therry was not a Jesuit:, he was an Irishman from Cork; he was an Australian pioneer priest. He was a friend to convict and Aborigine, often their only friend. He was not a Jesuit even though he fought with bishops and other priests, he was a practical ecumenist before ecumenism was main stream. He was deep in debt most of his life, while at the same time built more churches than priests who came after him.

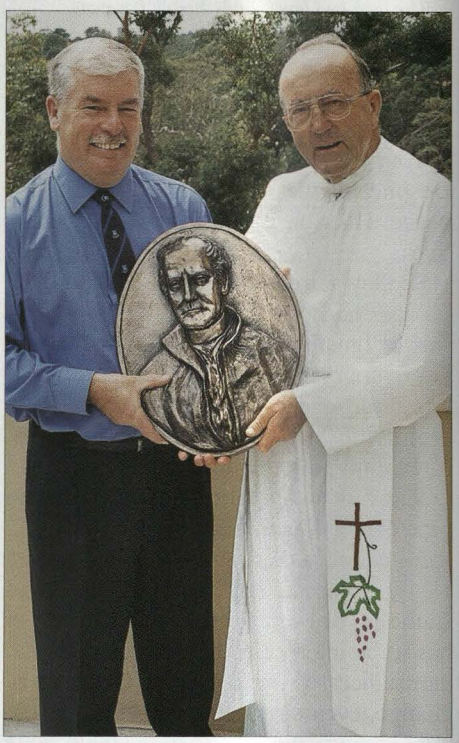
He was said to suffer from a lack of management in temporal affairs and yet he acquired more land and showed more entrepreneurial skill then any previous religious in the colony. With these credentials he could well have been an early Headmaster here at Riverview.

Therry had all the qualities of which heroes and saints are made.

Upon his death Therry's estate was left almost entirely to the Irish Jesuits. While Therry had had no direct contact with the Jesuits he deeply valued their traditions in education and in education he saw the way forward for poor Irish Catholics to make their way in this newly established country.

Fr Dalton, the first Headmaster of Saint Ignatius' College, another visionary after whom our chapel is named, was able to secure this land with Therry's inheritance and other loans. Fr Dalton's drive and vision for Riverview is even more impressive when you realise that he was condemned by the Provincial of the day who would have stopped the purchase of this land if Fr Dalton had not already signed the lease.

We are blessed by the vision and work of Fr John Joseph Therry and it is most appropriate that this building be named and blessed in his honour.



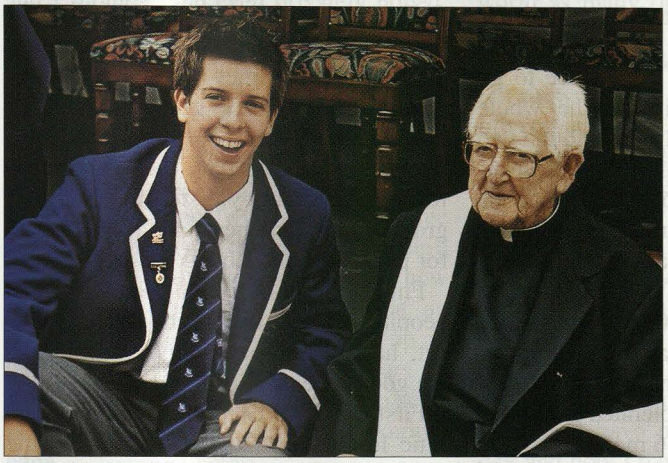
Headmaster, Mr Shane Hogan and Fr John McSweeney hold the plaque commemorating Fr John Joseph Therry.

We also thank Fr John McSweeney who is on the altar with us today. Fr McSweeney, another Irishman from Cork, has written a book about Fr Therry and purchased for us this plaque which was made in Ireland. It's a copy of the plaque on display in Cove formerly

Queenstown which is in County Cork and is where all Irish convicts started their journey to Australia.

It is also worth noting that Archbishop Vaughan, the second Archbishop of Sydney and an English Benedictine, after whom our new Maths wing is named was also responsible for encouraging the Jesuits to open a school in Sydney as well as contributing funds to its purchase. Archbishop Vaughan also had great faith in the Jesuits and knew that they would bring great strength, presence and a long tradition in educating young men as they had done in other great schools such as Clongowes, Stonyhurst and Belvadear.

John Francis Regis, a very popular name for schools in the United States, was chosen as our new name for the formerly and inappropriately named Junior Campus for our present Year 5 and Year 6 classes. For many years the majority of the students in the Junior Campus were in fact in Year 7 and often desperately wanted to be know as Senior School students.



Harry Windsor (Year 12) with Fr Charles Fraser SJ Photo W Milazzo

Regis, a French Jesuit and saint, was a great success as a teacher. Inside and outside the classroom he devoted all of his time and energy to the boys in his care. In his later life he dedicated his time to the care of the sick and poor, he is a most appropriate Jesuit saint for our teachers and students to model on our new Years 5 and 6 campus.

405 years ago another Jesuit saint ,Giacomo Domenichi wrote the first guidelines for Jesuit education entitled the Ratio Studiorum. One of the principles given for Jesuit Education to be successful was that it had to be adaptable to places, times and persons.

Here today we are opening and blessing outstanding facilities that have certainly been adapted to the place, times and students we have in our care. I think Ignatius would have been proud of our efforts and be pleased that we are keeping to the principals established 400 years ago and still successful in today's world.

Neville Harpham has already thanked the many whose vision, planning and generosity has made all these facilities possible. One must also pay special tribute to Neville who has overseen our building programmes for over 10 years both as Chairman of the Building Committee and now as Chairman of the College Council.

It has been the energy, drive and passion of Neville that has made so much of our dreams happen. To you Neville we thank you. If Therry had had you as his bagman 125 years ago the possibilities for the Catholic Church would have been endless today. Thank you Neville.

So much preparation has gone into today I must at this point acknowledge Jennie Hickey, Director of Religious Formation, for coordinating our Mass and Blessing today. Jennie is another person with energy and vision. She has been a wonderful support and I value this and her friendship. Jo Kenderes has prepared our Mass booklet and has written all our prayers and blessing for today.

Thank you to Barbara Peatman and the Development Office, and to Mark White and his team for setting up our courtyard. Thank you to Bob Hanley and Cathy Hobbs-Faulkner, our College Archivist, for the photos and details of the changing face of Riverview in the back of your booklet, and of course Bruce Rixon and our musicians. Thank you to Father Provincial for being with us on a very special day in our College history and thank you to you the parents and students who have joined with us to make it a special day.

In my heart I am over the moon that this day has finally arrived. The College looks an absolute delight and we can feel very satisfied that our students have outstanding facilities. We now ask that they respect the facilities and hope that they enjoy them for many years to come.

Mr Shane Hogan,
Headmaster

A project completed through much generosity

Good morning and welcome. First of all may I offer an especially warm welcome to our new Provincial,Fr Mark Raper, who also happens to be an old boy of this College.Welcome Fr Mark.

Welcome also to our Jesuit brothers, to College staff, parents past and present, friends and Old Boys of the College here today.

Welcome to those young Ignatians who are with us, some of whom will benefit directly from these new facilities at a rewarding and exciting stage of their lives.

We are celebrating this morning the conclusion of two of five key projects identified in the College Council's first strategic plan, a plan which was enthusiastically supported by Fr Chris Gleeson. The five being:

- Care for staff and students
- The matter of 'whole education' including new Science facilities
- The Ignatian ethos and the heritage of the College
- The Boarding school
- The Junior school

At the start of this particular exercise, about five years ago, the Science labs were some 25 years old and well past their use-by date. Chris Gillett (head of Science) and his team prepared a very well thought out brief, setting out the needs of Science going forward.

Today in this building you see the fruits of their work. You might be interested to know that the views to the city were not a part of the brief – they are a bonus, and, hopefully, positive from an educational point of view! Thank you to you, Chris, and your team.

As I mentioned, the strategic plan also identified the Junior School for attention. My early memories of this exercise are that a number of people asked why the Junior school existed at all; others queried whether Year 7 would not be better located on the main campus. The first question was never really answered but the most likely answer is that there was some threat that the land could be resumed. Up to the early 60s it was a golf course with no educational facilities on it.

The second question was answered by a process recognised as the College way of doing things. We formed a committee whose members included staff, parents and key specialists. The committee recommended that Year 7 move to the larger

campus, providing that existing elements of care and attention went with it and were not lost in the move.

At about the same time there was a lot of debate and research on boys' education in the middle years. Another committee looked at available information and Fr Rob Davoren was given the challenge of discerning what it all might mean for Riverview.

I think many of you will have seen his ideas in print so I won't go into them now except to highlight one as an example. That one was the need to smooth the transition from primary to secondary years by slowing down the change from class room teacher to subject teacher.

The College accepted the recommendations it received and took the first tentative step in introducing middle schooling at the start of 1999, locating Year 8 boys in their own precinct (the demountables), called by some 'the magic kingdom' and by others – you guessed it – the caravan park.

This year the process has been completed with Year 7 joining the Middle School here on the main campus.

We were then left with the question of what to do with what was formerly the Junior School. Doing nothing would have left only two Year 6 classes and one Year 5 class there – obviously not acceptable.

So another enthusiastic group of staff, parents and specialists thought through the question and recommended what is in place today, four classes in each of Year 5 and Year 6.

At this stage I would like to make special mention of the previous Jesuit Provincial, Fr Daven Day. Fr Day has always been a keen supporter of things educational and he well understood the benefits of expanding Years 5 and 6, giving greater flexibility and allowing us to deliver improved education.

We are indebted for the key role Fr Day played in this expansion and we thank him sincerely.

And thank you, Fr Rob Davoren, and the many staff, parents and others who have implemented the vision for what we now know as Middle School here at Riverview. Thank you also, Fr Rob, for taking an active part in the design and construction stages of the grand venture.

Dreams about projects like these don't become real without the support of wonderful giving people, many of whom are here today. In particular I would like to welcome past student Rodney ONeil whose generosity has been instrumental in completing these projects.



From left, Messrs Peter Novati, John Wilcox, Shane Hogan, Neville Harpham, Fr Mark Raper, Messrs Rodney ONeil, Peter Mayoh, Kerry Vild, Bob Marsh

It is a great pleasure to welcome you, Rodney, with your wife Judith, and your family and guests. Your gift and the gifts of so many current, past and hopefully future alumni enable us to achieve a great deal for the good of the students' education.

May I also thank the 1999 Capital Appeal team led by Paul Robertson for their hard work in the fundraising campaign that gave us the confidence to go forward. The generosity of the whole Riverview family in helping fund the two successful master planning appeals, spanning the years 1987 to 2002, would be hard to match in Australia. To Michael Punch and his team, thank you and keep the good work going.

The design and construction phase for this project brought major disruption to the College so sincere thanks to staff, parents and students who tolerated the inconvenience over the last 16 months.

The design team has been led by Peter Mayoh, an Old Boy of the College. I believe that in these buildings Peter has wonderfully balanced the need to ensure that they function well, with the need to integrate them into the atmosphere of the College's existing buildings.

Peter has been ably supported by teams from the offices of Bill Higgins, Peter Mathews and Jeff Moulsdale together with Doug Kimber, Peter Taylor, Simon Dwyer and James Ratcliffe. Thank you all.

A successful project usually has good management and the leadership here of project manager Kerry Vild, supported by the College's Bob Marsh has delivered a complex project with minimum interruption to the College. Thank you both.

We have been fortunate to renew our acquaintance with the Novarti family– father Peter and son Albert – whom we got to know when they built Kevin Fagan House. Peter, Albert and their staff have again delivered a first rate project under the more difficult conditions of working with old buildings.

They have been always positive, cheerful and at all times we felt they were working for the best interests of the College.

We will miss their professionalism and good humour – they have made many friends and we are grateful for their efforts. Thank you.

The last few days have been very hectic for many. Thank you to the College's ground staff, gardeners and facilities team for presenting the College so well today .

Finally I would like to mention a few people who, over the duration of this project, have been keen supporters through the good times and the hard times:

First, Fr Chris Gleeson for his enthusiastic leadership and his support for the plans submitted for approval;

Head of School, Shane Hogan for his enthusiasm and support at all times and his positive reactions to looming deadlines;

Business Manager, Greg Conlon for balancing the books – an unenviable job at any time;

My predecessor as Council Chairman, Peter Joseph, and other now retired Council members, for their drive and passion. I am sorry Peter is not with us today; he is overseas this month;

The Provincial office for supporting and approving the enterprise;

My fellow Council members for their affection for this place;

And lastly, but never least, our wives, husbands and partners who have been patient and understanding in allowing us the time needed to complete the endeavour.

Mr Neville Harpham
Chairman of College Council

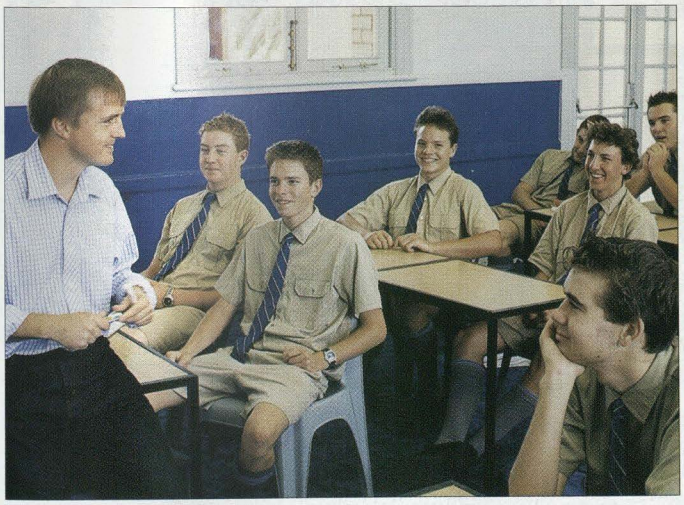
As far as I can remember the first time the idea of becoming a Jesuit came to me was when I was in Year 8 or Year 9. I remember being particularly impressed by the immense generosity, selfless dedication and deep love of Jesus that I observed within the Jesuit community. As a number of these Jesuits are still members of the community, I will not go on about their good qualities!

The thought of becoming a Jesuit remained with me throughout high school. When I was in Year 11, I spoke to a very young Fr Davoren about the possibility of becoming a Jesuit. He was very encouraging of the idea. However, by the end of Year 12, I decided I needed to have some space away from Riverview and the Jesuits to see whether this thought persisted.

After school I went to the Australian National University where I completed a Bachelor of Arts majoring in Geography and an Honours degree in Law. I only did the course because I got the marks for it and I thought, and even privately hoped, that maybe this idea of becoming a Jesuit might go away during my five years at university.

Like all final year Law students I applied to all the biggest law firms for a job. Much to my surprise I was offered a job back in Sydney with one of the three largest law firms in the country, Freehill Hollingdale and Page or as it is now known as Freehills. I decided that an opportunity like this does not come up all that often and that after five years of study, it would be good to be able to actually use some of my new found knowledge.

When I started at Freehills I thought I would give it a go for two years and if I did not like it, I would go and do something else. I tried to tell myself that maybe this was what God was inviting me to do.



Fr Jeremy Clarke with some Year 11 students

Well I actually worked at Freehills for three years and whilst the work hours were very demanding, often from 8 am until midnight, I enjoyed my time doing interesting work in commercial litigation and employment law and working with a number of terrific people. My long-term future with Freehills was looking very promising. So, I guess a number of you are asking then, why would I give up a promising legal career to live my life as a Jesuit and all that entails. This is a pertinent question as I could have remained working as a lawyer strongly committed to my faith giving witness to the presence of God in the world as many of your parents do each day.



Tom Renshaw speaking with some Year 11 students

For me the answer lies in the fact that I felt drawn to and wanted to live out my life committed to Jesus in a different way. For me, being a commercial lawyer was not what made me most come alive. I felt drawn to the way of the Jesuits. I wanted to live my life in community with other people placing my skills and talents at the service of the church and world in which we live.

Whether or not I make a million dollars a year is not important to me; what is, is whether I have made a difference each day and how I have responded to the call that is presented to each of us and every Christian: that is, to love our God and our neighbour. I am studying to be a Jesuit priest because I deeply love Jesus, the church and the Eucharist. I want to be of service and available for others, to help them deepen their relationship with God whether it is through good times or bad times.

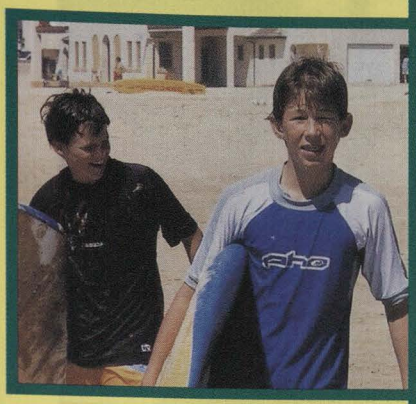
In deciding to become a Jesuit I realised that this way of life is the one in which I am most happy and most true not only to who I am as a person but to what God is inviting and encouraging me to be. One of the joys of being a Jesuit is that I do not necessarily have to give up being a lawyer and I am currently using my legal skills in my capacity as a board member of Jesuit Social Services in Melbourne.

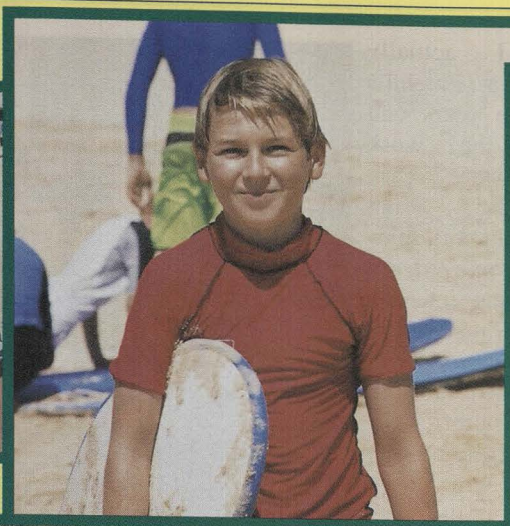
However, I did have two major fears about joining the Jesuits. The first one was a sense that I was not good enough or holy enough. Well I can tell you that one of the most comforting definitions I have come across of a Jesuit is that to be a Jesuit is to know that you are a sinner yet called to be a companion of Jesus as Ignatius was.

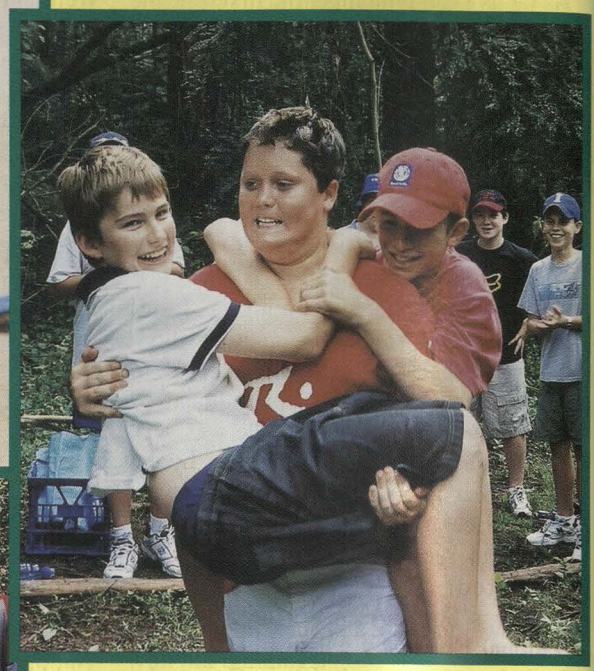
The other fear I had was that some of my friends, especially my non-Catholic friends, would say that I was an idiot and disown me. However, the exact opposite has happened. When I announced I was joining the Jesuits, many of my friends said to me that they thought that this is what I should have been doing all along. Furthermore there has been a deepening of the friendships as they now share with me some of their deepest joys and struggles. I would encourage you all to listen to your family and friends when they say things to you like, "You would be a good doctor or teacher", as often the Holy Spirit is working through them naming qualities within us that we cannot or do not want to see.

I would encourage all of you today to think about what you want to do with your life. Ask yourself why you are attracted to a certain career or job? If you are not sure what you want to do with your life pray to God, tell God how you feel, tell God what your interests are, tell God what your fears are and ask God for some inspiration to know what it is that will make you most happy, most fully alive and most authentically you.

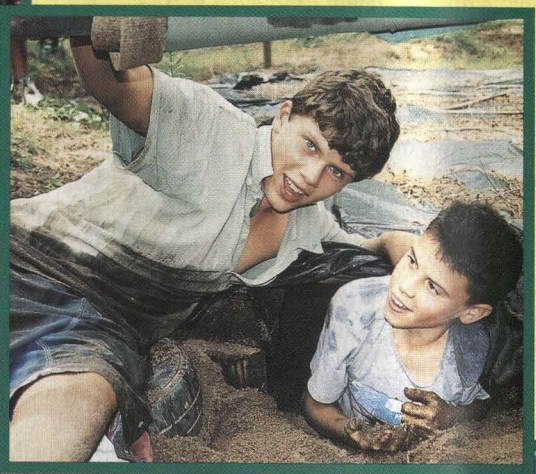
Tom Renshaw
Tom and Fr Jeremy Clarke spoke to students





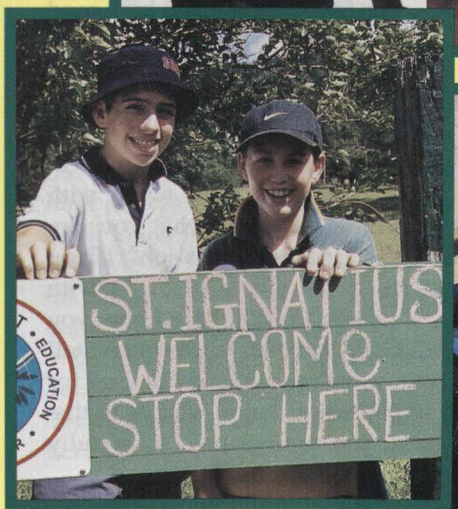


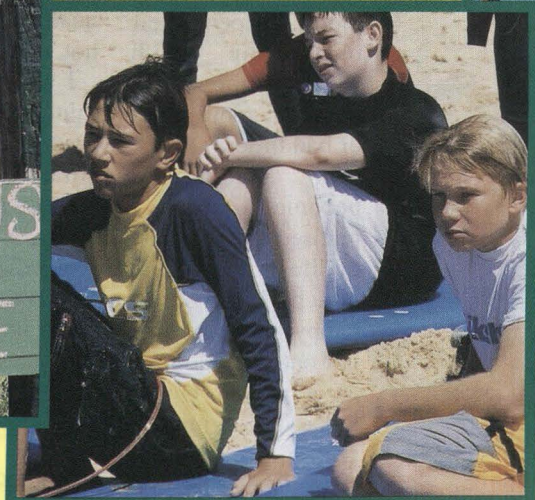


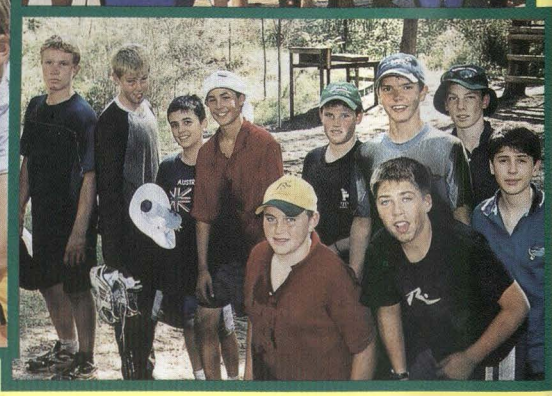






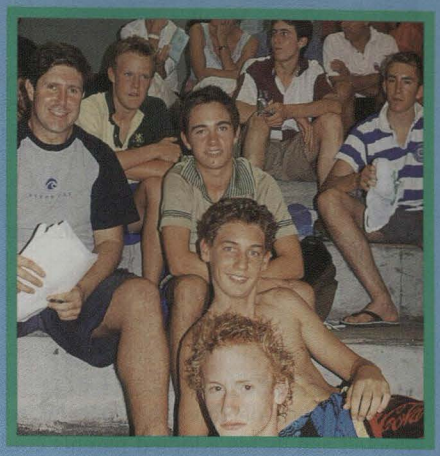

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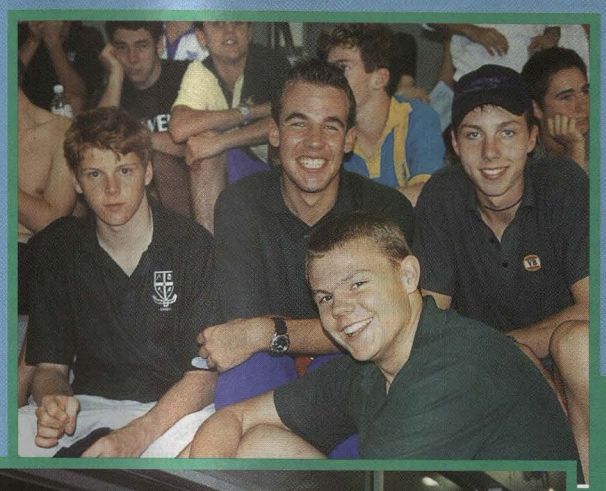






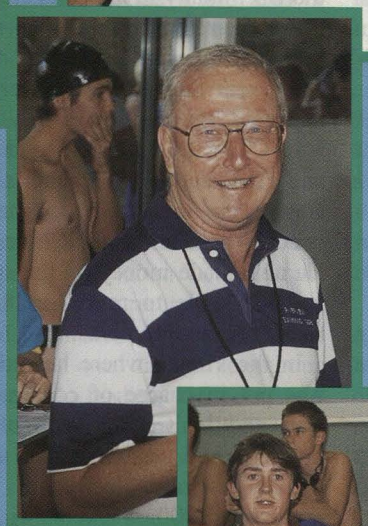


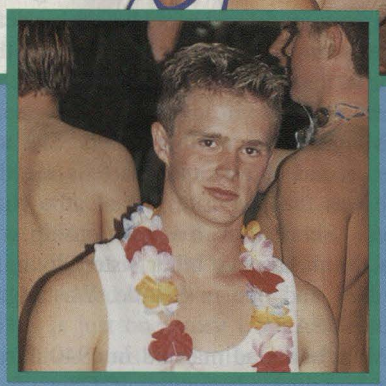






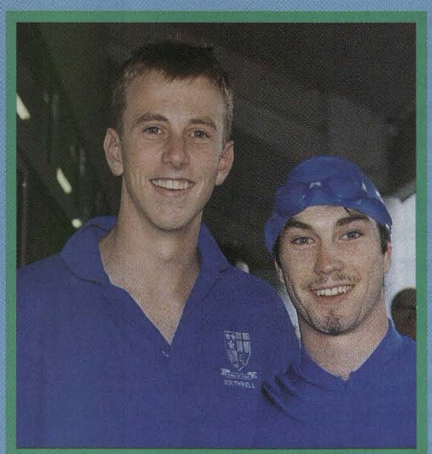














Headmaster, Mr Shane Hogan, Fr Robert Bruce and the Jesuit Community, staff and friends, students.

I thank the School Captain, Tom van Beek, for the opportunity to tell you about the circumstances in which my family arrived in Australia.

As I tell you this story, I would ask you to think about two things: tolerance and compassion.

Dad was born in 1916, and passed away in 1996 aged 79. His birthplace was in Shandong Province, a large province located north of Shanghai.

At the age of three or four he was adopted and as his adopted parents could not have children, he was their only child. His adopted father made his fortune by owning a grocery store in Manly and he died in his early 40s of cancer.

Mum was born in 1921, and had two mothers: her birth mother (known as the small mother or No 2 wife) and his other mother, the No 1 wife, or big mother. She had two sons. The eldest son or No1 son, Mum's half brother, inherited the family fortune and came to live in Walgett where he had two grocery stores, LM Hing's. He ran them for 50 odd years before his death three years ago. The younger son is still in China, married with three surviving children.

Mum had three other sisters. She was the second eldest, and she tells me that she was the favourite girl of the No 1 wife. She had a great relationship with her. Mum has two other sisters living in Sydney and one in Seattle, Washington State, USA.

Mum and Dad married in 1940 during the Japanese occupation of China from 1940-45.

The family home was in Chungshan city in Guangzhau, the old Canton Province, on the coast of China about an hour by fast ferry from Hong Kong.



Don's mother's two Mums - her birth mother is on the right.

In 1998, I made a trip to China with my wife and three children and Mum. Our family home is still standing but now its front façade is minus the top floor. Building materials were in short supply after the Revolution in China and people recycled whatever they could get. there. It was a great experience to visit China and my kids still talk about it. I'm grateful that we were able to go with Mum and recommend that if you ever get the chance to see your family's homeland then you must go.



Don Gock with his mother Photogaph by Chris Fitzgerald

I have three brothers and three sisters, I am the youngest and there are 14 years separating the oldest to youngest. There were two other children, a boy and a girl who died within a month of birth.

Our village was fairly affluent as the locals would go overseas to Australia and the US initially in the Gold Rush years to make their fortune and then retire back home, where they bought rice fields. They sent their children overseas to be educated.

In China Dad studied to be a teacher and graduated from Teacher's College at Chungshan city prior to the Japanese occupation. He taught Chinese History. He also made money on the stockmarket and was able to retire at 28, when he bought some rice fields.

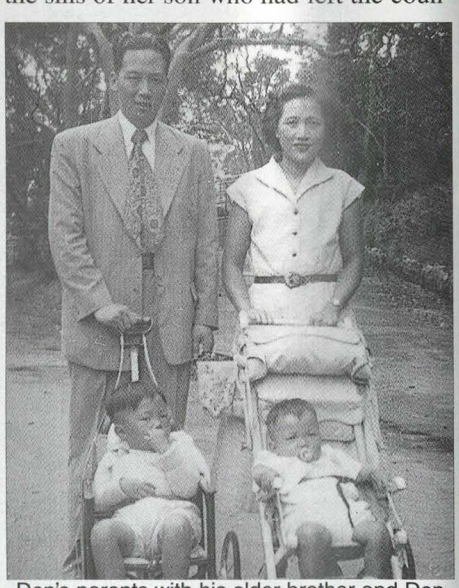
In the village where he retired to he was put in charge of construction, post war, and built roads with underground drainage and sewerage and a dam that would generate electricity. The dam required 1,000 workers with wooden wheel barrows and was designed by US engineers to specifications drawn up by my father. Generators were imported from the UK and my eldest brother still remembers their arrival by boat.

The construction work was financed by the Wing On Company, which was established by some prominent Gocks in the village. Many villagers, including my father, had shares in this company and their main business was in department stores in Hong Kong, Shanghai and Canton. The Shanghai store still exists in Nanjing Road Shanghai. During the Revolution, it was seized by the Communists and renamed the No 1 Department Store. Wing On also owned China's second largest textile mill in Shanghai and today Wing On's investment in Australia is $1 billion dollars.

In 1949 after liberation by the Communist Party led by Mao Tse Tung on October 1st, Dad lost everything: his land, house, his belongings. The Bamboo Curtain closed the borders to China in 1950.

However, just before the borders closed Mum and Dad got out with their first and second sons, as people were still free to leave China. They left their three daughters behind with Grandma. My eldest sister left illegally a year later and joined the rest of the family in Hong Kong. The trip to Hong Kong was via Macau, a Portuguese Territory, by bus for two hours then onto a boat for a four hour journey to Hong Kong.

Hong Kong had an open policy with Chinese refugees in those days and accepted everyone. But Grandma did not want to leave China and stayed behind in the family home. She could not believe that her own people could be any worse than the Japanese. She was later forced to kneel on broken glass and asked to repent the sins of her son who had left the coun-



Don's parents with his older brother and Don on their first outing to Taronga Park Zoo

try. Fortunately, my sisters were left alone as they were too young. The house was seized. Grandma and my sisters had to seek refuge in the old temple until some villagers took pity upon them and took them into their homes.

In Hong Kong my family stayed at the Wing On Department Store Dormitory. As there were no jobs in Hong Kong, Dad knew that he had to leave to provide for the family as well as those left behind in China.

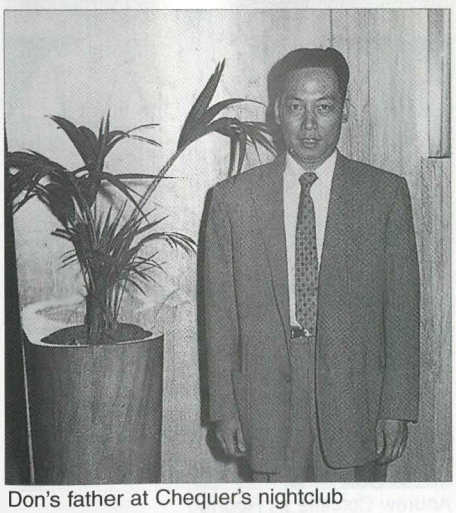
He bought a Mr Hung's visa. Mr Hung was old and didn't require a visa as he was retired in Hong Kong so he took Dad's money. In 1951, after two years in Hong Kong, Dad left on his own for Australia. He chose Australia because the Wing On Company had a business there selling bananas so Dad knew he would be able to get work straight away.

Dad originally worked in import/export as this is what his visa allowed him to do. He was able to work a lot of overtime earning 18 pounds a week. This was the equivalent of two people's normal week's wages. It allowed him to send money to Hong Kong and China.

In 1952, Mum, Keith aged 11, Diane, 8 and Bun, 18 months old, joined Dad in Australia. My older brother John was born in 1953 and I was born the next year. When I was born John went into foster care while Mum was in hospital.

In 1952 Dad opened a fish and chip shop in Marrickville and closed it that same year making no money at all. Dad then moved into the restaurant business and became the catering manager for Chequers Nightclub, Sydney's best nightclub at that time. It featured stars such as Sammy Davis Jr, a 21 year old Liza Minelli, the Everley Brothers and Shirley Bassey.

Mum worked from home doing piece work sewing, earning 20 cents sewing cuffs for shirts etc until we were old enough to go to school. Then she worked in a sewing factory. In 1968, my sister Christine came out to Australia. Prior to that she'd spent four years at the Sacred Heart Boarding School in Macau where she found religion, Roman Catholicism. Her first year was in boarding at Santa Sabina in Strathfield, and then she became a day girl for the remainder of her school life. She studied to become a nurse after school.



Don's father at Chequer's nightclub



Visiting Grandma's grave in Chungshan in 1998 with friends and family (on the right)

My eldest brother and sister, Keith and Diane, made the greatest sacrifices of all the children when we were young as they had to work long hours bringing in extra money for the family.

Keith's typical day would be to rise at daylight (4:30am) to work in the family's market garden before school. After school he'd work there until nightfall.

Mum was always able to find work for him during school holidays. He always dreamt of owning a bike. (In those days a bike cost about 8 pounds, about $16). He was able to save this money in one of his working holidays but decided to give this money to Mum instead.

When she was young, Diane was sent every weekend to sell a basket of artificial flowers that Mum had made from wire and crepe paper. She often went to train stations and could not return until all the flowers had been sold. I remember her telling me that one day a neighbour bought her whole basket of flowers and she was able to come home early.

Keith often took out his frustrations by belting my sister and others at school. He tells me that this was one of his greatest regrets in later life.

Both Keith and Diane could not go onto tertiary education as money was needed to pay off my parent's first house. Mum still lives in the family home at Rockdale. This was financed by a solicitor's loan at 10% as no bank would loan my parents the money. My older brother, Bun, and I saw the loan documents after helping Mum clean out Dad's things after his death. We were both surprised to see the amount of interest paid and the fact that the loan was repaid in five years.

Keith worked at the Postmaster's General Department. This later became Australia Post, while Diane married young and struggled to raise a young family of three children and working for other people. Ten years ago she opened her own business selling roofing supplies and has been very successful in her own right.

In 1980, my eldest sister and her family arrived in Australia as illegal immigrants overstaying their tourist visa and finally giving themselves up in the last amnesty and becoming Australian citizens. She, along with her husband and son, worked in my Aunt's restaurant at Wahroonga.

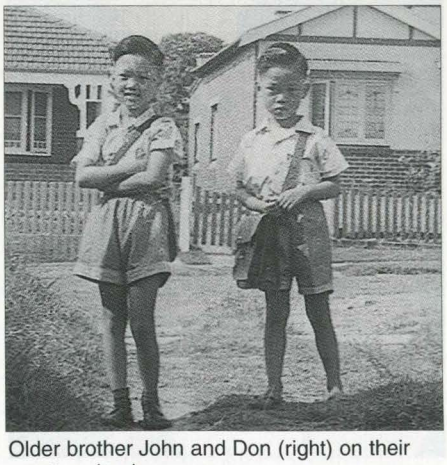
My brother, Bun, became a solicitor and a successful businessman in the oil industry. He had a great influence on my life as he chose my subjects at school and has advised me in all things financial and career wise throughout my life. My other brother, John works in Australian Customs in various positions and is currently at the airport.

In 1994, I changed my surname from Hung to Gock in 1994 as a promise to my Dad who died in 1996.

This is just one story from one of the many thousands of immigrants who came to settle in Australia. I thank the school captain, again for the opportunity to tell you about my family and would now like to introduce you to my mother, Louie Choy Hing.

Mr Don Gock

(Speech delivered at a College assembly, February, 2003)



Older brother John and Don (right) on their way to school.

The Cid caused a lot of trouble to its Jesuit educated author Pierre Corneille. In it, he chose to break literary rules believed in France to be essential for correct literary taste.

It was set in Spain, not Athens or Rome as the great classics had been; the incident it recounted was improbable and thus not faithfully representative of life; and its ending betokened happiness, whereas it was supposedly a tragedy. In a French literary and theatrical world in which a Cardinal would intervene to ban a play on the grounds of literary – not moral – standards, The Cid brought condemnation upon Corneille, and his later plays demonstrate his surrender to seventeenth century France's obeisance to perceived if false Aristotelian 'rules'.

Fortunately, Melvyn Morrow's production of the play in February, 2003 suffered no untoward interventions and deserved none.

The tale is of two highly principled, star crossed lovers, Rodrigo and Ximena who plan to marry. However, their fathers quarrel, and Rodrigo must fight on behalf of his father. In the ensuing action, he kills his lover's father, so Ximena is duty bound to seek revenge on Rodrigo.

Morrow's production favoured a rationalised and chic delivery of the romantic tale, mirroring the courtly distaste of emotional excess which would have accompanied early productions of the play.

Jon Frazer, Travis Brooks-Garrett, Michael Sutherland, Paul Barton and Nicholas Prior looked ready for a fashion parade in their uniform white flannel suits, each character couturially differentiated only by the colour of their emerging shirt collar; this was a social and a stage world where individuality was best kept discreet. The forcefulness of their political arguments shone brighter for the choice.



Jon Frazer as Don Diego



From left, Paul Barton as Don Arias, Harry Windsor as Don Fernando, Nicholas Prior as Don Alonsa

Photographs by Chris Fitzgerald

Frazer's suave, elegant and forceful Don Diego was a sensitively observed and beautifully modulated study of aristocratic dignity and delusion, nicely balanced by paternal affection. Travis Brooks–Garrett's fiery and condescending Don Gomez combined authority with appropriately sneering sarcasm. Michael Sutherland's deftly sketched Don Sancho was a convincing blend of youthful decency and amorous anguish, intensely played by a focussed and generous performer of strong stage presence.

Paul Barton and Nicholas Prior proved to be two dignified courtiers whose choric commentary resounded with pleasing clarity. Indeed, all these players distinguished themselves and enhanced the production by their fine handling of the text. Thoughtful inflection, intelligent pointing and confident projection were hallmarks – nay, cornerstones – of this respectfully classical yet totally contemporary production.

Cardinal Richlieu himself would have admired the great Alexandrine tough good looks of Harry Windsor as Don Fernando, always commanding the gigantic staircase which dominated the space in the O'Kelly Theatre and which joined the world of twin narrators Luke Edwards and Sean Williams to the political and emotional chessboard beneath them.

Morrow identified the location of the action as"Seville, near Killara", and so narrator Pierre Corneille was represented both by the costumed flourishes of an otherwise cool Edwards on the one hand, and the impassioned French pleadings of Williams on the other, conversely dressed in modern blacks and seldom moving too far from his computerised deskspace.

As the rival loves of Rodrigo – one in deed and one more in vain hope – Hannah Ireland and Nicole Joseph each brought elect beauty to their roles; as women who could equally command attention in a 17th century French version of a Spanish court or at an opening night in Hollywood (the modern world's mirror of aristocratic narcissism),they nevertheless each exposed the cracks in the surface and let us witness the humanity beneath. Laura Patterson and Ali Spartels lent compassionate wonder to their respective confidante roles to their two ladies.

Andrew Cutcliffe as Don Rodrigo had by far the hardest task of the evening, and blended political ferocity, military assertion



Andrew Cutcliffe as Rodrigo



The finale

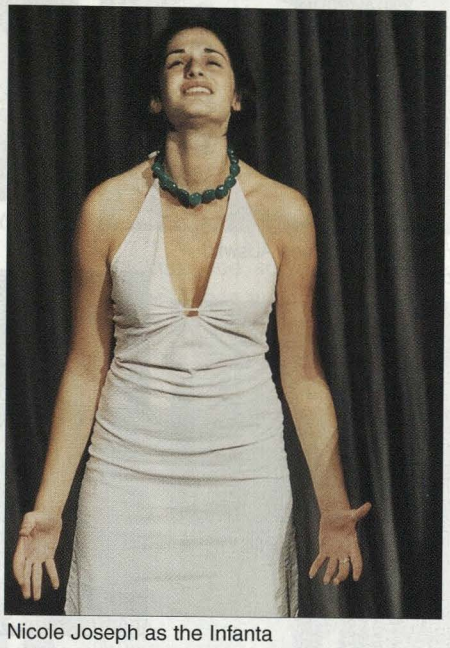


Sean Williams as Pierre Corneille

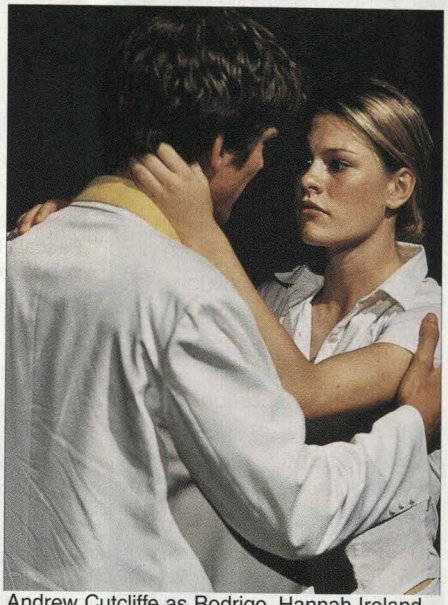
and amorous woe into a lithe portrait of Corneille's troubled hero. The complications of his position were admirably reflected in the dance of Lucy Maunder and Tom Manion, whose mutually wary couplings emblematised the delicious torture the lovers face, of hoping in a world which seems more interested in boasting its fickleness than in allowing virtuous ambition to attain its comparatively innocent goals.

It should be noted that Henriette Pikoulas seems to have taken over from David Enoch in managing the bookings in grand and efficient style. As always, up in the control booth, Barry Mott played puppeteer of an always pertinent lighting design. Congratulations, le Morrow magnifique!

Peter Fleming



Nicole Joseph as the Infanta



Andrew Cutcliffe as Rodrigo, Hannah Ireland as Ximena

Pierre Corneille
Luke Edwards
Sean Williams

Don Fernando, first King of Castile
Harry Windsor

Dona Urraca, Infanta of Castile
Nicole Joseph

Don Diego, Don Rodrigo's father
Jon Frazer

Don Gomez, Count of Gormas, Ximena's father
Travis Brooks-Garrett

Don Rodrigo, Ximena's beloved
Andrew Cutcliffe

Don Sancho, in love with Ximena
Michael Sutherland

Don Arias, Castilian noble
Paul Barton

Don Alonsa, Castilian noble
Nicholas Prior

Ximena, Don Gomez's daughter
Hannah Ireland

Leonora, the Infanta's governess
Ali Spartels

Elvira, Ximena's governess
Laura Paterson

Dancers
Lucy Maunder , Tom Manion

Design Consultants
Simon Jenkins, Hamish Peters

Production Coordinator
Dominique Marturia

Guitar
Marc Malouf

Percussion
Andrew Kerridge

Movement
Tracey Morley

Lighting Design *Barry Mott*

Design & Direction
Melvyn Morrow

Set
Adrian Schofield

Stage Manager
Mark Flower

ASM
Tom Armitage

Lights
Michael Reardon

Director's Assistant
Bria Crouch

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Henriette Pikoulas

Prompter *Tom Robertson*

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A POPINJAY PRODUCTION

march, 2003

The beginning of March saw the start of Lent and preparations for Easter. March was also the month in which many many members of the College community celebrated their diverse and individual talents.

More than 130 students, including girls from nearby schools, took part in a truly spectacular production of West Side Story.

The various sporting teams completed their competition rounds with some very exciting wins and a few memorable losses.

The GPS Head of the River at Penrith was once again a spectacular event as was the Gold Cup held at Riverview the week beforehand. While rowing enthusiasts gathered on the foreshores of the Lane Cove River, several hundred people visited the College for Open day. In all some 10,000 people came through the College gates on that significant Saturday.

Other significant events were the celebration of the 90th birthday of Fr Charles Fraser SJ and the wedding of Year 9 form master Daniel Hyde.

March was also the month for charitable works: House groups helped raise funds for various worthy causes by selling hamburgers, pizzas, cakes and conducting their own version of a day at the races.

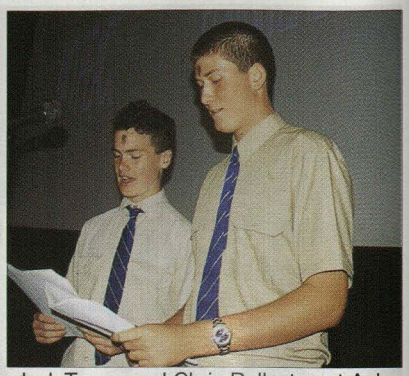
On a more serious note Mark Diggins and friends organised a Simply Sharing Meal, a highlight of which was a debate between current students and two Old Boys. The class of 2003 won.

Towards the end of March Years 5 and 6 went on camps and, as the Year 5 students indicate in their own reflection, this was indeed a time for much fun and celebration.

The final days of March saw the departure of Jamie Smith back to Canada, while the newly married Katrina Rowan moved to Hong Kong.



The Development team at Riverview in Griffith



Jack Turner and Chris Rolleston at Ash Wednesday celebrations



Pascal Herington and James Auswild selling pizzas



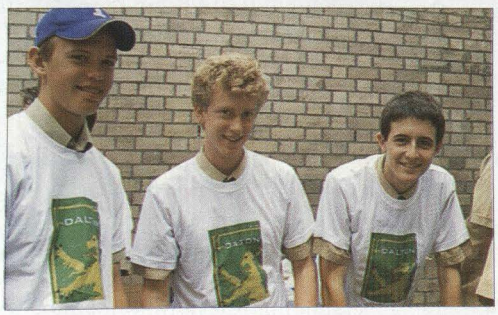
A happy event - Mr Dan Hyde's wedding at the College



The Headmaster smiling despite his sporting injury



Ushers at West Side Story, back row, from left Tim Ley, Martin Plokstys, Mitchell Cook, Martin French, Simon Walsh; front row, Pat Hull, Adrian Bott, Tom Radford



Dalton fundraisers, Dan Hulme, James Ferguson and Alex Cassegrain



Fr Charles Fraser SJ celebrates his 90th birthday

When I first arrived at Riverview I thought that the teachers were going to be very strict and I was going to get into trouble. As soon as I got into class I was proven wrong when I sat down and my teacher, Miss Brayan, gave us a very warm welcome and told us a bit about herself.

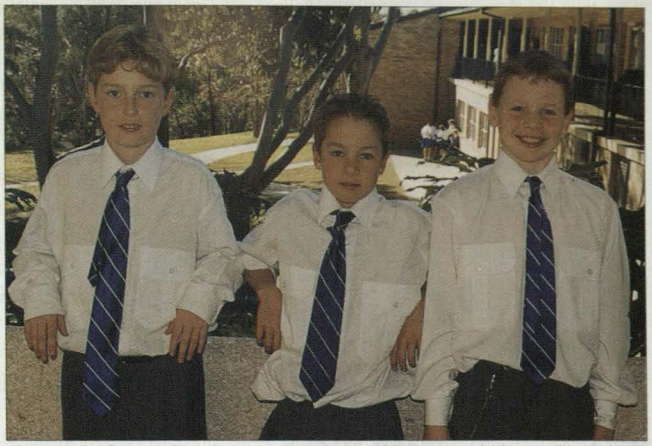
As soon as I met the other teachers which were Mr Johnson, Mr Cassar and Miss Reading and made some friends I felt a bit more involved and not an outsider. I found settling into Riverview was not as hard as I thought it would be and now I feel a lot more comfortable.

When I first heard that we were doing Saturday sport I thought, "Oh great, this is going to be a challenge." When we went to the trials I felt very nervous. I was in the under 10s for cricket. As training and games went by I improved. At the end of the season my coach Mr Burke said I had come a long way and I hope next season I can do the same. For me Saturday sport was very exciting and fun.

Conor Riordan

On Ash Wednesday we had a lovely liturgy with the whole Regis Campus. The ashes were spread over the whole campus including teachers. It was a good day.

Morning Mass is always exceptionally good. At one Mass the Gospel was the Good Samaritan from Luke 10: 30-37. Fr Davoren told us to picture in our minds who we were, then he talked to us about our feelings we had with our character and if we were the people who walked past, if we would help the hurt man.



From left, Conor Riordan, Alexander McManus and Harry Flitcroft

On Friday, March 28, Year 5 went on an excursion to the Maritime Museum for a tour and on the navy battle ship *HMAS Vampire*. After that we went to the IMAX to see Shackleton's *Antarctic Adventure*, then we had lunch and went back to school.

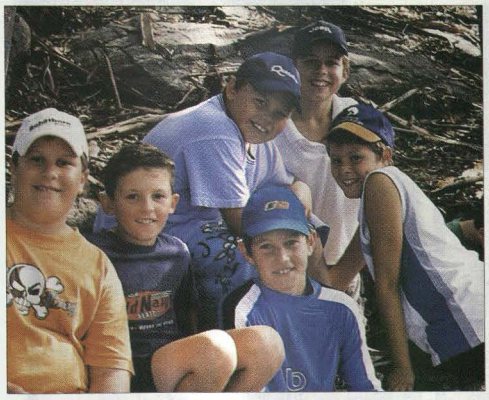
Harry Flitcroft

On March 24, 2003 Year 5 went on camp to Port Hacking and stayed at a place called Rathane. When we got there we all went on the waterslide, which was fun. We were put in our classes, there were four groups of us. Each group had a go at every activity in their class groups.

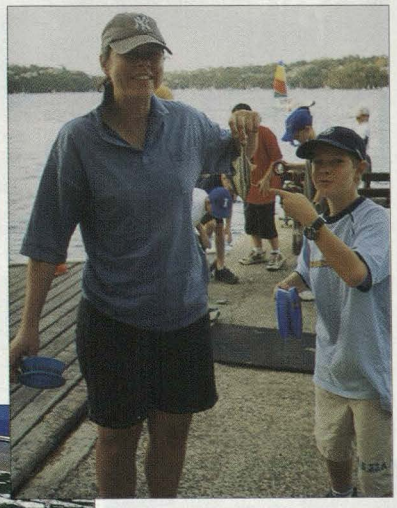
These activities were archery, sailing, fishing, canoeing, rock climbing, waterslide and challenge which was an obstacle course. This was great fun. Also we all had turns of doing KP, kitchen patrol, which was organising and cleaning up. Rathane had great activities, the waterslide and challenge were awesome.

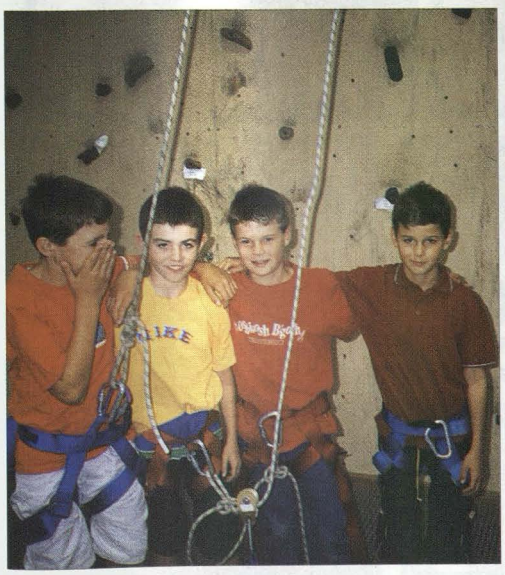
On our first night we all went on a night hike to check out the local wildlife. We all had a terrific time. It was great to get to know our class mates.

Alexander McManus



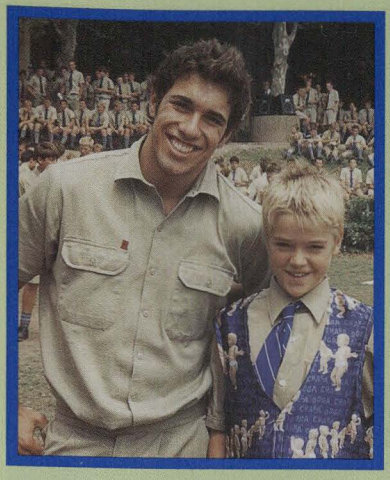






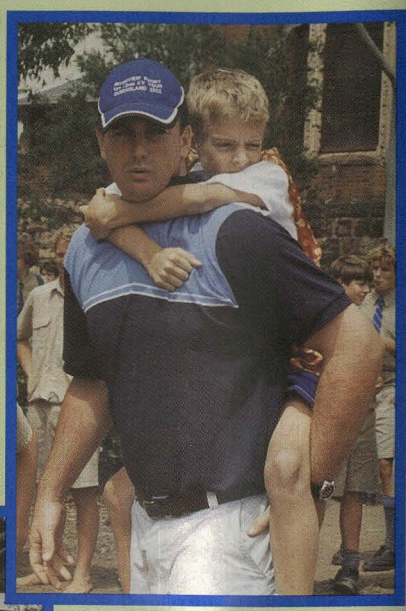






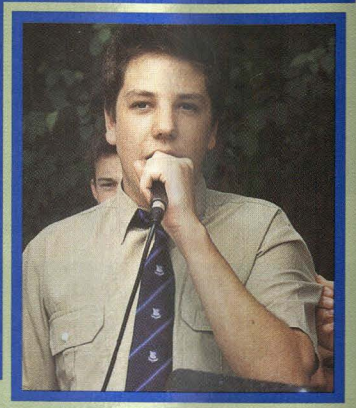
Round III of the Alliteration Cup, Horse-racing and Home-made Hungarian Hamburgers, was held before an enthusiastic crowd of around 1599 boys at Royal Gorman Race Course on Wednesday, March 12. Nick Aggar thrilled the crowd with his catchy, creative race calling. Following the late scratching of thoroughbred Josh Passaro, Mr Anthony Connellan was pipped at the post in the Tambourine Bay Cup. After progressing to the final, Nick Clift was elevated to the lofty status of inaugural Riverview Horsey Champion, 2003. Thanks to Mr Jeffrey for silky satin 'silks', to the young jockeys and the brilliant BBQers who toiled under the leadership of Heated Edibles Logistics Co-ordinator, Justin Fleming.

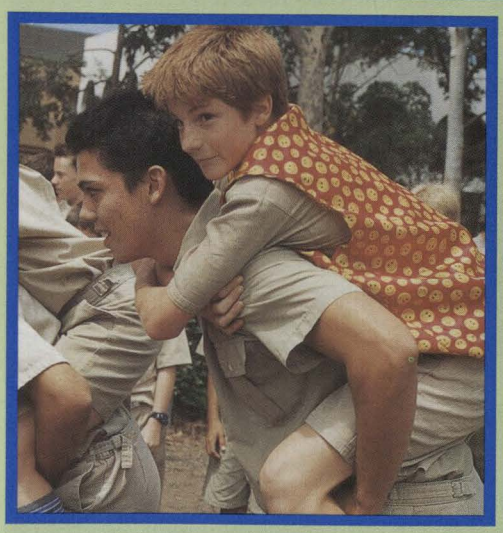
Tom van Beek, College Captain

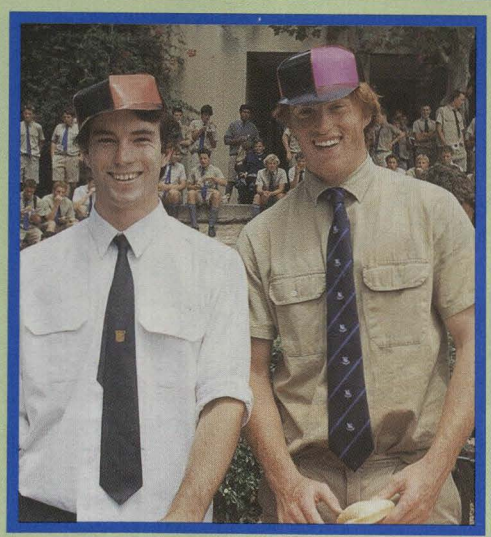


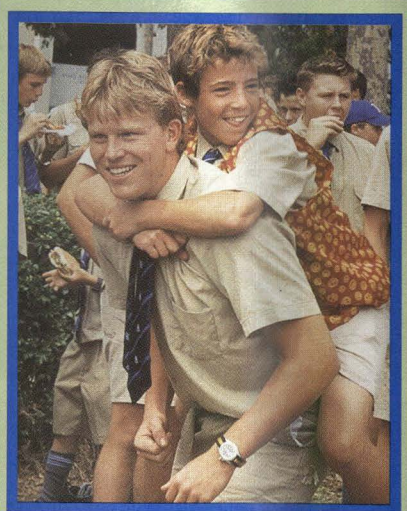


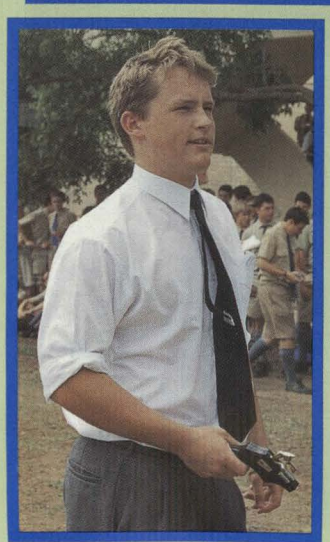


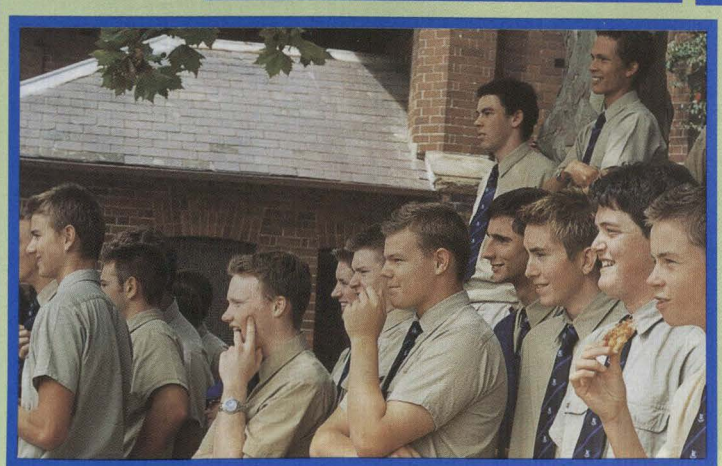














West Side Story was by far the best big stage musical I've seen at Riverview over 24 years of largely rewarding attendance. Put bluntly and accurately, it was a knockout – or to quote the Shakespearean play it wasn't adapted from – it was a hit, a palpable hit.

Musically, it was little short of sensational, Bruce Rixon's professional touch being evident in the quality and depth of both orchestra and singing, individual and ensemble. Dramatically, it was movingly convincing because Anthony Renshaw's masterly control elicited intelligent performances not just from the leads (that's expected) but from just about every cameo role, and in this musical with so many of Arthur Laurents' deftly sketched characters, depth of talent is a major challenge – one that Renshaw rose to superbly.

The very choice of musical speaks volumes for the state of the Arts at Riverview. If there's a harder musical to present, I haven't seen it, but I have seen enough valiant and failed school productions of this 20th century masterpiece. To essay it with a company of 220 (205 more than the 1st XV, 209 more than the 1st XI and 212 more than the First VIII) sends a signal of confidence, ambition and danger.

Will the musicians cope with Bernstein's fiendishly clever score? Can the young lovers reach the operatic heights the composer graced them with? Will the accents work? (Usually never has been my painful observation.) Will the dancing send threatening signals of youthful violence and sensuality? Will the staging mimic the movie or dare to explore the story within the limits of the company's talent? And in the end, after everyone has put in their best effort (another given, but good intentions make for more crashes than smashes, will the piece be a total music theatre experience for the audience?

The answer to almost every one of these questions is a gratifying yes.

Rixon's triumphant orchestra revealed his genius for blending top professionals with Riverview's most talented players, the former bringing out the best in the latter, and the overall result underpinning the production with musical values of distinction. It was a classic case of leading from the pit.

On which point, the unnamed designer deserves special credit for the clever concept of curving the stage, enclosing the orchestra in a new pit formation that seemed to embrace them onto the set while breaking the wide monotony of the Ramsay Hall stage. It also emphasised and differentiated the warring polarities that the musical so movingly explores.

Renshaw's staging was imaginative, spare, clean and elegantly respectful of the sometimes soaring, sometimes jagged harmonies and dissonances of the score. This was no show–off Barrie Kosky–like superimposition of directorial willfulness on a masterpiece (look, mum, no brains, no background, no taste!) but rather an insightful and sympathetic blending of theatre, drama and that rarest of qualities in school productions, stillness. Renshaw worked in league with Rixon to trust the



Pascal Herington and Stephanie Wailes

piece and let it sing. The audience heard and cheered.

Of the major creative team, choreographer Jennie Rixon's achievement deserves discerning consideration because in one sense, she had the hardest task of all. More than any musical before A Chorus Line, West Side Story is a dance show. The young musicians have been playing for years, and the student actors – especially the Riverview ones – have chalked up plenty of roles by now, but most of the boys have had little experience of contemporary dance, so the choreographer is starting almost from scratch. It would be a bit like training a Ist XV of keen but untried athletes who'd played the odd bit of lunchtime touch footie, watched a few test matches and were once in a junior school knock–out carnival. Not exactly a shoe–in for the premiership.

Jennie Rixon cut her cloth to suit her whatever it is that will make this metaphor work for feet. When it came to movement and actions, her vast ensemble was focussed and crisp. With the sizzling exception of Tom Manion and Byron Fay, the girls manifestly outdanced the boys (surprise, surprise) who were well drilled but more battery powered than electric. Wisely, La Rixon went for much of the big–gesture–small–step–click–and–cross over sequences which had maximum impact in an overflowing house where sightlines become difficult after D row. In general, she cleverly found occasion to mask the boys with the technically more adept girls, thus lifting the apparent dynamic of the latter while still keeping the whole stage alive with energy.

The rumble was especially successful, with the totally committed company individualised and used as a constantly transforming human set. Here, too, Riff and Bernardo shone, proving that movement and dancing talent in boys can be discovered and developed. Once the choreographer could use a wider vocabulary, she had the audience cheering, especially after the spirited hi–jinks of America, and the wit and invention of the Gee Officer Krupke steps made that 11 o'clock number rejoice in being the Broadway showstopper it is.

Full marks, too, to the anonymous costume designer who played pastel against primary colours and clearly delineated the immense cast.

The payoff was the Act I finale where all the production dimensions merged into one glorious outpouring of thrilling sound and emotion.

As Tony and Maria, Pascal Herington and Stephanie Wailes were superbly cast. Their polished and assured voices had the quality, colour and range to do justice to the ravishingly romantic score Bernstein dedicates to the lovers. Individually and together, these actors delivered soaring, stellar performances that quite rightly had the audience cheering.

This was not least because in addition to their musical expertise, both have confident stage presence and considerable acting ability, a combination rare enough in community theatre let alone student productions.

Herington especially has made notable progress in listening, cueing and pointing since his excellent 2002 Godspell performance, and he invested Tony with interior anguish rather than the easier repetitive furrowed brow acting that can, at this level, pass for pain. Surely both these singers must pursue a career in opera. In

this piece of music theatre, they excelled.

The secondary duo was equally as powerful, though for other stage qualities. Both brought star quality to their roles and lit up the stage even without the follow spot. As Anita, Jessica McNamee called all the erotic shots, making her fiery femme fatale tempestuous, sultry, conniving and sympathetic.

Add to this a strong and accurate singing voice, and this stylish actor comes across as a performer of polish and potential. The same command applied to Byron Fay's outstanding Bernardo, in turn smooth, lithe, cunning and violent. Fay inhabited and lived the role rather than 'acting' it. Pantherlike, he revelled in switching between the macho, seductive Latin lover and the cocky, sneering, stalking gang leader.

Without having to sing a single number, he hit all the right notes with satin suavity and was in many ways the lynchpin of the production, setting the benchmark for the necessary cool that both gangs must pretend to have.

Two other leads reinforced the team of principals, making a powerful contribution to the musical's triumph, and they were Tom Manion as Riff and Matthew Hickey as Action.

For the last two years, Manion has dazzled in the chorus and in a minor role. Now footloose to create a major character, he showed from the opening sensual tableau that when it comes to the vital combination of dancing, singing and acting, he has no rival. When he believed in his singing – which was mostly – he was spot on, and only in the few moments he doubted his vocal talent, was he spot off. In the other two areas, he gave the production strong colour and excitement, his acting demonstrating vocal precision and emotional clarity and his dancing sizzling with jaguarlike agility.

As for his exit, nothing in his (stage) life became him like the leaving it. It was brilliantly directed and choreographed and similarly interpreted by this undoubted star.

And the find of the production, the amazing new kid on the block, has to be Matthew Hickey, whose Action was the incarnation of all anger. Intensity is his forte, but so, too, is spoken and singing vocal technique. Here is a performer of quality and reliability. He owned the stage from the second he appeared, and the sheer ferocity of his characterisation was equalled by the sharp aim of his delivery.

Hotspur on high octane performance enhancing chemicals wouldn't have made the understudy call against Hickey's nuclear attack. Ben Jonson would surely have hailed him as the patron saint of humours, and, indeed, Riverview should book his Volpone or Sir Epicure Mammon because Matthew Hickey is that rare young actor who really tastes and savours language.

But wait, there's more! And that's the further triumph of this amazing production. Down to the smallest one line role, the performers displayed an intelligent, disciplined grasp of their characters. I found this aspect of the show as enjoyable as any other feature.

Special mention must be made of: Pat Westhoff's super–charged Snowboy (here is another star waiting to be discovered), Marcus Bortolotti's studied, controlled and beautifully sung Big Deal, Nicholas Jones' formidable Diesel, Nicki Alley's dominant Graziella, Eugene Joseph's troubled Chino, Oscar Peppitt's high-tension Pepe, Rebecca Westhoff's shrewdly observant Shark, and Lauren Zolezzi's impeccably timed and intuitive Consuelo – an achievement made the greater given the hideous blonde wig she had to fight against.

Glenn O'Sullivan's touchingly observed Doc (one of the rewards of the evening and a proof that cameo roles can be as significant as major ones – here is an actor of sensitivity and subtlety, not commodities in oversupply in school musicals), Patrick Wall's decent, limited but worn–down cop, Schranke, Joel Stillone's hilariously dumb Krupke and the mini–minor role that almost ran away with the show, Paul Barton's beautifully observed guaranteed all–time loser, Glad Hand.

And still there were performances that must be noted. In the snappy ensemble, particular bouquets deserve to be showered on the lively participation of Laurence Bye, Kate Dickinson, Rebecca Westhoff, Lauren Clarke, Rachel McNamara, Rosie McElhone (her remarkable dancing skills shone as a front line Jet in many of the set pieces) and Patrick Mayoh, who may have dropped the energy level towards the end of Act I, but otherwise came across as a young performer who may well have a future in this field.

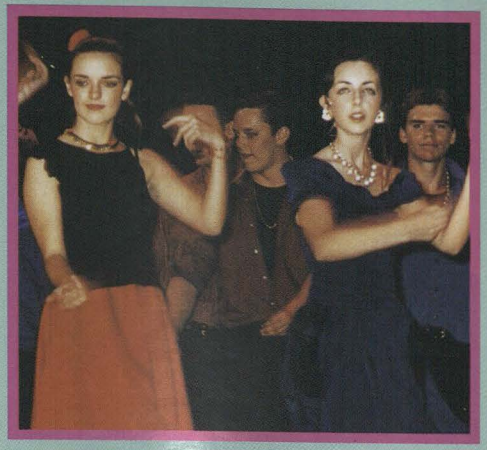
Grumbles? The return of Mardi Gras eye and lip make-up turning boys into stage one drag queens; that nuclear blond wig so vibrantly evil it swamped the character, the stage, the hall and the peninsula; a bewilderingly sympathetic interpretation of Anybody's that seemed to eschew the comedy of the script (could this be a brilliant and original touch I simply failed to appreciate?); a stage crew some of whom wore tacky tracksuit pants (at that ticket price – come on!!) and one of whom wore Maria's bridal veil as he was exiting – does he think we were as infantile as he is?; a general reliance on volume rather than considered inflection to differentiate the range of emotion in Act II; a missed opportunity for more satisfying reprises on the bows – we would have loved a longer and more indulgent medley; and no play-out – Leonard Bernstein's or Jerome Robbins' fault, no doubt, but I could have listened to the sensational orchestra play that score for another good half hour and then some!

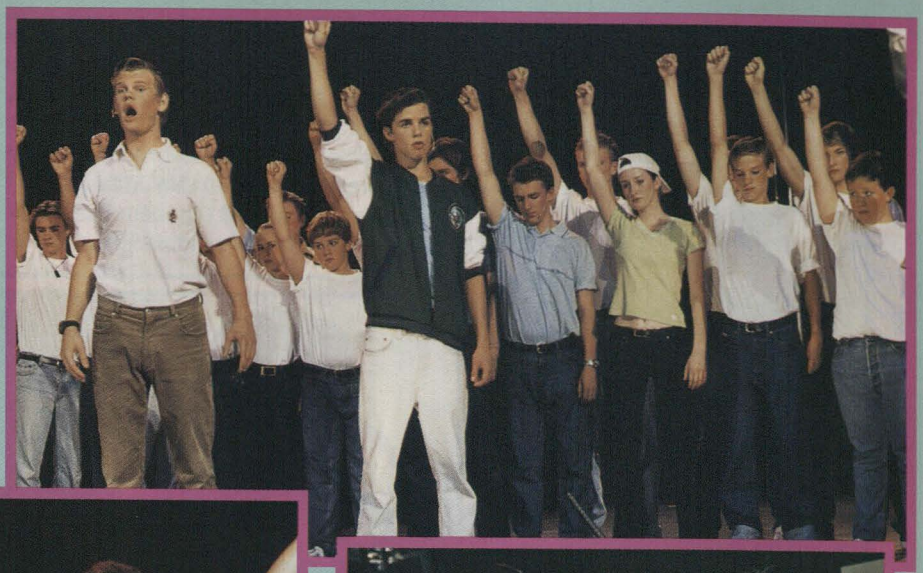
The highlights? For me, Pascal Herington leading the spine-tingling ensemble singing – and playing – of Tonight at the end of Act I. I found it simultaneously moving and chilling; Gee Officer Krupke, sold with relish, panache and impeccably pointed diction by Matthew Hickey; One Hand One Heart, gloriously sung with as much genuine tenderness as musical accuracy; A Boy Like That/I Have A Love for its moving conviction; Come to think of it, the whole production for its seamless unity and impact.

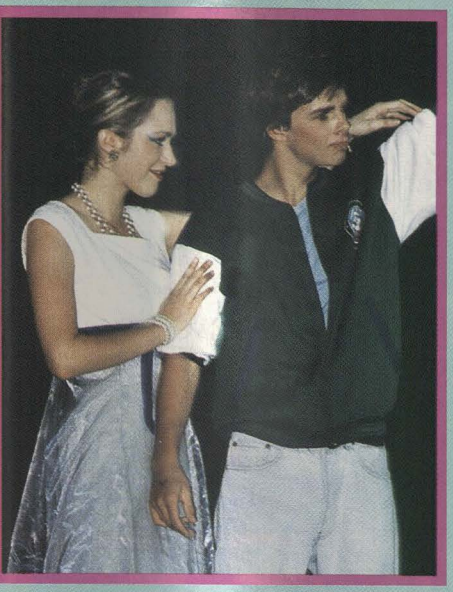
And having said all this, I need to point out that I saw West Side Story on its second night, not infrequently the least-together performance of a season. If the production followed the usual upward curve of assurance and cohesion, the last two full houses must have witnessed even more magical things.

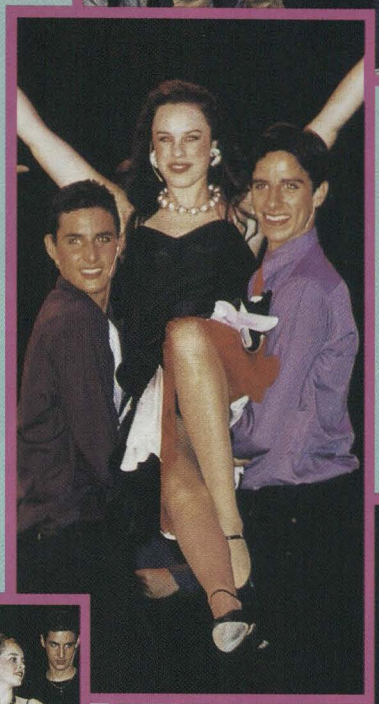
Every now and then, the College deliriously celebrates significant victories like the Head of the River or Cricket and Rugby premierships. Given the significantly greater provenance of Jesuit cultural and specifically theatrical tradition (one that the Society of Jesus loudly and proudly boasts of) the achievement of West Side Story was every bit as glorious as any sporting trophy – and then some.

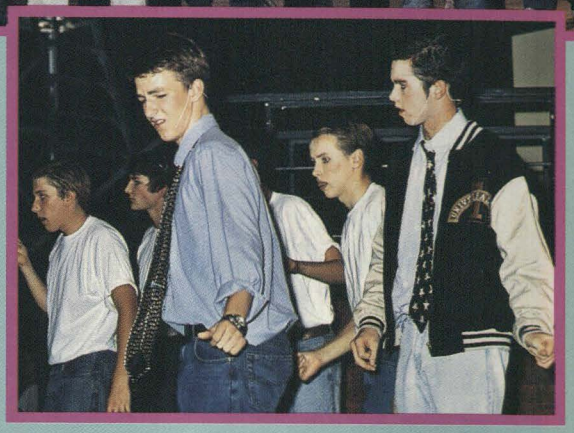
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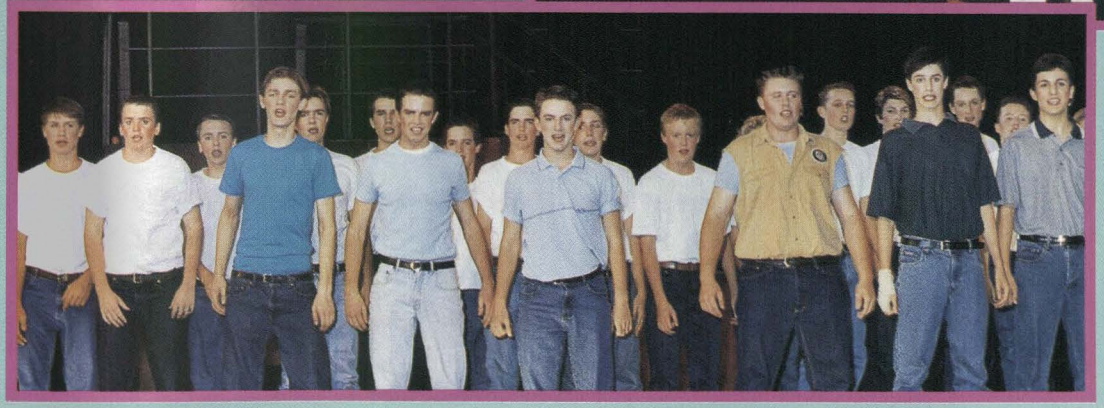


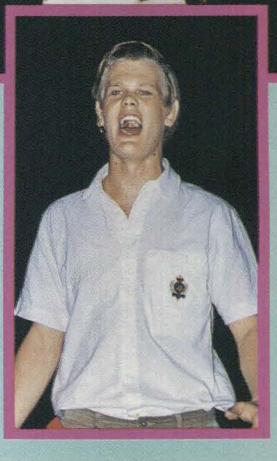




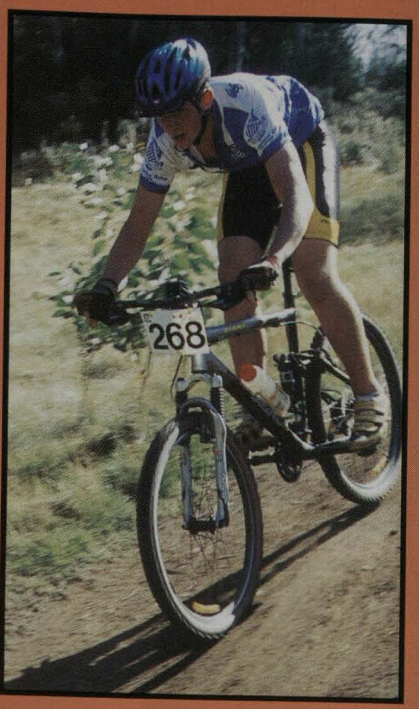


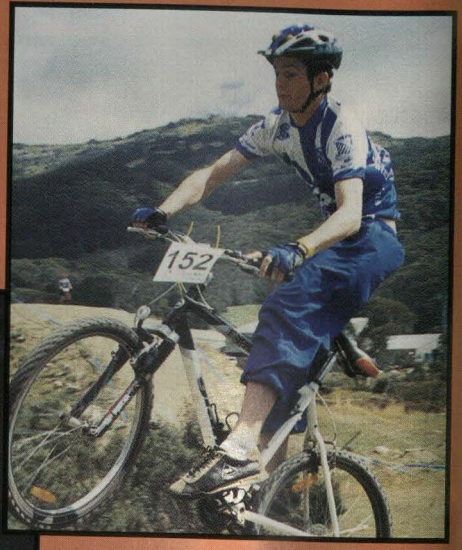




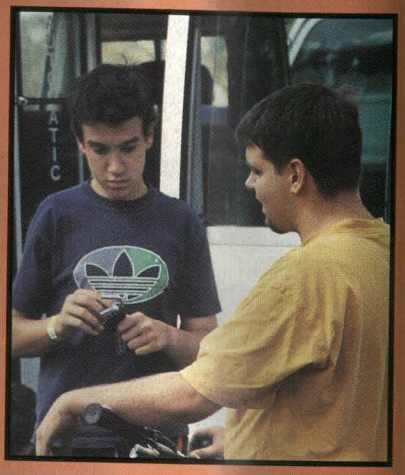


On March 13-16, 26 students from the College Mountain Bike team took part in the Australian Interschool Mountain Bike Championships at Thredbo. Riding under instructions from Messrs Jeremy Bennett, Craig Jeffery and Adrian Schofield the team had much success in the championships.

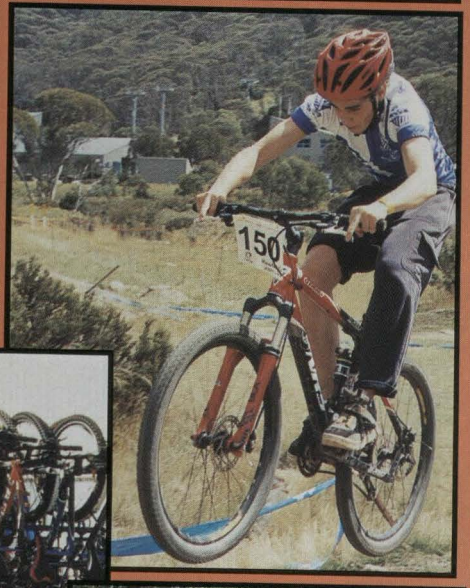


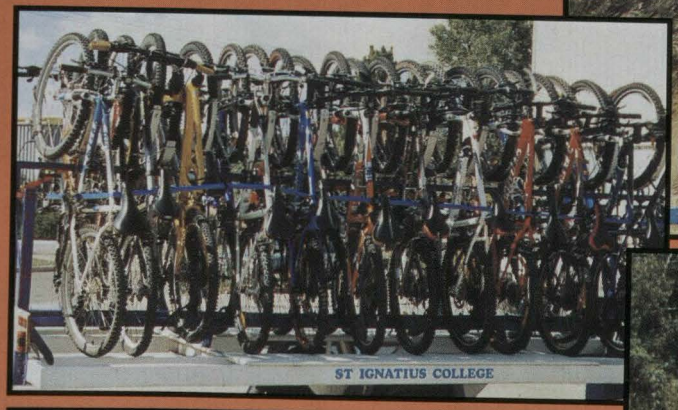


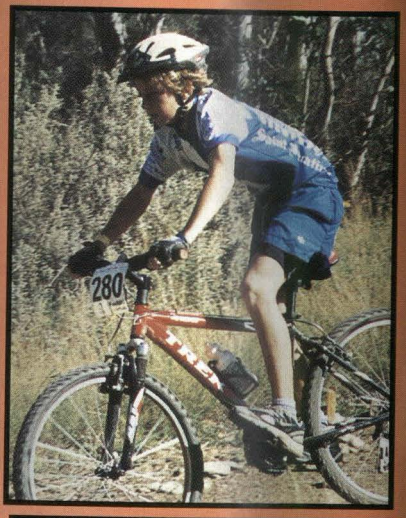




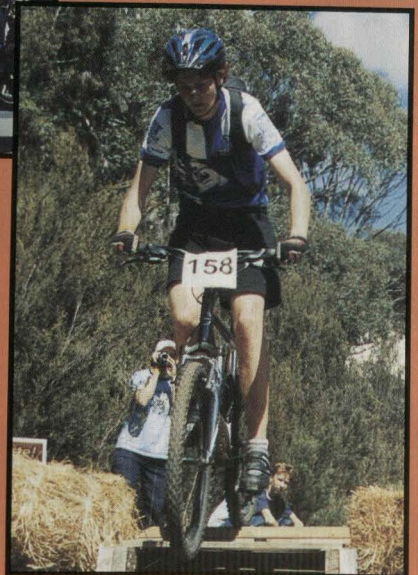






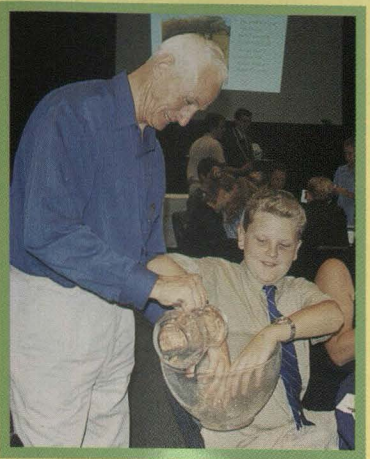




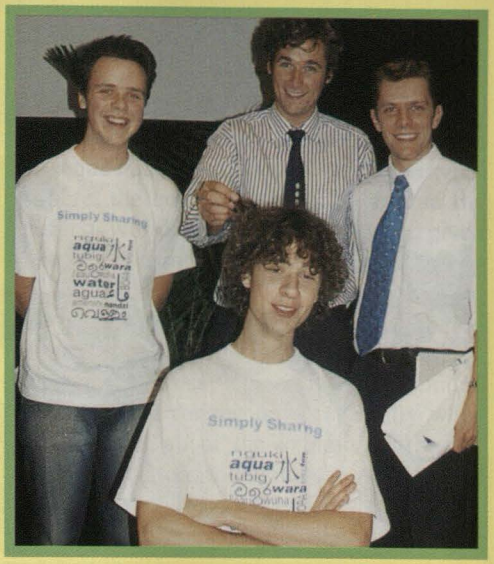


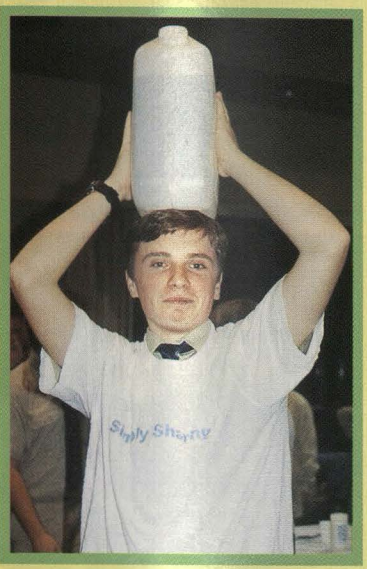


simply sharing meal



On Wednesday, March 19, more than 150 people gathered in the Ramsay Hall to celebrate Simply Sharing Week. Highlight of the evening, apart from the very simple meal, was a lively, humourous debate between Old Boys Imre Hunyor and Patrick Eyres and current students, Christopher Croke and Jeremy Moore. The debate occasionally focussed on the topic of whether it is better to care, but more often than not ventured into areas quite irrelevant but nevertheless most entertaining! The Year 12 debaters won by a significant margin. Organised by Mark Diggins, the evening also featured a symbolic hand washing before the meal, a quiz and a most informative talk on one of our most precious resources – water.





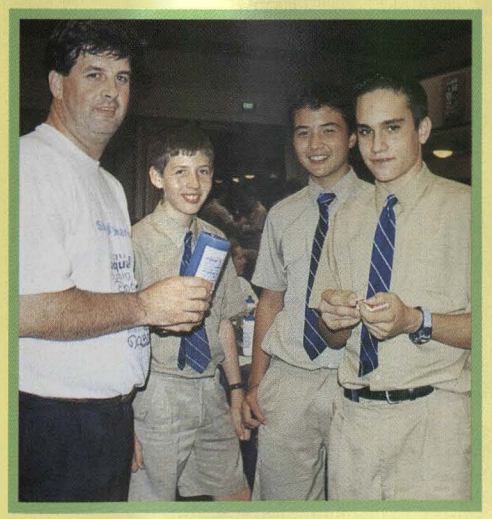


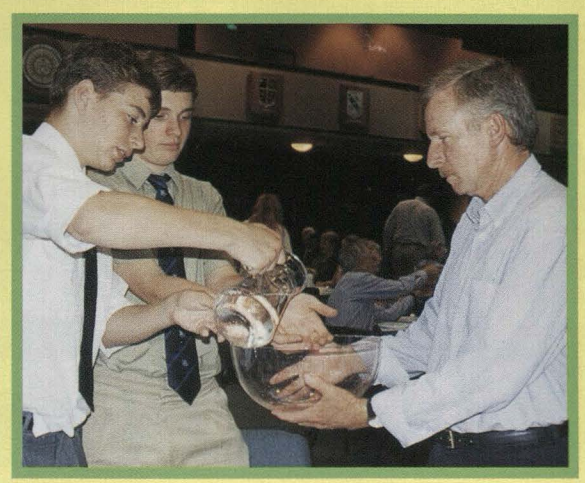


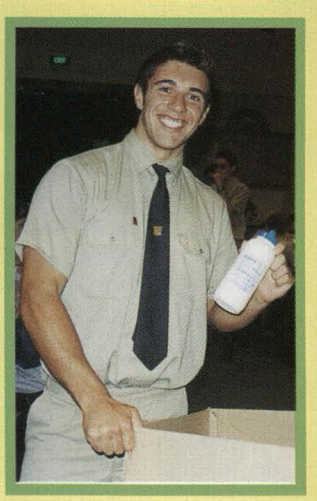




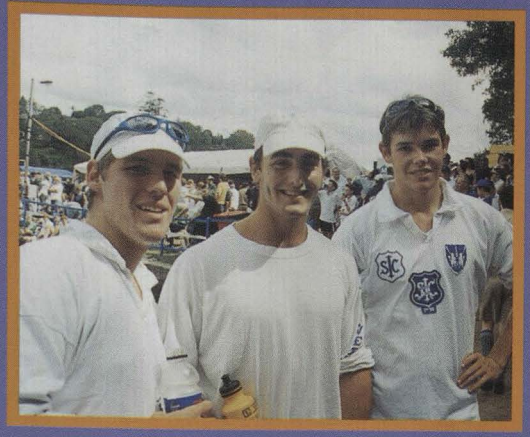


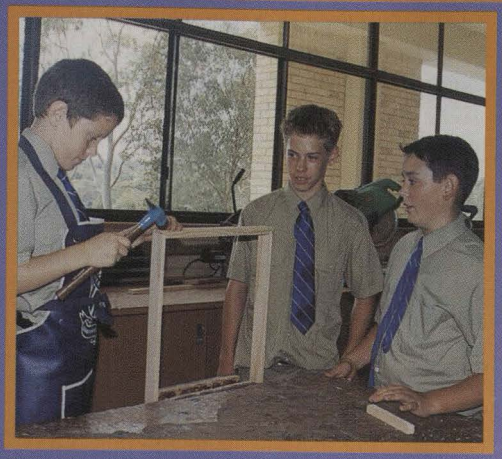


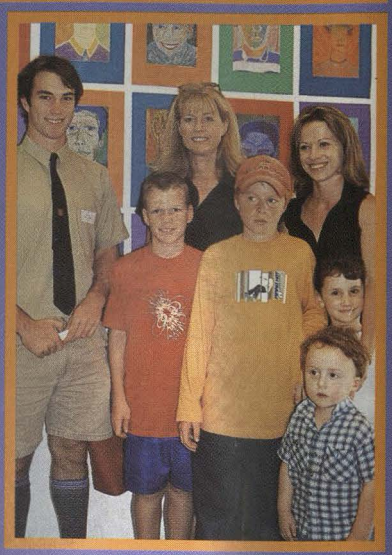


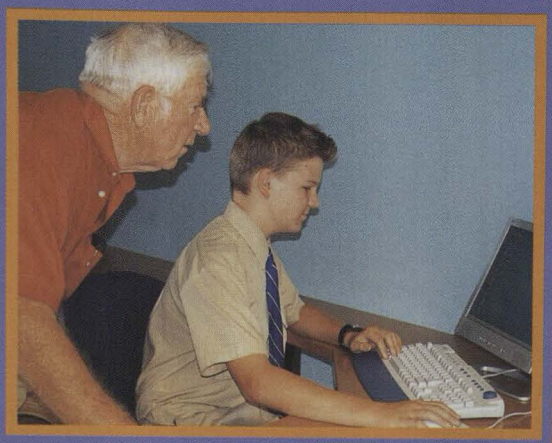


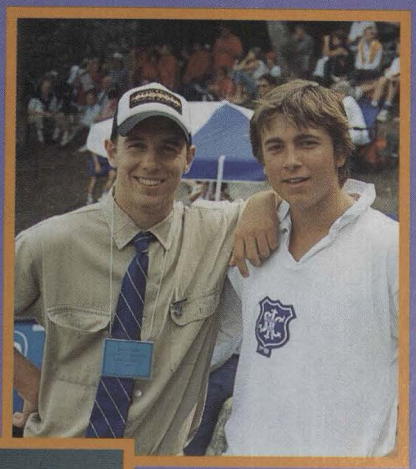
On Saturday, March 22, the College was host to several thousand people for Open Day and the 119th Gold Cup Regatta. Many of these people were families new to the College. They and others were given a wonderful tour of the College facilities by students including several Year 12s taking time out from study for their first term examinations.

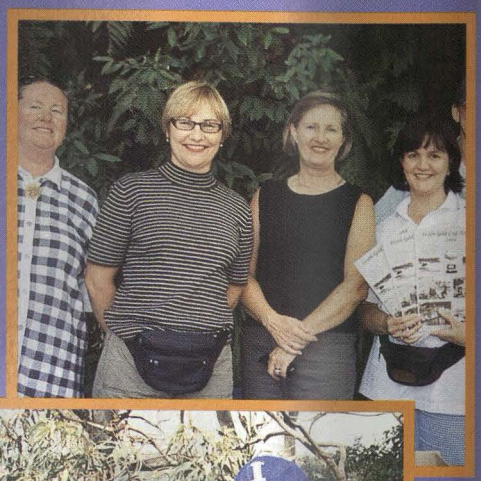


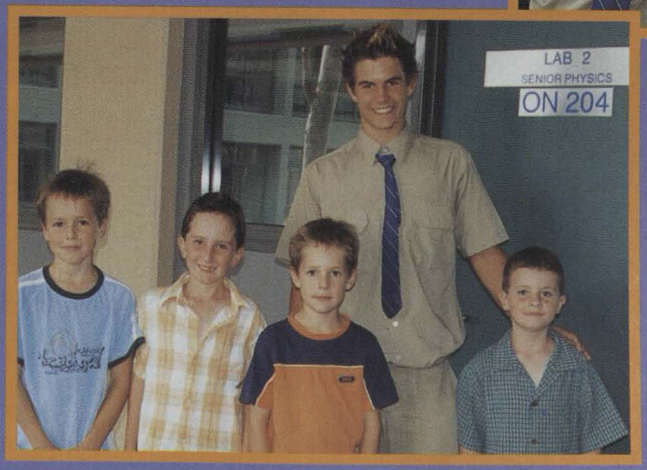


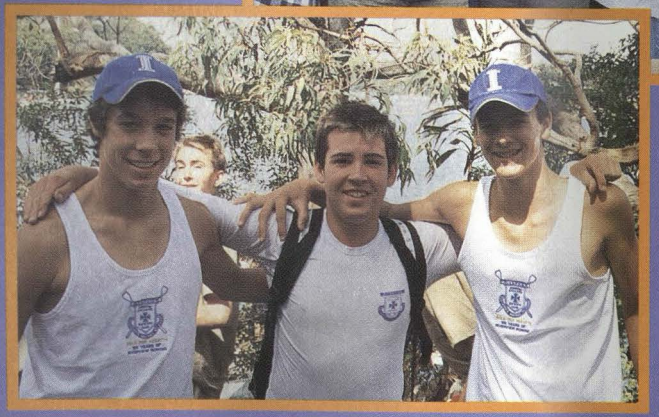


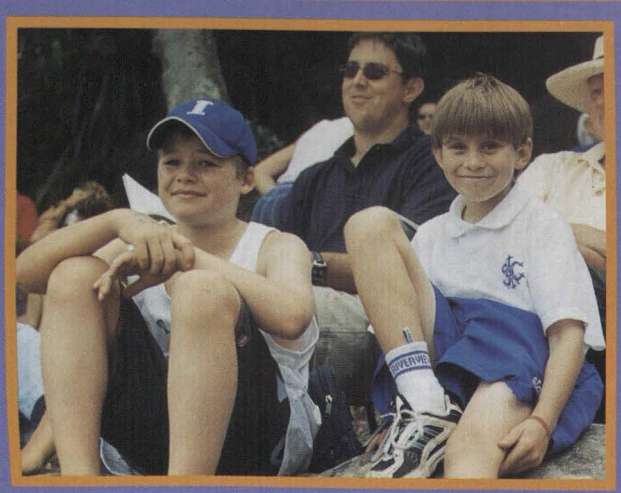














year 6 visit canberra

As part of a study of Australian Democracy, Year 6 visited the Australian Capital Territory during March. Four days of a virtual classroom is an experience that the students enjoy immensely.

Leaving the College early on day one the coach travelled to Canberra where a living classroom beckons. Visits to the Australian War Memorial, Parliament House, The National Gallery and Questacon are just some of the experiences the students share with one another.

The excursion commenced with a visit to Parliament House where the students observed parliament at work. Members of the House of Representatives were debating aspects of Australia's involvement in the Iraq war. A protester was ejected from the public gallery whilst the students were observing the workings of the House.

A visit to MP, Mr Joe Hockey's office gave the students an insight to the office of a Minister. However, when it was time to leave the group was locked in, in Parliament House as there was a demonstration outside the front door. We eventually left via a side door after our share of excitement.

Next visit was the Electoral Education Office where the students participated in the workings of Parliament. A 'bill' was presented and the students had the opportunity to vote on this 'bill'.

This activity proved a popular part of the excursion and gave the students an insight into the workings of parliament. This had only been discussed in the classroom prior to their visit to Canberra.

The group then moved onto old Parliament House and a slide/laser presentation of the history of the old house. This was also popular with the students as some were given the opportunity to dress as politicians and enact certain events that had taken place in the House from years gone by.

The second day was a visit to the National Museum, the National Capital exhibition and Questacon. This was a most enjoyable day with the students involved in a group activity to create a poster capturing elements of Australia's history.

The National Capital Exhibition was a good experience with the students learning about the selection of Canberra as the site for Australia's capital and the development of Walter Burley Griffin's plan for Canberra.

Questacon was again most popular as it is a hands-on venue. Students tested their wits against one another and their physical abilities against stars of Australian sport. The students enjoyed a great time.

Ten-pin bowling was the final activity for the day. Many reputations were destroyed as the balls found their way into the gutters many times with the pins left in tack. D. Rocca (6.1) proved to be the champion with a score of 139.

Day three was a busy time with visits to Screen Sound Australia, the Indonesian Embassy, the National Gallery, CSIRO Discovery and the Australian Institute of Sport keeping the students moving quickly.

The highlight was the visit to the AIS and the opportunity to pit individual skills against records and one another. Many students found the CSIRO Discovery to be most interesting where they had the opportunity to look at various projects the CSIRO are involved in at the moment. This activity was a good insight as to how government money is distributed for various projects.

Day three concluded with a visit to Zone 3 – Laser Games. The students had a great time outnumbering staff and 'out shooting' them. In this game, once a person is shot his laser gun is rendered inactive for 30 seconds. Whilst in the maze for 15 minutes I only had use of my gun for about five minutes. The boys took great delight ganging up and ambushing me. I gave up in despair.

The final day was a visit to the Botanical Gardens to walk through the Rainforest section in preparation for their unit of study during Term II. The final stop was the Australian War Memorial. Since its recent renovations the AWM is a venue not to be missed. During their visit here, the boys were escorted around the First World War section and were given an insight into the hardships endured by Australian soldiers.

A special visit to the Vietnam section and the Hall of Valour, showing all Victoria Cross winners, was a sombre experience for the boys especially when they read about the exploits of the VC winners. Before leaving the AWM some students had the opportunity to visit the new hall where they saw a presentation showing the midget submarines entering Sydney Harbour. For many students this last venue proved to be the most interesting of all the activities they'd experienced.

Class teachers and Mr Ollie Spratt, a GAP student from England, accompanied Years 6.1 and 6.3 on this excursion to Canberra. Ollie proved to be an invaluable asset. The boys paid him a great complement by showing him the same respect they showed their teachers. Mrs Cullen and I thank Ollie for his assistance and the manner in which he involved himself in all aspects of the excursion.

Throughout the entire excursion, the boys were great ambassadors for the College, their families and themselves. Their behaviour was exceptional, manners impeccable and their interest was very high in all facets of the excursion. It was a pleasure to accompany the boys and as their class teachers we were most impressed.

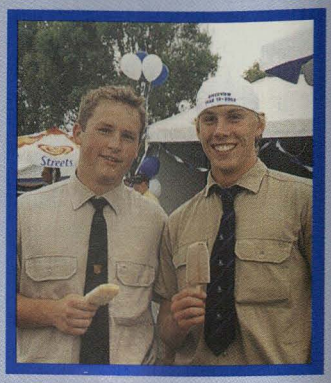
Mr Peter Burke
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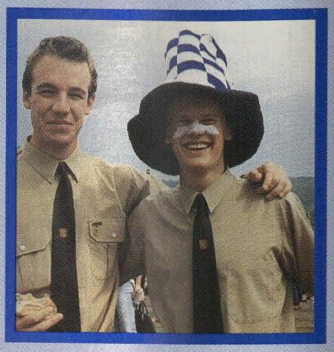


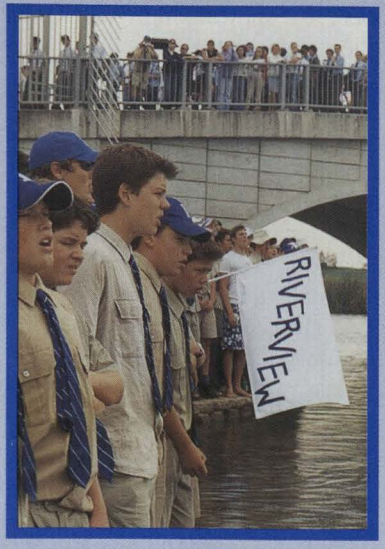


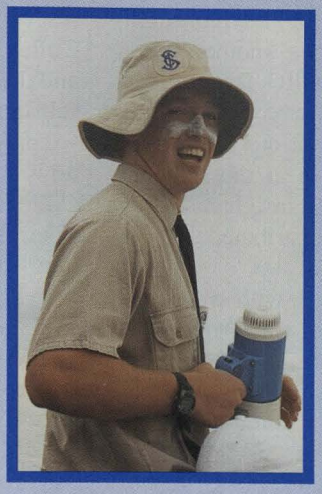
In his report in Viewpoint about the Head of the River held at at Penrith on Saturday, March 29, MIC Rowing, Mr Alex Rybak wrote: "The whole SIC community can be proud of the performances by all the rowers. Additional to rowing, the Riverview supporters demonstrated exemplary behaviour and wonderful sportsmanship in recognising the achievements of all the crews. Once again, the indomitable Riverview spirit was palpable during this significant day." Winning Riverview crews at the AAGPS Head of the River Regatta were: the Schoolboy 3rd VIII; the Schoolboy GPS 4th IV winning the Penrith City Council Cup and the Schoolboy GPS 2nd IV winning the Alan Callaway Trophy.







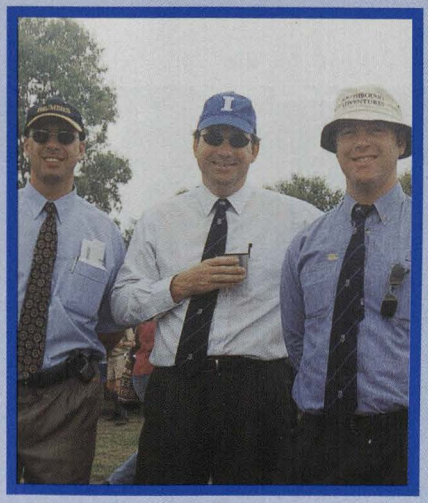














De mortuis nil nisi bonum – especially of the Riverview Dux who also topped the State in Latin, but let's be clear from the start: this is not a canonisation ceremony – though plenty of us here would be willing to testify to the miracles that Nick worked in his writing and in his friendships.

Riverview is in grateful debt to Nick Enright, and that's one of the reasons why we, the Riverview family, gather here this evening.

When Christopher Brennan left the College and said farewell to the pleasant harbourage of faith, he prefigured the same pushing off from this peninsula by the adolescent Dominic Connolly, the protagonist in Nick's play, St James Infirmary.

Connolly was a multi–talented, hot–headed artist who acknowledged his vocation as a questor, a wanderer. He knew he had to push out into the vast unknown. He had the courage to steer his adventurous bark o'er gulfs of gloom and misty seas of Thought.

As we've heard just now, Nick's plays looked compassionately at people struggling to survive and struggling to be themselves.

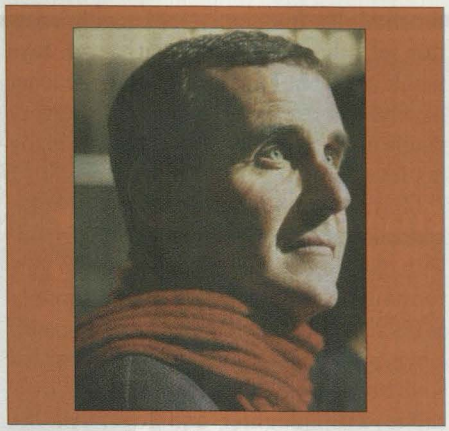
He knew all about that because it was also his story. His genius was to transform that struggle into the celebration that is his literary work and that was his life.

And what a life! Crowded, as Lady Bracknell says, with incident and crowded, as Nick relished it, with friends.

I don't know anyone with more genuine friends that Nick. His gift for friendship was a rare grace, and there are many here who'll testify that from Day One in First Year 1962, Nick was someone immensely special.

He was immediately special to me, his 19 year old Latin and Ancient History teacher when I realised that at the age of 13, Nick knew and cared infinitely more about Latin and Ancient History than ever I would.

With Nick's encouragement, I got round this in Ancient History class by playing them ancient Broadway musicals, so instead of focussing on the civilisations of Crete and Phoenicia, young Enright wickedly spurred me on to play the original cast albums of Candide, Fiorello!, Tenderloin and Funny Girl. Heaven knows what Joan and Tony Enright thought about their son gleefully studying young Barbra Streisand as Ancient History, but I like to think that in the long run it paid off. I mean, which musical would you rather see – The Phoenician Twins or The Venetian Ones?



In Second Year, Nick beat J.C. Williamsons to the draw by staging the Australian premiere of My Fair Lady just across the way here in the old Science laboratory. On the original Broadway cast LP that we played on a portable gramophone, Rex Harrison and Julie Andrews sang Professor Higgins and Eliza Doolittle, but the moment their songs finished, standing in front of the gas taps Nick Enright and Norm O'Neill took over the dialogue, and the bewildered bushies in Second Division got their first taste of glitzy showbiz.

That was the same Nick Enright who in Intermediate with Richard Lyle convinced Fr Bede Lowry to let the two of them watch The Judy Garland Show on the grounds that like Catholicism, Judy's appeal was universal. Unfortunately, she didn't appeal to the rest of the protesting Division who used the same argument and switched the TV over to The Saint.

And by then, of course, 15 year old Master Enright had become a professional writer. Nick, together with David and Richard Lyle, was writing sketches for that disgraceful TV event that stopped Australia weekly, The Mavis Bramston Show. And, because not even Nick could convince the authorities that this blasphemous and disgusting programme was suitable viewing for impressionable young Catholic gentlemen, Nick got the dayboys to tape–record the shows of a Wednesday night, and the next day at lunch time, the Riverview creative team would play it back while the gloating day boys would describe the obscene cavortings of Gordon Chater, Carol Raye and Barry Creyton.

Given that also contributing weekly to Mavis were Riverview staff members Tony Gallagher, Barry Mott and a cocky 21 year old ex–Ancient History and now English teacher, I marvel at the charge I occasionally hear of Riverview in the 60s being philistine. Nick had the place gearing up to be more like NIDA.

As for treading the boards of the Riverview stage, Nick was to the manner born. Drama released him and opened up an exciting and liberating and dangerous new world where he was the undisputed college champion. The critical accolades he received for his Portia, his Lady Macbeth and his Jack Worthing were, from all reports, well deserved.

The plaudits his Hamlet garnered, especially the mega–rave published in The Catholic Weekly, ranked him as one of the outstanding players of his generation, if not of all time. My advice is to ignore the pedantry of desiccated theatre historians who draw needless attention to the fact that the review was written by one Nicholas Enright. It was an early portent of Nick's passion for truth at whatever personal cost.

College history happily records his Debating glory in two triumphant 1st Debating teams – Debating's a blood sport in this place: it boasts more injuries than Rugby – and as a debater, Nick was the repository of facts and the ferocious persuader. Naturally, he also excelled in public speaking, and the elegant stylist who won the Lawrence Campbell Trophy later transferred his facility for idiom to dialogue. He gave us the stoic suffering of On The Wallaby, the polished sparkle of Daylight Saving, the nostalgic pain of St James Infirmary and the clinical horror of Blackrock.

But if you want to know why Riverview has good reason to be grateful to Nick and what, from Day One in First Year, he stood for, this is an e-mail I received yesterday from an ex-student on the land in Warren – not yet, as far as I know, the cultural epicentre of the nation:

"I still remember Nick playing Bach's Jesu, Joy Of Man's Desiring as we left chapel of a Sunday morning. I marvelled at his musical talent and if I hadn't been concerned about conforming, I would have stayed behind until he stopped. He gave so much, but in the macho world of Riverview of that day, I'm not sure he got as much in return. For someone whom I hardly knew at school – he was a year or two behind me and not in my sporting set – it's probably surprising how often Nick has been in my thoughts. He seemed to epitomise the difference in our society that threatens so many in the mainstream because it has so much to offer them."

Forty years on, I can attest to many, many more of Nick's contemporaries whom he influenced in this way. I'm talking to them. They intuitively recognised his 'apartness' though as boys of their time, they didn't always respect it. And yet as Nick was the first to tell anyone

who tried to rewrite his Riverview days too darkly – and he always loved a bit of melodrama – there were plenty of his peers from the city and the country who acknowledged him as an intellectual polymath as well as a creative dynamo. The chiaroscuro of his life here was not without satisfying patches of light.

But the dark strain certainly lurked, diminishing him, and it wasn't just the thoughtless work of boofhead boys. There were members of staff who instead of being his protectors proved to be his tormentors. Added to that, the church of the time had an attitude to sexuality that, as far as I can discern, was a million miles away from the Jesus of the Gospel. The God of love seemed to have been hijacked by evangelical prejudice grounded in ignorance, fear and guilt – indeed, this intrinsically disordered medieval mindset still lingers. For too long, Nick bore the scars of such religious abuse, and we at Riverview would do well to acknowledge our contribution to his pain and express our sorrow.

That said, 10 years ago almost all of those same contemporaries went to extraordinary lengths to coax Nick back to an OIU reunion at which they proudly declared their admiration for him. It's the only time I've ever seen Nick frightened. The moment he arrived, he came over and begged me to stay by him. He really was terrified of the Riverview demons that had haunted him over the years. Fortunately, the evening was a triumph, and Nick left feeling respected, affirmed and loved.

Oh yes, and in true Nick fashion, he also left with enough material to turn his exorcism into an absorbing TV play, The Coral Island. The tables, if you like, had been turned: dramatic restitution had been made.

This whole episode was pure Nick: experience, reflection, action. He certainly wouldn't thank me for labelling him an Ignatian playwright, but for once, he can't answer back, and for once, in opposing Nick's view, I reckon I might just be right.

Despite rumours to the contrary, there is life after Riverview, and Nick's career as an actor, director, cabaret artist, writer, translator, guest, host and teacher was as broad as it was dazzling.

He adored teaching Drama students because it brought him into contact with the refreshing virtues he perceived – and, I think, in a romantic way envied – in young people: optimism, strength, freedom from guilt and keenness to embrace adventure. He inspired his students, but equally importantly, they inspired him. This didn't mean that he was overly sentimental. He frequently spoke with irritation of 'the generation that never says thank you', but I know of no other teacher of whom it can be said that almost every single one of students boasted of being his friend – and genuinely was so.

I haven't the slightest doubt that Nick's special vocation was the grace of friendship. No one's ever done it better. In performing that sacrament, he was invariably at his most confident. As a host par excellence, good fellowship radiated from his soul and across his table, and his eyes shone with laughter and love. All his talents combined to confer on his friends the gift of feeling that every moment we were with him, we mattered – which we did.

Everything about Nick was life-affirming. He wrote a play called A Man With Five Children. Given the hordes of young people and the godchildren who loved him, Nick was a man with five hundred children, and the count is likely to increase.

He disproved Dr Johnson's usually accurate observation that patriotism is the last refuge of the scoundrel. Not only did Nick choose to earn hugely less by writing for Australians rather than Americans, but also he took a public stand on major issues, speaking out with clarity in our debating tradition and offering his multi-talents in a tradition of magnanimity that surely sprang from a home and a school that insistently prayed, 'teach me to be generous'. It was second nature to him to transform thought into action.

And dare I say, it didn't always make for comfort. Some exemplars can be harsh, and I for one frequently felt guilty that I could never close the gap between my beliefs and my actions with anything like the ease that sat so naturally with Nick.

With delicious irony, Nick was radical in his politics, yet courtly in his manners. He raised postcard sending and thank you letter writing to an art form. His e-mails never wasted a word and demanded instant response. In the republic of thought and the kingdom of theatre, Nick was a cultivated aristocrat, and most of us vainly lifted our game to aspire to the panache of his.

Nick's on record as saying that all his life he was fascinated by the disparity between what people present and what they are. Well, that's the human condition, I guess, but the strange thing is that as far as most of us could judge, he got as close as anyone gets to embodying what he presented, and I mean searing integrity. In that sense, St Ignatius and St Ignatius' College have reason for pride in their son.

Nick's literary work shows that he wasn't beyond a bit of appropriation, so if I may do the same with St Paul, I'd like to put it on record that Nick was always patient and kind. He was never jealous – well, hardly ever. He was never boastful and conceited. He was never rude or selfish – in fact, it's a pity he didn't devote more time to his own emotional needs. He did take offence but only at injustice, insensitivity and idiocy. Those evils he never spared. He was not resentful. He took no pleasure in other people's weakness and he always delighted in the truth. He was always ready to excuse, to trust, to hope, and over the last heroic year of his testing, to endure whatever comes. That's why his love won't come to an end.

As for the vexed – or in my case, unvexed – question of heaven, Nick is one of those glorious human beings who make the concept of Heaven a necessity – though I sure as hell hope he meets someone there who thrashes him at Scrabble. Frequently. And I want to be there to see it. That's my idea of eternal justice.

Nick was not a believer but he was a respecter of others' beliefs. His last words to me a week ago were 'God bless'. Now in our vastly different capacities, Nick and I are wordsmiths, and we both know that that phrase is a contraction of the subjunctive, 'May God bless'. The subjunctive poses doubt. Nor did he – Nick, not God – specify whether the object of the verb was him, Nick, or me. I suspect the latter. It was a dying act of courtly kindness.

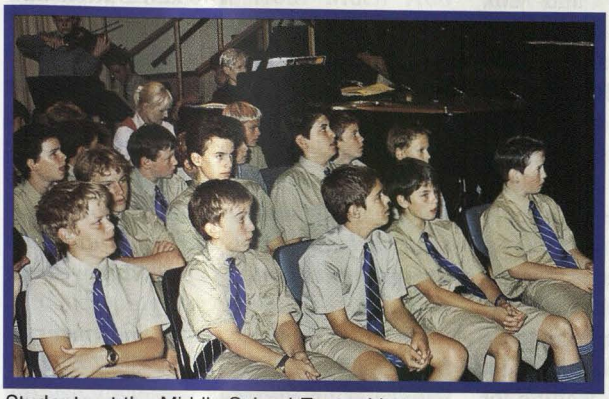
Well, from his subjunctive to my indicative. Looking at Nick's life, of his final "God bless" I say with faith and hope, God did, God does, God will.

Friend of my heart, ave atque vale. Heaven is the richer.

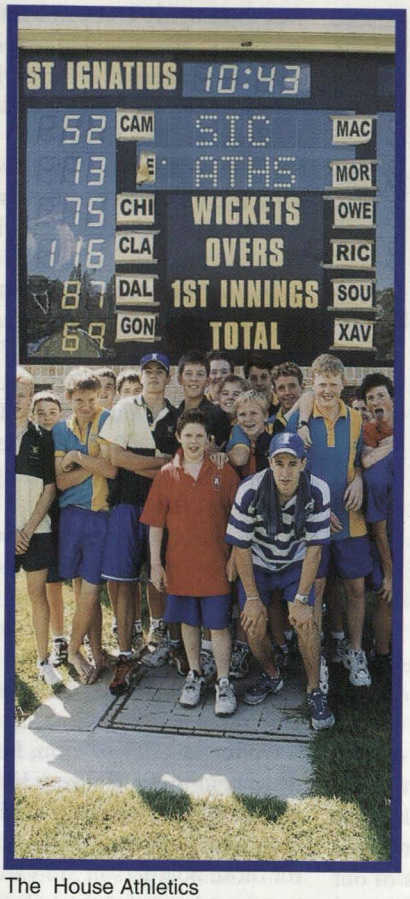
Melvyn Morrow

Nick Enright died on March 31, 2003

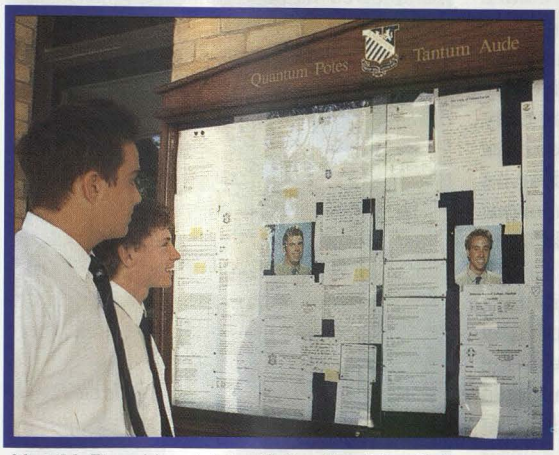




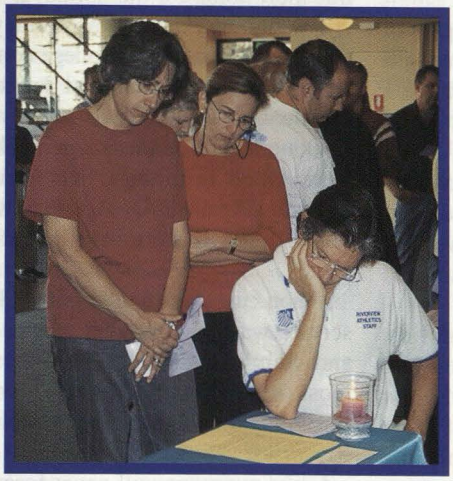
Students at the Middle School Easter Liturgy



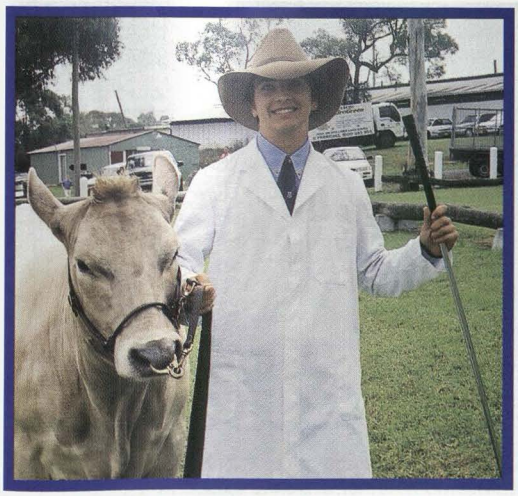
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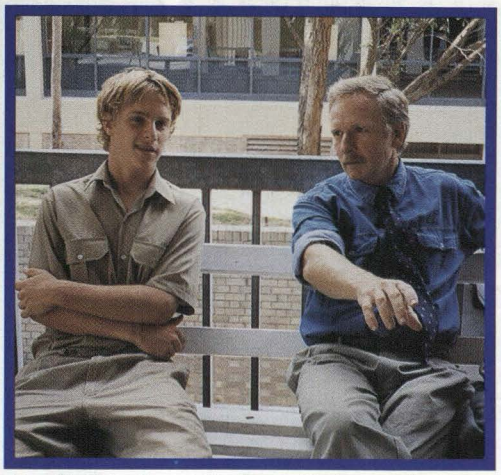
Matt McDonald and Jake Molkentin at the College noticeboard containing letters of condolence for Sam Turner and Billy O'Connor



Staff reading reflections at the Easter Liturgy



Tim Ireson at the Castle Hill Show



Alex McCullagh and Mr James Rodgers ... looking back over the events of Ist term.

In his final Viewpoint for term I. 2003, Headmaster, Shane Hogan wrote: "This first term has been incredibly busy and staff, students and parents deserve a restful break with their families. The world could be a very different place when we return in Term II."

And indeed, the Riverview world after the Easter holidays was remarkably different when students returned to school on Monday, April 28.

However, at the beginning of April, the College was still celebrating its successes at the AAGPS Head of the River Regatta held at Penrith the previous weekend.

For Year 12 students, this euphoria quickly dissipated as they prepared for and sat their Ist term examinations. Some of these young men also participated in the Shakespeare Festival, while others took part in the Kairos retreat at the end of term on Apri 11.

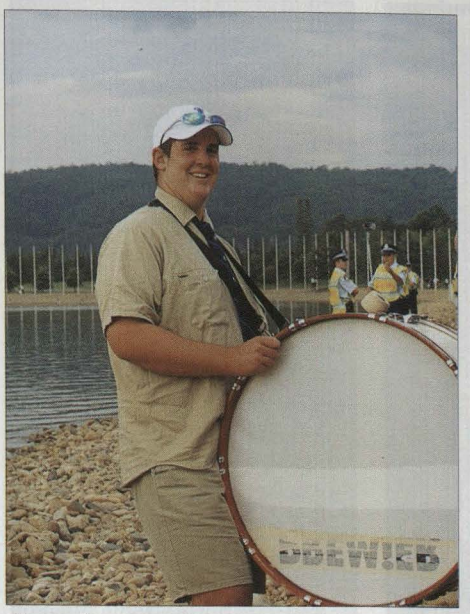
Meantime on April 9, the whole student body gave their all at the House Athletics Carnival, won by Claver House.

April also saw the staff farewell Mrs Henriette Pikoulas, our much appreciated stalwart of the printing room. Teachers Genevieve Hanlon and Andrew Timmis also said their goodbyes to the College community.

The last two school days of April focussed on Easter with special liturgies in the Middle and Senior Schools and then the students departed for the holidays.

Yet just one day later, most of Year 12 students and many of the staff were back at the College to mourn the deaths of Sam Turner and Billy O'Connor killed tragically in a car accident in the early hours of Saturday, April 12.

From that moment, April had become a time of sadness for all. But it was also a time when, as Mr Hogan wrote in the first Viewpoint for Term II,"The strength of the Riverview community during these difficult times was truly unbelievable".


Simon Angove

The month of April, 2003 will never be forgotten by anyone who is associated with the Riverview community.

It began with the euphoria of the AAGPS Head of the River Regatta held on Saturday, March 29 and for the first few days of April the College continued to celebrate the tremendous efforts of our rowers at this significant event.

The support for the rowers began to build as the regular summer sports season drew to a close. All eyes then turned to the water where Riverview rowers strutted their stuff.

The Head of the River was approached with much enthusiasm and excitement. Days before the regatta, an incredible sense of passion and pride was felt around the grounds. We couldn't wait!

Student rallies, school assemblies, masses, posters, and the continues talk about Riverview's crew for 2003, put everyone in the mood and frame of mind for the penultimate event at Penrith.

The Head of the River was a day which was thoroughly enjoyed by all because of the spirit and pride that was displayed by both our rowers and Riverview supporters. We were the biggest and loudest.

Head of The River 2003 started with the junior rowers. The Riverview boys gave it their best shot, they were unlucky not to win, but they still have several years to develop.

One of the races I'll remember for a long time was when the fourth four won the Head of the River .The college retained the Penrith City Council Cup for the first time in our history. The crew was Will Marsh, Ben Turner, Michael Parmeter, Brendan Kenny and cox Anthony L'Huede.

The Head of the River was followed quickly by Year 12 exams and then on the second last day of term, the House Athletics carnival or as it is now called: the Inter-House Track and Field Championships. Claver House had a convincing win.

On the last day of term, Easter liturgies were held in the Ramsay Hall and by the end of lunchtime not a student could be seen in a classroom or playground except for those boarders in 3rd yard waiting for transport home for the holidays.

The first weekend of the holidays was a time of tragedy for the College community. All of us were shocked and devastated by the deaths of two Year 12 boys, Billy O'Connor and Sam Turner. The boys were killed in a tragic car accident on Saturday, April 12. On April 16 two memorable funerals were held in Harden and Yass.

When we returned from holidays a service was held in remembrance of Billy and Sam's lives. This service was the most beautiful, moving and emotional ceremony that I have been to whilst at Riverview.

I, like everyone will never forget it.



Many Year 11 boys were close to both Billy and Sam and two of them, boarders Richard Buttenshaw and Brett Strauss wrote this brief recount of what they thought of the two boys:

"I thought that Billy was one of the most genuine blokes that anyone could ever know. He always greeted you with a cheerful smile and a friendly hello. Sam was one of the most generous, considerate people I knew. He was a bloke to look up to, and I held him very highly".

Richard Buttenshaw

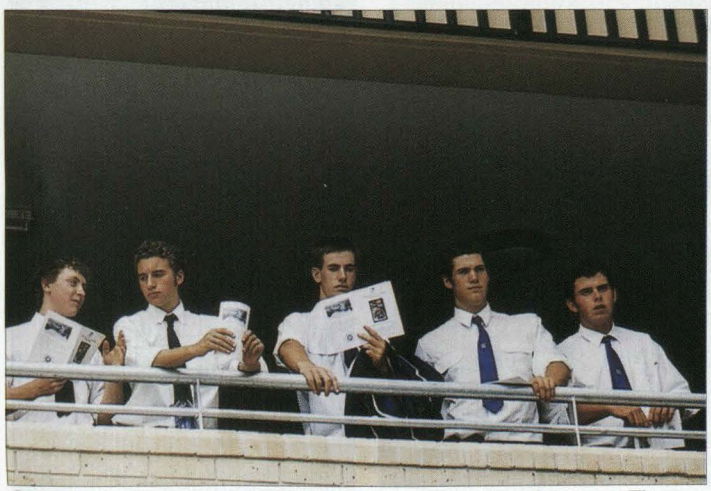
"The deaths of Billy and Sam sent shockwaves through the Year 11 Division. The two boys were highly respected and liked by all. Sammy's constant cheeky smile at dinner allowed for a lot of good laughs. Billy was a library mentor for most, helping when ever he could with assignments and everyday women worries.

We will always remember the conversations, laughter and friendship that came with knowing Billy and Sam. This tragedy just showed us how close we all are as a community. We all hold fond memories of Sammy and Billy, never shall we forget them. Be strong and do what the boys did best, smile."

Brett Strauss

April will never pass my mind. The Head of the River was fantastic but the deaths of Billy O'Connor and Sam Turner made me realise the importance of every person because you may not see them tomorrow.

Jack Dwyer


Sam Turner (last on right) with friends at the opening of the new Therry building

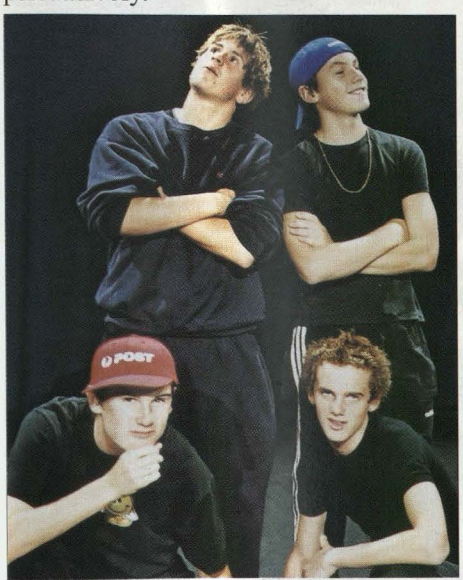


Billy O'Connor (left) with members of Cheshire House at a Student Mass.

In April, students took part in the Shakespeare festival at the College. Commenting on the performances by boys in Years 7,8,9 former English master at the College, Mr Joe Castley said:

"The most pleasing thing about the night was that so many of the groups made the stage their own, acted confidently and appeared to enjoy projecting what they were presenting - the result clearly, as in the case of the opening piece, a scene from Romeo and Juliet by Christian Grant, Oliver Clarke and Daniel Wiedenbein, of careful preparation.

The performance I liked best, Thomas Gormly's Benedick from Much Ado About Nothing, made it clear how solid his preparation had been, giving the actor a sure sense of what his character was doing sentence by sentence, and enabling him to take each moment engagingly to the audience. He established at once a real dramatic presence and maintained it through confident modulation of his voice. Particularly pleasing was his skill in developing his character's argument persuasively.



Edward Bailey, Timothy Dodd, Murray Hansen and Michael Drury

Another pleasing thing was the inventive theatre that marked several of the presentations. The transformation of three minor characters, William Atkinson, Benjamin Gilholme and Thomas Hutchinson, into Caesar's Ghost by their repeatedly adopting uniform poses and speaking in strong unison gave of Brutus' (Benjamin Aquilina) last moments, a striking dignity. Tyrone Lindqvist as Puck, and Benjamin Williams and Christopher Long as his two fairy companions animated their conversation with inventive movement that was very skilfully handled and clever 'business' as Puck moved their bodies from a distance.

Daniel and Matthew Millar used simple tableau very effectively as Richard the Third and Richmond, and with sustained concentration and focus were dramatically quite compelling. Perhaps the most original of the items was one in which three boys bouncing ball to each other while repeating 'Double, double, toil and trouble' turned into the three Witches. It was a disciplined and sustained performance, obviously thoroughly prepared, too.

Cutting the Mechanicals' scene from A Midsummer Night's Dream to turn it into a duologue (Antholny Pizzolato and Leon Joseph) was another successful novelty. The point about all this was that even if it was not the young actors who devised the novelties their theatrical experience will have been significantly extended by them. The pleasing fact that many of the mentors of the acts were themselves boys of the College says much for the life of Drama at Riverview.

The evening's only entrant in the Dance and Movement category was an elaborate brawl between the servants of the houses of Montague and Capulet (Samuel Diacos, Bryan Coleman, Thomas Fekete, Benjamin Egan, Andrew Dickson and Thomas Coolican). It was a big production, involving country music to identify one house and Bernstein(?) the other, strongly and engagingly done. The slow motion punch and the choreographed fight stood out, as did the fine acting of Coolican as Benvolio attempting to calm things, and the quite wonderful movement of Benjamin Egan .

But of course Drama is not all about novelty and a novel idea is not enough to make good drama, especially if it is not handled with judiciousness and restraint. There was little excess and to a large extent theatrical novelty and good acting were combined on this night - though some of the items I've referred to would have been strengthened had the actors achieved the basics of acting better, creating, say, the interplay of the characters more convincingly (acting to each other), or getting the malice, or the silliness or the brutishness of a character more sharply. But then they are very young actors yet. In this respect, Stephan Giammarco and Michael Power as Stefano and Trinculo from The Tempest deserve mention for the competence of their acting.

In other sections of the festival, winning performers were: in the Scene section, James Riordan (Wall/Lion/ Moon), Hugh Cashmore (Thisbe), Heath Collins (Pyramus),Glenn O'Sullivan (Prologue/ Theseus/Demetrius/Lysander/Hippolyta) in a Midsummer Night's Dream: Act V Scene1. In the Duologue from Measure for Measure various scenes; winners were Byron Fay (Angelo/Isabella) and Andrew Hamilton (Duke/Lucio/Isabella/Angelo). In the Design section, the winner was Conor Burke, (Measure for Measure). This design conveys the annihilation of structure that symbolises the hierarchy of society. The statues symbolise society crumbling and highlight the themes of gender justice within the play. These boys also competed in the regional festival in June.

Ms Pauline Cain

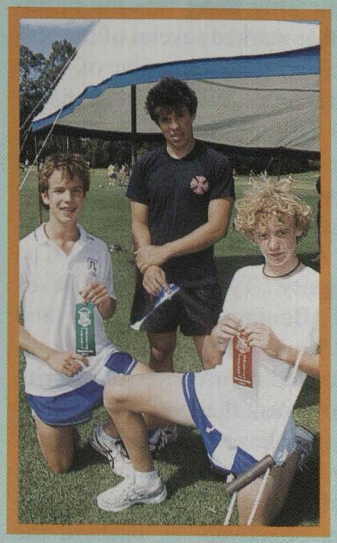


Jeremy Julian, Oscar Lewis and James O'Brien

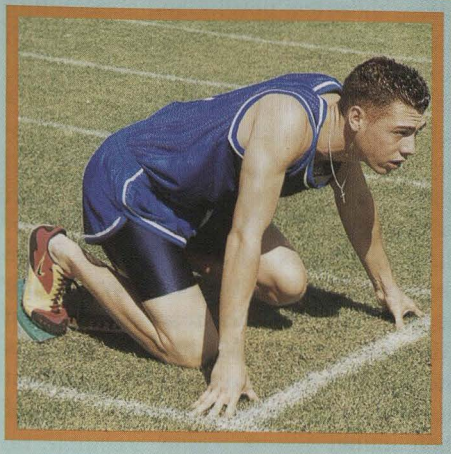


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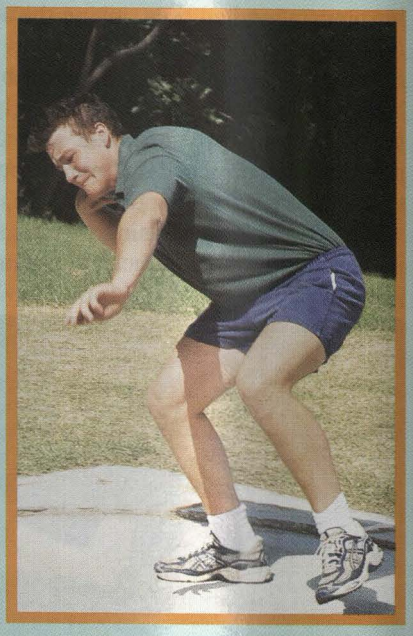


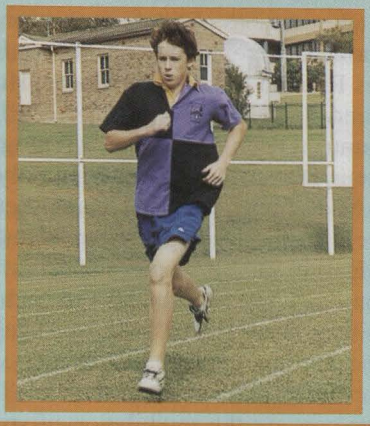


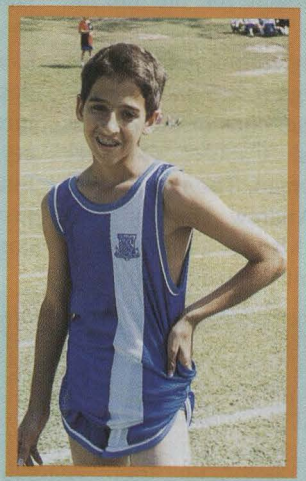


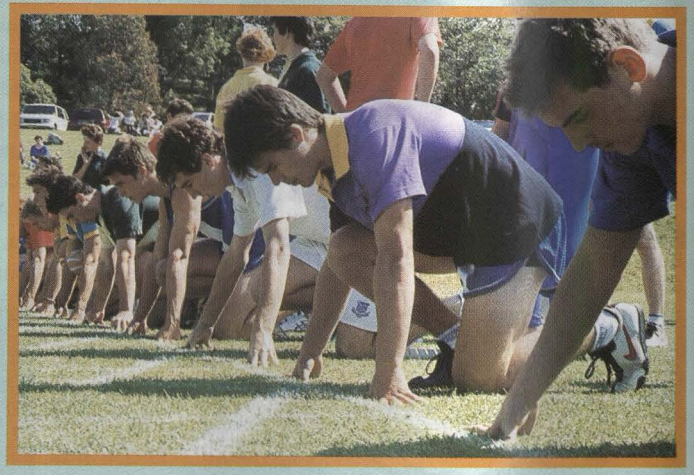




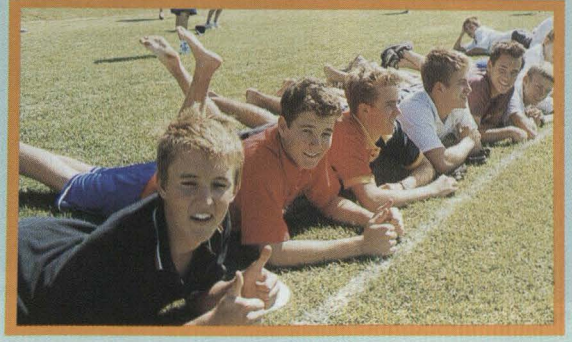


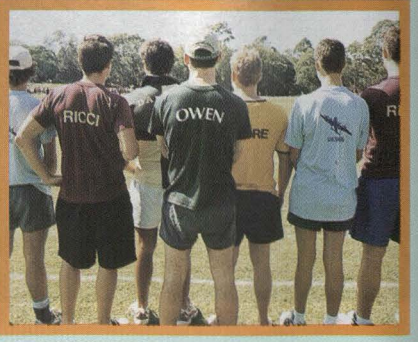












House Athletics -won by Claver

Photographs by Justine Gesterkamp

obituary: samuel turner

On Satuday, April 12, 2003, the start of the school holidays, Year 12 students Sam Turner and Billy O'Connor died in a car accident in Sydney. The following eulogies were given at their funerals

Sam came to Riverview in Year 10 in 2001. I clearly remember interviewing Paul and Evelyn and Sam. Little did they know that there was a feeling on my part that I hoped that they were not going over to Joeys or other places because from the interview it was obvious that Sam was a special young man and that any school would be blessed by his presence. One of the references for Sam read:

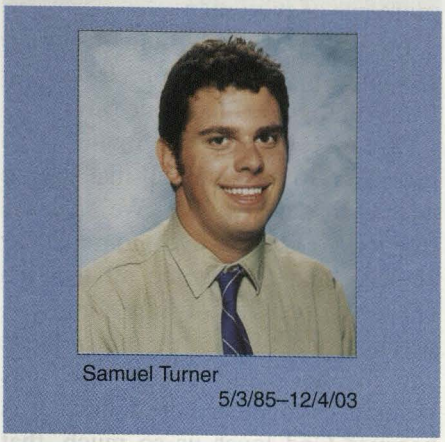
"Sam is a member of a highly respected Catholic Yass family. I have always found him to be sincere, honest, obedient, truthful, generous and respectful."

Another from his school stated that, "he could get along with everyone he came in contact with staff and student alike." I have no doubt that the future for young Sam is a bright one as he has all the ingredients to make this so".

Although perhaps a little daunted by the enormity of the task of assimilating into a large already formed boarding community, Sam quickly became involved in everything the College offered. He was always a most conscientious student, and of course he became immersed in the sporting life, but he also attended meetings of St Vincent de Paul Society and even appeared on stage in the annual Shakespeare Festival.

He needed to learn new skills as he moved from previous Rugby League to Rugby Union, particularly needing to work on his fitness. In 2001, he commenced in the Under 16 Ds, but with hard work and dedication, in season 2002, he played in the U17A team, where his coaches, Craig Jeffery and Duncan Warlters commented, "One of Sam's big assets is his ability and willingness to learn and improve. He has a good sense of humour and sportsmanship and this was displayed all year. When hard decisions needed to be made regarding selections, Sam was understanding and even keener to demonstrate his want and justification for selection in the 17As. A pleasure to coach and a well mannered pleasant young man to go with it."

Sam quickly made a name for himself in Tennis, winning a Best Player award in his first season in the Under 16As and helping the 2nd team to their premiership in 2002. In 2003, he was appointed Captain of the College Ist team and was well-respected by all as a committed player and as a selfless leader. He was always encouraging other members of the Tennis club, particularly the younger ones, and only a few weeks ago at the



Samuel Turner
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end-of-season dinner, spoke fondly and humourously about each of the members of the Ist team.

Sam was a most sincere, thoughtful and spiritual young man. He was always forthright in his reflections on House retreats. He put himself forward for membership of the Arrupe Academy in 2001 and went through the rigours of a Kairos Retreat, where all the individuals of the group put aside masks and express their real selves. Paul and Evelyn have said that the Kairos experience had a profound effect on Sam and that it was one of Sam's high points at Riverview.

I would like to read two excerpts from letters written to Sam by peers on the Kairos experience.

"Using few words and your wonderful smile you seem able to bring across your thoughts, feelings to calm a worrying person like me. I admire how you can laugh at your own expense even when the joke is running thin. Your concern for others and your mum, dad and Sophie seems amazing and I would love to get to know you better ... "

Another wrote ...

"Dear Sammy, Wammy, Daddy, Jd, Muff or whatever anyone calls you, you are always the same person. I have come to know you as a consistently genuine mate and human being. You are the same honest bloke in all sorts of situations, I hold you in the same high regard as I do Flemo. If one day you can go on to know this for yourself you will become an amazing success in the future."

Over his time at the College, Sam has really responded to the College emphasis on service for others. He volunteered to work at the St Canice's Refuge for the Homeless, also worked at Greenwich Hospital and was one of the main stars with the children when his tutor group spent St Ignatius' Day at Cromehurst Special School.

In Year 10, Sam organised his own week of service at the Linton RSL War Veterans Hostel (here) in Yass. His initiative, helpfulness and friendliness left an impact on all, and his supervisor described him as a "delight to work with and gets on well with everyone". He returned to Linton in April last year and gained immeasurably from the experience, being particularly moved by the Anzac Day ceremonies.

Sam reflected in his journal on his development of patience, empathy and ability to listen, and he grew in admiration of the people who devote their time in the Centre: "they are very special and don't only do it as an investment but as something they enjoy...they have a real gift". It is of course no coincidence that Sam himself felt really at ease helping the residents of that Hostel.

Sam was a model of responsibility and loyalty. He loved More House and was regularly involved in interhouse swimming and athletics. He could always be relied upon for assistance in any activity and was 'Mr Reliable' in his tutor group. In Year 11, he volunteered to work as a student monitor and was faithful to his supervisory duties at the canteen and in the College clothing shop.

In the boarding community, Sam was so well respected that in Year 12, he was elected a Proctor of the community. The Director of Boarding, Mark McGinnity recently said of him: "his quiet but authoritative leadership has had a great impact on the Boarding House. Nothing is too much trouble for him, he certainly goes the extra mile. His dry sense of humour is greatly appreciated. He is a very conscientious lad, if you ask him to do something, it gets done."

As mentioned previously, Sam was always a conscientious student. In his last report, all his teachers spoke highly of his enthusiasm and his determination in all his subjects. Only last week did Sam receive the news that he had been accepted for a post as Boarding Assistant for 2004 in a college in England.

Sam was at Saint Ignatius' College for a relatively brief time, but he has left an indelible mark on the whole community as the model of a concerned, conscientious, Christian gentleman. Ignatius would be proud to call him one of our own.

Mr Shane Hogan
Headmaster
Wednesday, 16 April 2003
Yass

"I feel very inadequate here today. I have listened to the eulogies about Sam and have heard various people's experiences of this vivacious young man. You are here today because you knew Sam, or know something of him, and because you loved him and love what you know of him.

I did not know Sam. As I listen to all that people have said, as they struggle to believe that Sam is gone, I regret that I did not know him. It is my loss.

Truly he sounds like a generous soul, a young man of humour and concern, the quintessential great bloke. Paul and Evelyn and Sophie, I do not feel worthy of farewelling Sam, your son and brother. Like all of us, I am struggling to say anything, wondering how to speak into this grief filled void.

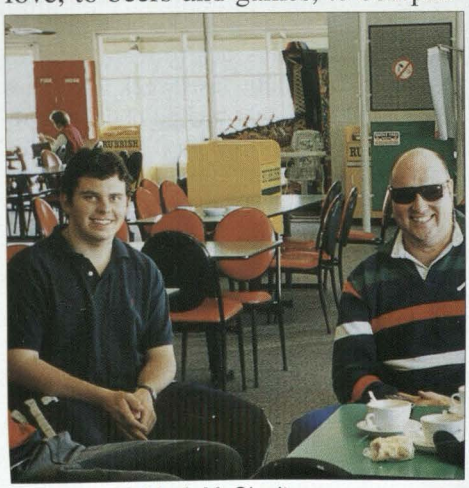
However, Paul and Evelyn and Sophie, you have honoured me by asking me to speak today on behalf of, and to, this our gathered community. I am not a counsellor or a philosopher or a teacher, I am but a priest. It is, then, as a priest I speak.

God today would be crying tears of grief. The heavenly hosts too would be raging and wondering - exclaiming 'why oh why.'

I say this because I know that God is love.

God's love is so great in fact that we have total freedom to make our own way. We are not kept penned or fenced in, but roam as we choose. God is not a boarding master imposing curfews, a coach testing our moral fitness or a bouncer checking our spiritual proofs of age.

God calls us to life; to laughter and love, to beers and games, to companionship and family. God rejoices in our deeds and delights with us in our moments of jubilation.



Sam with Mr Mark McGinnity

We know all these things from the example of God the Son, Jesus, our friend and guide along our way.

God gives us gifts and invites us to use them, to celebrate all that we are and all that we can be. We have the freedom to live our lives, to make our choices, and to become all that we choose to be. One of Sam's choices, perhaps one of the few unfortunate choices he made in his life, has brought us together here today. It is because God loves us so much, that God too would be crying with us today, lamenting that such a choice would lead to this.

For us here now in our own Garden of Gethsemane, our own Holy Week, as we wish that it wasn't so, that those moments could be relived – the thousand 'if onlys' - it might be helpful to recall that Jesus has been here before us.

At this time, such recalling might well be beyond us, but it is at just such a time that we can rest our hope in God's promise to us. God loved us so much that in God's own mysterious way, God became one of us so that we could become one with God. Jesus' own grief and suffering, crucifixion and death have given us all the hope of eternal life.

It is because of this that I also say, God today is rejoicing. God rejoices because Sam has become one with God. The banquet prepared for the righteous is now assuredly Sam's heavenly feast.

The good, indeed great, life Sam lived here means that Sam is now hearing the call from today's Gospel: Come you whom my Father has blessed, take as your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world.' Sam's generosity and good heartedness, his humour and gift of friendship, his love for his family and his friends, his love for life, have gained for him eternal life.

Our reading from Wisdom expresses this beautifully: 'the upright though they die before their time, will find rest.' .

It is we who remain who are unrestful, who find it hard to rejoice. Yet today, too, we are called to celebrate Sam. We are called to remember a life well lived, one full of many choices that gave life to others, of deeds that brought joy to friends and strangers, to the young and the old. Later we are invited to share these stories and memories – with Paul and Evelyn and Sophie and with each other.

That great movie *The Mission,* invariably shown at Jesuit schools, concludes with the comment: 'the spirit of the dead lives on in the memories of the living'. We are called today, difficult though that is, to rejoice with God in Sam's blessings and his now blessed state.

Paul told me that Sam was a fan of Tom Petty, and in particular the song "I won't back down", One of the verses goes, "well I won't back down, no, I won't back down, you could stand me up at the gates of hell, but I won't back down".

Well, dare I say it, Sam may indeed have met his match, because God too does not back down. I have this image of God out prettying Petty, backed by Jesus on a heavenly bass guitar and the Holy Spirit whipping up tongues of flame on angelic drums, meeting Sam at the gates of heaven, and singing 'come beloved come.'

Fr Jeremy Clarke SJ
Yass,
April 16, 2003

obituary: william (billy) o'connor

Billy came to Riverview in Year 7 in 1998. Billy's enrolment papers proudly stated under the heading connections with the College, that he had two brothers Josh and Luke enrolled at the College and was the son of a past pupil and had six O'Connor uncles through Riverview.

And if Peter and Julie did not think that was enough to ensure his position at the College, the O'Connor family tree was also included naming Billy's grandparents Monica and Justin and their offspring, Peter, Paul, John, Adrian and Tim and all their sons who were also booked into Riverview together with their cousins Pat, Mark and Simon.

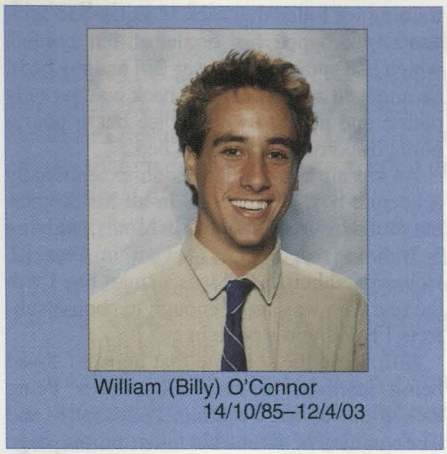
One senses that we are standing in a very strong Riverview area and that one should not speak ill of the O'Connor clan for fear of offending the whole region. Julie's family also have strong connections with the College with her brothers Richard, Peter and Patrick attending the College as well as her father Bill.

It is interesting to note that Billy's birthday is recorded on his enrolment papers as the 14 of October 1985, but most boys will tell you that Billy carried proof of age in his wallet that had him somewhere between the ages of 15 and 25.

Billy arrived at Riverview with great expectations of academic success. He was a very able student with the results of the College testing indicating that he was a student of above average ability with a particular gift in Maths. He had a very enjoyable year according to his teacher Sab Trovato in 7.6 who became a good friend and mentor to Billy as well as his tennis coach. This friendship was in spite of the fact that Billy was involved in an incident in Year 7 where Sab's precious and famous Roosters shrine was damaged by two boys kicking a football in the classroom. As recently as last week Billy insisted to Sab that it was Jack Meagher who kicked the ball while Jack claims he is innocent!

Billy's first year in boarding produced a report written by Mr Govers which said that, "he was a charismatic young man who had a steely determination who on occasions had been single minded in his actions and pursuits". This is a little different to others who recall a little boy with an enormous appetite who was always borrowing money.

In Year 8 Billy started to display more of the characteristics that he was well noted for by both staff and his peers. Mr Sheehan commented that while Billy had not always got things right, he had been impressed by his desire to quickly rectify those situations and to have them dealt



William (Billy) O'Connor
14/10/85–12/4/03

with and quickly forgotten. This certainly sounds like the Billy we have grown to know and love.

Billy has always been passionate about sport with his two great loves being Tennis and Rugby. Coaches have commented over the years on his great determination and his ability to communicate and to motivate other players. In Rugby he loved the role of leadership and being the organiser at the scrum base. He hoped one day to be the tallest halfback to play for Riverview but was constantly reminded of the O'Connor genes and to simply look at his older brothers.

In a College noted for its outstanding Tennis players Billy's rise to the 2nd Tennis premiership team was outstanding, marked by his dogged determination. Billy was a player who was never beaten until the last point. He could fight back from the most impossible positions and it became an expectation of his team mates that Billy would fight back no matter what the score. This was in spite of the fact that his phone would ring two or three times each match.

I would like to read from Sab Trovato's end of season address to the Tennis players and families:

"Billy O'Connor – Mr I'm in, I'm out, I'm suspended, Billy managed to feed off the injury toll in front of him and play a huge role in our success. Although lacking in confidence at times, Billy managed to perform at a high level and with every one else's racquet but his own. He managed to win all his singles matches.

"He was always an example of sartorial splendour: Rugby socks and a pair of 1976 target shoes were the real secrets of his success. As well, his one week lay off that came courtesy of a suspension was a keen strategic Tennis ploy to rest his weary body for the bigger premiership matches ahead. Well-planned mate. An old 7-6 boy, everybody's friend, thank you for being you mate. A Target shopaholic, Billy can spot a bargain anywhere."

Part of his great friendship with Sam Turner was based around their love of Tennis. Both boys spent endless hours on the courts outside Kevin Fagan House planning their next GPS Tennis victory.

Billy was always a passionate Cheshire House member following his brothers into Kirk's House and always living up to the House Motto: "to give is to grow". In House competitions he participated in Swimming, Cricket, Touch Football, Tennis and Athletics. He was also involved in the Indian Bazaar Car Wash and many other fundraisers. As well, Billy took part in three College musicals and really enjoyed the camaraderie of these special events.

In the other aspects of his Ignatian education Billy did his Community Service Programme in Years 10 and 11 with the Sisters of the Missionaries of Charity. He helped around the hostel for the homeless and assisted by serving in the soup kitchen. Billy described it as a rewarding and revealing experience saying that it had left a lasting impression on him. In his Community Service Reflection Journal, Billy commented that most of the people he cared for were normal people about his age. Billy wrote this prayer, which was to be said before each community service visit:

"Dear God,

Please provide me with the confidence so I will be able to act justly and sometimes go against the crowd. Amen."

Last year Billy also took part in the Arrupe Academy that looked at the Ignatian ideals of leadership and generosity in our society. Mr Hargreaves the Cheshire House Master commented in Billy's House report that "he is to be applauded for his participation in the Academy as it gives further evidence to his growing maturity and thoughtful nature".

The basis of Jesuit education is a constant process of experience followed by a period of reflection followed by action.

If we take the experiences we have all had in Billy's life, no matter how large or small, and share in this time of reflection together, focusing on a happy, joyous young man who lived life to the full, then for every one of us our action must be to celebrate our time with him, mourn his death but remember the good times ... because that's what Billy would have wanted.

Mr Shane Hogan
Headmaster
Wednesday, 16 April 2003
Harden

Hi, I'm Jake Molkentin and I've been best mates with Bill since Year 7. Mr and Mrs O'Connor have given me the honour of sharing some of the stories and highlights of Bill's school life.

On Monday when I sat down to write this I thought it would be the hardest thing I would ever have to prepare, the hardest thing about it was to pick only a few of the hundreds of good times we both shared together

"Friends are like Peanut Butter ... it sticks to the roof of our mouth like a friend sticks to you ... and it feels if they never go away."

Bill is our peanut butter!

We have all shared in Bill's friendship from one time or another and know of his outgoing personality and of the many talents he possessed.

Bill's passion for the College along with the boarding house which became his home away from home began on the first day of Year 7.

He had two older brothers at the College, Josh in Year 9 and Luke in Year 11. This proved to have both its advantages and disadvantages. He did know how to handle an extra 30 in the boarding house at least.

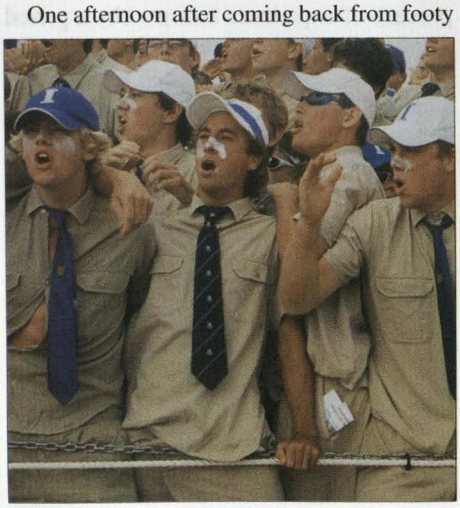
Bill's antics began in Year 7 with Josh looking out for his little brother and warning him of an end of term 'rumble'. We were both informed of where and when it would take place and were told very strictly not to be there. As curiosity got the better of us we decided to hang around and give a bit of lip to the others from a safe distance (we we were hiding behind the infirmary). Fortunately, our knight in shining armour, Mr Gould, came charging through in the mini van to ensure our safe return to the Junior School.

Bill was an outstanding sportsman who lived for every Saturday. With Bill striving with his Tennis he made the As from Years 7 to 10 then progressed into the Opens teams.

The beginning of Year 8 for Billy brought the start of Year 12 for Luke and surprisingly this had more disadvantages than advantages. One 'fond' memory was Bill and I being dragged out to a freshly-cut dewy Gorman field, where Luke and his mates found pleasure in shoving the wet grass down our pants.

Year 8 was the real beginning of our social life with the start of our school dances. Bill proved to be a real ladies man, with the notorious O'Connor charm always proving a success.

One afternoon after coming back from footy training we found that Jack Meagher had accidentally dropped his bottle of red cordial, which had sprayed a11 over Bill and my beds. So annoyed as we were, payback was our only option and he left us no choice but,to pour a bottle of cordial through his bed.



Billy with friends at the Head of the River

As we all know Bill was an exceptionally academic boy. He excelled in all his subjects but found his main strength in Maths, studying 3 Unit in Year 11 and 4 Unit in Year 12. However, although Bill was a smart boy I was the one who was smart enough to choose subjects I could win a prize in.

Bill, being the socialite that he was, loved being involved in everything. After being kicked out of the Debating, Philosophy and Chess clubs, he found his talent on the stage being a key member of the chorus in three productions.

Year 10 was the beginning of our many parties and country races. These always proved to be a success. It was also a time when there was a huge influx of new boys into the boarding house. Bill, being the mature man he was, looked upon this as an opportunity to take them under his wing and introduce them to the better- known Riverview lifestyle.

Sammy Turner, being one of the fine men brought into the College, was put in a room with Michael Roche, Andrew Ford and Gus Campbell. This allowed him to show us who Sam Turner really was. Their room was a constant meeting place. Sam's area was continually immaculate. His hospitality was second to none - he was always having tea and scones waiting for everyone .

By sheer coincidence Bill and I had been placed in a room together for Year 11, and I'm convinced this was due to our strict study routines. So, as a result of our increased study schedule of four hours a night and the introduction of our 'Super Sunday Study Sessions" it was essential that we led a balanced lifestyle. This therefore demanded at least an extra three weekends of intense socialising preferably with the opposite sex.

In his senior years at the College, Bill played in the Opens Tennis team. He then made the 3rd team – only one step off his goal. This he achieved with Sam by his side, helping bring the 2nd's premiership home once again.

Bill had an enormous amount of school spirit. When asked to play against the touring South African Tennis team on the weekend that coincided with Head of the River he quickly refused because he couldn't pass up the opportunity of supporting his friends and school at the rowing .

Along with all the other boys in our year our social plans began on a Wednesday with filling out the weekend information sheet. For Bill and I it was spending the weekend with my sister Annie in Lane Cove. The bus stop 20 meters down the road proved very convenient with the 254 only taking 12 minutes to get to the city .We had plenty of favourite hotspots with Bill's favourite being'The Big House', just like his two big brothers.

Often Bill pushed everything to the limit and he did lead a very eventful life. With Mitch Quigley now living across the hall, Bill suddenly realised the fun and excitement that could be had with his friends. A fond memory takes us back to a night out in North Sydney where Quigs' ID had failed him once again. Quigs being the friend that he is, didn't want us to miss out on all the fun and decided to include Bill, Brendan Homer and myself in the interviews with Mr McGinnity and Constable Andrews. This resulted in a term's grounding.Then after nearly five years of boarding and seven weeks into his grounding, Bill decided it was time to experience the life of a dayboy. So, with Quigs by his side, Bill decided the quickest way to achieve that goal was out the window, late one Saturday night .

On a serious note, coming into Year 12 Bill was aware of the hard work that lay ahead of him. He was becoming more and more focused on his studies, surprising us all by staying in the boarding house the whole weekend leading up to his 4 Unit Maths exam.

Bill was and always will be to us a laid-back, easy going, friendly guy. He could be relied upon for anything whether it involved any kind of responsibility or just to put a smile on your face.

I'm sure Bill would be stoked to know that on Monday a Mass was said in memory of him and Sammy at the Our Lady of the lmmaculate Conception church in London.

Bill touched so many lives in so many different ways. Regardless of whether you had met him once or a hundred times you couldn't help but be influenced by his weird and outgoing sense of humour, his cheeky laugh, not to mention that smile.

Although Bill was only with us for seventeen and a half years he embraced every opportunity to live life to the fullest. What Billy did in his life some people won't accomplish in a whole lifetime.

Bill was a friend to everyone, I don't know of one enemy he had,and I would have known if he did have one. Bill can't be brought back or replaced but we can remember all the good times and unforgettable memories. Luke and Josh you should know that Bill idolised you both and held you above the rest .

To Peter, Julie, Luke, Josh and Scarlet. You are my second family. I love Bill like a brother and my love for him and for you is eternal.

Bill will be with all of us forever; it will just be a while till we see him next .

I found this quote that I think Bill would approve of: it's from the Muppets

"Don't want to leave, but we both know sometimes it's better to go. Somehow I know we'll meet again, not sure quite where and I don't know just when. You're in my heart, so until then, smile, don't want to cry saying goodbye."

Jake Molkentin

I would like to welcome the families of Billy and Sam who are with us here today: Paul, Evelyn and Sophie Turner and Sam's grandparents, also Julie, Peter, Josh, Luke and Scarlett O'Connor and Billy's grandmother Monica and other members of the O'Connor family.

I would also like to acknowledge students and staff from other schools, in particular the students of Queenwood and Mr James Harper, their Acting Head, who has been a great support to both schools in recent weeks, and also the staff and students from St Joseph's College who attended the funerals last week.

The messages of support and offers of assistance from the other GPS schools and the many Girls schools with whom our boys associate have been overwhelming.

Today we are here to celebrate the lives of Billy and Sam. Two weeks ago the Riverview family came together in great numbers with the communities of Harden and Yass for their funeral services. The strength of the Riverview community during these difficult times has been truly unbelievable.

The support we received for our boys and families from the Yass and Harden communities was also most uplifting, particularly after the services when so many people had many kilometres to travel.

The Year 12 boys around me gave Billy and Sam a farewell that will be remembered for many years to come in the south of our state. I am privileged to stand among these young men who showed such character, dignity and respect as they farewelled two of their peers.

As a Church we have just celebrated Easter. It is the most significant season in our Church's calender. We celebrate the death and Resurrection of the Lord. It is a season that gives us hope and direction in our spiritual life.

Many people have said or written to me in recent weeks asking where is God in all this. I struggle at times to give any answers except to say that our parting with Billy and Sam is a temporary one.

One thing I know is that God has given us the ability to remember, to celebrate the good times, to savour what we have had and will have till we meet with them again. "I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord: whoever believes in me will not die forever".

Today's service is an opportunity to focus on the good times that we had with Billy and Sam. We said a sad farewell 12 days ago. Today we start a new term. Year 12 return to class with their HSC to complete, for some the winter season will also have its challenges. It is the last year of their schooling. A year they will never forget. It is important that we look forward to the challenges ahead of us. We will never forget Billy and Sam. They are etched forever in our memory. The cheeky smile of Billy as he tries to win over another teacher, the knowing smile of Sam as he went about his way. These things cannot be taken away from us.



One thing is for sure and that is that the sadness we have all experienced, no matter how close you were to them, will eventually fade and we will be left with the memories of the good times. As Easter Sunday follows the gloom of Good Friday so we also must be people of the resurrection.

Our candles on the altar today carrying Billy and Sam's names, will be moved to our chapel and they will be lit at each of our masses to ensure their light shines upon us until the Year 12 Valete Mass at which times we would like to give them to Sam and Billy's families.

One thing I am very sure of, particularly after hearing the stories and meeting the families of Sam and Billy last week, is that, if they could have left a message it would be: remember the good times and until we meet again look out for each other.

Mr Shane Hogan
Headmaster
Monday 28 April, 2003

(Mass of Remembrance and Thanksgiving for the lives of Billy O'Connor and Sam Turner)

Fr Bruce, Members of the Jesuit Community, Mr Hogan, Staff of Riverview, Young Men, Boys, Ladies and Gentlemen.

On Behalf of Ev, Sophie and our families I would like to say thank you. We have been overwhelmed by your support in many different ways.

Sam came to Riverview at the beginning of 2001 with some good qualities, the staff nurtured these and developed them further and helped him explore new found qualities and we thank you for this.

Sam loved Riverview with a passion and this developed with the mateship he experienced both in the boarding and day school. To Sam's mates we appreciate your welcoming nature, you astound us by your level of faith and insight and your thirst for happiness.

Sam would say, 'no fuss, lets move on. Live life to the fullest. I am with you.' So boys we wish you well in your sporting endeavours for the remainder of the year and the HSC keep those happy memories of Sam and Billy and strive that little bit harder to achieve your full potential for them.

There are some special people in the community of Riverview to us that we will thank personally and share some good memories in the near future.

Mr Paul Turner

On behalf of Julie, Luke, Josh and Scarlett I would like to thank the Riverview community for their wonderful support since losing Billy and Sam. The strength and depth of this community is extraordinary and reinforces the reasons we sent our sons to school here.

I must make special mention of Shane Hogan for his leadership and compassion in dealing with the events that followed that tragic night in such a magnificent way.

I know he had a lot of support and we felt that through people's letters, phone calls, cards, flowers and calling around to see us in the days since.

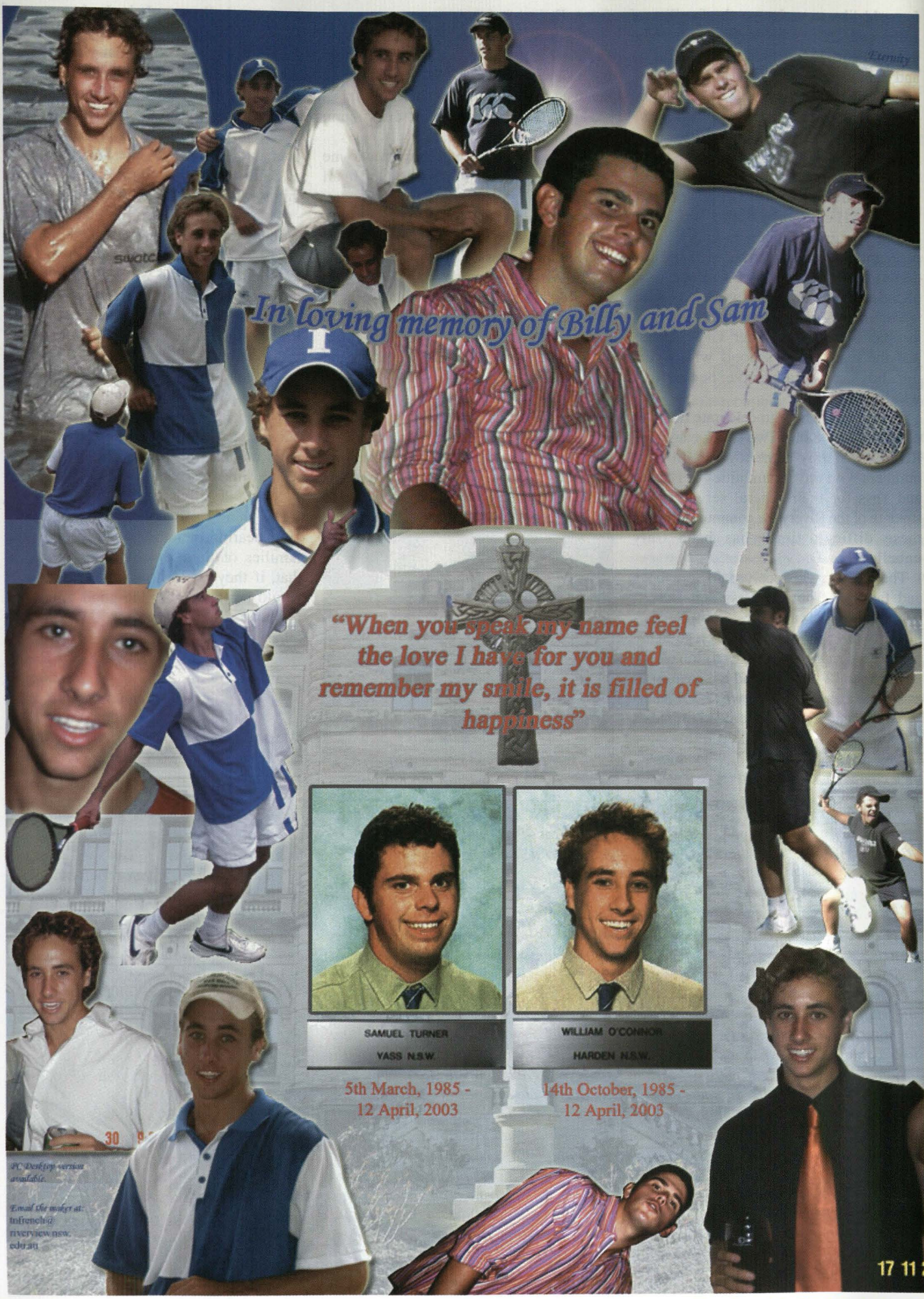
It has been great comfort and a feeling of pride to see how Billy and Sam's mates have supported our family in the last couple of weeks and we know the coming weeks and months are still going to be tough for everyone.

We also know they wouldn't like any of us to treat their loss as a parking space. The road to success is lined with many tempting parking spaces and it is up to each and every one of us to finish this year on a high.

I know Billy and Sam would take great delight in your successes whether they be in the HSC, the footy or just in some serious fun. Do it for them, but most importantly do it for yourselves.

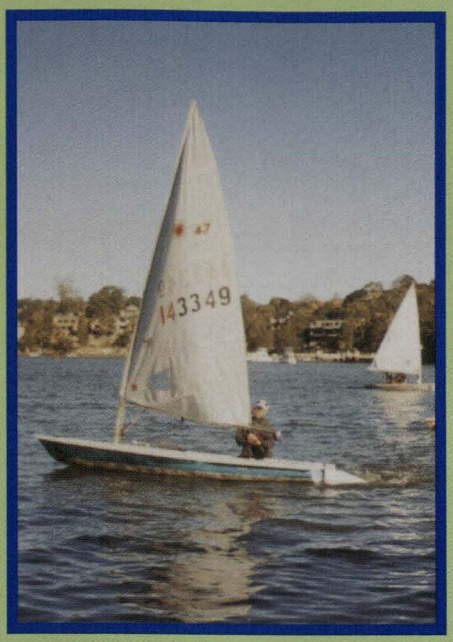
We will never forget the support of Riverview and its boys.

Mr Peter O'Connor

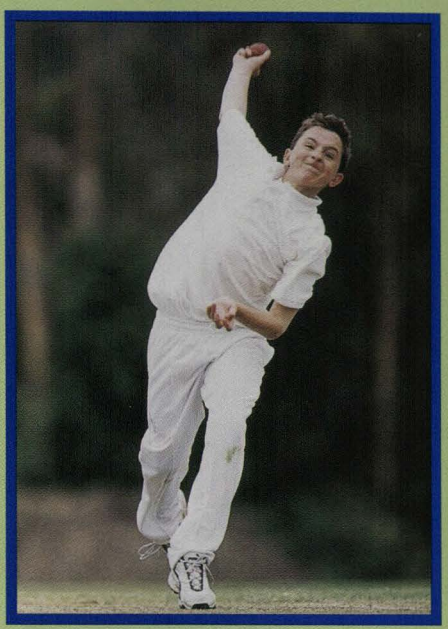


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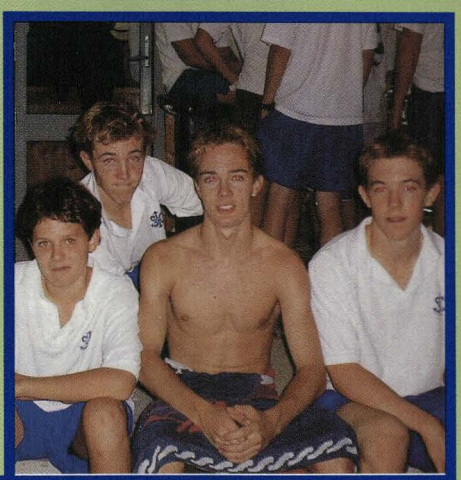
The final days of Term I, 2003, saw the conclusion of the Summer Sports season at the College. Overall it was a most successful season with several victories in various levels in all sports. Writing in Viewpoint of April 4, 2003, the Director of Co-Curriculum, Mr Chris Kitching said,
"The significant results in senior competition sports teams were in Basketball: 2nd team were runners up; in Cricket: the 1st XI and the 2nd XI were also runners up. In Tennis: the Ists were runners up and the 2nd team, premiers. In Rowing: the 2nd IV and the 4th IV gained 1st place at the Head of the River; the 1st VIII, 1st IV, 3rd IV, 2nd place; the 2nd VIII, 3rd place. In Swimming: the Seniors gained 1st place, the Intermediates, 3rd place and the Juniors, 2nd place.

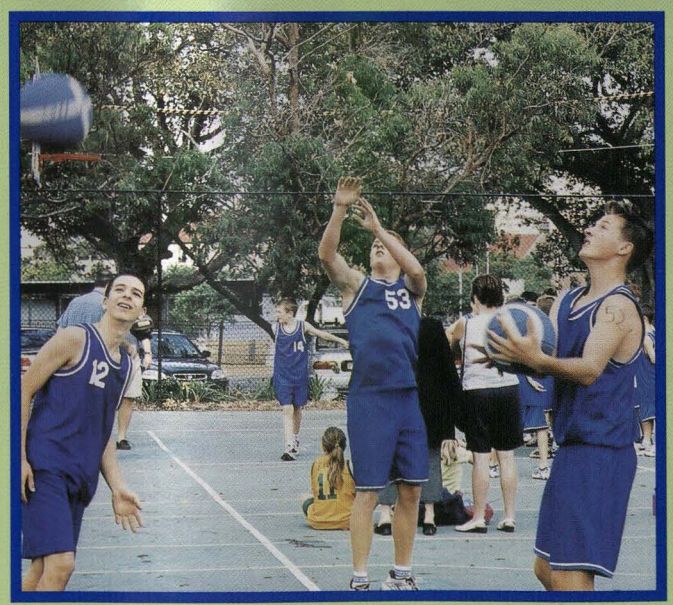


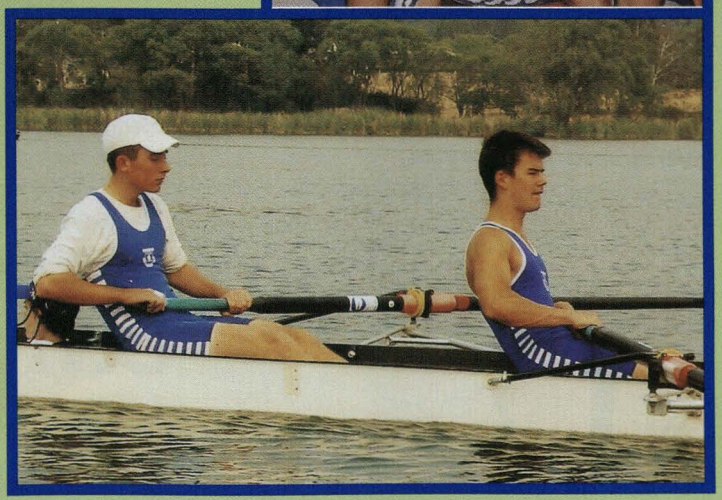














basketball

basketball 1st team



Back row, from left, Joshua Passaro, Hugh Cashmore, Jack Mann, Alexander Fraunfelter, Warwick Williams, Alexander Mazzoni, Joseph Milazzo
Seated, from left, Eugene Joseph, Christopher Mallett, Mr Peter Wakeling, Michael Ternes (captain), Peter Doran

After the strenuous task of selecting a 1st Basketball team, fit to grace the GPS Basketball courts of Sydney for the 02-03 season, Coach Mr Peter Wakeling decided on a mixture of savvy veterans and rookie talent. His prized players, whom he had coached since their humble beginnings in Year 8 in 1999, comprised of Pete Doran, Jack Mann, Chris Mallett, Joe Milazzo, Alex Mazzoni, Josh Passaro and Michael Ternes.

These seven along with Hugh Cashmore and Alex Fraunfelter and Opens rookie Warwick Williams, comprised the 1st team for the season. With the team set,the time was right for us embark upon our journey from Term IV to camp in Canberra and finally to the 2003 GPS season.

Fourth term preparations were rushed, yet the team managed to implement the simple but effective offensive and defensive strategies introduced by Riverview Development Coach Robert Beveridge and fine tuned by Coach Mr Wakeling.

Our first game of the trial season saw us on St Joseph's indoor court. The 'rust' in both teams was evident, as indifferent play from both sides saw neither team make a decisive breakthrough. A half way shot on the half time buzzer to Joey's, ignited the home crowd as their side sensed victory.

The second half was much the same until the games' final minutes. In the last 10 seconds of the match, we were down by 1 and had possession. Josh Passaro's shot attempt at the 5 second mark failed to find the bottom of the net and with the game on the line, the springing legs of the debutante Warwick Williams snared a put back basket off the glass with one second remaining.

As our bench flooded the court, unfortunately this basket was disallowed as time had expired. This meant that St Joseph's College had won the game. We were most dismayed by this loss – indeed it was to be our lowest point of the season (disregarding the Rashke Cup).

However, the team showed great determination and vigour as we completed the trial season with a 4-2 win/loss record, with an emphatic come-from-behind defeat of Sydney High School in the final round.

The team had plenty of rest over the Christmas/New Year period, and met in the second last week of the holidays when they ventured down to Canberra to the Institute of Sport for our summer camp. The camp was more than just Basketball: it was getting to know your team mates, and did we get to know each other. How could anyone forget the sweet aromas of Kemo's Café (Kimon Teledis of the 2nd team). Cabin 14 didn't need to rise at 6:30am for breakfast. Kemo would awake his merry men with bacon and eggs at their bedside. Someone no more thankful, was our point guard Josh Passaro who appreciated young Kemo's culinary expertise. Before our first game on the camp, we had our first training run at the AIS; it was here where we sustained our first major injury for the season. In a scrimmaging drill, Pete Doran's jaw connected with Alex 'Woogie' Fraunfelter's knee. Alex, all 100 kilos of him would sit out the game that night with a sore knee and Pete; all of 5 ft 1in of him would play that night with an extremely sore jaw.

With tough losses to the ACT State team, Daramallen College and Radford College, the game on our second last day of this camp against Canberra Marist, following numerous training runs, was a special one. Everyone on the team could feel the wear and tear on their bodies and it was showing throughout the game.

Struggling with a 10 point half time difference, the second half showed what our team was capable of. A 26 point 4th quarter saw the team finally come into its own with each player reaching the score sheet and contributing.

The 4 point loss did not sway us: we had all 'gotten our grooves back'. On our final day of camp, we arose ready to face Canberra Grammar School. We were disciplined and rearing to go. Ultimately, we defeated the opposition carrying a 10-point lead at halftime. Each player contributed much the same as the previous afternoon against Canberra Marist. The team cruised to victory beating Grammar

by 15 points. With our offence flowing and our defence swarming, members of the team seemed to be reaching their potential and played some of the best Basketball that they were capable of: the season was looking promising.

Our season began with high yet realistic hopes: these hopes were bringing to Riverview the GPS Basketball premiership. However, finishing with a 2-5 win/loss record wasn't enough to bring home a shield, and although many will say sport comes down to winning, it's also about fun and this team had the best 'characters' in it and they had the most fun.

This team was a great mix of mates who looked out for each other on and off the court and who were always ready for a laugh no matter what the situation. The team was always focused on the task at hand, but they approached each in an unorthodox fashion.

For instance, once we had secured our change room, no matter what the venue, while we laced our boots and strapped our wobbly ankles, the whole team would break out into song. Our favourites included the theme from 'Grease' which reached significantly high pitchs, thanks to the voices of Michael Ternes, Josh Passaro and West Side Story Star Hugh Cashmore. Brittany Spears' pugnacious anthem 'Sometimes I Run' the lyrics to which the team eventually mastered by the end of the season. These were secretly devised scare tactics to surprise the opposition and to give us an advantage for victory . However, often these were quite unsuccessful.

An analysis of the character of the various members of the team shows evidence of sheer Basketball talent and comical genius. This made for a memorable team and a great group of people. Joe Milazzo, the zippy sharp shooter from the Deep South, Wollongong, showed great poise under pressure at the point guard position. Most notably in the game against Kings, Joe made the final 3 free throws to take our team to our first 100 point game, with much vocal support from Michael Ternes on the sidelines.

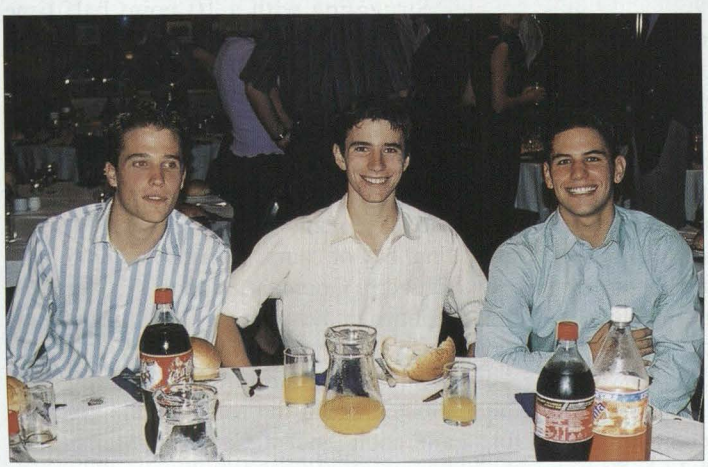
Hugh Cashmore was an offensive spark off the bench who fired from near half court on most occasions upon making his impact. He nearly single handedly won the Scots game with three huge long-range baskets in the final quarter. Warwick Williams made the huge step into the 1st Basketball team from his previous position in the 3rds last year. Warwick was a solid back up for Alex Fraunfelter. At the season's completion Warwick claimed the free throw, shooting title with the smoothest shot from the stripe. He was a 'monster' under the basket with elbow slicing moves that were mean enough to make players such as Fraunfelter and Mallet have a cry.

Now, who could forget the 'terrible twosome' in Josh Passaro and Pete Doran. Whenever he got on the court, Josh would begin to move, gliding and slipping past defenders on his way to the hoop in his inimitable fashion.

Pete Doran was a burst of energy which the team could always draw upon with his never-say-die attitude. Pete often put the ball in the hoop and top scored in the Joey's game with 12 points off only 4 shots with 4 three-pointers.

Bouncy Jack Mann would challenge the opposition with his tenacious play which incorporated loud defence (hopefully to scare defenders) and fierce rebounding on offence. This led to easy put backs for simple, yet crucial baskets. Jack was the top rebounder and equal high scorer in the Scots game with 14 points. This helped spark the team especially Hugh Cashmore's shooting from deep.

The 'big man' of the team, Alex Mazzoni came off the bench to add a scoring boost and help usher the younger and less experienced players in the game while giving the starters a rest. Alex possessed a distinct resemblance to another GPS player, leaving many in the team to question if they'd been 'separated at birth'. During the games, some of his supposed 'brother's' shooting touch rubbed off on him such as in the Shore game where he equally top scored with 15 points.



Jack Mann, Joseph Milazzo and Josh Passaro at the 1sts dinner

Alex Fraunfelter came out each week as the youngest but most dominant player in the team, leading in both scoring and rebounding. Although still in Year 10, Alex's huge frame and soft touch gave the impression that no one in the GPS could stop him. In the competition, Alex showed he could dominate in devastating fashion and caused much angst for the opposition. I believe that with future competition, and two more years of Open Basketball, Alex will be the cornerstone of Riverview Basketball in the next two years.

Captain of Basketball for 2003 Chris Mallett along with Alex Fraunfelter made up our 'twin towers' in the competition. Chris showed deadly precision under the basket with a variety of sleek post moves and fakes to confuse his defenders. He shared the rebounding and scoring duties with Alex and these two two at times boasted an unstoppable combination.

Chris created many challenges for opposing sides during the competition with his developing jump shot allowing him to spread defences and create easy scoring opportunities.

Captain of the 1st Basketball team for 2003 was the athletically gifted, Michael Ternes. Being the team's most assertive player, Michael fired 'deep bombs' fuelled by adrenaline, making absurd lay ups as his body contorted through the lane. Michael made the impossible shot seem easy and carried much of the team's scoring load on his back along with Alex and Chris.

His most stellar performance was in the last game of the season against Sydney Grammar where he posted 25 points, earning himself a spot in the GPS Seconds.

Our coach, Mr Peter Wakeling, who has mentored most of us through our formal Basketball years at the College has been more than a coach but a friend, who is easy going and well educated in the game. He is someone who all of us in the team appreciate, as he has helped guide us through our school Basketball adventure from its beginnings to its end.

Although our team faced a tough start to the season with three away games in a row, we did win two games (against Kings and Joey's).

Overall, I can proudly say that the 1st Basketball team for 2003 achieved plenty of success. We have many happy and lasting memories including our games against Kings and Joey's, but most of all we'll remember that the successes we achieved we did so with our mates.

Alex Mazzoni

basketball 2nd team



Back row, from left, Samuel Rarasea, Edward Hiscox, Dominic Pascoe, Timothy May, Heath Collins, Jonathon Jenkins
Seated, from left, Michael Boyd, Edward King (captain), Mr Damien Thompson, Edward Noel, Kimon Tellidis

2003 for the 2nd Basketball team not only featured a season packed full of nail bighting competition but also sparked a new life in the crowd, returning excitement and rivalry to Basketball.

Each week our improved knowledge and skills gave us an edge against every team we played and our ability to move and run the ball around the court provided us with a continual onslaught of points. However, it was the hard work of each player and Mr Thompson that made it a season to remember.

Whether it was through the actions of Ed Noel, the skill of Michael Boyd or the appearance of Heath Collins on the court, there was something that bound the team together and blew fire into the spirit of competition.

From day one the team played with exceptional precision, executing deadly plays that often left the opposition amazed. However, it was our versatility on the court that enabled us to adapt to each situation and secure valuable wins over the opposition.

This year's team also saw a lot of new faces and new hope to Riverview basketball. Ed Noel, taking the position of vice captain, often scored valuable points for the team through his brilliant post moves, accurate shooting and verbal assaults both on and off the court.

Michael Boyd's ability to hit a three, make an impossible lay-up or throw a unique pass often established his spot as top scorer and often provided the winning points in a dying match. Heath Collins was considered the 'three point king' until Boydie decided to get in on the action,. However, his deadly shooting still stands with an average of 4 from 5 beyond the perimeter.

Sam Rarasea became well known for being 'tech-fouled' on the court, with his assertive rebounds and incredible crossover shots. Kimon Tellidis was always willing to step up to the seemingly biggest of players and bury a shot from down town. Dom Pascoe, who has only been playing Basketball for two years, always gave his opponent a tough task on the court and often amazed us with his sharp shooting and rebounds.

Jono Jenkins added an element of strength with his undefendable left hand from the post and Ed Hiscox provided a strong defensive game, always making it a challenge to finish a play. Finally, Tim May showed us how to dominate the jump ball and score valuable points from offensive rebounds.

Throughout the season, our coach, Mr Thompson gave every player a piece of his brilliance and taught us all to appreciate the finer points of Basketball. Along with the good and the bad, we have learnt qualities of teamwork, leadership and respect through his teachings and I thank him for an enjoyable season of Basketball.

Ed King
Captain, 2nd Basketball Team



Back row, from left, James Englebrecht, Michael Mendoza, Alexander Jahshan, Thomas Tuxworth, David Mair
Seated, from left, Bradley Clark, Mr Peter Kovacs, Lachlan Wilmot. Absent: Christian Allen, Luke Doyle, Patrick Tree, Kieran Conway

The 3rd Basketball team had a very successful season, winning all games except three. The start of the season proved difficult as the teams were still being finalised and everyone was still unsure about what teams they would end up in. However, after much hard work, and deliberation from our coach the team was chosen.

The team's top scorer and best and fairest was James Englebrecht, who provided much entertainment with his goal-hungry attitude and his seizing of the ball.

Michael Mendoza was always determined. He could invariably bring a new move to training to teach everyone.

Christian Allen carried the team with three pointers. His long range shots dropped into the basket from all angles and they even fell into the basket under the hardest situations. Christian is awarded the 'three point award'.

David Mair had a mixed season. He did, however, get a few goals and pulled in lots of rebounds. Patrick Tree could always be relied upon to bail us out of trouble with those magical lay-ups.

Luke Doyle had played in the 2nd team and from this experience brought style and finesse which added to our many wins. Brad Clark was one of our best number point guard players with his good shooting ability and his friendly competitiveness. He receives the award for being the keenest player in the team, always being at games and training before everyone and coming prepared with water bottles.

Lachlan Wilmot was captain and led most capably. Alex Jahshan. had much talent. He started the season with limited experience and ended it with a lot more knowledge of the game.

Thomas Tuxworth always kept us amused. With his funny, chirpy nature,he was always able to make the team laugh and enjoy themselves.This was Tom's second year in the 3rd team and he always performed with great ability and sportsmanship. Tom led the team to victory along with Alex Jahshan.

Our coach, Mr Peter Kovacs, was the inspiration for the team with his little pep talks at the beginning of the games, and his hard and strenuous training program. This consisted of many push ups and numerous sit ups. Mr Kovacs was a real super coach, so because of this he receives the 'super-man' award. Without his help, guidance and netball shooting style we would have not been as successful as we were. We thank him for a great season.

To all the parents out there who made the trek to come watch their sons or simply admire the grace and style of Mr Kovacs' coaching we thank you very much and hope it was as enjoyable for you as it was for us.

We had a good season filled with fun and laughter. Thank you also to Mr Newey who helped out on some Saturday mornings. We also thank Declan Walsh, Jeremy Moore and many others who were lucky enough to play in the 3rds.

Thomas Tuxworth, Alex Jahshan

James Fox was solid in defence and combined very well with others to score many points.

Richard Manevski was aggressive with his drives and made many lay-ups. He also scored the most goals this season. Tim McBride was reliable under the ring gaining possession from countless rebounds.

Eric Fenessy and Dominic Clark were a formidable combination placing the opposition under a lot of pressure with their half-court press. They would gain possession and score many quick goals. Will Phillips could shoot goals from anywhere near the key and three pointers when it really counted.



Back row, from left, Timothy McBride, Alexander Graham, William Hosie
Seated, from left, Eric Fenessy, James Brettell, Mr John Newey, James Fox, Dominic Clark
Absent: Richard Manevski, William Phillips, Charles Harris

Charles Harris and Bill Hosie were very elusive when in possession of the ball and combined well with James Brettell for many fast breaks. Alex Graham could always be relied upon to halt the opposing offence and he was always handy under the ring.

The team succeeded with good wins and many close games, three of which went into over-time. Our loyal spectators were always entertained and like the players, enjoyed the season.

Mr John Newey



5th team

Standing, from left, Andrew Rockall, Brett Thomson, Elliott Davis (vice captain), Jack Dixon (captain), Mr Don Gock, Benjamin King
Absent: Damien Rockall, Joseph Simpson, David Wright, Christopher McGregor, James Gray, Matthew Beardsley

The 5th team's summer season was an extremely close competition with only a few points separating all games. We had 3 wins against Kings, Scots and Joey's and 3 losses to High, by a point and Shore by 4, with an 11 point loss to Grammar being our biggest margin all season. Our game against Newington was cancelled. We played only one home game against Kings.

The team was a mixture of Year 11 and 12 boys who quickly formed a team spirit of encouraging and supporting each other both on and off the court.

Training was enthusiastically attended with the main focus being a game against the 3rds, 4ths or 6ths. The 5th's will to win was definitely something that had to be experienced. Ms Richardson's 14D team was always willing to take us on and the ensuing game was great for all concerned.

The game against Joey's was a typical one for the season where the boys got off to a slow start and were 8 points behind at half time. The team rallied and came within a point with 3 minutes left. We scored, putting us 1 in front and then Andy Rockall put in a 3 pointer to put the game beyond doubt. Joe's 15 points in that game helped the team to gain their confidence to convert more baskets. The win was very satisfying as our opposition were quite formidable players.

Throughout the season, the boys seemed to rally in the third quarter of each game. Invariably they came from behind and really challenged the opposition, causing many player changes and timeouts. This had the tendency to disrupt the flow of the game and it was a credit to all team players that a close and exciting finish resulted in all but one game.

There were many outstanding players in the team:Chris McGregor was often able to get a free passage through to the key, and this meant that at times he was unstoppable. The Rockalls were persistent and unselfish, spreading the ball to both sides of the court: who can forget that 3 pointer in the last minute of play against Joey"s.

Matt Beardsley played consistently well while the dynamic Elliot Laws played at 110% and assisted with team tactics from the sideline. Brett Thomson and David Wright always looked for ways to penetrate the key and make scoring chances. The match winning performances of James Gray and Ben King always inspired the team.

Ben was always there for the rebound and James always played to the best of his ability. Jack Dixon led by example and attacked at every opportunity. Joe Simpson's technique and skill helped to pace the game and steady the team in all situations.

Mr Don Gock

Under the leadership of the team captains, Jack Dixon and Elliot Laws, the 5ths melded together into what seemed to be an unstoppable herd. The defensive talents of the Rockall duo, Brett Thomson, Chris McGregor and myself frequently shone through.

This enabled us to fire the ball up to the line to our most accurate players, Ben King, Jimmy Gray and Dave Wright or to our key driving forces Joe Simpson, Elliot Laws and Chris McGregor.

The many other driving forces which held our team together must not be forgotten, these included co-operation, humour, a great coach, lots of hard work and training and last but not least the sheer rugged skill of Matthew Beardsley.

Jack Dixon

6th team

The 6th team proved to be most successful throughout the season. Members of the squad were: Dave De Candia, Andrew Giannasca, Jake Horne, Martin Silk, Paddy Pearse, Dave Rohl, Pete Sherrah, Jason Wong and Ben Warnes, all led by the flamboyant, extraverted and eccentric Ms Dale Thompson.

Once the full team was formed it kicked off with strong wins against Sydney High and Kings. Although some called us the 'Social Sixths' team we had a load of talent especially players new to Basketball.

Dave Rohl towered above all others not only in height but with his outstanding accuracy in shooting three pointers. David De Candia soon became the kingpin dribbler, and all round challenge for for the opposition with his quick steals. Andrew Giannasca played consistently throughout the games providing a platform of stability.

Jake Horne, who according to our coach, 'could really run', provided a lightning fast reaction to fast breaks, with his flailing arms. Unfortunately, despite his skill in practice he missed out on scoring a goal this season. Martin Silk, despite being a relative newcomer to the game, proved to be a force to be reckoned with under the basket. Paddy was undeniably the fittest player on the court and utilised his strong rugby background to constantly penetrate the opposing defence. Pete Sherrah was a valued player who provided crucial performances when needed. Ben Warnes was the point scoring backbone of the team, giving solid performances with his rugby-like passes. Jason Wong promoted from the 7ths, shot baskets from all over the court and filled in for injured players. Mrs Dale Thompson's unique approach to team coaching resulted in us forming into a group who relied on each other.



Back row, from left, Jason Wong, David Rohl, Martin Silk, Jacob Horne
Seated, from left, Benjamin Warnes, David de Candia, Mrs Dale Thompson, Peter Sherrah, Andrew Giannasca

Injuries and illness threw the 6th team off track at the start of 2003 including Dave Rohl who was out with a back injury. But the spirit never died and there was a quick return to form towards the end of the season. Through the success and failures the team always managed to enjoy the matches and competition

David Rohl

basketball 7th team

From what seemed like a cast of thousands the 7th team finally settled into seven regular players with an occasional extra lending invaluable assistance.And although Ms Dale Thompson often exhorted the team to play hard Basketball we still managed to have a great time.

Charles Passmore was a dynamic force who dodged through the strongest opposition to make baskets. He was ably helped by Sebastian Cheung whose fierce determination was an inspiration. Marcus Bortolotti's shooting skills showed dramatic improvement through the season giving us alternative scorers.

Jason D'Apice's athleticism in his spectacular jumps not only proved invaluable to all but provided an inspiration to onlookers. Matthew Lewis acted as an impassable guard intercepting many a push from the opposition. Andrew Walter helped out in all positions on the court and also made some handy baskets. John Wenman joined the team late in the season but was a stabilising form and backed the players up well. Winning and losing was not highest in the team's minds but enjoyment was achieved by all players.

Mrs Dale Thompson



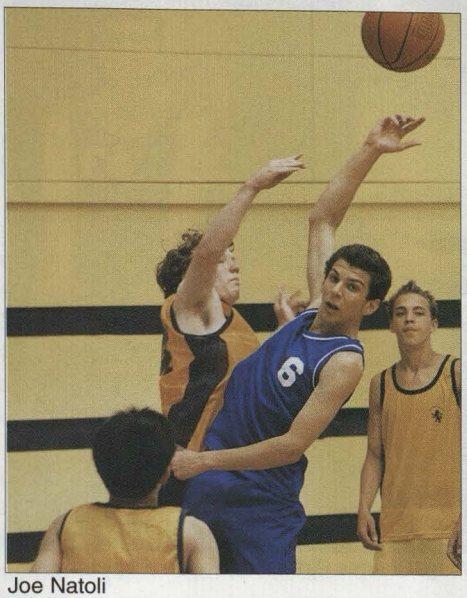
Back row, from left, Jonathon Wenmann, Jason Wong, Charles Passmore, Jason d'Apice, Matthew Lewis
Seated, from left, Sebastian Cheung, Mrs Dale Thompson, Marcus Bortolotti.



8th team

Back row, from left, Joseph Natoli, Lachlan Fergus, John McKeon, Harrison Wiche
Seated, from left, Michael St John, Mr John Limbourn, Sean Carroll

The 8th Basketball team ended the season undefeated. "We came, we saw, we conquered", that was our motto. I do not believe Riverview has produced such a fine team in the history of the school. The team included: Michael St John, Sean Carroll, John McKeon, Harrison Wiche, Joe Natoli, Lachlan Fergus.



Joe Natoli

For the first half of the season Michael Francis joined us until he sadly had to leave. Also, for the first half of the season, we had Ms. Glynn as a coach. Unfortunately she left to work elsewhere and this opened the door for Mr Limbourn who became our strong and steadfast leader for the rest of the season, often giving us inspiration to win.

Harrison Wiche was the the star attraction of our team while Johnny McKeon, our three-point hero was the 'youngest' member of the team. He learned a lot and by the end of the season could throw quite well. Joe Natoli improved dramatically during the year. His sense of style and delivery, his 'Afro' hair, his long socks all added a sense of street ball to his play, whilst his insistent attitude and his challenges to the oppositions proved to be a mighty force to contend with.

Mike St John ended up being the captain of the team, but only because he was one who brought the basketball and without him we would not have been able to play. Mike was the mature guy of the team and always took the game quite seriously as well. Sean Carroll was an integral member of the team. Often he would turn up just a few minutes beforehand, but would then put in a lot of effort trying to score goals.

Lastly, Lachlan Fergus often used his skills to great advantage by clearing the way for our offence. An enthusiastic player Lachlan's claim to fame was when he acted as a 'human platform' for Harrison Wiche helping the team tremendously.

Added to this fantastic lineup was the coaching genius of Mr John Limbourn, who sat on the side line giving lots of encouragement. Mr Limbourn was like another member of the team and contributed to the overall success of the mighty 8ths with great enthusiasm.

Overall we really enjoyed our final season of Basketball at Riverview.

With an average winning margin of 37 points, we defeated the opposition with strength and precision. As mates we had a great time with plenty of laughs especially when people made mistakes in play.

John McKeon

9th team

Members of the 9th Basketball team enjoyed a very solid season, with a few losses, and some very big wins! Beginning as the sevenths, under direction of Mrs Thompson, the team faced its first real challenge: training which actually involved fitness!

To overcome this challenge, the team became the 9ths under the guidance of Mrs Glynn. Winning every game in Term IV meant the team was lined up for a solid attack on an undefeated pennant. However, it turned out it would not be our year.

Term 1 began, and with Mrs Glynn sadly leaving the school, a new coach needed to be found. Mr Limbourn not only took over this position, but became our supervisor: someone who not only offered his expertise about the game; but also about life.

After playing Joey's at least twice in Term IV, Term 1 offered some tougher competition with the other Catholic school. In our last year of Basketball, we were glad to say that we won every game against Joey's, except for one, and had some convincing wins against other schools in the competition.

Our most memorable moment would be our defeat of Scots. The score was 75-0 with Simon Walsh scoring 26 points. Alongside this great memory, every member of the team provided their own memorable moments. Henry Shepherd's continual three-point attempts often ended in much laughter, but he made up for this with his on-court ball control. Simon Walsh provided great rebounds, and with his height, dominated the key.

Simon Moloney provided some solid attack and was always able to move the ball around the court. Guy Wall also took many three point shots, with his attempts actually going in. Ian Murphy, a late addition to the team, bought some much-needed skill.

Luke McGilvray constantly provided some very strong offensive and defensive moves, and was a very solid shooter. Justin Le Brocque provided solid ball movement, and was merited with many assists throughout the season. Doug Marshall not only provided transport, but also solid defence.

And even though they said it couldn't be done, once again the team spirit was alive and well. Despite not being undefeated, we did just that. We had a great time, lots of laughs, won some games and made some new friends. Many thanks go out to our coaches: Mrs Glynn in Term IV and Mr Limbourn in Term 1. Without their support, our team would be nothing. Thanks to the team for the great memories, and best of luck in their final year.

Members of the 9ths



From left, Justin le Brocque, Hugh Koh, Simon Walsh, Simon Moloney, Henry Shepherd

basketball 16A team

"Outstanding, amazing and unbelievable". Three words that describe the tenacious and unstoppable mighty 16A Basketball team coached by the very skillful and talented Mr Glenn Abrahams.

The 16A team consisted of 11 players, and with a few minor changes to the teams line-up, they were able to flourish and develop into exceptional basketball players.Each player's capacity for greatness was demonstrated every game, with a high level of attitude and co-ordination. In addition, at the start of Term 1, 2003, the team received a new player from Melbourne who undeniably had a large impact on the team's performance, raising it to a new level of excellence.



Back row, from left, James McCullagh, Kieran Grieves, Matthew Fernandez, Daniel Ahern, Adam Fitzgerald
Seated, from left, Mitchell Perrott, Edward Callanan, Mr Glenn Abrahams, Thomas O'Connor, Simon Grey

The 16A team started the season with a brilliant win over Sydney High, some saying about the match that, "there was a real sense of flair among the players and they are definitely the best team out there"(Stuart McLean).

As the season progressed the team became more comfortable with each other, settling into an orthodox pattern of game play that quickly turned out to be one of the main elements contributing to the team's great success. Their quick pace and rhythm was used to stun their opponents, leaving them spellbound and in awe of such a magnificent team of players.

The two point guards, Mitchell Perrott and Kieran Grieves used their skills in leading two separate groups of five players who would play one after each other throughout the game. Kieran was unstoppable with his mind-boggling ball skills along with his concise thinking each game. In addition, Kieran's shooting was always on target - he never missed a shot.

Mitch, well what can we say, he was a 'kid with flair' who had a gift of always creating open spaces for his team mates. Mitch personified the term, "there is no I in team" as he continually set up his players with easy shots and with amazing ball control Mitch made any hard trick look as if it was a stroll in the park.

As Josh Flanagan began to play for the 16A team the whole team asked, what is this kid doing here? He's way too good for us – as hard as that may seem. Well, Josh stayed on the team and every game dazzled the crowd and his team mates with his freakishly good shooting and mind-blowing ball skills as he drove the offence down the court, out played every player on the opposing team and scored a lay up as if he was practising at home.

Dan Ahern (MVP of the team) developed into a marvellous Basketball player as the season advanced, landing any tricky shot with his some what 'unorthodox' shooting style. Dan became a much cherished member of the team and continually cut into the key for the pass, dribbling past a couple of players and miraculously landing the ball through the ring.

A player who constantly gave 100%, some might say 110% each game, was Tom O'Connor. Tom played as a forward and sometimes a wing for the team and his ability to drive through a group of players, shoot, get the points and also draw the foul was a skill to be admired.

Matt Fernandez was a player who had capability and determination.Over and over again he used his left-hand advantage against his opponents taking them by surprise, jumping over their heads and scoring. Matt was a very treasured player on the team.

Simon Grey was one of the originals of the 16A team and showed how it's really done, as he swiftly weaved through his defending players and landed the shot. Simon was a wing for the team, using his height as an advantage as he set up his team's forwards with cleverly thought out shots and lay ups.

Dan Roach is one of those players who just has that ability to get any shot in, steal any ball and rebound every single ball. Dan had the gift of coordination and every game astonished the crowd and the opposition. When faced with a hard situation he simply got the shot in as if he were out for lunch. Dan rebounded each ball and passed it on a platter to the wings who would then shoot, and of course, get the shot in.

Every game Ed Callanan played brilliantly in the key with his right-on aim when shooting the ball. Once Ed got the ball, he would flip it up into the ring causing concern to the other team every time they saw Ed near the key.

Adam Fitzgerald could jump really high, run really fast and randomly shoot. He was a player who could relentlessly steal the ball off his opponent with his bullet proof defence and this, along with his remarkable speed, stopped any player from reaching the key successfully.

James McCullagh who received the award for Best Defence on the team was a player who had solid defence every game. He also improved his shooting ability as the season progressed.

As you can tell now the team was made up of 11 talented, skillful, determined, indestructible, amazing, outstanding, stupendously unbelievable young men who, without the support and encouragement from their very respected and loved coach, Mr Abrahams, would not have been able to reach the level of expertise they did by the end of the season.

Simon Gray and James McCullagh

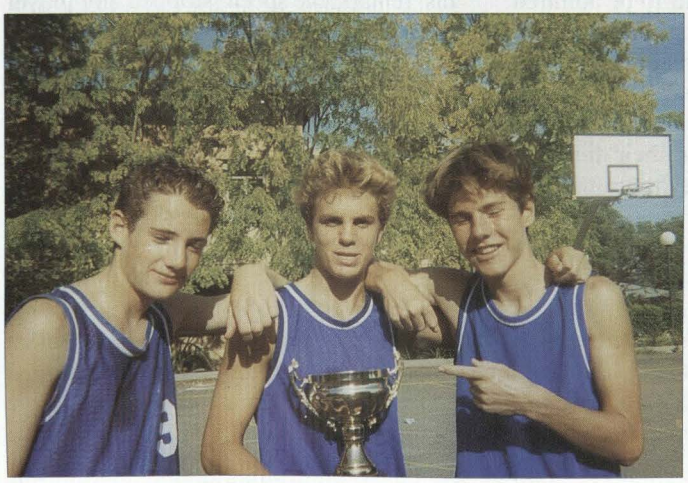


Back row, from left, Richard Colvin, Jack Friels, Sam Rush, Daniel B0urke, Liam Back, Mr Denis Kelliher
Seated, from left, James Evans, Matthew Hannaford, Henry Meagher, Patrick Liddy, Darius Navidzadeh

What can be said about this years 16C Basketball team? Dazzling, amazing, remarkable and exceptionally attractive and good looking are just some words which come to mind. One bystander remarked midway through the season was heard to say: "I don't believe I ever saw young men playing basketball, winning, and then having the decency to go and shake the opposing teams hands, win or lose, with a happy and congratulatory smile".

This team was not the tallest, fastest or strongest team in the comp but the players had heart and true team spirit. Of course they had extra little advantages such as Darius' speed, Henry Meagher's miracle three point shots and Matthew Hannafords gravity-defying Kobe Bryant imitating lay ups (not always pulling it off but it got the crowd on their feet).

But we all know games are not always won on shooting and speed. In our team we had our own secret ingredient – muscle, yeah ,muscle. Jack Friels with those abnormally large arms and Sam Rush's kind/aggressive spirit worked together as members of the 16C team continually leapt into the air to pluck the ball from the opposition.



From left, Liam Back, Patrick Liddy, James Evans

And then there was Richard Colvin James Evans and myself, Patrick Liddy who together produced some of the most dazzling steals and assists ever to grace Riverview's courts. We were the first line of attack and the last line of defence. Some might say we were the Australian Globetrotters, the back up men, the front line that faced adversity and conquered it with our bare hands. One of the many talents of these three men was their ability to keep a cool head under pressure and control the game with each of their own special talents.

There were two other fine students of the College who played in the 16C cup winning team: Liam Back and Daniel Burke. They were the backbone of this fine team with numerous three pointers and lay-ups between them and the ability to steal and assist almost as if they'd seen it before it happened. These two players were the all rounders of the team and the finest thing about them was their amazing sportsmanship. Throughout the year we played some difficult games, but these two young men always displayed control and excellence when under pressure.

The members of the 16C team thank the supporters who followed our progress throughout the year. We also send a from-the-heart thank-you to Mr Denis Kelliher (D.K.) who, only in his first year of coaching Basketball, managed to turn us turn a bunch of misfits into a cunning, fast, championship winning team. D.K. we salute you.

Patrick Liddy

basketball 16D team



Back row, from left, James Amodeo, Michael Porter, Andrew Kerridge, Damien O'Brien, Adriano Biviano
Seated, from left, Edward Benecke, Thomas Kirkham, Mr Declan O'Donoghue, Jack Fitzgerald, Daniel Horton

Our dream teams goal of going undefeated for the season came crashing down in the final game of the season against Sydney Grammar. Up to this point we seemed unstoppable with outstanding wins against all opposition.

Our season began with Sydney Grammar which we won 32-15, (ironically enough since this team would be the sword on which we were to fall). Following this we defeated Sydney High 26-8, and Scots 34-6.

We then travelled to Kings only to be crowned champs with an overwhelming score of 83-8. Our second last game of the season was against the talented Shore team but we were able to defeat them with a final score of 34-7.

Our final game of the season, against Sydney Grammar was a crucial one. Moreover, the opposition was very strong and revitalised. We battled hard but unfortunate errors and tactics on our part meant that we were at 8 fouls in each half, thus conceding free throws. We lost a valiant game 18-13.

Each player gave their all during the season and I think it would be fair to say that each one shone in different games thus showing the sign of a good team. A special thanks to our supporters and parents that followed us throughout the year.

Mr Declan O'Donoghue

16E team



Back row, from left, Damian Barlow, Nicholas Nedeljkovic,Patrick Lynch, Damien Morton, Francisco Hur
Seated, Joshua Bakhos, Peter Spratt, Ms Carol Kenny, Nicholas Morgan, Joseph Portelli

After a shaky start to the season against Sydney Grammar, the 16Es improved and played exceptionally well as the season progressed. All players trained hard throughout the season, and each week played together as a team.

At all times the team showed great spirit and enthusiasm. Defensively the team showed great promise, but in offence they needed to develop their skills. There were some losses but also some important wins. It was a season made enjoyable by the boys who were keen and reliable.

In our second game we played against a team made up of Trinity and Newington. This was a magnificent game and the boys had an exceptional win over the opposition.

The following game proved to be disappointing when we lost to Scots. Despite the loss, the 16Es never dropped their heads, because they had taken the game right to the Scots side proving to themselves and to Scots what a spirited side they were. In some ways this almost felt as good as a win to come so close to the highly rated Scots team. We also suffered a defeat to Shore at home.

We had a great win against Kings coming towards the end of the season. The second half saw the game go basket for basket for the first 10 minutes. Full credit to Kings who kept the game alive, hitting some good shots in and outside the arc. In the last 10 minutes of the game Riverview defeated Kings ending a tough game in fine style.

The main theme, which carried through the entire season, though, would have to be that of courage and determination. The team members must be commended for their obvious spirit. Despite being down a basket or two on occasions the boys worked hard tackling with vigour and determination.

One of the most exciting games of the season was the re-match against Sydney Grammar where we clenched a draw. Both teams produced some spectacular plays and shots and fortunately for both teams it ended in a draw.

Thanks to the players for a most enjoyable season and, in particular, thanks to an enthusiastic group of parents and friends who supported us. Special thanks to David Spratt and Denis Lynch for their assistance.

Ms Carol Kenny

The Term IV, 2002 trial season wasn't the most successful for us as we lost against Newington, Shore and Grammar. Newington was a tall and aggressive opposition who never failed to sink their baskets. The lack of height on our team made it difficult for us to get the upper hand under the basket. Shore was a team with much talent. Combined with height and skill they were unstoppable. Grammar had a few strong key players, who played with great skill and we had trouble stopping them.

Going into Term 1, 2003 we saw our centre and one of our better players Andrew Shaw leave for Queensland. Matthew Benjamin was brought up from the B team to fill his spot and this was a plus for us as we finally had some height on our side. George Locke also returned from his knee injury which gave the team a boost of confidence.

Our trial game against Grammar was disappointing with a loss. We then went into the next game all fired up and defeated Sydney Boys High quite convincingly. This game showed our potential to work as a team. Miss Protas taught us some moves to improve teamwork, such as the famous 2,1,2 offensive move and a zone defence. This enhanced our playing skills and led us to a victory against Scots College on a hot outdoor court.

Newington was our next game. We knew it would be tough. We went into this game very psyched up and itching for a win. We started off very well, leading at the halftime siren by about 10 points. However the second half saw us get maybe a little too confident and we ended up losing by 10 points.

Travelling out to Parramatta we played a very determined Kings side. Our game started off very slow, and we were matching each other point for point. At half time the scores were even. Miss Protas gave us a pep up talk and we were then determined not to disappoint her or our supporters. We won by 24 points.

Our next game was going to be the biggest challenge of the season, Shore. We came into the game more determined than ever. Just before the game was about to start, we found out that our coach was unwell and could not make our game. This put a bit of a dampener on our spirits but we were still determined to win this match. No matter how determined we were, we couldn't come up with the goods. The Shore team were superior to us in all aspects of the game that morning.

After a very large defeat to a skilled Shore team, we picked ourselves up and convincingly won over St Joseph's (64-15). It was a very fun, friendly game for our team, with everyone trying out some three pointers and new dribbling manoeuvres. Joey's took the defeat very well and were excellent sportsmen.



Back row, Malcolm Lynch, George Locke, Grant Clark, Mathew Benjamin, Rafael Del Rosario, Ms Venta Protas Seated, Mitchell Bye, Geoffrey Goddard, Adam Ahern, Murray Hansen, Edward Bailey

Our final and most intense game, was against Sydney Grammar School at the Gartlan. With two previous losses to them, we were determned to finish the season on a positive note and turn the final result in our favour. It started off slow with tension in the air. We went into half time down by 10 points. Miss Protas decided to try a brand new defensive move, playing a man to man on their star player and a box defence for the rest of the team. It worked and we took out the match by 12 points.

Overall, we found that throughout the season we developed many new skills (defensive, offensive, team-work and most of all communication.We had a lot of fun and tried our best in all we did during the season.

Murray Hansen, Geoffrey Goddard

Team review: Mitchell Bye: A guard with a lion's heart when it comes to putting in an effort and willing to learn. Improved immensely throughout the season with some good dribbling and moments of glory. (Joey's game in particular)

Edward Bailey: Also one of the most improved players this year, sinking many great baskets and showing a strong defensive determination.

Grant Clark: Grant was one of our more assertive players. When fired up, he was hard to stop. He developed great strength under the basket, pulling down some wonderful rebounds.

Rafael Del Rosario: An all-rounder. Could always be relied on to come through with the goods when needed. Solid in both offence (great hook shot) and defence. Wonderful shooting style.

George Locke:We're thinking of getting George a special passport, because he 'loves to travel' during games. George was fast on his feet and had that 'never give up' attitude in every game. Scored some crucial baskets.

Murray Hansen: One of the more consistent players this season. He's a keen and aggressive player who motivated the team and played superbly as a point guard. Scored a few great three pointers.

Adam Ahern: The quiet achiever. One of the team's sharp shooters from outside the key Has a wonderful flowing shooting style and was confident in helping bring down the ball. Always giving 100%.

Matthew Benjamin: Our big man in the middle. He was a daunting sight for the opposition. His skills continued to develop throughout the season. Scored some brilliant baskets in our final game against Grammar. He toughened up and used his size and skill under the basket to bring home a win for us. Definitely his best game of the season.

Malcolm Lynch: He has great ball handling skills, confidently bringing the ball upcourt. He frustrated the opposition many times, stealing the ball right out of their hands and playing a confident fast break. When on fire, there wasn't an outside shot he'd miss. (3 point king)

Geoff Goddard: A strong player in all areas of the game. Confident to drive through the key against larger players, drawing many crucial fouls. A confident player who went out on the court to do the best he could for the team. Great motivator.

Ms Venta Protas



Back row, Brett Constantine, Geoffrey Ternes, Charles Hemmings, Thomas Peattie
Seated, Benjamin Williams, Thomas Noel, Samuel Diacos, Richard Walsh, Christopher Long

15C team



Back row, from left, Mrs Joanne Schuster, Jack Graham, Nicholas Cheung, Hugo Kuan, Luke O'Donnell, Jarred Bambridge, Andrew Meade
Seated, from left, Benjamin Gilhome, Andrew Biady, James May, Richard McKeon, Jeremy Johnson

The 15C Basketball team for 2003 had quite a successful season, with wins against Joey's, Sydney High, Scots and Kings, and a very close final game against Sydney Grammar, throughout the GPS season.

The team was composed of 11 very spirited young men, whose commitment and enthusiasm for the game were incredible. Every week there was a display of courage, unbelievable teamwork and loads of encouragement from the bench. In a very positive season, this team showed the true Ignatian spirit of the school in every game and at every training session they attended. They were a tremendous team.

The highlight of the season was the defeat of Scots, 97 to 3 over at The Scots College. The team members were absolutely amazed at the score line and were very proud that week, with James May and Jarred Bambridge both scoring over 20 points.

Every player in this team had a special way that he contributed to the team. I asked the boys in the team to tell me what they thought of each other's performances this season:

'Jeremy Johnson was a fantastic team player who was always willing to do the job.' 'Jarred Bambridge is a talented player who was the main point scorer for our team.'

'Jack Graham was a good dribbler and always very enthusiastic in games and at training.'

'Andrew Biady is a good all-round player, who is quick, a good defender and a great shooter.'

'Hugo Kuan was a tall and skilled player, who was committed to the team and attended every game and training session.'

'Rick McKeon was one of our team's consistent players who scored quite a few points each week.'

'Nick Cheung had quite a good season. He has improved in his dribbling and defensive skills.'

'Andrew Meade was very good at running up the sidelines for a (high-jumping) lay up and intercepting the ball.'

'Ben Gilholme was one of our fast players who was good at intercepting and always willing to pass the ball.'

'James May was the point guard for the team, a consistent player and a fantastic shooter.'

'Luke O'Donnell was very insightful on the court and a great team player.'

Thank you to all of the members of the team and their families who supported us each week for a really great season.

Mrs Joanne Schuster

The 15D Basketball team were a very successful team with some convincing wins including one against Sydney Grammar. They had plenty of talent and were able to play as a team.

Sean Wood was known for his pace on the court and ability to intercept the ball. Oliver Clarke, Gerard Searle and James Rogge were very capable and adaptable players. The team relied on the height of Stephen Clement and Harry Peppitt to maximise rebound opportunities. Patrick Warnes, Leon Joseph and Mark Jeppeson all had pace and skill at both ends of the court and were able to get the 'points on the board'.

Andrew Turkington was a solid, reliable all-rounder. Owen Miller shows fantastic ball handling skills and Eamon Abdi (a newcomer to the team) showed much ability in defence.



Back row, from left, Gerard Searle, Eamon Abdi, Harry Peppitt, Stephen Clement, Mark Jeppeson, Leon Jospeh, Patrick Warnes
Seated, from left, Oliver Clarke, Sean Wood, Mr Jamie Smith, James Rogge, Owen Miller

14A team

Riverview started the year with an emphatic win over High 32-20. The standouts in this game were Mitchell Dawson and Patrick Bell. Both were dominant in getting the rebounds.

Game two was a thriller with Scots. Justin Manevski nailed some shots to keep the game close and Samuel Carruthers kept us in the game with 4 minutes to go. Unfortunately, the final score was 42-39 in favour of Scots.

The third game was against Newington and the boys dominated the match winning 47-26. Thomas Lowden and Thomas Krawiec both played extremely well by setting up some great plays for each team member to score baskets.



Back row, from left, Justin Manevski, Patrick Bell, Mitchell Dawson, David Constable, Thomas Neal
Seated, from left, Christopher Harrington, Thomas Lowden, Mr Bernie Winters, Lachlan Biancardi, Samuel Carruthers Absent: Thomas Krawiec

Game four was against Kings and we won 39-38. David Constable again maintained his driving skills throughout the game winning many valuable points.

We always knew we could win this and again came back from a seven-point deficit. Game five against Shore was the most demanding.

Early in this game Shore were leading by just 5 points due to our team's solid efforts and Lachlan Biancardi's ability to secure the ball in tough situations. However, despite this, we ended up losing 44-23. St Joseph's was the next game and we won 56-33. Christopher Harrington certainly played an important role within the team for this game, especially with his solid defence.

The last game for the season was against Grammar and we ended up winning 42-34. We came out quickly and held a 7 point lead the whole game. Thomas Neal was awesome and a courageous captain displaying the great determination that was evident in every game he played.

We finished the season with a successful record of 5 wins and 2 losses. I would like to thank the parents and boys for an enjoyable two terms of coaching. A special mention must go to Thomas Neal who contributed greatly to the writing of this article.

Mr Bernie Winters

basketball 14B team



Back row, from left, Huw Farrell, Sebastian Murphy, Michael King, James Nicholson, Christopher Gagliardi
Front row, from left, James Daly, Thomas McNamara, Ms Jennifer Richardson, Samuel Williams, Constantine Costi. Absent: Sven von Sperl

The 14B Basketball team had a wonderful season in 2002/2003. As the season progressed the boys developed their skills considerably and grew more confident on the court.

We had a balanced mix of quick offensive players, capable of making fast breaks, and a solid defensive unit, which slowed down the opposition in offensive.

James Daly, also known as Dales or just Daly, improved greatly over the year. He was one of the team's key players in taking the ball down the line as well as sinking most of the baskets that he shot.

Michael King was affectionately known as Kingo and 'Lanky' because of his height. Michael had a great impact in the game with his rebounds and shooting. In the last game he even sunk a shot from way out of the 3 point line.

The captain of the team, James Nicholson, was involved in most aspects of the game. Nicholson as he is usually called was a great shooter and defender. He made many rejections throughout the season, and therefore he was a good defender.

Constantine Costi was also a great defender. He coped well under pressure and was always on target when he shot. When Con was defending he almost mirrored the attackers every move and therefore came out with many intercepts.

Sam Williams was a great leader of the team. Even when we would be losing with no chance of coming back for a surprise win, he still managed to keep cool and confident. Sam would always think of new advice and never called out the same thing twice.

Chris Gagliardi helped everybody have fun while playing. He was never able to keep a straight face. Chris was a great dribbler of the ball. He also made some great passes and was a good team player.

Huw Farrell was like Chris in that he, too, couldn't hold a straight face. He wore number 32 because he thought it could make him play like Magic Johnson. That didn't actually happen, however, Huw was a great dribbler and shooter. Sebastian Murphy was an accurate shooter and gained confidence throughout the year with his dribbling. He was a good defender and most people could not get the ball past him.

Sven von Sperl was a key player in taking the ball down the court. Sven also never missed a lay up. He had great ball control and it was almost impossible to get the ball of him.

Tom McNamara was good in defence and occasionally took the ball up the court. He would usually wait down the opposite end of the court and be prepared for the fast break.

Overall the 14B players worked well as a team, were enthusiastic and committed to training sessions and matches.

Tom McNamara

This season saw many games go down to the wire. There were at least five games where the winning margin was 5 points or less, so there were many exciting finishes with luck unfortunately not always going our way.

One memorable game was the game against Joey's. The team players were in their element and everything we had been working on at training seemed to fall into place. It was a great victory, 49 – 17.

All the players made their contributions to the team in their own way. Raymon Mainsbridge and Matthew Kirkwood showed their skills by driving through defence to score many of their points.



Back row, from left, Gabriel Navidzadeh, Matthew Kirkwood, Maxim Hutton, Raymon Mainsbridge, Lukas Perrott, Joshua Hung
Seated, from left, Nathan Vaz, Stephen Manna, Mr Daniel Hyde, Patrick Moran, Richard Montano
Absent: Andrew Frawley

Maxim Hutton and Gabriel Navidzadeh used their speed and agility to run down opposition players to cause a turnover. Players such as Joshua Hung, Nathan Vas, Richard Montano and Patrick Moran broke down many of the opposition's attacking strategies with their defensive skills. Andrew Frawley and Lukas Perrott provided numerous scoring opportunities by bringing the ball down the length of the court. Stephen Manna displayed his shooting prowess, scoring many of his baskets from outside the key. The team was very competitive throughout the season and learned many new skills.

Mr Daniel Hyde

14D team

Considering the fact that they were stuck with a coach who knew absolutely nothing about Basketball, the 14D team had an extremely successful season. Right from the beginning, they showed huge enthusiasm in training and this really shone through in their games each Saturday.

Phil Barton, Pat Carey, Stephen Mesa, Chris Rooney and Myles Docker were our stronghold in defence. They stuck to their opposite numbers like glue and when the occasional ball slipped past them, they were moving the ball back up the court moments later.



Back row, from left, Stephen Mesa, Philip Barton, Patrick Carey, Timothy Higgins, Christopher Rooney
Seated, from left, Brendan Cameron, John Fennel, Mr Damien Molony, Thomas Lowrey, Alexander Cantori

Brendan Cameron was our 'midway man' up until the start of the GPS season. However, having studied the style and pattern of the other team's plays, he invented a position what is now known as 'The Annoyer', which required a sharp mind and an incredible amount of stamina. Brendan was a vital part of the team.

Tom Lowrey, Tim Higgins and Chris Natale scored an impressive amount of baskets this season, rarely missing and always available to run back to help out in defence. Defenders on the opposite team found it very difficult to mark Tim, Tom and Chris.

Alex Cantori was our only main attacker, lurking in the shadows waiting for the ball to be sent flying up to him so he could score an important lay-up.

Our all-rounder, John Fennel, was and is a superb player. His dribbling skills made his opponents dizzy and his ability to shoot from all angles of the court was also quite impressive.

Finally, I would like to thank Mr. Daniel Hyde for all his help with the 14D team this year and I would like to thank the 'legendary" 14 Ds for teaching me the game of Basketball !

Mr Damien Molony

basketball 13A team



Back row, from left, Adam Bowers, Kir Deng, John-Paul Daneel, Nicholas Mallett
Seated, from left, Matthew Burns, Steven Kalyk, Nicholas Martinez, Conrad Hor, Jack Diserens



13B team

Back row, from left, Matthew Taylor, Jayden Bedford, Drew Collins, Matthew Stenmark, Jack Masi
Seated from left, Bede Kennedy, Nicholas Hill, Thomas Mort, Matthew Emmett, Matthew Wyndham

This year saw the 13C team players have a very successful session winning 5 out of their 6 matches. The team worked well together and displayed excellent teamwork skills in all games.

Tim Diacos and Daniel Gormly supported the team with consistent efforts in defence and attack each week.

James Kelly was the team's highest goal scorer and displayed excellent skills and scored lay ups with ease.

Alex Ng and Adam Cogar were the stars of the team, working tirelessly each week and proving that not all great basketball players are 6 feet tall.



Back row, from left, Thomas Kertesz, James Kelly, Laurence Parker
Seated, from left, Daniel Gormly, Nicholas Jamieson, Benjamin Murphy, Timothy Diacos, Adam Cogar
Absent: Alexander Ng, William Dent

Laurence Parker and Ben Murphy were consistently making fast and skillful attacking plays and displayed excellent team work. Thomas Kertesz and Nicholas Jamieson were both solid players in defence each week. William Dent was a great attacker who one day will be a 3 point star.

The session started well with two convincing wins against SBHS and Scots. Despite the ease of these games the boys played hard for the full 40 minutes.

The next three games were a lot closer and the team developed a game plan of slow starts which resulted in those on the side lines being a little concerned. After the first 10 minutes the boys seemed to wake up and then pull away from the opposition to finish at least 10 points in front. In the final game they were defeated by Sydney Grammar in a closely contested match.

Ms Jenny Chalker

13D team

The 13D Basketball team played an exceptional season for 2003.

Of all the games played, only two were lost to Sydney Grammar, and one drawn, but a great effort was portrayed by all players throughout all the early morning Saturday games.

We had some very good shooters in the team: Simon Hore-Thorburn, Jake Stevens, Toby Wiche and Matthew Ahern. These boys also showed great team effort by helping out the 13 E team on several occasions.

Our fantastic dribblers, Hugh Baulderstone, William Roberts and Matthew Andersen always knew where their fellow team members were on the court. Often, they certainly performed some extraordinary passes to the other players so as to get the balls ready for shooting.



Back row, from left, Toby Wiche, Jacob Stevens, Christopher McClay, William Roberts, Alexander Sharpe, Hugh Baulderstone, Ms Stella Ianni
Seated, from left, Adam Abdi, Bartholomew Glasheen, Simon Hore-Thorburn, Matthew Ahern, Joseph Trotter

And last but not least: were our great defenders, who continually demonstrated that defending is indeed a real art form. Congratulations must go to Joseph Trotter, Alexander Sharpe, Adam Abdi, and Christopher McClay for their determination and effort. This was an excellent team which achieved excellent results! The boys brought a positive and fun attitude to every training session.

Ms Stella Ianni

basketball 13E team

The 13E team was a team which had a variety of talents and skills. And one of their greaest gifts was the ability to appreciate that each individual is central to the game. Every member of the team helped one another; the boys shared their skills and performed to the best of their potential even though the season was a difficult one.

In this team, our great shooters proved to be outstanding. Congratulations must go to: Bartholomew Glasheen, Nicholas Ryan, Christopher Bonnici and Christopher Ratcliffe.

Our great defenders tried their best to not let the ball slip into the opposition's hands. This was a great team effort by Timothy Heffernan, Sean Law, Mitchell Soden, and Matthew Clune.

Our dribblers, James Hunt, Leonard Law and Tim Benson did their utmost to pass the ball to the shooters. Not all games were victories on the court, but they were victories on the training courts, as each player gave nothing else but his very best. In so many ways this was a successful season even though this wasn't reflected in the points on the scoreboard.



Back row, from left, Nicholas Ryan, Christopher Ratcliffe, Mitchell Soden, Matthew Andersen, Matthew Clune, Christopher Bonnici, Ms Stella Ianni
Seated, from left, Timothy Heffernan, Leonard Law, James Hunt, Sean Law, Timothy Benson

Ms Stella Ianni

prep A team

The Prep A Basketball team started the season on a high, with a resounding 75 - 39 victory over Newington Lindfield. The team then followed up this performance with solid victories over both Mosman Prep and SCECGS Redlands. The teams' only defeat so far this season was a 2 point loss to a strong Grammar Edgecliff, 31-29.

One of the most pleasing aspects of this year's team is that 6 of the 12 players used are from Year 5 and this depth should prove very valuable next season.

The team was led by a talented back-court of Alex Martinez and Jeffrey Gatt and they were assisted by Michael Golding and Patrick Lane. Tim Pascoe and Ivan Pavlovic gave us size inside the key, while Matthew Robinson, Llewellyn Cross, Brendan Dale, Chris Moore and Thomas Corrigan, played various roles in both offence and defensive.



Back row, from left, Christopher Moore, Matthew Robinson, Ivan Pavlovic, Timothy Pascoe, Llewellyn Cross, Brendan Dale
Front row, from left, Michael Golding, Alexander Martinez, Mr Peter Rizzardini, Thomas Corrigan, Jeffrey Gatt

The team preformed well at both ends of the court and I was impressed with their sportsmanship and commitment.

Jeffrey Gatt, Matthew Robinson, Chris Moore and Alex Martinez all gave good accounts of themselves at the JSHAA selection trials, with Alex Martinez being chosen in the JSHAA squad to trial for the CIS team.

Mr Peter Rizzardini

The Prep B team had a most exciting season – they didn't lose a match and amassed over 100 points in four games conceding less than 30 points.

The team was helped by strong rebounding from Anthony Sullivan, Alec Preece, Nicholas Hovey and William Bigelow.

This in turn set up our fast break for James L'Heude, Nicholas Dye and Alex Bennett. Patrick Lane Jonathan Shuttleworth were responsible for looking after the ball on offence.

Three of the players in the Prep B team, William Powell, Patrick Lane and Ivan Pavlovic, were also called upon to play at various times in the Prep A team. Patrick and Ivan becoame regular features of the A squad. I thank all of those parents who attended the games and were willing to assist with bench duties.

Mr Peter Rizzardini



Back row, from left, Alexander Bennett, William Powell, Alec Preece, Anthony Sullivan, William Bigelow, Patrick Lane
Seated, from left, James L'Heude, Jonathan Shuttleworth, Mr Peter Rizzardini, Nicholas Hovey, Nicholas Dye

prep C team

This highly talented team had a great start to the season winning all their matches in Term I and promising more in Term IV.

The boys in this team play an exciting brand of Basketball, highlighted by tough defence and exciting attacking raids. It is a well-balanced team and the players enjoy their sport. They have high skill levels and lots of enthusiasm and determination to play well as a team.

Sam Tyrell, Michael Dempsey, Chris McNamara and James Dooley play an aggressive and tough defence, rebounding well and dominating in the air.

Liam Prosser, Giancarlo Giacomazzi, Alex McManus and Jonathan Roel display excellent handling and dribbling skills as well as aggressive defence.Thomas O'Brien, James McCallum and Thomas Fitzsimons are developing good skills to round off the team.



Back row, from left, Thomas O'Brien, Christopher McNamara, Michael Dempsey, Samuel Tyrell, James Dooley, Thomas Fitzsimons, James McCallum
Seated, from left, Alexander McManus, Jonathan Roel, Mr Michael Noud, Liam Prosser, Giancarlo Giacomazzi

In round 1, the team had a 53-0 win against Newington. This was followed by 5012 win against Mosman Prep, 40-6 win against Sydney Grammar, Edgecliff and finally a hard fought win, 26-18 against SCECGS Redlands. The team are congratulated on an excellent season.

Mr Michael Noud

basketball prep D team

The Regis D Basketball team had a successful start to their season. Basketball in the junior divisions is played in Term I and IV. and for many boys in this team it was their first experience of representing the College. Overall, 4 matches were played with 1 match washed out.

This team has developed into a strong unit with an emphasis on team play and solid defence. A first round win of 63-0 against Newington was a good indication that this would be a strong team.

This was followed up by 33-6 win against Mosman, 55-12 win against Sydney Grammar, Edgecliff. In game 4, the D team then lost 10-16 to SCECGS Redlands, a strong second half displaying their skills.



Back row, from left, Thomas Edwards, Hayden Protich, Thomas Aitchison, James Livesey, Michael Costi, Tobias Hunt, Thomas Sutherland
Seated, from left, Stephen Marshall, Andrew Bigg, Mr Michael Noud, Jordan Heyer-Wright, James Zimbulis

Tobias Hunt, Hayden Protich, Jordan Heyer-Wright, Thomas Aitchison, Stephen Marshall and James Livesey, established themselves as solid in defence and offence. Andrew Bigg, Michael Costi, James Zimbulis, Tom Sutherland and Thomas Edwards are developing strongly and promise positive displays later in the year.

Mr Michael Noud

prep E team



Back row, from left, James Colla, Thomas Powell, Jack McElhone, Hugh Delaney, Edward McGowan
Seated, from left, Marc Rahme, Michael Wewege, Mrs Margaret Cullen, James Hanrahan, Thomas Hartigan
Absent: Thomas Cohen



Back row, from left, Liam Carmody, James Warne, Andrew Clune, Patrick O'Neill
Seated, from left, Thomas Barkl, Henry Hyde, Mrs Margaret Cullen, Albert Hyde, Joe Brown

The Prep E and F Basketball Teams formed a new squad in the Regis Campus this year. For many boys it was their first experience of playing Basketball at a competitive level. Thus, new skills and conventions and the idea of team play had to be learned and practised.

In the Prep E team, James Colla, Marc Rahme, Jack McElhone and Thomas Hartigan showed that they were capable of making speedy attacking forays whilst also working on their defensive game.

Edward McGowan, Thomas Barkl, Michael Wewege and Thomas Powell improved in all aspects of the game acquiring many new skills which will enhance their play in Term IV.

The Prep E team had a couple of solid wins in a fairly short season and with a little more accuracy and consistency in goal shooting this team offers much for the future.

The Prep F team certainly showed a fighting spirit in all their games, never giving up, especially in the final game of the season against Grammar when they came from being well beaten to almost snatch victory. Again, this team consisted of players who were new to the game.

With many new rules and skills to learn, the boys listened and practised well at training sessions and set about putting these skills into their team games.

The Prep F team included: Joe Brown, Liam Carmody, Andrew Clune, Hugh Delaney, James Hanrahan, Albert Hyde, Henry Hyde, Patrick O'Neill and James Warne.

Many thanks to the parents of both teams who were most supportive throughout the season.

Mrs Margaret Cullen



cricket



Back row, from left, Stuart McLean, Damian Raper, James Fitzgerald, Jackson Bird, Edward Tighe, James Montano
Seated, from left, Daniel Kelly, Timothy Byrne, Mr Mark McGinnity, Timothy Harrington (captain), Mr James Rodgers, Myles Rogerson, Mark Longhurst

To finish equal second on the GPS ladder after the seven rounds was a very pleasing performance by this inexperienced side. With only two players returning from the previous victorious season the task was always going to be a challenging one. Congratulations to Newington College, the eventual premiers, who had set up an almost unassailable lead by the end of the fourth round.

At Christmas there was only one team below us on the ladder and even though rain precluded us the possibility of scoring first innings points when in a good position against Scots we still managed to come home with a wet sail and finish as runners up.

Even though we lost our first two games, convincingly to Newington in Round 1 and by the barest of margins to Shore in Round 2, we still had our opportunities to win the competition. Unfortunately lapses in concentration at crucial times and some poor second innings batting performances meant that we did not put sufficient pressure on frontrunners Newington.

Indeed it was only in the last game that we were able to notch that elusive outright victory against St Joseph's. For such a strong bowling side it was frustrating that this had been so long in coming. To illustrate the strength of our bowling only one side scored more than 200 against us in the entire season and that was Newington's 203 on the very first day of the competition. This was a remarkable feat considering the wonderful batting tracks and lightning fast outfields evident throughout the drought affected season.

Captain, Tim Harrington, led from the front in all ways. He top scored with the bat, took the most wickets, and pulled off some outstanding catches in close, as well as attacking the opposition at every opportunity. Tim was never happy to allow the game to simply drift along and was constantly thinking of ways to make things happen on the cricket field.

The team was a very happy group and this was very much a reflection of Tim's positive and harmonious leadership style. Tim was ably assisted by the quiet student of the game, Mark Longhurst, who also brought great leadership experience to the side.

It was always a pleasure to attend matches with the ever cheerful band of parental supporters in attendance. The lunches at Riverview are regarded as the best in the GPS and these are evidence of the wonderfully generous group of parents who go to such great lengths to support their sons and at the same time enhance the Riverview reputation for hospitality. To all those who variously helped with the scoring, organising the drinks, putting out the boundary markers and the host of other activities that are necessary to have a GPS cricket game run smoothly, I extend my personal thanks. This freely given support made for a most enjoyable season.

A special thank you to James Rodgers who assisted with the training of the team during the week and whose words of cricket wisdom were greatly appreciated. And finally thanks also to Andrew Szabo, who as Master in Charge of Cricket, ensured that all was provided to make for a most enjoyable and smoothly run season.

Mr Mark McGinnity

Round 1 vs Newington College at Newington, 26/10/02 & 2/11/02

NC 203 and 7-137 defeated SIC 133 on first innings by 70 runs.

This was a good toss for Newington to win. They batted first in very blustery conditions that made it difficult for the medium pacers to bowl into the strong southerly.

The first wicket to fall to a bowler came with the score on 67 when Stuart McLean bowled their number three batsman with a beautifully flighted delivery that bounced and spun past the bat. Tim Harrington switched the bowlers very well but while containing the batsmen we were unable to get the necessary breakthrough.

Change bowler Daniel Kelly slipped one through the batsmen's defence which was quickly followed by Harrington picking up the wicket of their established batsman S Cush for 74.

Jack Bird chipped in with the next two wickets giving James Montano his first catch behind the stumps in a GPS fixture and bowling their big hitting captain. Harrington, Raper and Tighe finished off the tail for Newington to be dismissed for 203 in the 89th over. Newington lost their last eight wickets for 80 runs so we had fought back well to contain them to a reasonable score. Our ground fielding was generally very good but a few sharp catches went down.

We had 8 overs to face to finish the day. With a howling southerly behind him their opening quick was quite sharp and we lost three wickets to be 3/22 overnight.

The wind had abated by the second week and the conditions were excellent for cricket. Harrington and Raper batted very well to take us to 3/69 compiling 46 runs in 13 overs and Newington were looking worried. Unfortunately we lost a quick three wickets to set us on the back foot and we slumped to be 6/73.

Fitzgerald and Byrne saw us through to lunch with good concentration. At 6/110 it was still our game for the taking. Just after lunch Fitzgerald was bowled for18 and two more quick wickets fell as we slumped to be 9/114.

Then followed what was probably the highlight of the day for us. James Montano and Stuart McLean, both Year 9 students, batted courageously for 58 minutes withstanding the barrage of an increasingly frustrated Newington attack to put on 19 runs for the last wicket. We finished with 133.

For the remainder of the day Newington batted out time but not without a few anxious moments as Harrington bowled their first two batsmen with some fiery deliveries and Stuart McLean again flighted the ball well to snare 3/6 off his first three overs.

Round 2 vs Shore at Riverview, 9/11/02 & 16/11/02

Shore 170 and 5-173 defeated SIC 165 and 5-147 by 5 runs

After losing the toss and having to bowl in hot, dry conditions with a lightning quick outfield to dismiss Shore for 170 was a pleasing effort. Shore was struggling with Tim Harrington picking up two early wickets to some sharp catches by Mark Longhurst at short leg and Dan Kelly in the slips.

Shore then had an 80 run partnership for the third wicket to be 2/102 before the flighted spin of Stuart McLean made the breakthrough. Captain Tim Harrington again rotated his bowlers superbly in the hot conditions and in a 54 over innings nine bowlers were used.

Dan Kelly bowled straight and with a little bit of outswing to pick up two vital wickets. Our catching was much improved with Jack Bird leading the way with two good slip catches.

With a difficult 20 minute period before tea openers Mark Longhurst and Myles Rogerson looked quite comfortable until an unfortunate runout saw us 1/22 at the break. Tim Harrington again looked very comfortable and took the score on to 53 before being caught off the gloves while hooking and Mark Longhurst got one that stayed low to be out LBW for 34 when the score was 64.

Overnight we were 6/134 still requiring 37 runs for victory. We lost an early wicket to be 7/135 whence Ed Tighe joined Tim Byrne and they calmly took the score on to 164 before Tim was lbw trying to turn a ball on the leg side and Stuart McLean followed soon after.

In the absence of James Montano, injured at training during the week, we had fallen a frustrating five runs short of the Shore total.

In Shore's second innings we had them 5/85 but an 88 run 6th wicket partnership took the game out of our reach. Shore declared setting us 180 runs in just 33 overs. We never really looked like meeting this target in the required overs but some heavy hitting by Tim Harrington 58no and Tim Byrne 47 saw us reach 5/147.

Round 3 vs Sydney Grammar School at Weigall, 23/11/02 & 30/11/02

SIC 297 defeated SGS 164 and 8-168 on first innings by 133 runs

Excellent application by all batsmen saw us amass the highest score between these schools in the last eight years. James Fitzgerald showed great concentration and focus for his 68 and was out to a great catch. His innings included two 6s and eight 4s and lasted 128 minutes.

It was pleasing to see a batsman occupying the crease for more than one session of play. Tim Harrington's innings (three 6s and seven 4s) took the initiative away from the Grammar bowlers while he was very capably supported by Damian Raper (44) and Jack Bird (26).

Grammar had to face 18 overs at the end of the first day and were four wickets down after some brilliant fielding by our side. Mark Longhurst's run out of their No 3 batsman by flicking the ball onto the stumps from short leg showed magnificent reflexes and the benefit of staying down when fielding in this vital position.

Tim Byrne took a tidy slip catch while Stuart McLean's catch diving forward at square leg after the ball had ricocheted off the body of Longhurst at short leg was a highlight of the day.

In the second week the weather was overcast and in the first 22 overs well before lunch Grammar had lost five more wickets to be 9/115. A stubborn 49 run last week partnership in just over 15 overs dragged the Grammar first innings on until after the lunch break finishing with 164. Asking Grammar to bat again there were still 60 overs to play in the day. Grammar put up stout resistance and after 49 overs they had wiped out the deficit for the loss of 7 wickets.

Our concentration lapsed a little at this stage with some players seemingly more interested in the evening's activities than the game at hand. Grammar finished 8 wickets down but we had lost a valuable opportunity to collect outright points. James Fitzgerald bowled in spirited fashion to complete a fine all round performance finishing with 4/32 from 14 overs.

Round 4 vs Sydney High School at McKay Oval, 1/2/03 & 8/2/03

SIC 203 and 74 defeated SHS 187 and 6-81 on first innings by 16 runs

After a victorious tour to Adelaide the team were confident of performing well against the second placed Sydney High

School. Inexplicably sent in to bat we were in a fine position at 3/174 and looking to amass a large total. Tim Harrington had pounded 48 runs in even time and Myles Rogerson had shown wonderful concentration opening the innings to compile 56 runs.

Unfortunately our innings fell away from here and we succumbed to some accurate but not intimidating medium pace bowling to be all out for a disappointing 203.

At the end of Day 1 Sydney High was 5/82 after two excellent run outs. The first a direct hit by James McDougall eliminated their opener and then a smart throw from cover by Dan Kelly ran out their No. 4 batsman.

It took a further 42 overs to dismiss the High batsman on the second day. We were again frustrated by a last wicket partnership of 22 runs which brought the High side within 16 runs of victory. Mark Longhurst bowled tightly to finish with 2/7 from 10 overs including five maidens.

The plan in our second innings was to get some batting practice and while there were only 52 overs remaining, perhaps set a target in the last session depending on how rapidly we had scored. The glorious uncertainty of cricket was never more evident than when we collapsed to be all out for a total of 74 on the wearing wicket. This left the High team 90 runs to score in 20 overs for outright victory.

Tim Harrington and Tim Byrne bowled accurately finishing with 3/25 and 2/24 respectively after their eight over spells. In a thrilling finish. James Fitzgerald and Mark Longhurst bowled out the overs with Sydney High finishing 9 runs and us 4 wickets short of outright victory.

Round 5 vs The Scots College at Riverview, 15/2/03 & 22/2/03

SIC 240 drew with TSC 0-23

Tim Harrington called correctly at the toss and we batted first against the Scots team who were tied with us on the competition ladder. This was one of our better batting performances of the season as we put together a number of partnerships to finish with 240.

Tim Byrne displayed tremendous grit and good technique in compiling his 54 while the 75 run sixth wicket partnership between Damian Raper (43) and Jack Bird (42) put us in control of the game.

Ed Tighe whose batting was a feature of the second half of the season chipped in with a useful 24 runs batting at Number 9. Unfortunately we only had six overs at the Scots' batsmen before bad light stopped play on the first day.

On the second day we arrived to find that the drought in Sydney had broken and water had leaked under the covers. With steady drizzle on the coast and little chance of the wicket drying out play was abandoned for the day. In the extraordinarily dry summer this was to be the only weather-affected game of the season.

Round 6 vs The Kings School at Riverview, 1/3/03 & 8/3/03

SIC 135 and 7-114 defeated TKS 122 and 9(dec)-198 on first innings by 13 runs

On an absolutely perfect day for cricket at Riverview the King's School won the toss and batted. After wicketkeeper James Montano took a tidy catch to dismiss their combined GPS opening bat off the bowling of Jack Bird early in the day the Kings batsmen comfortably took the score along to be 1/65 after the drinks break. There did not appear to be much in the wicket for the bowlers and the outfield was fast. Captain Harrington called the unassuming spinner McLean and the fiery medium pacer Fitzgerald into the attack.

In just over an hour and in the space of just 19 overs for the addition of only 49 runs the Kings' ninth wicket had fallen and each of these bowlers had four wickets apiece. McLean with excellent flight and turn and Fitzgerald with pace and accuracy had destroyed the Kings innings and their premiership aspirations.

After lunch it was a contest to see who would end with the first five wicket haul of the GPS season. This honour went to McLean as he had their last batsman caught at mid off to end the innings with the modest total of 122.

Our batsmen made heavy work of the chase. After a 37 run opening partnership between Rogerson and Byrne we lost five wickets for the addition of another 37. Damian Raper and Ed Tighe added 40 for the sixth wicket to get us within sight of victory. We ended up passing their total seven wickets down but we hadn't really taken full advantage of the excellent position our bowlers had put us in when we were dismissed for 135.

In Kings' second innings we had them 5/84 in the 40th over but could not contain their lower order batsmen who put on 124 runs in the next 21 overs. They declared at 8/198 leaving us a target of 186 to get in 44 overs on a good wicket. Unfortunately our second innings saw us collapse to be 7/63 with 22 overs still to be faced. Dan Kelly (30no) and Myles Rogerson (12no) steered us away from the possibility of an outright defeat and we finished well short of our target at 7/114.

Round 7 vs St Joseph's College at Riverview, 15/3/03 & 22/3/03

SIC 199 and 5(dec)-101 defeated SJC 110 and 182 outright by 8 runs

In the final match of the season St Joseph's sent us in to bat on another beautiful wicket. They were chasing Newington at the top of the ladder and if results went their way they were a chance to win the premiership. Being two wickets down with only six runs on the board was not the start we had been looking for.

However,Longhurst and Harrington added 55 for the third wicket in steady fashion. Harrington was the fifth wicket to fall with our score on 98. Such was the dominance of his batting that he had scored 63 of this total. James Fitzgerald again showed his talents with the bat to finish with a very important 50 ably supported by Kelly (23) to take us to a respectable 199.

At the end of the first day St Joseph's were 4/50 with Ed Tighe and James Fitzgerald picking up two wickets each with their medium pacers. In the second week St Joseph's steadily progressed until the score was on 72 when Mark Longhurst again brought off a magnificent run out from the short leg position to remove their stubborn opener. This precipitated a collapse and they were all out for 111. Stuart McLean cleaned up the tail finishing with 3/6 from 6 overs.

There were still 70 overs to play in the day and we batted again declaring at 5/101. Mark Longhurst's 40no was the highlight of this innings. This left St Joseph's a target of 190 runs from the remaining 37 overs. At one stage in the run chase St Joseph's were 3/164 in the 27th over.

With 7 wickets in hand and 10 overs remaining they needed only 26 runs for what appeared certain victory. Tim Harrington and Ed Tighe bowled the final overs and under great pressure attacked the stumps.

In 8.2 nail biting overs we took 7 St Joseph's wickets for just 18 runs to wrap up a memorable and rare outright victory over our friends from across the river. Tim finished with a deserved five wicket haul to take his tally for the season to 29 wickets.

Mr Mark McGinnity

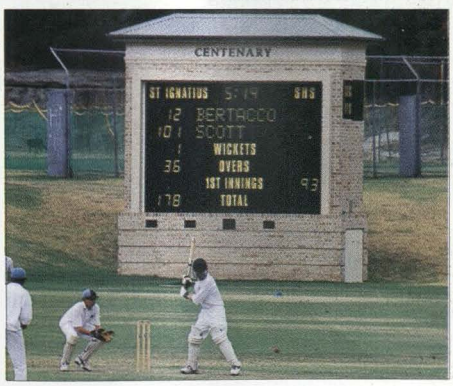


Back row, from left, Jason Bertacco, Jack Dwyer, Timothy Brown, Michael Reardon, Phillip Mahony, Michael McLean, Daniel Lenehan
Seated, from left, Mark Scott, Matthew Miles, Samuel Watson (captain), Mr Terry Sheehan, James McDougall, Jack O'Brien, Mr James Rodgers

A measure of the closeness of the season for the 2nd XI can be seen in that the final result of the season came down to the last over of the last day of the season. Had the team scored another five runs the result of the final match would have been reversed, as would have been the final placings, which saw the 2nd XI come second to St Joseph's College.

Throughout the season the team played positive, aggressive and attractive cricket. Most pleasingly for the coach was the willingness of all players to put up their hand when needed. This was best exemplified in the match against Scots, where, in a very tight match, a number of small but significant contributions were made. Phil Mahony scored a very important 24 in a total of only 73.

James McDougall took 4 for 28 off 8 overs whilst at the other end Michael Reardon's six overs cost only 14 runs to help maintain the pressure in a match where runs were at a premium. Tim Brown, 3 for 5 and Dan Lenehan, 2 for 17 finished off the tail. The final wicket was a run out from a sharp throw from Tim to the keeper to see Scots all out for 71. This match best exemplified what this team was about.



In the final match against St Joseph's, which was always an exciting encounter, the team played to the end and never surrendered. Tim Brown's effort that afternoon of 11.3-5-19-7, including 6 wickets in his last 6 overs, will be remembered by all who were present, both friend and opponent alike, for many years. In spite of their disappointment at being defeated our players maintained their dignity and composure.

The bulk of the wickets fell to Tim Brown 25 wickets at 11 each, Dan Lenehan 23 at 11.22 and James McDougall 22 at 11.36. Jack Dwyer and Mark Scott took most of the remaining wickets. Outstanding bowling performances included Tim Brown with match figures of 9 for 34 against SJC and 3-5 versus Scots and Jack Dwyer's 5-19 versus Kings. In the game against Shore James McDougall finished with match figures of 8 – 30 and Dan Lenehan took 9 for 64 for the match whilst Mark Scott took 3 for 1.

Michael Reardon had a relatively lean season in terms of wickets taken, however he produced a number of tight spells which did not allow the batsmen any respite. The most notable of these was against Newington in the first match of the season, where his figures of 16-7-27-1 helped to pin the opposition down early in their innings.

The standard of the ground fielding was quite high and the credit for this lies with Mr James Rodgers who has many innovative and demanding drills. The way in which the boys responded to these drills was excellent, and the results on the following Saturdays were commented on by a number of opposition coaches and captains. In the field, Sam Watson, Matthew Miles, Phil Mahony and Dan Lenehan led the way.

Jack O'Brien had a very solid season behind the stumps. His encouragement and leadership of the fielding was outstanding. A personal highpoint for Jack was the 6 catches (4 in the second innings) that he took in the match against Shore.

The batting, whilst usually good, was not as consistent as needed. Only 2 batsmen, namely the openers, showed any consistency. Mark Scott led the way with 292 runs at an average of 26.55 and



Michael McLean scored 267, with 3 not outs, at 38.14. This pair scored over one third of the total runs between them.

The fact that the team was in such a competitive position throughout the season is due largely to these two. Without their efforts the bowlers would have had very little to work with. If neither scored, which was rarely, the team was usually looking for runs.

Both scored hundreds and fifties during the season and put together an outstanding opening partnership of 144 in 31 overs against High to set up an outright victory. Mark's 81 in the first match against Newington help to set the tone for the season.

Other significant partnerships were 108, in 18 overs, by Mark Scott and Tim Brown against Newington. In the same match Jack Dwyer and Dan Lenehan scored 63 for the ninth wicket. Michael McLean and Phil Mahony scored 94 in 14 overs against Kings. Tim Brown scored a fifty and a 40 before Christmas, but was not as effective after the break. At the end of the season Jason Bertacco showed that he has a fair degree of potential.

Dan Lenehan, James Dwyer and James McDougall played a number of significant innings in which the tail played an important part. However, too often good starts were not built upon.

Sam Watson's captaincy was outstanding. The College is fortunate indeed to have such a fine young man in its ranks, and whilst he had a very lean season with the bat, at no stage was there any thought from his fellow players that his spot was in jeopardy. His field placings and rotation of his bowlers were excellent and he had the good sense to ignore the advice of his coach at important times.

His willingness to back his players was one that placed much responsibility on them, but one to which they would always respond positively. It is largely because of Sam that the team played in such an excellent manner and with such purpose. Sam received excellent support both on and off the field from the vice-captain James McDougall.

Another important match for this team was the Challenge Cup match with the Old Ignatians' Cricket Club. This was a wonderful day and for the first time the 2nd XI defeated the OICC. Good efforts with the ball from Dan Lenehan's 4-10, including a hat-trick, from five overs and Phil Mahony's 3-17 saw the OICC dismissed for 60.

In temperatures of 40 plus Matthew Miles scored a patient and well-thought out 23 as the 2nd XI recovered from being 6-32 to win by 2 wickets. Many thanks go to the Old Boys for the match and for their fine hospitality.

The following players represented the 2nd XI during the season:

Sam Watson, captain (7 GPS matches and 2 non-GPS matches), James McDougall, vice-captain (6, 20), Mark Scott [7, 2], Matthew Miles (7, 2], Philip Mahony (7, 2), Tim Brown (7, 1), Jack Dwyer (7, 2), Daniel Lenehan (7, 2), Jack O'Brien (6, 2), Michael McLean (5, 1), Michael Reardon (5, 1), Jason Bertacco (3, 0), Mark Fonseka (2, 0), Michael Doherty (1, 1), David L'Estrange (1, 1), Andre Maddocks (0, 2), Daniel Hume (1, 0) and Damian Raper (0, 1).

My thanks are owed to the following people, and I hope that I have covered them all: James Rodgers for advice as well as his excellent fielding drills, Mark McGinnity as coach of the 1st XI gave me a number of useful tips and insights, Andrew Szabo, as MIC Cricket and coach of the 16As, Michael Turner as coach of the 3rd XI. The advice and knowledge of the panel of "common room experts" such as Peter McLean, Andrew Moon, Michael Punch and Rod Loneragan proved invaluable.

Among the parents, Tony Lenehan and Don McLean, are to be thanked for the arduous task of looking after the score book. Thanks also go to the many mothers and fathers who helped with the lunches and afternoon teas which has ensured that not only is the College seen as the GPS culinary champions but that the reputation for hospitality to all our visitors is well and truly maintained.

The final premiers St Joseph's College are to be congratulated for their title win

Results for G.P.S. matches were:

Round 1 SIC 270 (Scott 81, Brown 59, Dwyer 45, Lenehan 43) defeated NC 175 (Brown 4 -34) on the first innings.

Round 2 SCEGS 116 (Lenehan 4-34, McDougall 3-9, Scott 3-1) and 123 (McDougall 5-21, Lenehan 5-30, O'Brien 4 catches) lost outright to SIC 149 (Brown 41) and 3 – 93 (McLean 43*).

Round 3 SIC 161 (Scott 34) defeated SGS 95 (McDougall 5-19) on the first innings.





Round 4 SHS 93 (Mahony 3-11) and 170 (Lenehan 4-48) lost outright to SIC 3(dec) – 193 (Scott 101, McLean 56) and 5 -70.

Round 5 SIC 73 and 3-49 defeated TSC 71 (McDougall 4-28, Brown 3-5) on the first innings.

Round 6 TKS 138 (Dwyer 5-19, Mahony 3 catches) and 231 (Brown 3-57) lost to SIC 242 (McLean 102, Mahony 45) on the first innings.

Round 7 SJC 117 (McDougall 3-42, Dwyer 3-9) and 60 (Brown 11.3-5-19-7, O'Brien 3 catches) defeated SIC 90 and 83 outright.

Other matches played were:

- Trial SIC 129 (Raper 35) defeated SJC 112.
- Challenge Cup
- OICC 60 (Lenehan 4-10, including a hat-trick, Mahony 3-17) lost to SIC 2nd XI, 8 -61.

Mr Terry Sheehan

cricket 3rd team



Back row, from left, Matthew Green, Timothy Ireson, Richard Lynch, Mr Michael Turner
Seated, from left, Matthew Kenny, Adam Rixon, Michael Doherty (captain), David L'Estrange, Kevin Condell

The 2002/2003 season for the 3rd XI was an enjoyable and successful one where the team showed a high level of skill and class to edge out their opponents on many occasions. The team completed the season with the record of 6 wins, one of which was outright against Kings, and 3 losses, two of which came down to the death.

The devastating losses we received were the first three games of the season, so after those hiccups and when the team started to work together more, we were unbeatable. There were few areas we had weaknesses in. If the top order failed the tail would wag; if the bowlers had a rare off day the fielders would be there to back them up.

It would be safe to say that our bowling attack was second to none. We were able to boast 3 full time spinners in Adam Rixon, Andre Maddocks and John Harpham all of whom took wickets with Adam taking 5/15 against Grammar, Andre had a solid game against Grammar as well, taking 1/5 off 7 overs displaying tight leg spin bowling.

John was the consistent performer in the spinners ranks throughout the season taking wickets in every match. Something I always enjoyed while fielding at slip was watching our pace attack steaming in. Spearheaded by Kevin Condell and Matthew Green and well backed up by David McIntosh and Richard Lynch it was a brave batsman who tried to put a stop to this barrage.

Kevin had pace all season and he bowled extremely well against Newington with figures of 6/48 off 18 overs. Matthew came into the team late in the season and brought a wealth of skill taking 5/3 in one match and scoring two 50s in the second half of the season.

David was a true cricketing all rounder taking wickets left, right and centre with his medium pace, the highlight being his 5/24 against Kings. He was also very handy with the bat making runs when they were needed. Richard was also another genuine all rounder. He was very handy with the bat and ball with his fast, vicious swingers, making easy runs along the way including a match saving 69 against Grammar.

The batsmen of our team all had an up and down season. The opener, Michael Doherty ,started off well with a 62 not out against St Joseph's College batting the whole innings. Tim Ireson was a solid first drop making 62 against Kings, an innings full of elegance and power hitting. David L'Estrange is a classic batsman in all aspects. The highlight was a wonderful 69 not out against Joey's saving us from the jaws of defeat. Matthew Kenny was a passionate cricketer and it showed when he went out to bat, with his contributions in most innings.

And then there was Nick Raven, our keeper, who showed cat-like reflexes behind the stumps recording few byes throughout the season and who also contributed with the bat.

It was an absolute pleasure to be captain of this team in which we had fantastic success and a hell of a lot of fun along the way.

Members of the 3rd cricket team were: Michael Doherty (C), Adam Rixon, John Harpham, Kevin Condell, Tim Ireson, Matthew Kenny, David L'Estrange, Richard Lynch, David McIntosh, Matthew Green, Nick Raven, Andre Maddocks.

Michael Doherty (Captain)



Back row, from left, Patrick Tait, Angus McKay, Justin Fleming, Michael Zucker, Benjamin Weber, William Lenehan, Richard Buttenshaw, George Skuthorp, Mark Gallagher
Seated, from left, Brendan Homer, Jacob Molkentin, Timothy Corcoran (captain), Mr Andrew Moon, Hugh Kennedy, Mitchell Quigley, Toby Anderson

The Saint Ignatius College 4th XI in 2002/2003 was a team that possessed youth, experience and a very healthy competitive spirit. Some of these players had a wealth of experience including Tim Corcoran and Mitch Quigley who were members of the Saint Ignatius College 4th XI team last season.

The remaining members of the team were stepping up into the 'gentleman's' 4th XI competition for the first time. After the trials in October and November it became obvious that a strong and competitive team would develop. As the season wore on, the 4th XI were most successful, winning 10 of the 12 matches played, including a win against Shore in the second last match who had been undefeated all season.

The competitiveness and dominance of the Riverview 4th XI in the competition were illustrated in many fine individual and team efforts over the season. Patrick Wall and Justin Fleming were consistently scoring runs as the opening pair, getting the team off to a positive start each week. Mark Gallagher, Mitch Quigley, Hugh Kennedy and Richard Buttenshaw usually added quick and valuable runs in the top order. At times Michael Zucker, Charlie Luxton and Angus McKay proved to be very solid batsmen. George Skuthorp scored 50 runs against St Joseph's College and to prove it wasn't a fluke followed it up with a duck the following match. Charlie Luxton scored 69 n.o. against Kings after batting for the entire innings.

The Riverview 4th XI bowlers were consistently outstanding and could be relied upon to perform at a very high standard throughout the match. Chris Allison, Ben Weber, Bill Lenehan and Charlie Luxton were bowling at a pace that would put the experts to shame.

Patrick Tait bowled incredible spin that had the opposition fooled each and every time as it turned, popped and clipped the bails. Throughout the season we all had our own personal triumphs and successes as well as sharing many team victories.

Most of all we enjoyed competing and having a lot of fun thanks to our coach Mr Andrew Moon. He was able to help us balance the fun with a winning attitude that we may carry forever.

Timothy Corcoran (Captain)



Saturday, March 22, 2003, Reg Bartley Oval, Rushcutters Bay - the final match of the season vs Sydney Grammar School. SIC 210 defeated SGC 105.



Back row, from left, Daniel Millar, Sean O'Connor, David Dickson-Battye, Christopher Galvin
Seated, from left, Andrew Lazzaro, Benjamin Terrell, William Brennan (captain), Mr Chris Hayes, Thomas McGuire, Andrew Baber, Anthony Herborn

The season started with a mixed bunch of people, however, there was one common factor that brought us all together ... the love of the game.

Although we began with a shaky start, losing to Joey's in the trial match, there were many highlights of the season. The first was Brett Strauss' hat trick and figures ending at 8-18 (soon renaming the field 4C to Strauss C), which left the opposition in a difficult position to reach 40 in both innings.

The next highlight was the much anticipated match against Kings at Kings. On a very wet pitch we were bowled out for 53 in our first innings, however, we managed to fight our way back due largely to Andrew Baber's spectacular outfield catch and Matt Millar's (15C) tight bowling. We managed to bowl Kings out for 53. This was a well deserved tie.

Chris Croke's solid batting performance, which included two stunning half centuries always gave us a glimmer of hope against a good bowling attack, his opening partnerships with Daniel Gunn always laid the foundation for a strong innings.

Chris Galvin's 5-19 against Barker helped secure a well-deserved outright win. Will Brennan's wicket keeping improved as the season went on and played a key role in our outright win against St Gregory's.

James Guion, Sean O'Connor, Anthony Herborn, Tom McGuire, Dan Millar and Ben Terrell's all round efforts with the bat and ball helped us get through many tight situations.

Dom Cuschieri proved to be a magnificent top order batsman before he was put out with a knee injury. As well, David Dickson-Battye's batting performance against Joey's where he top scored on 11 was most memorable.

However, it was the continuous spin onslaught from Andrew Lazzaro that helped us win the majority of our matches.

On behalf of the 5th XI, we would like to thank Mr Chris Hayes for his commitment and excellent pitch and weather predictions throughout the season.

Will Brennan (Captain), Chris Galvin



Back row, from left, Patrick Cape, Michael McDermott, Mr Andrew Szabo, Daniel Hulme, Campbell Duncan
Seated, from left, Gareth Carroll, Mark Fonseka, Timothy Clifford, Timothy Ley (captain), Matthew Barham, Christopher Clarebrough, Sean Carroll

Our season was a mixed bag. Some days we were invincible, others we were still invincible... but lost. Our season was dominated by good bowling figures, but the stand-out performance of the season was a magnificent century by Campbell Duncan.

The first game of the season was a trial match against St Joseph's College.They posted a massive 198 off 32 overs, with us giving up the chase early on. Gareth Carroll provided the only resistance with the bat, getting a solid 35.

In the second match against Newington we won convincingly, by 62 runs in a 32 over match. The notable performers with the bat were Dan Hulme 68 and Tim Ley with 43. In the bowling department Matt Barham, Gareth and Sean Carroll and Tim Ley gave nothing away taking one wicket apiece.

Next we played a second one-dayer against Newington. We collapsed to be all out for 63, then bowled crudely to lose by 15 overs. In the next game we came up against a strong Shore side. We posted a disappointing 129, with Michael McDermott (31) and Sean Carroll (22) the only two over 20. In the field, one dropped catch proved the difference. This batsman went on to get a massive 169, winning the game comfortably. Tim Clifford with 4/41 bowled very well despite such a heavy loss.

The next game was our only away game, at Reg Bartley Oval, Rushcutters Bay, against Grammar. Campbell Duncan, Matt Barham and Tim Clifford all bowled well. We got them out for 84, and at the end of the day were looking comfortable at 0/9, the openers Gareth Carroll and Tim Ley disappointed that the next week was rained out.

The next game was against Sydney High School. We batted first amassing 5/324 off 52 overs. Five players passed 30 with Mark Fonseka and Campbell Duncan posting 89 and 100 not out respectively. Both these players completely dominated the game, smashing countless boundaries.

Matt Barham with 4/19 and Tim Ley 3/22 bowled very strongly. Michael McDermott had a great game, finishing on 42.

Next we played against Scots. We batted first and got 222. Tim Ley got a stylish 57, with 11 fours, Gareth Carroll chipped in with 36. The next week was washed out but we were hopeful of a win.

The next game against Kings provided us with another win. We batted first, and got of to a good start, with a 74 opening partnership. Then Dan Hulme punished the bowling in the middle overs scoring 58. Chris Clarebrough provided some resistance in the lower order with a solid 32. The tail-enders Matt Barham and Tim Clifford put on an entertaining partnership of 28. In the field Sean Carroll got 3/32, all seven other bowlers used got one wicket each.

The final game was a rematch against St Joseph's College. We bowled first on a seamers wicket, Tim Ley took 4 wickets, Pat Cape and Chris Clarebrough both took 2. We got them all out for 126 after a lower order fight back. When we batted we lost all top three for under 5. Ed Fernon and Michael McDermott occupied the crease for some time, Michael got 23 and Ed 13. The rest of the batting provided little resistance with no one else reaching double figures.

Each player performed well at some stage of the season. No one player was relied on too heavily in either the batting or bowling. The new players stepped up and each performed well in certain games, demonstrating expertise and skill under pressure.

In addition, we thank all the players from the B team who assisted us when players were absent during the the City-Bush excursions. Overall, it was a great season. We always had fun and never took defeat too much to heart.

Gareth and Sean Carroll,
Tim Ley and Matt Barham

cricket 16B team

The 16B's season began after the City-Bush Experience with strong wins against Grammar, High, and Newington. Chris Rolleston and Jared Deguara showed their strength as bowlers, taking a fair share of the wickets, while Ed Fernon, Nick Nelson, and James King had no trouble clocking up the runs against the opposing team's bowling attack.

The season went on and the Bs continued their success with a win against Kings and a draw with Shore. Ben Hunter was a useful bowler with his cameo appearance in the Bs while Pat Mayoh's keeping was nothing short of excellent.

On the odd occasion when the top order collapsed, Pat Mayoh helped the tail to wag and often put together partnerships with Will Laurantus and Chris Rolleston. But the biggest surprise of the season came in Jared Deguara, who went from batting number 11, one week, to filling in as an opening batsman the next and scoring a half century. He then went on to bat as opener for the rest as the season, as Ed Fernon was promoted to the A team.



Back row, from left, Nicholas Nelson, Matthew Conlon, Christopher Rolleston, Samuel Conrick, Edward Fernon, Mr Ralph Guthrie
Seated, from left, Patrick Mayoh, Samuel Ridley, John Towey, James King, Jared Deguara
Absent: Benjamin Hunter, William Laurantus, Dominic Taylor

The season looked promising, and the team was confident that no team could match up to our standard, be it the sheer pace of Chris Rolleston and John Towey, or the batting class of Sam Ridley. The bowlers continued to bowl well while the batsmen did their part and scored the runs with Sam Conrick making a contribution in both areas with his 'solid as a rock' batting approach and his spin bowling which could sometimes be described as unplayable. Matt Conlon also chipped in as an all-rounder, being one of the fastest bowlers in the team and the biggest hitting batsman. The team was also tight in the field, especially James King with his quick reflexes, and Dom Taylor's skill and enthusiasm in the field.

But in the end we met our match against St Joseph's College, who outplayed us in both areas of the game after positing a big score and then making a mockery of our batting order. The team was defeated in the last game after putting in the work to remain undefeated before the last match against Joey's.

Although the team wasn't undefeated, I am sure everyone gained a lot out from the season and enjoyed representing the College.

I would like to thank the team for a great season and also Mr Guthrie who worked tirelessly to lift the team's standard. His work as umpire was also highly commendable after managing to go through an entire season without making a bad decision.

John Towey (Captain)

16C team

The 2002/03 season was an outstanding season for the 16 Cs. The first few weeks of the season saw a number of player changes due to the City -Bush Experience, however,r once established ,the team settled into a very successful run.

Their success on the field was due in no small part to their ability to work together and never give up. While the season did see many strong batting performances by Christian Ziade, (captain) Alex Morrison, Ben Long, Tom Needham and Will Gray and fine bowling spells by John Hilton, Ben Long, Nick Lalak, James O'Brien and Richard McGuire, it was the teams persistence that won through in the end.

On more than one occasion, the team found itself behind after the first innings only to come back strongly in the second innings of the day to win. More often than not it was their fielding and bowling that brought this about.

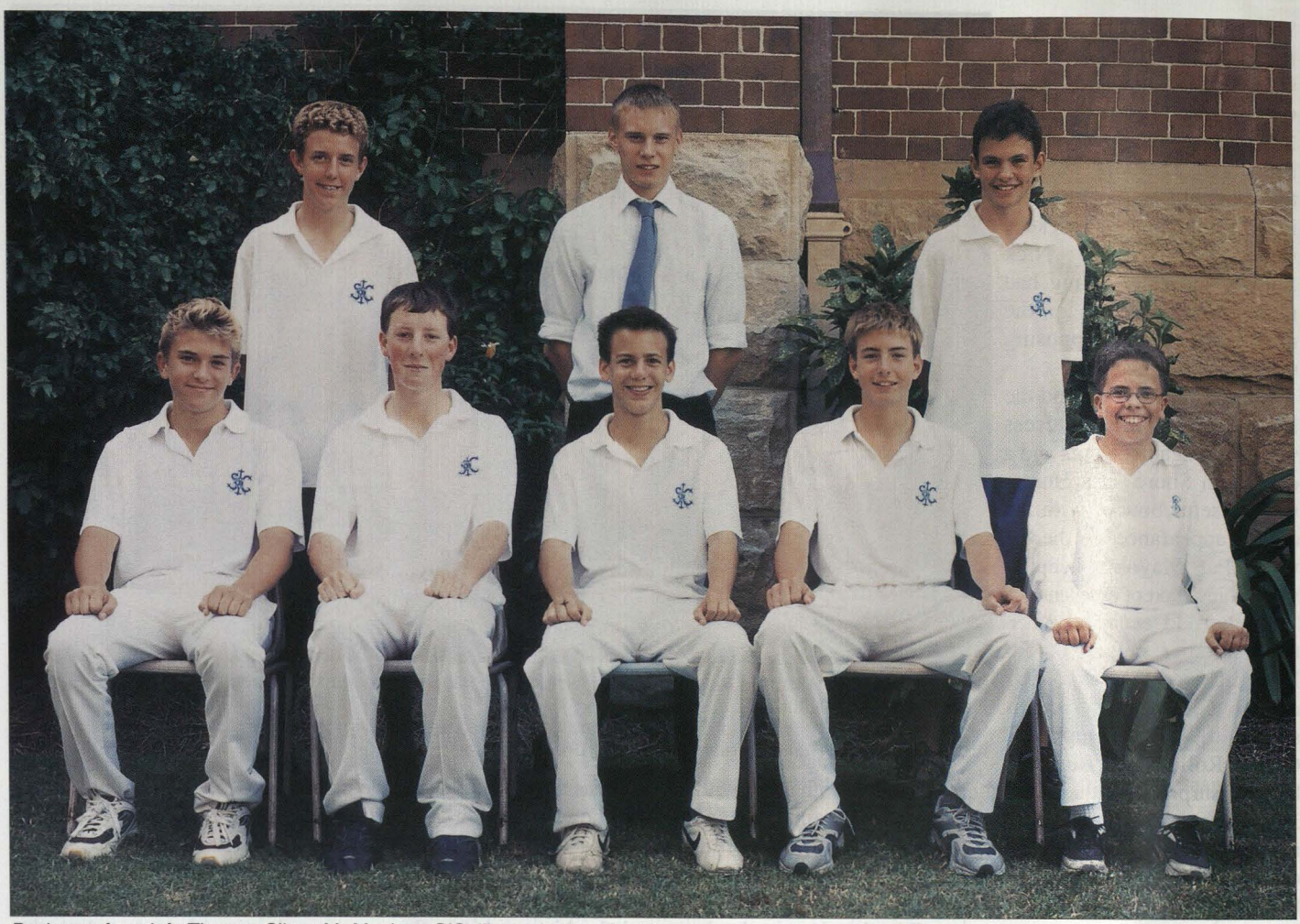
John Hilton's performance of 4 wickets and sharp fielding at the Kings School's Doyle field was a fine example of their enthusiasm in the field. Our win against St Joseph's College here on 2nd field was further evidence of our solid bowling and fielding performances. Will Gray's superb catch at backward square leg was a turning point in that match.

Both Christian Ziade and Tim Buttenshaw accepted the role of Captain at various times through out the season and proved to be very capable leaders providing both encouragement and support to the team. This was perhaps matched only by Michael Everest's enthusiasm in every part of the game and training. Whilst not the captain on the field his example proved inspirational.

There were many other players who filled in during the season. Their efforts and ability to be part of the team were a further example of the spirit that was evident through out the season. Ben Morgan was asked to step up late in the season due to an injury sustained by Christian Ziade. His efforts played a large role in our win against Shore College at Northbridge.

Finally I would like to thank the team for making the experience of coaching them this season so enjoyable as well as their parents who consistently came along each weekend to offer their invaluable support. They can certainly be proud of their sons efforts this season.

Mr Mark Diggins



Back row, from left, Thomas Silver, Mr Matthew O'Sullivan, Joshua Coulthurst
Seated, from left, Benjamin Morgan, Richard Braund, Patrick Hull, Matthew Cook, Lachlan Crammond

As a new coach from England, I wasn't sure what to expect from an U16XI, but the standard was excellent and this side would beat the equivalent of the U16s back home.

This side was chopped and changed all year, with some players moving up and some were not always available, but there was a good reliable core of players.

Matt Cook, the captain, was an excellent leader and played some very good innings for the team. He hit the top score of the season, 61. Pat Hull, the vice captain, was keen to always back Matt up. He also made good scores with the bat and was a leading bowler for the side.

Josh Coulthurst was our opening batsman and gave the side some good starts throughout the season. Lachlan Crammond was the most unfortunate player in the side. He made two golden ducks without facing a ball in two weeks. However, he was our leading spinner.

Liam Wells was an important cog in the side, always bowling well, during the middle of the innings. Luke Fisher took vital wickets throughout the season, often the opposition's best bats.

Richard Braund also opened the bowling and often took big wickets for the side. Samaan provided some humour for the side with some hilarious slogging while Jesse Dixon played consistently all year.

Two vital batsmen moved up to the C team halfway during the season. Tom Silver and Ben Morgan were classy batsmen; Tom defensively and Ben excellent against short.

Our best moment of the season was against the Scots B team.When chasing 180, Riverview at drinks were 110-3 and cruising to victory. Our worst moment was being bowled out for 16.

Outstanding players overall were the captain, Matt Cook, Luke Fisher and Josh Coulthurst.

Mr Matthew O'Sullivan

cricket 15A team



Back row, from left, Brenton Montgomery, Ciaran Gill, Thomas Coolican, David Conway, Lewis Westhoff, Daniel Costa, Samuel Julian
Seated, from left, Nicholas O'Loughlin, Alistair Clifton, William Passas, Mr Bruce Rixon, Michael Drury, Thomas Saunders, Mitchell Rixon

The season began with the match against Newington. The boys had won first innings by the end of day one. Newington's scored to 92 off 32 overs and Riverview replied with 5 for 110. The bowling was extremely tight and the fielding energetic.

The pick of the bowlers was Chris McCullough 4/39 ably supported by Ciaran Gill 2/5, Mitchell Rixon 2/7. Day 2 we continued to bat to ensure all had an opportunity to bat. Alistair Clifton, captain for the game, scored a fine 104 in quick time, supported by Tom McMahon 31.

However, against Shore, Day 1 was a mixed bag with several dropped catches, normally taken with ease, followed by two outstanding catches. The camaraderie and constant support of the boys towards each other were evident throughout the whole day.

The ground was lightning fast. We lost the toss and Shore batted and got off to a very good start. We hauled them, in completing their innings, all out for 154. Mitchell Rixon bowled beautifully taking 5/25. We batted for an hour, losing 3 late, quick wickets to be 3/42 at stumps.

Day 2 was quite a different game, as it had rained the previous days. Runs were extremely hard to get. On initial inspection it was not apparent that the pitch had been so affected by water. The bowlers used the conditions to their advantage, bowling tightly and to their set field. Their fielding too was to expectations.

Although we lost the game the team played and combined as a strong unit. Best batting was Tom Coolican (21), David Conway (20), Mitchell Rixon (17). Shore continued to bat their second innings. Michael Drury was 2/15.

In the game against Sydney Grammar, Riverview won the toss and sent Grammar in on what appeared to be a track that would take pace. Again we bowled with great commitment, confident, line and length. While most bowlers had some success it was Brenton Montgomery who was most damaging snaring 5/8 from 9 overs.

Ciaran Gill ably supported him with 2/8 along with Tom Coolican with 2/7. Grammar struggled to be all out for 95 off 38 overs. In reply we reached their total before the end of play Day 1 and declared Day 2, 6 for 192 off 53 overs. Highlight of the batting was Nick O'Loughlin 78no and Will Passas 66. While we had enough time to effect an outright defeat the Grammar team was most resilient in their defence. Again the team played to their potential though they were not quite mentally tough enough in this game to realise the out-right win but indications were that an out-right win would soon be theirs.

Against Sydney High School the Riverview players bowled as they have all season, with great consistency of accuracy. Their general ground fielding was of a very high order. Clearly the boys were benefiting from the drills undertaken each week at training. Wickets fell at regular intervals with the highest partnership being 13 runs in the first innings and 28 in the second innings.

In the first innings the bowling was tight and economic with Mitchell Rixon 3/9, Ciaran Gill 2/5 Chris McCullough 2/8 and Brenton Montgomery 2/8 giving Sydney High little opportunity to establish a sound partnership.

Our batting, too, was very strong. By the end of Day 1 we had passed the first innings total of High (85) with the loss of 4 wickets and were looking to mass a big total. This we did in quick time. Alistair Clifton, now batting at first drop, made a quick fire 25. Will Passas displayed his distinct ability with a stylish 66 and Mitchell Rixon demonstrated his all round ability with an unconquered 34. Sam Julian (22no) and Brenton

Montgomery (15) were sent in to quick runs. We ended with an impressive total of 8/206. From the fielding, support and excellent bowling it became clear that the players were very keen to learn from their past 3 experiences of chasing an out right win.

After the first wicket partnership was broken, wickets began to tumble at regular intervals. In the second innings all bowlers shared with wickets with Chris McCullough 3/14, Will Passas 2/9 and Brenton Montgomery 2/20 taking the honours. The game was won outright.

In the game against The Scots College the team again played with great enthusiasm and commitment to the task at hand. The bowling was tight with wickets shared between seven bowlers. We set about the task of chasing the runs with confidence. Thanks to some lusty batting by Alistair Clifton (51), Nick O'Loughlin (18) and Will Passas (19no) we were two runs short of reaching the target before stumps were drawn. The following week the match was drawn due to rain.

The game against Kings was a very tight affair from beginning to end. In many ways it was the best match ever for the boys. By this time in the season it was clear that Riverview was a team of all-round ability with the ball, in the field and with the bat.

However, the game against Kings forced the boys to move to another level of commitment and determination. This was the fourth game we'd played on the Riverview 2A field. The pitch had changed dramatically over these four games and was now beginning to play with an inconsistent bounce and taking spin.

We won the toss and again elected to bowl. We began well but were not able to pick up the wickets at the regular rate that the team had come to expect. Bowlers with the best economy rate and most wickets had trouble landing the ball on the pitch.

This allowed the batsman to gain the upper hand for an hour or so. Kings reached 179 in the 56 over. This was the highest score against our now well-honed bowling attack and only the second time a team had passed 100 runs against us. Until this game we had always bowled the opposition out within 35 of the allotted 65 overs. Pick of the bowlers were Brenton Montgomery 4/13 and Sam Julian 4/31.

We knew that we had a match on our hands. The openers, Nick O'Loughlin and Tom Coolican (now elevated to this position) were sent in for one fiery over before stumps on Day 1. They continued Day 2 in splendid fashion with an opening partnership of 39. Alistair Clifton again made an excellent contribution with the bat with a fine 45. Wickets followed at regular intervals until Sam Julian (22no) and Brenton Montgomery (28no), with gritty determination, reached the required total in the 60th over.

The final games of the season was against St Joseph's College. Games against Joey's are always a wonderful tussle. We had the wood on them in the One Day Trial Game at the beginning of the season but the Two Day version was to prove to be another story. This was the last game of the season and boys were keen to play St Joseph's.

Playing on the very small ground at Joey's, alongside other teams, meant that the toss was all-important. We lost the toss and were asked to bowl. This meant that the team had not batted first for the entire season.

The ground on Day 1 was heavily wet with dew which, despite all efforts, ruined the ball. The slippery condition of the ball made it difficult for the lads to effect a speedy pick-up and throw. Still the boys stuck to the game plan and wickets fell at regular intervals. The game was played out in sessions.

Clearly the first session belonged to Joey's who scored 63 off the first 16 overs. The second session saw the game swing back to Riverview where only 32 runs were scored; the total was 7.93 at the 28th over. In the final session though we allowed them to kick away and reach a score of 151, that in the end, would prove to be too much. Joey's bowling was extremely tight giving us very little chance for free scoring.

The top order toiled 'n foiled the bowling for a long time putting us in a winning position. Unfortunately we were unable to capitalise and crumbled to be all out for 101. The bowling honours went to Brenton Montgomery 3/28, Will Passas 2/15 and Mitchell Rixon 2/19 and batting to Alistair Clifton (22) and Tom Coolican (18).

In each of the games we had the opposition in and out and were batting before stumps of the first day. Clearly the team is one of considerable cricketing talent. While we could have so easily been undefeated for the season the real win has been the undoubted depth of team spirit.

During the first part of the season the captaincy was shared around several of the senior players. From the beginning of 2003 Will Passas became captain. He led the team with distinction.

Alistair Clifton was outstanding behind the stumps. He received the batting award with 342 at a fine average of 42.75. Opening bowler Brenton Montgomery was the leading wicket taker with 21 wickets at an average of 7 and economy rate of 2.

Against The Kings School, in an outstanding spell of bowling, he took 5 wickets for 4 runs off 8 overs. Brenton also won the fielding award with outstanding work at covers and mid wicket.

The boys have a great aptitude and enthusiasm for the game of Cricket and are fine young men. It has been a pleasure to coach them. Throughout the season they have been a credit to themselves and fine ambassadors to the College.

Special thanks go to former NSW player and NSW Coach, Mr John Schindler who assisted the boys in the development of their cricketing skills.

Mr Bruce Rixon



Back row, from left, Anthony Clark, Thomas Saunders, Henry Curtin, Patrick Noonan, Christian Grant, Mr Michael Plumley
Seated, from left, Nicholas Burt, Patrick Effeney, Nicholas O'Connor, Aaron Moore, William Mahony, Thomas McMahon, Tom Shannon

The 15Bs had a great season with 11 wins and just 3 losses, all at the end of the season. After losing a few players from last year three new players, Christian Grant, James Reoch and Anthony Clark joined the team.

In our first outing of the season against St Joseph's College we had a good win to start the season off. Scoring 7/214 we restricted them to all out for 89, Tom McMahon scoring 55 and Henry Curtin taking 5/0. In the second match we had yet another win, by a margin of 119. In our innings of 144 Tom McMahon scored 56 and we bowled them out for 95.

Against Scots we had a great time with the bat scoring 6/231 off our 32 overs, with Daniel Costa scoring 83 and Will Mahony scoring 49. Then we bowled them out for 71, Christian Grant taking 4/9. Our next match against Shore was an absolute nail-biter, winning by only two runs. In our torrid innings of 51 Pat Effeney top scored with 18, and in the 18th over we bowled them out for 49 with Nic Burt taking 4/4.

On Saturday, November 16, we travelled out to a wet pitch at Parramatta to play Kings. Kings won the toss and sent us in to bat. We scored 126 with Daniel Costa 26, Will Mahony 31, and Pat Effeney, top scorer, 34. We bowled them out for 73, with Anthony Clark 4/2. newcomer, Ryan Siviour took a beautiful catch at point. Christian Grant took 3/6, including a hat trick. Our next match was at Weigall against Sydney Grammar. In the first innings of 62, new player Sam Julian took 3/12. We won in the 15th over but played on, with Sam Julian backing up his effort with the ball scoring a rapid fire 55; Daniel Costa scored 55, and Nic Burt 50n.o.

In our last match for 2002 we played Sydney Boys High at home. After winning the toss we had a bat. Two of our own players took catches off vital batsmen those off Daniel Costa, 42 and Will Mahony, 22, but Tom Shannon and Pat Effeney steadied the innings with Tom scoring 52 and Pat scoring 23. They showed some resistance but we got them out for 80 to win by 77 runs.

In our first match of 2003 we were joined by a new coach, Mr Plumley, as Mr Byrne had gone on long service leave. We had a convincing win over Grammar. We bowled first and bowled them for 96 (Nic Burt 3/6). After winning in the 22nd over we played on to score 143 (Pat Effeney, 36 and newcomer Tom Saunders, 33).

In the next match against High we were joined by another new player, Nick O'Connor. We scored 164, with an opening stand of 100, with Tom Shannon scoring 45 and Tom Saunders 5. We bowled them out for 23, with Christian Grant taking 3/4. Against Scots in our next match we were joined by another player, Mike Drury. We scored a massive 274 off our 32 overs, scoring at 8.6 an over, Tom Shannon 52, (Tom McMahon 54, and Mike Drury 44). We bowled them out for 102, Mike Drury taking 3/12. We were joined by Louis Westhoff, who'd come back from a injured leg.

However, on March 1st, we suffered our first loss of the season in a game against Kings. After bowling them out for 161, (Aaron Moore taking 2/7), we were bowled out in the 21st over for just 115, (Nick O'Connor 35 and Pat Effeney 21).

Our woes continued the next week against Shore. Joined by Pat Noonan, we batted first and were 6/126 at the end of 32 overs (Will Mahony 41 and Pat Effeney 25). We were beaten in the 29th by four wickets, but Pat Effeney tried hard and almost succeeded winning us the match taking 3/7 off 5 overs.

We had another 'shocker' with the bat against St Joseph's College, managing just 81 with no-one scoring over 14. We bowled well and Nick O'Connor took 3/9 off his 5 overs. In the last game of the season we finally had a win, against Grammar after scoring 180 (Will Mahony 38 and Tom McMahon 30).

We had a great time with the ball, rolling them for 35, Pat Effeney 4/1 and Anthony Clarke 3-25. Thanks to both Mr Byrne and Mr Plumley for their support and coaching throughout the season.

Christian Grant

The 15C team was undefeated throughout the 2003 season of cricket. They were a cohesive and friendly team led quietly and confidently by their captain William MacArthur and vice captain Timothy Phelps. Their organisation of players and clever field placements proved to be a winning leadership combination.

This was a team of all rounders, with each player contributing to the attack and defence. We had our strike bowlers of Daniel Wiedenbein and Timothy Phelps who bowled around 50 overs each at an economy rate of less than 3 runs per over.

Following on from them, were a host of effective bowlers such as Matthew Miller, Ryan Siviour, Hamish McKay and speed merchant Adam Wilson.



Back row, from left, Adam Wilson, Matthew Herborn, Hamish McKay, Mr Paul McCarthy
Seated, from left, Timothy Phelps, Matthew Miller, James Reoch, William MacArthur (captain), Ryan Siviour, Jarrod Doyle, Daniel Wiedenbein

Mention must also go to Nicholas McInerney, a new comer to the College this year, who had the best bowling figures off only 8 overs. He picked up a wicket every 4 runs and cost less than 3 runs per over.

We were fortunate enough to inherit two great 'spin doctors' in Stuart Robinson and Henry Curtin, they proved to be more than a good match for several opposition batting line ups. William MacArthur, Jarrod Doyle and Hamish McKay were three players who consistently scored runs with the bat, each one making half-centuries throughout the season.

James Reoch and Adam Wilson also threw their hat (or bat) into the ring to make runs for the side. Congratulations to Ryan Siviour and Hamish McKay who averaged just under 50 runs per innings for the season. Matthew Herborn, our determined and able wicket keeper, wins my 'black and blue' award for being hit by the ball more times than any other player.

I wish to thank Ian MacArthur for all his support this season as our scorer, and a great thank you to the team for a very enjoyable season.

Mr Paul McCarthy

15D team

As the season is split into two parts and as there were a number of new players after the holidays there were 23 boys who were part of this team although only two played every game (David Friend and Kim Garling). Michael Preiss and Tom Terrell missed only one game and these four were the core of the team.

The team was very successful in both parts of the season and won every game but one. The first two games were exciting and close but the others were solid wins.

David Friend had the highest aggregate with 193 runs from 9 innings at an average of 28 and with a top score of 76. Kim Garling had the second best aggregate with 149 from his 9 innings at an average of 25.

Ed Livesey had a remarkable introduction in the new year with 139 runs from just four innings without being dismissed.

Nick McInerney passed through on his way to higher honours and notched up 102 from his two innings. Both Ed and Nick are fine batsmen. Luke Pittorino totalled 128 from just four innings with the highlight being his blasting of 5 sixes in his innings against Barker.

Tom Terrell batted well for 130 runs at an average of 22, Tom Gillespie was also a talented batsman with 82 at an average of 21.

It is interesting to note that the boys scored over 200 in five of their nine innings which given the limited overs (32 per game) was an excellent result.

Kim Garling took the most wickets with 12 from his 26 overs at an average of 8. David Friend took 8 from his 25, Michael Preiss took 6 from 17 overs as did Tom Terrell from his 26. Ed Livesey bowled 14 overs for only 31 runs and James Jedlin bowled 14 overs for only 35 runs.

Tom Gillespie was the outstanding fielder with four magnificent catches. One of them would have found its way into the TV "Classic Catches" competition. Michael Preiss was also a fine fielder with his four catches.

James Lee was both a good spin bowler and classy opening batsman and showed that in the few games he played with the team. Chris Lynch also did well and was so often unlucky not to pick up wickets.

David De Souza was unfortunate not to take as many wickets as his superb bowling deserved but is developing into a quick and accurate bowler.

The boys in this team were at all times courteous to their opposition and should be proud of their great sportsmanship. They were well supported by their parents and there was always plenty of spectators.

The boys developed a great camaraderie and helped each other. Jeremy Garling again demonstrated his scoring skill as he watched his brother.

The highlights of the season were the smashing innings by Luke Pittorino, the solid batting from Ed Livesey and Nick McInerney, the hat trick by Kim Garling against Shore and Tom Gillespie's catches.

They were a pleasure to coach.

Mr Kim Garling



Back row, from left, David Gordon, Liam Gleeson, Jack Mallick, Andrew Cullen, Matthew McManus, Mr Peter Steffan
Seated, from left, Timothy Jude, Paul Francis, Andrew Dickson (captain), Michael De Silva, Matthew Storr Absent: James Caillard

The 15E cricket team was born out of a surge in interest to play the game at the beginning of 2003. There had been four Under 15 cricket teams the previous term, but a number of new boys to the school took up the sport.

As a consequence David De Souza, Michael De Silva, Paul Francis, Tim Jude, Andrew Dickson, Matthew Storr, Jack Mallick, Matthew McManus, David Gordon, Liam Gleeson, James Caillard, Andrew Cullen, who replaced David De Souza and Pat McCabe and Tom Gillespie who both filled in once when numbers were stretched, were selected to play in the team.

David De Souza was chosen to lead the side until his promotion, from which time Andrew Dickson filled the role. The team was extremely egalitarian, with all members bowling on most occasions. Happily, all players also had the opportunity to bat in the majority of cases.

The first match played was against Shore at home on 6th field. In a sensational start. David De Souza took two wickets with the first two balls of the match (and finished with 3/7 off 5 overs). Shore had reached 7/122 by the time of the compulsory declaration. Riverview scored the required runs within the allotted time, finishing at 6/149, led by Andrew Dickson, unbeaten on 40 and Jamie Caillard 18 at the top of the innings.

In the second match, also against Shore, the home team scored 141. This time Andrew Dickson achieved the best bowling figures (3/9 off 4 overs), while David De Souza led the batting with 56 retired. Riverview was credited with 141 runs to produce an exciting tie.

Match 3 was played at Kings, with Riverview's batting led by Andrew Cullen (34) and David Gordon (22) compiling 7/137. Riverview's bowling restricted the opposition to 1 run (a no ball) in the first 6 overs and then dismissed the team for 25 runs in total, Liam Gleeson starring with 3/4 off 3 overs, Andrew Cullen 2/8 off 3 overs, Michael De Silva taking 2/2 off 2 and Tim Jude 2/3 in a single over.

The fourth match against Kings on our Field 4C, saw Matthew McManus get the team off to a good start with a solid 23 before Andrew Cullen scored 41n.o. to post a total of 151. Andrew then proceeded to take 3/5 off 6 overs with single wickets taken by six other bowlers and a run out to dismiss Kings for 115. During the season, Jack Mallick's left arm round the wicket offerings proved a useful force for the side. This was especially so in this match, where, after an economical first spell, he came back on to elicit a high shot to cover which was spectacularly caught by Matt Storr to close the Kings innings. Matt also distinguished himself by remaining not out in 75% of his innings.

After an enjoyable and diverting indoor cricket fixture against Shore (which was, incidentally, won) the final match of the season was against a rapidly improving Kings team. The Kings openers reached 54 before being separated but the rest of the team could only add another 45 runs. Andrew Cullen again took three wickets.

A notable feature of the Kings innings was that all the dismissals resulted from the wickets being broken – 7 bowled and three run out. The first three Riverview wickets fell for 7 runs and two more had fallen by the time 26 had been posted. The 6th wicket, however, contributed 67 before Michael De Silva departed having lent stout support to Paul Francis who continued on to chart the path to a narrow 2 wicket victory with an 57runs in a total of 8/101. Also notable is the fact that 7 of the Riverview batsmen dismissed were bowled.

The team was a very friendly and supportive group, who encouraged each other and left each member of the team to be his own harshest critic. While some players achieved more success than others, numerous players made significant contributions in particular matches. The team members can be proud of their performances and the College proud of the manner in which they represented it. Overall, the team achieved 4 wins and a tie and an indoor match victory. Thus the team was undefeated.

Mr Peter Steffan



Back row, from left, David Loneragan, Joseph Payten, Christian Arkell, Jack Hunter, Edward Rowe
Seated, from left, Chesterton Cook, Charles Evans, Michael Kennedy, Mr Rod Loneragan, Patrick Murton, Patrick O'Neill, John Tucker

The season was a most successful one (the team won four of its two day games losing two narrowly with one game washed out) and was characterised by overall improvement, hard work at training, enjoyment and fun.

In the batting David Loneragan as opener or No 3 led the way scoring 292 runs averaging 58 which included a wonderful unbeaten century in a team total of 330 against SGS. He is a handy medium quick bowler and an excellent fielder and was involved in many run outs during the season.

Patrick Murton batted superbly in the middle order (273 at 40) and his top score of 83 against NC saved us from a difficult situation. His leg spin bowling was accurate and penetrative and his catching and ground fielding outstanding.

Patrick O'Neill (161 at 20) cemented his position as opener against SGS with an excellent 51 in an opening partnership of 178 with David Loneragan. Pat scored another 51 against a strong SJC team batting for nearly 3 hours and holding the team together. He is a good fielder and should continue his off spin bowling for the future.

Christian Arkell was elevated to opener during the latter half of the season batting particularly well against TKS to see off the opening bowlers. He captained the team on a number of occasions moving the field and leading the team with style.

Charlie Evans developed into a fine opening bowler and a hard hitting lower order batsman. His bowling was accurate and varied picking up 14 wickets for the season with his best 4 for 33 against TSC. His aggressive batting (33 V Shore) and excellent fielding and catching make him an exciting cricketer to watch.

Michael Kennedy fielded with great enthusiasm and his batting improved throughout the season. His one over of left arm spin against SGS yielded one wicket for no runs.

Joseph Payten bowled accurately as a first change bowler and his 6 overs against SHS were brilliant and unluckily going unrewarded. His top score of 42 at NC in a partnership of 98 with Pat Murton saved the innings and was a delight to watch. Joe fielded strongly and took the "catch of the season" against TSC.

Chesterton Cook our wicket keeper improved steadily behind the stumps (especially to the spinners) through lots of hard work and always supporting the bowlers and encouraging the fieldsman. His batting was solid and important especially his 15no against TKS.

Jack Hunter opened the bowling with his left arm mediums and rarely bowled a bad ball. His 2 for 17 off 14 overs against TKS helped us to victory. Jack is a talented batsman who scored runs wherever he batted none more important than his 24 V SJC and his fielding was excellent.

Edward Rowe came of age as an off spinner against SJC with his 5 for 58 from a massive 22 overs. He was regularly used as our first change bowler and his accurate well flighted deliveries caused many problems for opposition batsman. His fielding was always reliable and enthusiastic.

Will McCullough played the first three games before leaving Riverview at the end of 2002. He is an outstanding cricketer and we did miss his presence during 2003. His 55 against Shore and 44 at SGS and his 4 for 29 at NC were enjoyed by all.

John Tucker came into the team in 2003 and cemented his position with solid batting and steady bowling. He worked hard in the field and became an important member of the team.

This team did not have a set captain. Instead a numbers of boys captained the team in each game giving them this experience. The boys worked very hard at training and easily became the best fielding team among the GPS under 14 age group. Thanks to Mr James Rodgers for his special fielding sessions during the season which the boys enjoyed.

Many thanks to all our parents who supported their sons and this team during the season and a special thank you to David Arkell (assistant coach) Ian Cook and Charlie Murton for all their help umpiring, scoring and coaching.

Mr Rod Loneragan

cricket 14B team



Back row, from left, David Herlihy, Alexander Walker, Robert Heyer-Wright, Samuel Wall, Benjamin Charlton
Seated, from left, Thomas O'Brien, Harry O'Neill, Daniel Long, Mr Brad Moar, Samuel Irwin, Joshua Heazlewood, Matthew Castino

The 14B Cricket team this year had a successful season. All players improved in their skills and learnt a lot from our coach. We all learned how to set a field, where to bowl and the best position for us to bat at. Our team had a great spirit and we developed great faith in our abilities.

Our team really came together at the end of the season. We started playing more like a team and tried to focus on the teams' goal rather than our personal ones. Throughout the year our bowling attack went from strength to strength.

Each week we were able to bowl out teams limiting their total runs. However, unfortunately our batting ability did not match up to our bowling or fielding abilities. This was due to our amazing ability to hit the ball directly to the opposing fielders.

Our record during the season was recording wins against High, Grammar, Newington and Shore and being narrowly defeated by St Joseph's College, Scots and Kings.

The seasons highlight was Josh Heazlewood smashing 71 against Sydney High and John Tucker taking 4 wickets. Our loss against Kings was a disappointing team performance.

Jonathan Hew and Tom O'Brien combined for a partnership of 56 and were well supported by Rob Heyer-Wright scoring a fast 25 not out. Unfortunately on the day our bowling attack was not up to standard and Kings managed to obtain our runs.

The game against Shore was an extremely close fought game. Our bottom order batting was excellent while our top order batsman for that day got out quickly. Best batting on this day were Josh Heazlewood 40, Sam Irwin, 20 in which he hit a massive drive straight back over the bowlers head, Jonathan Hew 25 and Daniel Long hitting the winning run.

Our bowling attack was well shared among the team with Rob Heyer-Wright taking 2 wickets, Sam Irwin 2 wickets and Alex Walker 3 wickets, narrowly missing out on his hat trick. In the final game of the season against Grammar we had a hard, but convincing victory. The highlight of the game was our batting with Ben Charlton scoring 38, Sam Wall 30 and Alex Walker top scoring with 44.

In all, the players were well spirited, enjoyed their cricket and had great support from all its members especially the parents who regularly turned up each week to watch the team and their son perform on the day.

Joshua Heazlewood and Tom O'Brien.



Back row, from left, Christopher Kramer, Joseph Zakarkas, Benjamin Fessey, Mr Matthew Graham
Seated, from left, Marcel Walsh, Patrick Everest, Nicholas McElhone, Damien Kean, Christopher Whealing, Jack Smallhorn, Andrew Cook

The 2002/2003 season was one of mixed outcomes. Finding themselves with anew coach half-way through the season, this team adapted well to this change with competence and maturity to finish with what was a very enjoyable season.

Captained by Damien Kean, the team was never short of enthusiastic support and guidance. Damien's commitment to the team was a strong and extremely valuable asset.

The season also saw some brilliant individual performances. In his final trial against Grammar, Andrew Cook was a standout taking 6 wickets including a hat trick and a solid batting performance to follow.

The team was never off to a slow start with the bat. Thanks to the opening pair of Marcel Walsh and Jack Fernon a solid foundation was laid, often paving the way for a strong innings.

Notable improvement with the bat was seen in the performances of Chris Whealing whose determination in implementing skills learnt in the nets resulted in great outcomes which manifested itself in his scores.

In the field, the occasionally 'freakish 'feats of Nick McElhone presented many challenges for the opposition. Nick had the same effect with the bat, knocking an amazing six sixes in the final game against Grammar.

A great strength of the 14C team was the versatility of its players. All rounders such as Pat McNamee, Pat Everest and Nick Fergus composed the backbone of the team. These players offered terrific performances with the bat and the ball to turn matches around and create victories.

Praise must also be given to Ben Fessey and Chris Kramer. These bowlers offered consistency of performance which is a credit to their ability as cricketers and often a saving grace to their coach, frequently at his wits end.

The team also owes a thank you to Joe Zakaras who left his team to assist when we lost a player. Joe was a true asset and deserves praise for his patience and well tempered attitude to a difficult situation.

A final thank you goes to parents of the players who showed up to every game and offered their support, creating an atmosphere that was a pleasure to be part of. Particular thanks goes to Noel Kean for dong the trying task of scoring each week. The fact that the 14Cs did not win a pennant is not relevant. The team approached each game with a mature attitude and most of all enjoyed every second of what was a challenging and fun season.

Mr Matthew Graham

cricket 14D team



Back row, from left, James Barr, Patrick Harrowsmith, Mr Paul Hicks, Adam Quigley, Jason Meek
Seated, from left, Anthony Pirrottina, Byron Wilson, Hamish Armstrong, Oliver Oxenham (captain), Nick Baistow, Timothy Murray, Nathan Thomson

This season has seen some great team performances from the boys. There were some great individual performances but more importantly the team stuck together and this is why they had the results they did.

For our first game we travelled to Rushcutters Bay to play Sydney Grammar . On an awkward pitch our batsmen showed class. Anthony Pirrottina and Jason Meek were the pick of the batsmen scoring 52 and 28 respectively. Riverview raced passed 200. We then bowled Grammar out for less than 50 – a fairly comfortable win.

The next team we played on the GPS circuit was Kings. This was a match to remember. The game came down to the wire as Riverview were put into bat, and we played a steady game with our openers Jason Meek and Jack Sutherland making good progress before an unfortunate run out. They were supported by innings from Nick Baistow and Adam Quigley .

Then it was Kings turn to bat. They gave it everything but the Riverview fielders did make it easier for them with some sloppy fielding and dropped catches. Kings were in sight of our target and needed only J 0 runs from the last two overs. But some tight bowling from Byron Wilson, taking two late wickets with some accurate slow bowling narrowed the gap. Kings then needed 3 runs to win from 4 balls. Nick Baistow stepped up and bowled a perfect 'yorker' to win the game for us – just. Tim Murray was superb making 30 and taking 3 wickets.

The next two games were not against GPS opposition. The first was againstthe Riverview Ul3s who proved a little too easy for us. We then had a close game against a strong Sydney High Boys 13A team. And while we lost this game by 3 wickets but the boys gained from it.

Next we played Shore School and this proved to be a comfortable win as Riverview scored 2-252 from only 25 overs. Anthony Pirrottina once again passing 50 as did Jason Meek. Then the captain, Oliver Oxenham, stepped in and smashed his way to 36 from only 14 balls.

The Shore batting team played well but our bowlers were superb. Oxenham was able to turn the ball and pick up 2 wickets, as did the accurate Patrick Harrowsmith. Hamish Armstrong was unlucky not to pick up at least 2 but some dropped catches prevented this. Jackson Mark was the pick of the bowlers as he managed 4-11.

The next game was against St Joseph's College. Joey's won the toss and went into bat. We bowled them out for 48 with Oliver Oxenham the pick of the bowlers. Then Byron Wilson and Jason Meek came in to get within 2 runs of the Joey's score before Wilson gave his wicket. Pirrottina finished them off. Meek making 39.

Our last game was against Grammar again and we didn't play as well as we would have liked. The highlights were Jason Meeks' 50, Tim Murray's stroke play and Anthony Pirrottina's pace bowling. The game ended in a draw. We were hopeful of a win, but ran out of time. Nathan Thompson, Kenny Wong, James Barr all committed themselves enthusiastically.

I would like to thank all the boys for making it an enjoyable term and congratulate them on their performances in an undefeated season. I would also like to thank the parents for their generous support.

Mr Paul Hicks



Back row, from left, Jack Freeman, Thomas O'Brien, William Sierakowski, Thomas Ryan, Blake Priestly, Mr Martin Collins
Seated, from left, Timothy L'Estrange, Remington Tonkin, Matthew Barry, Robert Passas, William Shirvington, Christopher Millett, Nicholas Fitzgerald

The 13A Cricket team had an unusual start to the season with a training session with the College First X1. Whether this influenced the great results that were to follow I'm not sure, but the team performed magnificently and remained undefeated throughout the season.

A number of results went right down to the wire, particularly against Shore, Scots, Kings and Grammar, but on each occasion someone in the team put his hand up and got us out of trouble.

Probably the team's greatest asset, besides the boys' support for each other, was their fielding. Mr Rodgers, in our first training session with the 1st XI emphasised this point, and the boys were magnificent in the field week in and out.

William Sierakowski opened the batting each week and invariably got the team off to a great start. William is a very exciting prospect and his knock against St Joseph's College was probably the innings of the season. William Shirvington also opened up a number of times. Although he didn't score as many runs as he would have liked, he usually saw runs off the new ball and made it easier for those to follow.

The batting order was shuffled around to allow as many boys as possible an opportunity to shine. Nicholas Fitzgerald batted up the order and was always impressive. His 70no against Grammar in the last game was a highlight. He was our only genuine spinner and took many vital wickets.Blake Priestly also batted impressively. He scored runs against Scots and Joey's and looked comfortable. Tom Ryan was handy with both bat and ball. Whether batting or bowling he would always impress.

Jack Freeman was the 'Brett Lee' of the team. His bowling was fast and accurate and his batting 'swashbuckling'. In the game against Shore, when it looked as though only a miracle would save us, in came Jack who hit sixes and fours in the last couple of overs to win the game. Remington Tonkin played a lot like Jack also. He has the ability to destroy a bowling attack and took a number of wickets by bowling good line and length.

Tom O'Brien had an excellent contribution with the ball. A very rhythmical bowler he is sure to snare a number of wickets in the future. Christopher Millett bowled some crucial spells throughout the season. Deceptively quick and accurate he often captured the wicket of a batsman in form.

Tim L'Estrange was the team's very fine keeper. Week in and week out he would rarely concede a sundry, and in the process put enormous pressure on the batsman to stay in his crease. He batted very well in the game against Shore.

Robbie Passas was our fiery opening bowler and a very solid batsman. When on target he was one of the best bowlers in the competition. In the nets at practice he was the bowler the boys least liked to face. Matthew Barry also opened the bowling and always bowled with speed and accuracy. Late in the game if there was concern that the opposition was getting close to our total, the ball would go to Matthew who would surely slow the run rate down. Interestingly, on three occasions he hit the winning runs to claim victory.

I have coached Cricket for a number of years but this year was certainly one of my most enjoyable seasons. Thank you to the parents who were very supportive of the team throughout the season. In particular I would like to thank those who helped out with scoring and umpiring. Most of all thank you to the boys. They were a great team. I hope they have many more years of wonderful Cricket.

Mr Martin Collins

cricket 13B team



Back row, from left, William Story, Angus Roberts, Mr Terry Shore, Phillip Butcher, Henry Broad
Seated, from left, Ben Kelly, David Gray, Laurence Rushton, James Cahill, Sean Rushton, Samuel Lloyd, Christopher Mulcare

The 13B team had a short but successful season this year. We played six games, winning five of these. In our first game we played Sydney Boys High School. We won the toss, batted, and scored 231 runs, with Joe Lenehan, Angus Roberts and Phillip Butcher scoring runs. Chris Millet and Blake Priestly had a chance to show their flare as well. Tom O'Brien, Angus and Hugh then led the way with the ball as we won comfortably.

In our second game we faced a stronger opposition. We managed a creditable 3-99 thanks to some hard hitting and good running from David Gray and Angus Roberts. Ben Kelly, Sam Lloyd and David Gray then collected two wickets each as we bowled Scots out for 60. Angus took two great catches at slip to move his season tally to 4.

In the game against Kings, our early bowling on the moist wicket was tight. James Gray and Will Story bowled well with only a few runs scored off their overs. However, we were pounded late in the innings and were left to chase 128. Our batsmen were more aggressive than in previous games and Sean Rushton, James Cahill and David Gray tried to smash us to victory. We fell short of our target, but the loss was a good lesson for coming games.

In game four we kept the aggressive approach going with James, Will, Angus, Henry, Sean and David having magnificent innings to lead the team to 5-196 against Shore. A good runout and 2 wickets to Will helped restrict Shore to 144.

Our 5th game was on a slower wicket against St Joseph's College. We were bowled out for 90 runs with only Chris Mulcare and Jonathon Meagher scoring in the double figures. Jonathon's contributions as captain and wicket-keeper were significant all season, but it was in this match that they were most evident.

After having Joey's at 4-21, thanks to two clean bowled wickets from James Cahill, things were looking good for us. But during the next 8 overs we couldn't get a break through and our opponents threatened to defeat us quickly. Our boys stayed positive, kept encouraging each other, and when Henry Broad took 3 wickets in his second over, the game was ours to take.

Joey's kept fighting on and we only got the last wicket with 5 runs to spare. In the game we gave away only 7 sundries, no byes, and this was typical of Jonathon Meagher. We had received 30 extra runs from Joey's.

We finished our season on a high playing on the beautiful Weigall fields against Grammar. After being 2 down for no runs, Joe Lenehan and James Cahill each smashed a quick, undefeated, half century to lead our team to 6-157. Grammar started impressively but great fielding limited their boundaries and when Lawrence Rushton threw a ball in from the deep to catch their batsmen short, the wickets began to fall.

Chris Mulcare took 3 wickets, 2 bowled and one caught in the deep by Phillip Butcher. James grabbed an LBW and bowled another 2 batsmen, and then Will Story completed the demolition with a wonderful hat trick.

It was a whirl-wind finish with our boys taking 6 wickets in 3 overs. For us it was a wonderful end, to a wonderful season. Members of the team were:Henry Broad, Phillip Butcher, James Cahill, David Gray, Ben Kelly, Jonathon Meagher, Christopher Mulcare, Angus Roberts, Lawrence Rushton, Sean Rushton, William Story and Joseph Lenehan, although occasionally we did have some help from other boys.

Mr Terry Shore



Back row, from left, Joseph Lenehan, Matthew McKay, Joseph Molloy, Henry McKay, Hugh Satterthwaite, Anthony Hayes, Ms Jennifer Hoare
Seated, from left, Gregory Macken, Patrick Clapin, Joseph Howard, Curtis Dwyer (captain), Matthew Malloy, Nicholas Marshall, Cameron Farrell

The success of the 13C Cricket team was a result of enthusiasm, team work, leadership and improved skills achieved with the dedicated help of wonderful parents.

The beginning of the U13 season is always an unsettled period for the first few weeks as coaches are trying to determine the correct grading for each player. By round two of the season it was obvious that the 13C players were beginning to mould into a united and spirited team that ended the season with only one loss.

Our first victory was a solid win over The Scots College. As usual, there was a gale blowing at Christison Park at Watson's Bay, however, Riverview scored a total of 123 runs and bowled Scots out for only 36. The best batsmen of the day were Matthew Malloy (16), Cameron Farrell (16) and Matthew McKay scoring a strong 20 runs.

The bowling in this game was exceptional. Seven Scots players were bowled out for ducks. Patrick Clapin, Hugh Satterthwaite and Joseph Lenehan all took two wickets each. Nick Marshall, Matthew McKay and Joseph Molloy all fielded and bowled well. It was evident after this game that the team was beginning to take shape. The boys were excited and confident to face Kings the following week.

The result against Kings was disappointing because we lost by only 10 runs. However, it taught the team how important it was to run singles. Our only loss of the season was due to our slow run rate and it was after this game that Mr Chris Marshall stepped in and lifted the run rate of each player. The Kings game highlighted batting performances from Hugh Satterthwaite (26 runs), Joseph Lenehan (28 runs) and Greg Macken (18 runs). Joseph Molloy, Greg Macken and Nick Marshall showed great bowling.

The next two rounds were extremely close matches. The game against Shore was a nail-biting finish. After bowling Shore out for 110 runs, with outstanding bowling and fielding from Hugh Satterthwaite, Sam Lloyd, Greg Macken, Matthew Malloy, Joseph Howard and Anthony Hayes, we felt confident that it would be an easy victory.

However, we had to chase seven runs in the last over with only one wicket in hand. Curtis Dwyer and Hugh Satterthwaite saved the day with an excellent partnership and hit a number of fours in the last over to enable us to win by only one run. Anthony Hayes, Cameron Farrell and Sam Lloyd also contributed good scores to the final total.

We only needed to chase 64 runs in our game against St Joseph's College. Again we left it to the last two batsmen to bring us home to victory. Jesse Martin and Anthony Hayes were the top scorers of the day and Henry McKay and Matthew McKay bowled and fielded well.

The final game of the season was a strong victory over Grammar and it was here that all 12 members of the team shone. We finished with a good total of 120 runs and each boy put into play all the batting and running tips from Mr Marshall. Joseph Howard was the highest scorer of the day along with Cameron Farrell and Curtis Dwyer. Nicholas Marshall finished the season with 3 wickets in this game and Hugh Satterthwaite, Matthew Malloy, Henry McKay, Cameron Farrell, Jesse Martin, Matthew McKay and Joseph Molloy all bowled and fielded extremely well to bowl Grammar out for only 45 runs.

The season finished on a high and every player displayed outstanding performances. The captain, Curtis Dwyer, led the team with confidence and spirit. Anthony Hayes performed brilliantly and consistently as wicket keeper. Most importantly, the team was united and this was due to the dedication and support of Mr Chris Marshall.

Each training session Mr Marshall inspired the boys and taught them an extra skill or tactic. His efforts were appreciated by all and I think every player learnt a great deal about Cricket. His expertise and time were the key factors in the success of the team. I would also like to thank the parents who assisted with the umpiring each week: Mr Frank Malloy, Mr Farrell, Mr Marshall and Mr Macken. Their support and time was a wonderful assistance to me.

Ms Jennifer Hoare

cricket 13D team



Back row, from left, Brendan Petersen, Joseph Fleming, James Donohoe, Brendan Jacquet, Harold Best
Seated, from left, Edward Curtis, Rory Grounds, Ben McLean (captain), Jesse Martin, James Condon, Thomas Burns, Ryan Chan

The strength and depth of Riverview Cricket were clearly evident in the performances of the 13D team. We enjoyed a winning season, losing only one match by one run.

Our batsmen showed maturity and the ability to be patient in the face of pacey opposition attacks. The top order stuck to the plan of playing each ball on its merits. They blocked good balls and punished loose deliveries in a disciplined and meticulous manner. In this way, we were able to handle the accurate bowling produced by quality rival teams.

Ben McLean, despite a few early dismissals, was able to score runs frequently, culminating in a well constructed half century in the last match of the season. He was ably supported by James Condon, Rory Grounds and Brendan Petersen who all scored runs against impressive bowling.

Joseph Fleming showed a swashbuckling flare with the bat and made runs clobbering the attack into submission. Late in the innings, steady scorers such as Peter Grimble and Edward Curtis came into their own, making valuable runs for the team.

Throughout the season our bowling was very disciplined. We defended modest totals by concentrating on maintaining an off stump line on a full length. This simple strategy kept the pressure on the batsmen until they made mistakes trying to chase runs. Opposing batsmen found our combination of accurate pace and deceptive spin difficult to handle.

Patrick Clapin bowled some fine spells from his long run-up. He kept runs to a minimum and took wickets at crucial times. Brendan Jacquet impressed with the ball getting plenty of movement from the seam. Change bowlers James Donohoe and Patrick Dempsey were able to keep the batsmen pinned down with lively spells.

Our fielding during the season was sharply executed. Thomas Burns displayed a safe pair of hands behind the stumps. Rory Grounds lead the way in the catching department, pulling in some absolute screamers. Harold Best showed a strong arm and a good eye, saving many precious runs with his excellent ground fielding.

Throughout the summer, the boys played the game with a spirit of enjoyment and mutual encouragement. This fine attitude is reflected in the excellent results evident in the scorebook. The 13 D players can look forward to many more successful years of Riverview Cricket.

Team members included: Harold Best, Thomas Burns, Patrick Clapin, James Condon, Edward Curtis, Patrick Dempsey, James Donohoe, Joseph Fleming, Peter Grimble, Rory Grounds, Brendan Jacquet, Ben McLean (c), Brendan Petersen.

Mr Chris Gordon

The 13 E team had an 'exceptional' season. The boys in this team were gifted with overwhelming power, accuracy and sheer natural ability. These talents all combined in creating the winning recipe for most of the season's games. The team endured only one close loss to Shore and was successful with all other matches.



Back row, from left, Geoffrey Wells, Luke Martin, Joseph Neely, William Murray, Thomas Gillespie, Michael Wilenski, Mrs Therese Herborn
Seated, from left, Patrick Dempsey, Matthew Hundt, Richard Saunders, Logan Mead, Adam Herborn, Matthew Bennett, Peter Grimble

Logan Mead led the team with confidence and skill. This talented all rounder played brilliantly in his matches. He was assisted on the pitch with the driving strokes of Patrick Dempsey and Peter Grimble. The team would not have been so successful if it weren't for the very talented wicket keeper and skillful batsman, Matthew Bennett. He certainly contributed to many runs being saved behind the stumps.

Other gifted batsmen were Thomas Gillespie, Luke Martin, Richard Saunders and Adam Herborn who all dominated the pitch. Their footwork and reflexes were electric and created much excitement among the onlookers.

The overwhelming power of William Murray, Geoffrey Wells and Michael Wilenski sent an excellent example to the other team members.

Joseph Neely fielded with passion and hurtled many an accurate ball into the crease. Matthew Hundt also displayed his fielding and bowling skills with natural enthusiasm and a disciplined approach.

This was a wonderful season which proved that whilst winning matches is a pleasant experience, it is not always essential and losing often builds character.

Mrs Therese Herborn

13F team

The 13F team had a very promising start to the new school year. All the members of the team displayed their talents as all-round players performing well in batting, fielding and bowling to ensure that the team was successful.

Half-way through the season, Matthew Malouf and Nick Kennedy were promoted to the 13E team and we were disappointed to lose them.

Throughout the season the whole team contributed but some players deserve a special mention for their particular talents. Ben Carollo proved himself to be a bowler of enormous potential. Similarly Steven Phelps, with his trademark pull shots added flair to the batsmen and Jack Harris' undeniably perfect-eye meant that a ball was rarely dropped.



Back row, John Mort, Matthew Malouf, Michael Jones, John O'Connor, Nicholas Kennedy, Mr Jack O'Brien
Seated, Benjamin Carollo, Christopher Bull, Jack Harris, John Wills, Martin Corcoran, Joseph La Cava, Steven Phelps

Also to be commended are Jack O'Connor for his consistent bowling, Chris Bull for his overall effort and commitment to the team throughout the season and Martin Corcoran whose infamous slip-fielding could not possibly go without a mention. John Mort and Michael Jones entertained the team and kept team morale at a peak.

John Wills (wicket keeper) was fearless in the face of all our opponents and Joe La Cava's enthusiasm for the game, accompanied by his skill in every aspect of it, helped produce a young cricketer of great potential. The team was captained by a different member every week.

The fact that the team was undefeated proves that all members of the team have leadership and team building skills which will aid them in all their sporting pursuits.

Thanks to everyone for what has been a highly enjoyable term, especially to all the Dads for their support, enthusiasm and commitment.

Mr Jack O'Brien

cricket 12A prep team



Back row, from left, Samuel Cox, William Flitcroft, Maximillian Cordony, Thomas Mangan, William Dempsey
Seated, from left, Riley Morgan, James Campbell, Michael O'Neill, Kyle Mathieson, Matthew Skilbeck, Henry Cook , David Cain

Selection for the Prep Cricket teams was difficult this year as there were many boys with lots of talent and ability trying out for the team. In addition there were five boys from last year's Year 5 team and they were all looking forward to renewed competition with teams which had previously beaten them. However, it was difficult to fulfil these boys' ambitions as the games were only 25 overs.

Most of the boys selected in the 12A prep team had all round capabilities so each week I tried to share the batting and the bowling. This was always a challenging task.

Kyle Mathieson opened the batting and was retired on 3 of his 4 visits to the crease,with scores in excess of 40. Will Flitcroft was the batsman we looked to when the run rate needed a lift. Will also had 3 scores in excess of 40 and they were always scored at a quick rate.

Will Dempsey, Michael O'Neill and Henry Cook also held down positions in the top order and each contributed to our high scores on their day.

James Campbell, Riley Morgan, Matt Skilbeck and David Cain were never given a chance to build an innings but were usually called upon during the last 5 overs to add quick runs.

During our last game, Sam Cox and Max Cordony had an opportunity to show their true batting skills and put together a good partnership. Unfortunately Tom Mangan only had a couple of opportunities but managed to have one good innings.

Matt Skilbeck and Will Flitcroft led our bowling attack and in each game we normally had the opposition in immediate trouble. Both bowled with good pace and regularly hit the stumps. Runs scored from their bowling were generally through the slips area.

Kyle Mathieson, James Campbell, Tom Mangan, Max Cordony and Sam Cox provided medium pace support to the opening bowlers. All bowled good line and length and were rewarded for their perseverance.

We were fortunate enough to have three spin bowlers. Riley Morgan is a leg spin bowler with exceptional control for such a young bowler still learning his art. Will Dempsey is a left arm orthodox bowler and David Cain can bowl either off or leg spin, given the required conditions, All three regularly took wickets and changed the course of the game on their partIcular day.

Unfortunately, Michael O'Neill broke his arm early in the season and didn't get an opportunity to show his bowling skills.

Henry Cook took on the wicket keeping duties. This is never an easy task on hot summer days and Henry did the job admirably. He always kept the team on their toes, whenever we were in the field and kept up the chat and enthusiasm in a positive manner.

I would also like to thank the Prep B players who helped out on occasions when players had to leave early. These players are always necessary in a successful team.

The Prep A team won all their matches convincingly during the term and I encourage all the Prep B players to keep the pressure on in Term IV

Thanks to the teachers who helped during training and enforced our strict safety policy with protective equipment. Also thanks to the parents who attended each week.

Last but not least, thanks to Ian Cook who gave me support throughout the season, ran the team when I was unable to attend and looked after the scoring duties along with the boys.

I am sure all the boys look forward to Term IV cricket.

Mr Michael Noud

For many new students, playing in the Prep B Cricket team marked a successful start to their sporting life at the College. Unfortunately, this season was very short with one washed out match and an internal game against the Prep A team. In all, only three matches were played.

In game 1, Riverview had a narrow defeat against a well-drilled Trinity team. In a match against Sydney Grammar St Ives, the B team dominated with bat and a ball to score 98 runs, dismissing the opposition who scored 50. In a game against Waverly, we scored 120 runs and then dismissed the opposition for 78.



Back row, Michael O'Donoghue, Harrison Wall, James Molloy, Iain Salteri, Thomas Murphy
Seated, Harrison Chapman, Joseph McElhone, Alexander Crowley, Gordon MacArthur, Alexander Saxon, Alexander Crampton, Nicholas Scougall

The team was coached by some enthusiastic parents including Ian MacArthur, Greg McElhone and Michael Wall, who managed and directed them on Saturdays. The Prep B team developed a strong team ethos and played together well. Gordon MacArthur was an excellent captain, Joseph McElhone was a dominant player at the crease, scoring runs with ease.

Mr Michael Noud

12C team

This was a wonderful and rewarding season due mainly to the players' determination and consistency throughout the season. Although we did not win every game the 10 boys always worked together as a team.

We began with a team of 10 inexperienced boys, most of whom had never played Cricket before. They 'dared to do their best' and ended up winning some matches in the later part of the season.

The loss of our first two game and then a washout, spurred the boys on. They became determined to give their best throughout the remaining games.



Back row, from left, Conor O'Driscoll, Rhys Gleecher, Patrick Coolican, Michael Samaha
Seated, Jason Brooks, Adam Smallhorn, Henry Graham, Mr George Cassar, George Wilcox, Thomas Duffy, Alexander Dale

Leading the team were George Wilcox and Rhys Gleecher, followed by Henry Graham. These boys were all outstanding all rounders, who inspired the rest of the team to follow suit and take up the challenge.

Patrick Coolican played an important role behind the stumps and with his bat, while Alex Dale and Adam Smallhorn showed them how to bowl. Jason Brooks, Michael Samaha, Conor O'Driscoll and Thomas Duffy performed outstandingly in the field with several run outs and catches. The team gelled and worked like a well-oiled machine, achieving a great result. They displayed sportsmanship, chivalry and humility and made it a memorable season for all. Congratulations to the boys for a great season and a special thank you to all the parents for their help, support and encouragement.

Mr George Cassar

cricket 11A team



Back row, from left, Hugo Gotterson, Damian Rocca, Angus McKay, James Watt, Oliver Grimble, Tomas Godlewski
Seated, from left, James L'Estrange, Clark Wenborn, Matthew Prior, Mr David Johnson, Sebastian Henry-Jones, Harry Flitcroft, Michael Ippolito

The beginning of the Term I summer sport competition saw a group of 12 boys selected to represent Riverview in the 11A Cricket team. Many of them, being new students, were taking advantage of their first opportunity to play Cricket for their new school.

In the spirit of the game, the boys agreed to take turns at being captain, vice-captain and 12th man. The first match, an away game against Trinity Grammar, saw Riverview take the field. Tight fielding saw 4 wickets fall to run outs, and the whole team bowled extremely well.

Some excellent spin from James L'Estrange gave him figures of 2 for 1, Clark Wenborn collected 2 for 3 with some nice medium pace bowling and Sebastian Henry-Jones and Matthew Prior both collected a wicket each. Trinity were out for 55, leaving our opening pair of Michael Ippolito and Clark Wenborn to open the account for Riverview.

Clark and Michael made 25 before Clark fell to an excellent delivery from a Trinity fast bowler. Two more quick wickets fell but James L'Estrange and Michael Ippolito managed to steer the team to victory with Michael making a well hit 30 and James backing up well for 7.

Game 2 was a washout. Game 3 was an internal game against the 11B team. This served as a great opportunity for both teams to get some excellent match practice. Hugo Gotterson retired on 40 for the As and the rest of the team batting equally as well to finish up on 112. Some tight fielding and excellent all round bowling saw the Bs all out for 65. Damian Rocca, Matthew Prior and Michael Ippolito all took 2 wickets each, and Hugo Gotterson, Harry Flitcroft and Tom Godlewski each took a wicket.

In game 4, the team travelled to St Ives to play Grammar. This game saw the entire team put in another great effort. Grammar bowled first, and all the 11 As made a great effort at the crease. Top scorers were Angus McKay and James L'Estrange who each made 15 runs. Another tight innings in the field saw Grammar out for 72, well below Riverview's innings of 105. Excellent fielding brought 7 catches.

Harry Flitcroft took 3 for 8 and just missed a hat trick.Hugo Gotterson, despite a nagging sore muscle in his thigh, took 2 for 2; Damian Rocca took 2 for 0; Sebastian Henry-Jones took 2 for 1 and Matthew Prior took 2 for 4. Tom Godlewski, Michael Ippolito, James L'Estrange, James Watt and Oliver Grimble all bowled very well even though they didn't take a wicket in this innings.

A final highlight was Hugo Gotterson leading the whole team in some Riverview war cries to celebrate their comprehensive victory.

Our final game was a home match against Waverley. Starting with 10 men, we soon lost Hugo Gotterson who was injured.The boys managed an excellent 65 in spite of difficult circumstances, having only 9 players for most of the innings. Waverley was very gracious and gave us one of their players to field for us in the second innings, and Liam Burke from Waverley did an excellent job.

Waverley proved too strong for a depleted Riverview line-up and they made 67 runs in 12 overs. Fielding proved to be a strength for the 11As again with 2 run outs and a fantastic catch by Sebastian Henry-Jones. James Watt bowled an excellent 3 overs taking 2 for 9 and James L'Estrange stuck at it to get an lbw decision in his favour to finish with 1 for 18.

In essence, all the players in this team were the stars of the season. They managed to come together quickly as a team and by the end of the five rounds, it seemed like the boys had been playing together for years rather than weeks. Every single one of these boys has made an excellent start to their representative career as Riverview students.

Mr David Johnson

The 11B team proved to be a powerful team winning all their matches comfortably. The team was composed of boys from Year 5 and Year 6 and most of them were new to the College. The team was coached extremely well by a parent, Mr Scarella.

A stunning performance in game 1 against Trinity set up the start of a successful season. Trinity was dismissed for 40 runs, then in reply the B team scored 172 runs off 17 overs. Game 2 was washed out and Game 3 was an internal game against the 11A team.



Back row, Samuel Masi, Sebastian MacGoughan, Lachlan Hay, John Barry
Seated,Timothy Donlan, Alexander Hawtin, Joseph Scarcella, Jack Fernon, Thomas Beswick, Daniel Welsh, William Tait

The following two matches against Grammar St Ives and Waverley were won comfortably, The team had a strong batting performances from John Barry, William Tait, and Jack Fernon who also proved to be an excellent keeper.

The bowling include a strong line up of John Barry and William Tait being good all rounders. Joe Scarella proved to be a handy spin bowler. In the field the Riverview boys attacked the ball and would not allow runs to be scored easily. Sebastian MacGougan and Alex Hawtin were the standouts. Solid improvers were Tim Donlan, Lachlan Hay, Sam Masi and Dan Welsh with Tom Beswick developing well as a bowler.

Mr Michael Noud

11C team

2003 marked a short but very successful season for the 11Cs, with the team undefeated.

Captained by Tim Fitzgerald, the team was in experienced hands. Tim very rarely lost his wicket before being forced to retire, and bowled pace when needed.

Jack Gracie and Sam Prior gave great support, with Jack demonstrating near-perfect aim in critical situations and Sam refusing to let any ball get past him.



Back row, Michael Anthony, Charles Ower, Ms Georgia Smith, Kade Fallins
Seated, Jack Gracie, Samuel Prior, Joseph Hamer, Timothy Fitzgerald, Nicholas Roubicek, Jack Donnan, James Duncan. Absent: Nicholas Biscoe

Joe Hamer and Kade Fallins played very well and it was not unusual for opposing batsmen to take great risks to avoid facing their bowling. In addition, Joe's deft batting and Kade's fantastic placement guaranteed an excellent run score in the batting and many wickets falling in fielding.

Nick Roubicek put consistent pressure on the batsmen with his bowling, close fielding and quick hands. Jack Donnan partnered any batsman well, excelled in wicket keeping and bowled accurate medium pace, earning him a match winning three wickets against Cranbrook.

James Duncan's bowling developed from good to great during the season, with well-deserved wickets starting to fall in the final game.

Michael Anthony (who on two occasions did not face a ball due to the success of the previous batsmen), is to be congratulated on his all-round game. Michael was definitely the most improved player attempting every fielding, batting and bowling opportunity with enthusiasm.

Charles Ower is to be commended for his unpredictable spin-bowling and support of other team members.Nicholas Biscoe's safe hands at keeper ensured that every bowler was supported and every batsman was nervous. If it was at all possible to catch a ball behind, it would be caught.

It has been a pleasure to coach such a highly skilled and dedicated group of players. A huge thank you must also go to the parents who volunteered to umpire, score and assist in any way.

Ms Georgia Smith

cricket 11D team

The 11D cricketers came from a variety of sporting backgrounds and experiences, however, with their enthusiasm and energy, the players very quickly developed into a cohesive team. They showed a lot of determination and courage throughout the season having only nine players, often backing up two or three times to bat and bowl.

Jeremy Ferrer started the season with 5/15 in the first game against St Patrick's, Strathfield. All boys developed their bowling with both Jack Bundey and Jeremy Ferrer on hat tricks at different stages throughout the season. Sean Shanahan's bowling improved tremendously from the first to the last game developing his technique along the way. Both Sebastian Chan and Nicholas Kirkwood had turns as wicket keeper and proved to be very quick and skillful in getting the opposition out. The boys' batting skills developed at the crease, and Daniel Guihot, Sean Maroney, William Hanrahan and Samuel Glissan all produced some fine batting throughout the season.The boys are to be congratulated on a fine season of Cricket. A most heartfelt thank you goes to the parents who volunteered each week to umpire and also to those who turned up each week to support their son.

Ms Tina Brayan



Back row, Samuel Glissan, Sean Shanahan, Nicholas Kirkwood, William Hanrahan, Ms Tina Brayan
Seated, from left, Daniel Guihot, Sebastian Chan, Jack Bundey, Sean Maroney, Jeremy Ferrer



10A team

Back row, from left, Mitchell Cook, Florian Melinz, Michael Wells (captain), Robert McClay, Mr Peter Burke
Seated, from left, Thomas Baxter, Conor Riordan, Callum Lee, Arthur Hayes, Hamish Conroy, Michael Salvador, Patrick Long

Group 1 Results Term 4 2002

Team	Round 1 v NC	Round 2 v Shore	Round 3 v SGS
1sts	Loss 133 v 203 & 7/137	Loss 165 v 170	Win 297 v
2nds	Win 270 v 175	WO149&3-93 v 116&123	Win 161 v 95
3rds	Loss 50 & 9/182 v 122 & 9/111	Loss 144 v 205	Win 132 v 40
16a	Win 149 v 87	Loss 127 v 270	Draw 0-15 v 85 wash out
16b	Loss 78 v 144	Loss 106 v 141	Win Outright 235 v 101 & 49
15a	Win 243 v 92 & 5/146	Loss 109 v 4/110	Win 6/192 v 95 7 3/90
14a	Win 202 & 4/50 v 135	Loss 13 & 3/143 v 6/173	Win 330 v 62 & 2/30

Group 2 Results Term 4 2002

Team	26/10/02	2/11/02	9/11/02	16/11/02	23/11/02	30/11/02
4ths	W135 v 127	L 147 v 148	W125 v 124	W130 v 64	W 120 v 60	Wash out
5ths	L 127 v 135	L81 v 97	W156 v 109	T 67 v 67	L142 v 290	L 58 v 59
16c	L 111v119	W145 v 141	L 98 v 101	W159 v 157	W 96 v 95	Wash out
16d	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game	W 98 v 97
15b	W 144 v 95	W 231 v 71	W 51 v 49	W 126 v 75	W 244 v 62	W 157 v 80
15c	W 86 v 85	L82 v 112	W189 v 112	L130 v 138	W 88 v 87	Wash out
15d	W165 v162	W163 v 160	W 204 v 62	W 161 v 56	Bye	Bye
14b	W 179 v 96	L 165 v 172	W161 v 149	L 67 v 140	W 159 v 99	D 153 v 0/0
14c	W 224 v 40	W 101 v 56	L 128 v 178	L 35 v 36	W 150 v 81	D 132 v 4/5

Group 1 Results Term 1 2003

Team	Round 4 v SHS	Round 5 v TSC	Round 6 v TKS	Rounds 7 v SJC
1sts	W 203 & 74 v 187 & 6/81	D 240 v 0/23	W 135 &	WO 199&5/101 v 111 &
2nds	WO 3/193 &5-70 v 93 &170	W 73 & 3/49 v 71	Win 242 v138 & 9/234	L 90 &83 v 117 & 60
3rds	W 185 v 114	D 2/175 v 0/0	Win 231&0/19 v 129 119	L 131v 188
16a	W 5/327 v 190	D 222v 0/0	W 240 & 4/60v 152	L 81 v 124
16b	W 3/141 v 7/139	D 9/190 v 4/26	WO 214 v 75 & 125	L53 & 137 v181&1/13
15a	WO 7/205 v 85 & 85	D 100 v 5/99	Win 7/180 v 179	L 101 v 151
14a	W 6/209 v 195	D 0/0 v 187	Win 194 v 185	L 185 v 9/186

Group 2 Results Term 1 2003

Team	8/2/03	15/2/03	22/2/03	1/3/03	8/3/03	15/3/03	22/3/03
4ths	W 125 v 124	L168 v 184	R	W 128 v 57	W 85 v 84	L 126 v 132	W 150 v 110
5ths	WO143v42&61	WO140v68&34	A	W 107 v 105	Bye	L 43 v 265	Bye
16c	W 240 v 115	L185 v 226	I	W 60 v 51	W 118 v 59	W 125 v 93	W 160 v 53
16d	W 171 v 162	L 16 v 85 N	L 114 v 143	W 172 v 136	W 117 v 130	L 104 v 197	
15b	W 164 v 23	W274v 102	E	L 115 v 161	L 126 v 127	L 81 v 85	W 180 v 60
15c		W 65 v 64	D	W 62 v 61	W 65 v 64	W 93 v 92	W 125 v 123
15d	W 224 v 90	W 214v126		Bye	W 216 v 99	Indoor game	W 224 v 111
15e	W 149 v 122	T141 v 141	O	W 137 v 25	W 151 v 115	W 96 v 54	Bye
14b	W 101v 56	L 33 v 111	U	L 103 v 167	W 127 v 124	L 70 v 98	W 160 v 149
14c	W 121 v 120		T	W 140 v 139	L 104 v 151	W 108 v 81	W 107 v 75
14d	W 125 v 79	D5/91v 116		W 148 v 145	W 215 v 81	W 52 v 48	W 98 v 56
13a	W 239 v 50	Win	A	W 120 v 119	W 152 v 151	W 122 v 121	W 185 v 173
13b	W 231 v 31	W 99 v 60	L	L 96 v 128	W 196 v 144	W 90 v 85	W 157 v 70
13c	Win forfeit	Win	L	Loss	111 v 110	W 67 v 64	120 v 45
13d	Win forfeit	L 80 v 186		W 124 v 117	W 130 v 116	W 97 v 37	W 189 v 110
13e	W 92 v 91	D116v5/91		W 155 v 59	L 113 v 127	W 131 v 39	Bye
13f	Bye	Indoor		W 63 v 62	Win	Indoor	W 161 v 107

Cricket is again alive and well at St Ignatius Riverview. Spurred on by the successful Australian team in the Ashes series and the one day World Cup we were able to field 32 Cricket teams from the entire school during 1st term, 2003.

Whilst this really stretched our staff and ground resources to the limit we were able to achieve great success on the fields each Saturday. The season results table shows most teams scored more wins than losses. In addition, entire age groups were able to practise together and coordinate team changes where necessary.

At the highest level our 1st and 2nd XI shared great successes. Both teams finished second in their respective competitions. Mr Mark McGinnity took over the 1st XI after some very successful years and hoped to rebuild the team who only had 2 players from the previous season.

After losing their first two games the 1st XI then went through undefeated for the rest of the season.Special mention must go to Mr Terry Sheehan and the 2nd XI for playing hard all season who with the last over of their game against St Joseph's looming almost pulled off a premiership victory.

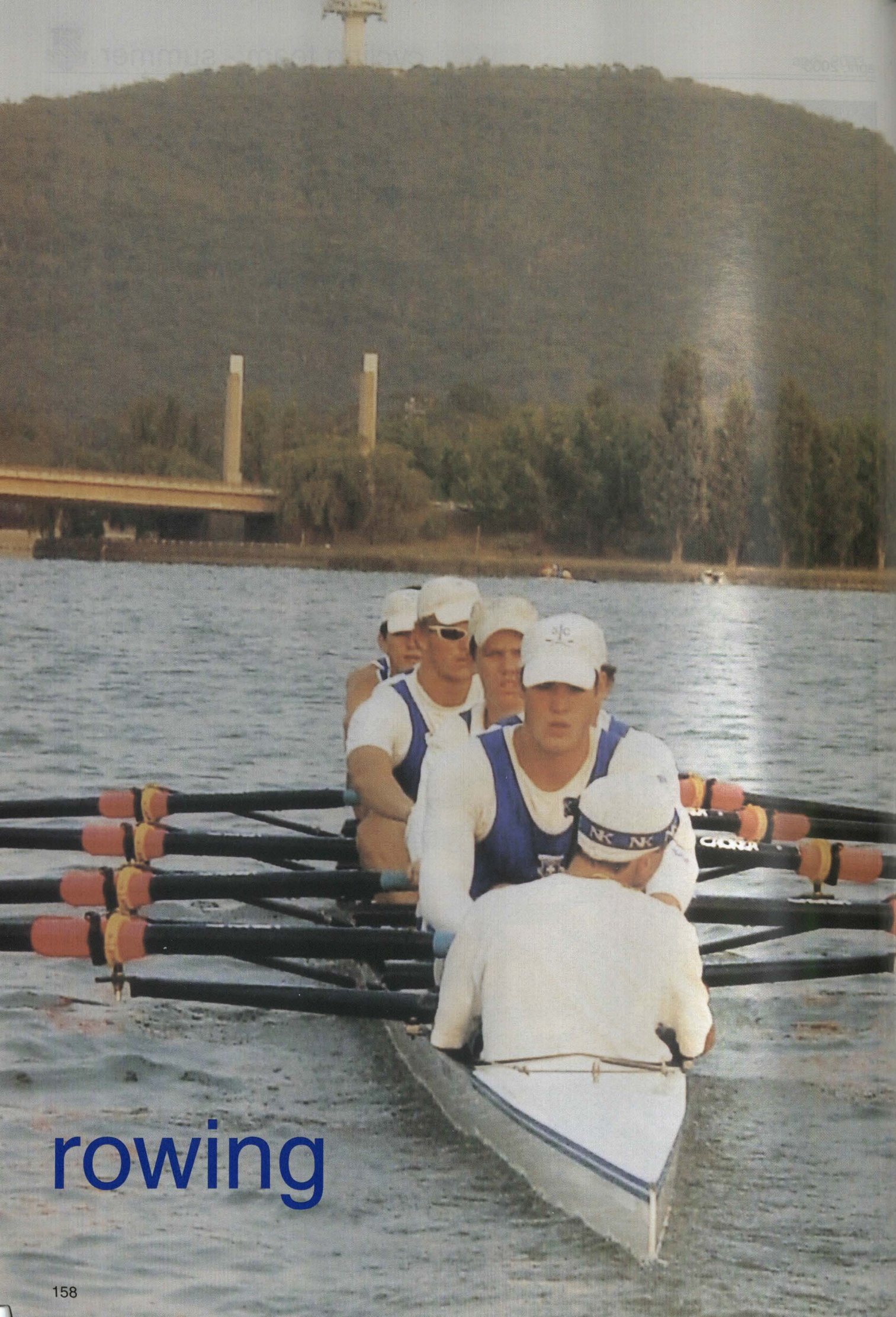
A special thank you to the coaching staff for giving up so much of their Saturday to coach, often in the searing heat and for long hours. It is truly a labour of love. Congratulations to the boys who play the game they love each week-end in a great season where many friendships were made and great team camaraderie prevailed.

Mr Andrew Szabo

cycling team - summer



Back row, from left, Thomas Gormly, Michael Bliss, Henry Grogan, Christopher Mohen, Lachlan Bollen, Timothy Emslie, William Crowley
Middle row, from left, Kenneth Cheung, Arthur Gatt, Dane Bollen, Alexander McLean, Stephen Higgins, Christopher Bowie, Michael Purtill, Matthew Keefe, Mr Jeremy Bennett
Seated, from left, Alistair Webster, Tyrone Lindqvist, Thomas Smith, Gregory Ainsworth, Tyron Bicknell, Benjamin McGahey, Liam Murphy



rowing

The term 'a man for others' indeed captures the essence of the Riverview Rowing club. Rowing is not a sport where an individual can excel. All individuality is subsumed into the whole team. The whole team working together is like a symphony orchestra.

The various musical instruments can be likened to the different positions in the crew. Each has an assigned job, from coxswain to bow man to ensure the music is powerful and strong. Synchronicity is critical for a good sound. Synchronicity is critical for success in rowing.

The 2002-2003 rowing season has been a remarkable journey. Riverview had a win at every regatta in which we competed. In most of the regattas, Riverview came either first or second in the GPS races. Out of a total of 66 GPS races during the season, Riverview won 24 and came second in 31 races. Third place was only experienced in eight races and fourth place twice.

This is an outstanding result and a testament to the application of the crews and all the coaches. The racing at the final regatta of the season – the AAGPS Head of the River Regatta reflected the strong performances during the season. Three wins, three seconds, one third. Fantastic! Out of the eight GPS schools, only two shared the spoils on the day - Shore and Riverview.

The College success can be traced back to the sculling program which underpins the selection policy and the skills development in the club. This sculling program makes our club competitive. Performance in a scull selects the crews based on the philosophy that a person who can move a small boat is more than capable of moving a bigger boat with a coxswain. Size should not be a consideration when selecting a crew, the boat movers should be picked over the muscle men!

It is essential to thank an 'army' of people for the success we have experienced during the season. Some people say that that Rowing is the ultimate team sport. At Riverview, it's not the crews who are teams, but also those who support them. And so I say:

• Thank you to the food parents, especially Gabby Campbell, Paul Brogan and Lisa Walsh who helped provide the all-important food for the boys: the Thursday BBQs and their breakfasts. Paul Brogan's initiative to have a regular Thursday BBQ was a highlight for the whole shed. The popularity of this event was realised when gradually the whole shed seemed to organise a mandatory training session on BBQ day.

The Saturday breakfasts for the rowers was organised by Gabby Campbell and her team of parents. This is not an easy job feeding over 100 ravenous boys on Saturday morning during the rowing season. Lisa Walsh helped organise supplementary meals for the boarders.

• Thank you to Michael Smith our new Boatshed Manager. What an asset he has become for Riverview Rowing. Smithy assisted Charles Rowe in coaching the 1st VIII, and was always available for the boys and coaches whenever anything was needed. Smithy gave excellent advice during the season and his wisdom and passion for the sport are to be admired.

• Thank you to Bob Marsh and Graham Clark who not only assisted with safety on regatta day but also ensured that buses, trailers and the boatshed were all readily available for the boys.

• Thank you to the Riverview Rowing Parent Support Group led by the effervescent Paul Brogan. This group met monthly to ensure that all the rowers' needs were being looked after. This group played a critical role in helping to organise the Gold Cup Regatta, the Rowing parent information night and a range of social functions including the Rowing parents' cocktail party and the Head of the River dinner.

• Thank you to Rocky Wijesinghe for supervising the weights programme for the senior rowers. This was an important element in developing the essential strength of the rowers during the season.



The Ist VIII ... lending a hand

Term IV, 2002

Term IV, 2002 lays the ground work for the competitive part of the season. Minimal regattas and long distance work are characteristics of this early part of the season. All squads meet regularly to establish expectations and the required routine for the season.

At this time of the year there's a particular emphasis on sculling, especially for all GPS aspirants. Sculling time trials will determine crew selections later in the season. The process of selection is visited at least three times in Term 4 to ensure everyone is familiar with the required process.

An optional rowing camp for senior oarsmen was organised by the NSWRA at Riverview during the October holidays. The Riverview rowers had a unique opportunity to refine their skills together with rowers from other schools, most notably from Shore, Kings and St Joseph's College.

This interaction between schools and rowers can only benefit the sport and it was no coincidence that these four schools were most prominent in all the GPS races during the season.

An intensive training weekend preceded the Loreto Normanhurst Regatta mid November. This provided the platform for early season form.

The Loreto Normanhurst Regatta is an excellent regatta to gauge form and explore race plans. Two races are provided over a short time. Early season winners were the 1st IV, 2nd IV, 2nd VIII. The most competitive school together with Riverview seemed to be Shore who won both 1st VIII races. This pattern would be repeated during the season.

Junior rowers had a solid start to their season. Year 8 scullers evolved into crews and the Year 9 crews started to realise that there is a significant fitness and strength component in the sport. Year 10 rowers tried to maintain a sculling programme, however, this was disrupted with the City Bush Experience. This lack of preparation would impact on the whole Year 10 squad during the rest of the season.

The term finished with a short camp for the GPS VIIIs at Penrith to test a new

boat, refine technique and familiarise rowers with the SIRC racing venue.

Rowing Camps

An intensive training camp was held at the conclusion of Term 4 2002 for the GPS VIIIs. Considerable progress was made in skill development and teamwork. All rowers in attendance received intensive preparation for racing at the SIRC. The Year 10 VIIIs had a live in camp at Riverview at the end of January. Despite some positive work and considerable improvement in skills; illness, absence and injury restricted the progress of the squad significantly.

The Junior Rowing Camp was held over four days of the Australia Day weekend at Riverview. The Year 9 Quads and the Year 8 Quads had a satisfying camp, culminating with a mini regatta on Sunday. The Year 8.1 Quad had a strong paddle in the regatta during camp, managing to defeat some of the lower Year 9 Quads.

Smoke, sweat and spirit characterised the GPS camp in Canberra starting mid January. Despite not having access to the SIRC for time trials and sculling races, Lake Burley Griffin provided the squad with near perfect, yet smoky rowing conditions to ascertain crew selections and a good training platform.

The devastating bushfire, which destroyed many homes in Canberra, was evident in the growing eerie pall of black orange smoke which covered the entire Canberra sky as the Saturday afternoon progressed. The wind associated with the fires was so strong; one of the Riverview racing shells was picked up and thrown into a tree causing serious damage.

The fires did not affect the camp with the coaches always mindful of the safety of the boys. Some excellent work was done in training, with the fours in particular impressing the coaches.

Canberra rowing camp culminated with the annual Canberra Grammar School Regatta held on Saturday January, 25 with all Riverview crews excelling. The Riverview 1st VIII annexed the prestigious trophy for Schoolboy Eights. Andrew Cutcliffe and Angus Campbell won their division of the schoolboy sculling races.

The Riverview 1st IV won the Schoolboy Fours Division One and the Riverview 4th IV won the Schoolboy Fours Division Two (surprisingly beating the Riverview 3rd IV into second place). An impressive first up row by the Riverview 3rd VIII won the Novice VIII.

Term 1 2003

Most rowers started this term with heightened expectations. The camps had proceeded well with a fair selection process providing extremely competitive crews throughout the ranks.

Year 10 was the distinct worry with no fewer than four individuals not being available due to illness and injury during camp. Crew preparation was hindered and progress was the cliched 'two steps forward, one step back' due to the various problems experienced.

The first regatta of the GPS season was The Sydney Grammar School Regatta. Riverview achieved encouraging results with three strong wins in the senior ranks coupled with strong minor placings. Additional to the strong win in the 3rd VIII, the GPS 4th IV and GPS 3rd IV asserted themselves strongly with commanding wins over Shore School. Both crews stayed with the field until the 500 metre mark before pulling away to convincing wins. The Riverview 1st and 2nd IVs were closely beaten by Shore, despite being in a position to win both races.

Both GPS VIII races were exciting. Although Shore won both races by slender margins, the Riverview crews felt quietly confident that they were within striking distance of the winners. Every race can provide additional knowledge about opponents, tactics and preparation. Every regatta starts with the Year 8 Quadruple sculling races.

Riverview managed three close second placings to Shore School who are the traditional benchmarks in GPS junior rowing. Despite coming third, the Riverview Year 8.1 Quad scull pushed their rivals Shore and Kings all the way, underrating their opponents and demonstrating outstanding commitment.

Overall this was a satisfying first up performance from an extremely dedicated group of young men. The Year 9 Quadruple Sculls had mixed results. The Year 9.1 Quad had a close tussle with Shore and Kings throughout the 1000 metre course and were unlucky to experience a few bad strokes on the line.

The St Joseph's' College Regatta held at Hen and Chicken Bay on Saturday, February 8, saw three amazing performances by Riverview crews. The first was in the Year 8.3 Quadruple Scull. After challenging the unbeaten Shore combination, Riverview caught a bad stroke and lost an oar. The coxswain, Mike Murphy had the presence of mind to retrieve the oar, ensuring that the crew would not be hampered by the gear failure. This helped the crew to build on their early superiority with a convincing win with only seven oars. In the past, crews either stop rowing or are significantly restricted in their progress if they lose an oar. This was not the case with the Riverview Year 8.3 Quad. Perseverance in the face of adversity was apparent to all the spectators.

Similarly, the Year 8.1 Quadruple scull impressed the spectators with an all the way win in their race. Shore have not been beaten by many schools in the Year 8 Quads since the inception of Quadruple Sculling in the GPS Rowing programme. Riverview rowers demonstrated their ability to compete with Shore and in fact could assert their dominance if they persevered and were prepared properly.

The Year 9.1 Quad had an amazing reversal of performance from the preceding week. Despite coming third the preceding week, coach Mike Perry realised that fitness and familiarity with the conditions were critical in performance. He decided to row the crew back from the previous weeks regatta to familiarise themselves with the rough conditions of racing and working on their fitness.

This proved to be the difference with a convincing win at the next regatta. This crew always promised potential and have now proven to their opponents that they are the benchmark for success. Perseverance was again palpable in this result.



The GPS 4th IV

NSW Rowing Association State Championships

The NSWRA State Championships Regatta was held at SIRC Penrith on February 8, 2003. The Riverview senior crews had mixed results, yet the signs were encouraging that the College indeed had crews which could win any of their respective events at the AAGPS Head of the River if their focus was maintained.

The most dominant performance in any Schoolboy race on the day was by the Riverview 3rd VIII, winning their event by more than three lengths. The GPS 4th IV had had an unbeaten season to date but came across a Shore crew who were in fact faster than their more highly rated 3rd IV.

The Riverview 3rd IV had a convincing all the way win in their race demoralising all opponents by under rating all the other crews. The Riverview 2nd IV, when faced with a weak divisional race instead of a strong race against their GPS adversaries, raced the clock to record the fastest time of the two divisions and secure important premiership points.

The 1st IV had seen a rivalry between Shore and Riverview in the three regattas contested up until then with wins recorded by both crews. Despite having the faster boat speed over a shorter distance, Riverview was beaten into second place by a Shore crew who raced better over the full distance.

The 2nd VIII is in a group of four schools who are consistently battling to win this significant race at the Head of the River. Perseverance and focus are essential to maintain the hope that a win is indeed possible despite not winning early regattas.

The undoubted highlight of the day was Riverview's success in the Championship Under 21 VIII. All GPS crews, except for Shore, entered this prestigious event together with club combinations fresh out of school. Riverview led from start to finish, managing to comfortably hold a clear margin back to second placed Kings. Backing up after a hard race in the U/ 21 VIII, Riverview then raced in the Schoolboy VIIIs and finished second to a fresh Shore crew.

Winners at the NSWRA Championship Regatta on February 8 were:

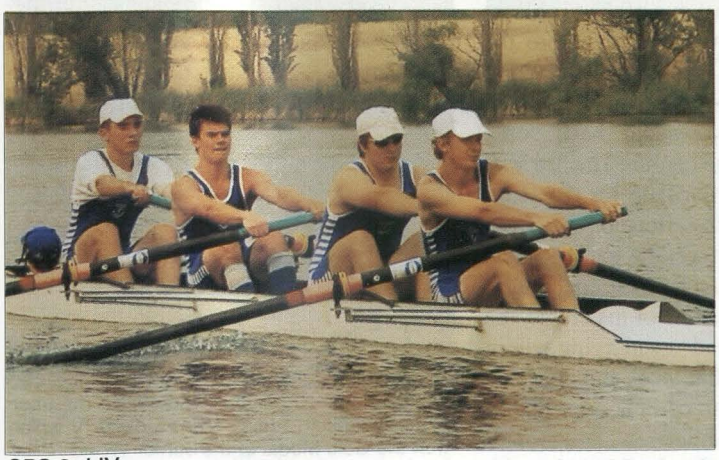
- Schoolboy 3rd VIII: Mitch Gorman, Simon Jenkins, Tom Perry, Jock Palfreeman, Daniel Smith, George Flannery, Pat Giblin, Henry Harding, coxswain Peter Perry.
- GPS Schoolboy 3rd IV: Michael Spencer, Jeremy Chapman, Tom Stalley, Simon Hegarty, coxswain Stuart Whiteway.
- GPS Schoolboy 2nd IV: Karl Ferguson, Andrew Cahill, James Hundt, Jake Molkentin, coxswain Paddy Martin.
- Championship Men's U/21 VIII: John Ryan, Andrew Cutcliffe, Paddy O'Halloran, Mark Flower, Ross Walsh, Tom Cullen, Michael Roche, Angus Campbell, coxswain David McMonnies.

Scots College Regatta

This saw two schools emerge as early favourites to take out all the significant races at the Head of the River in late March. Both Riverview and Shore shared the wins evenly.

Racing started with the Year 8 Quads, where Riverview competed strongly in every event. A highlight was the Year 8.4 Quad winning their second consecutive race. This crew came together during rowing camp and have made a strong impression in their class of boat in every race they have been entered. Most of the Year 8 Quads raced strongly with second placing being the common result.

The Year 9.1 Quad had a great tussle with their Kings opponents. All Junior Quads managed to achieve minor placing which is a commendable effort. The most satisfying feature of the regatta was seeing how competitive the Riverview Year 10 VIIIs had become. In both the Year 10.1 VIII and the Year 10.2 VIII, Riverview competed strongly. However, they achieved only a minor placing after being with the leaders at the half way mark. Yet, despite numerous setbacks during the season this squad had developed into two crews with some potential versatility. Coxswain Richard Salter, for instance, demonstrated this in training by completing a 2000 metre ergometer and filling in for an injured rowing colleague during a rowing session.



GPS 3rd IV

At this regatta, the previously unbeaten 3rd VIII was affected by a wash from a launch and had to settle for a third place behind their Shore opponents. The 4th IV had a tremendous row to take out the final in just under a boat length to Shore. The 3rd IV had a scintillating last 500 metres to win by half a length. Both the 2nd IV and 1st IV had withering sprints to the line only to see their Shore opponents declared winners.

The surprise result of the day was a convincing win from behind by the Riverview 2nd VIII. In both heat and final, Shore led for most of the race before a determined Riverview crew rowed them down in the last 300 metres. Seeing this performance twice had rival coaches pencilling in Riverview as a chance for the Robson Cup in late March.

The Sydney Boys' High School Regatta

Minor placings in the GPS events characterised the performance of Riverview rowing crews at this regatta. More specifically, second place was the agonising refrain in four out of six GPS events. Each of these four events had the same placings. Shore first, Riverview second. All four results were excruciatingly close and in each event the Riverview crews finished more strongly.

A crew of quiet achievers is the 3rd VIII who returned to the winners list, albeit closely, with an all the way win in their race. In both the Year 10 VIIIs fitness seemed to be a factor in performance with good placings early in their race, fading slowly in the last five hundred metres. Additional to the GPS performance, Riverview crews had five wins and seven minor placings in 12 Quadruple sculling races at the regatta – a truly meritorious performance. The Year 8 Quads in particular had stellar results with three wins out of four point score races. The Year 9 Quads won two out of four races with minor placings in their other races.

The Kings School Regatta

Here all the senior rowers were again competitive with the GPS Fours in particular laying down the gauntlet to their Shore opponents. The highlight of the day was the magnanimous sporting spirit that seems to be a quality imbued in all our rowers. After a gallant second place

in the GPS 1st VIII, the Riverview crew rowed past Nick Lloyd, the coach of the Shore 1st VIII, and congratulated him on the success of his crew. This graciousness in sport must be admired in an age where 'win at all costs' and dislike of your opponent seems to be the accepted norm. This gesture was much appreciated by the opposing coach and epitomised the sportsmanship in evidence at the club.

Conditions were varied for many races with restless surface conditions impacting on the performance of many crews, most notably the Year 9.1 Quad who led their race impressively before being swamped by a wash, regaining composure and picking up momentum only to dead heat for second place. Most Year 9 Quads managed minor placings with a courageous initial race by the Year 9.7 Quad.

Despite missing training for one week because of camp, the Year 8 Quads competed strongly in most Divisions. The Year 8.2 Quad, Year 8.3 Quad and Year 8.4 Quad achieved strong second placings with fast times. All Riverview GPS crews won their heats (as did Shore) in dominant style, setting the scene for the inevitable clash in the finals.The Riverview 4th IV, after a week of injuries and absence competed strongly to be only 2 seconds behind their Shore rivals at the end of the race.

The Riverview 3rd IV under rated their opponents and then broke their spirit with a sizzling sprint at the 750 metre mark to record a strong win. The Riverview 2nd IV competed throughout the race with their Shore opponents only to allow a slender margin of 2 seconds at the conclusion of the race. The outstanding result of the day was the dominating performance of the Riverview 1st IV who led from the first stroke to the last stroke, going away from their Shore opponents over the last 250 metres. The 2nd VIII are in a group of four schools duelling for success. Once again the 1st VIII was one length behind winners Shore.



Bryce O'Brien and Jim Ryan (2nd VIII)

Newington College Regatta

This was held in perfect conditions and the Riverview involvement was minimal with a number of crews deciding to stay and train at Riverview for the Gold Cup Regatta the following week. GPS crews attended with the 3rd IV winning again and the senior crews all managing to be competitive.

119th Riverview Gold Cup Regatta

Saturday, March 22, 2003 saw a big crowd come out in support of the Riverview Gold Cup Regatta hosted by the College. This particular Gold Cup Regatta was special because it commemorated 120 years of rowing at Riverview and 50 years using the current boatshed. It was also the last regatta where Cova Cottage would host the Headmaster's guests for the regatta.

Near perfect rowing conditions greeted the rowers and the unique atmosphere generated by the enthusiastic crowd helped make the day memorable indeed. All the Riverview crews rowed to the best of their ability on the day with the highlight being the steely determination of the 1st VIII in the Gold Cup final in defeating their close rivals Shore.

All Year 8 Quads rowed well in their A Finals after a relatively solid season. Most crews finished commendably in either second or third place. These Year 8 Quads have a lot of talent and should develop further with some hard work and skills development. The Year 9 Quads won the B Finals of their respective events, which places them in middle ranking amongst their opponents. The satisfying aspect of the Year 9 Quads was their improvement throughout the season.

The Year 10 VIIIs had disappointing results but this did not reflect the excellent attitude and dedication of the athletes. All season the boys had been affected by illness and injury and this made it difficult for them to be truly competitive. Chicken pox was just one of the problems they faced and on the night before the Gold Cup Regatta, one of the key oarsmen was in isolation suffering from it.

However, Riverview did have some positive results at the regatta. The 3rd VIII confirmed their favouritism for the Head of the River regatta, after coming from behind to defeat Shore, the early leaders in the race. Then, Riverview coach, Jim Busteed watched as one of his crews, the Riverview 4th IV, had a satisfying win in 'his' boat. Earlier that week the boat had been blessed and named in honour of Jim by Fr Joe Dooley SJ.

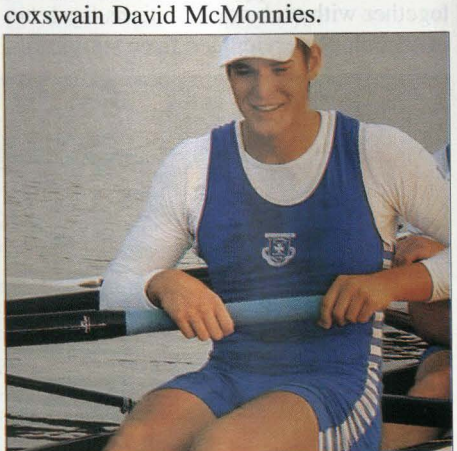
Training partners for the Riverview 4th IV were the 3rd IV, who had an unlucky race at the Gold Cup, coming second after a powerful finishing burst could not make up the ground lost before the turning buoy. This crew has previously won eight races and only tasted defeat twice.

The 1st IV and the 2nd IV had the worst possible luck at the Gold Cup Regatta. Both crews qualified with fastest times for the final, but they experienced significant boat washes which prevented them from racing to their potential. Both crews had to settle for second place. Coming into the Head of the River, the 1st IV was the only crew to have beaten the favourites – Shore, by a convincing margin.

However it was at the Gold Cup regatta, that the Riverview 1st VIII finally gained a psychological edge over their rivals, Shore. Shore had been undefeated all season with Riverview always only that tantalising one length behind them. In the final of the Gold Cup VIIIs, Shore led through the turning pile with a good one length margin, only to see Riverview step up and row through Shore, challenging Sydney University for the lead. It was a magnificent race with a magnificent result. Riverview had now won the Schoolboy VIIIs at the Gold Cup regatta three out of the last four years.

Riverview winners at the Riverview Gold Cup Regatta were:

- Schoolboy 3rd VII: Mitchell Gorman, Simon Jenkins, Tom Perry, Matthew McDonald, Patrick Giblin, Daniel Smith, George Flannery, Henry Harding coxswain Peter Perry.
- GPS Schoolboy GPS 4th IV: Will Marsh, Brendan Kenny, Michael Parmeter, Ben Turner coxswain Anthony L'Huede.
- GPS Schoolboy 1st VIII: John Ryan, Andrew Cutcliffe, Ross Walsh, Tom Cullen, Paddy O'Halloran, Angus Campbell, Michael Roche, Mark Flower coxswain David McMonnies.



World Champion - Angus Campbell - member of the Australian Junior Mens Coxed IV which won the Gold Medal at the Junior World Rowing Championships in Greece in August

AAGPS Head of the River Regatta

Thousands of spectators witnessed the annual AAGPS Regatta at the SIRC near Penrith, with Riverview crews prominent in most races. All the Riverview community can be proud of the performance by all their rowers. Additional to the rowing, the Riverview supporters demonstrated exemplary behaviour and wonderful sportsmanship in recognising the achievement of all the crews. Once again the indomitable Riverview spirit was evident during this significant day on the AAGPS calendar.

In the lead up preparation during the week preceding the regatta, all GPS crews finished their training program with understated confidence knowing that their preparation had been the best available.

The regatta commenced with the Year 10 program. Riverview's disappointing results from previous regattas were put aside to be replaced with the optimism associated with the last race of the season. The Riverview Year 10.2 VIII had a great row just missing out on third place by a narrow margin. It was their best row ever.

Similarly, the Riverview Year 10.1 VIII gave a fighting performance from a crew, which gave a considerable start to their opponents in training and racing. Both these Riverview Year 10 VIIIs have the personnel to succeed in the GPS ranks in the future with the appropriate winter training.

The senior program commenced with the 3rd VIII. Riverview were favourites for this event after winning most of their races during the racing season. Unflappable Riverview stroke Henry Harding, followed the race plan perfectly, allowing Shore an early lead before asserting the Riverview dominance in the last 1000 metres.

Next race on the program was the GPS 4th IV racing for the Penrith City Council Cup. Shore was the favourite to win, but Riverview had won at the Gold Cup. Shore took an early lead before Riverview had an effort with 750 metres to go. The combination of former GPS champion coxswain Will Marsh in the bow seat calling the pushes and the effervescent Ben Turner stroking, saw Riverview courageously overpower their rivals and go on to win by the narrow margin of 1.12 secs. This was an excellent result for coaches Jim Busteed and Dr Michael McGlynn.

The race most Riverview supporters expected to win was the GPS 3rd IV. This crew had experienced only one loss during the season and were ready to race. Unfortunately, the crew allowed opponents Shore to establish a big early lead, which they could not bridge despite a withering last 500 metres. Riverview managed an excruciatingly close second.

The GPS 2nd IV for the Allan Callaway Trophy has become a virtual permanent fixture at Riverview these past three years. The pressure of expectations to annex this prized trophy for a fourth time grew as the season progressed. This Riverview crew of talented oarsmen are capable of brilliant rows or brilliant excuses, depending on circumstances. The crew chose the latter on the day it mattered most, with the controlled power and technical efficiency rarely seen in a 2nd IV. Equal favourites Kings and Shore, were left in the wake of the Riverview boys – an outstanding crew, who wore down their opponents with the dogged tenacity imbued by coach Michael Lane.

In the GPS 1st IV, Shore was a hot favourite to win with Riverview the only crew to match them during the season. Riverview tried everything, but the size and power of the Shore crew proved to be insurmountable on the day. Riverview came second.

The GPS 2nd VIII had the required boat speed to match their rivals and needed to consistently apply this genuine speed over the full distance. Starting slowly, Riverview gradually got faster and faster eventually negatively splitting the last 1000 metres. This performance was indeed an outstanding effort despite finishing behind the eventual winners Shore who established a significant early lead in the first 1,000 metres. Riverview was third, one length behind the winners.

After winning every race during the season except for the penultimate race at the Riverview Gold Cup (won by Riverview), Shore was the favourite to win the race for the Head of the River. This final race of the season was going to be close with The Kings School also improving in every regatta.

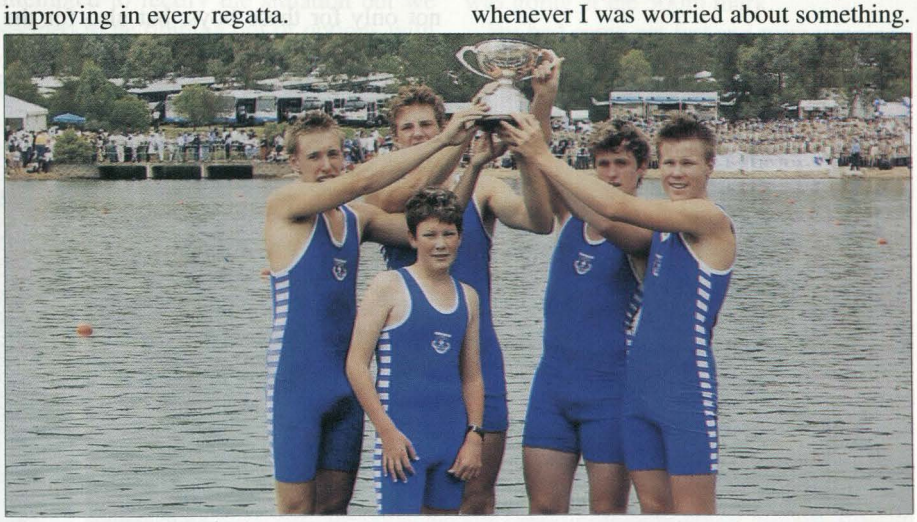
The race for the Head of the River started well with Riverview and Shore leading through the first 500 metres. Shore made a push and edged in front with both Kings and Riverview following closely through the 1000 metre mark. These positions remained unchanged through the 1,500 metre mark with all three crews rowing superbly. The characteristic Riverview finish gradually surged at the 1750 with Kings following closely. Shore's lead was gradually being whittled down only to have the finish line come before both Kings and Riverview were able to pass Shore. In a history making result, both Riverview and Kings dead heated for second place, 1.93 seconds behind Shore.

Winning Riverview crews at the AAGPS Head of the River Regatta were:

- The Schoolboy 3rd VIII: Bow Mitchell Gorman, 2 Simon Jenkins, 3 Tom Perry, 4 Daniel Smith, 5 Pat Giblin, 6 Matthew McDonald, 7 George Flannery, stroke Henry Harding with coxswain Peter Perry; coach Ben Smyth.
- The Schoolboy GPS 4th IV winning the Penrith City Council Cup: Bow Will Marsh, 2 Brendan Kenny, 3 Michael Parmeter, stroke Ben Turner with coxswain Anthony L'Huede; coaches Jim Busteed and Dr Michael McGlynn.
- The Schoolboy GPS 2nd IV winning the Alan Callaway Trophy: Bow Karl Ferguson, 2 Damien Patterson, 3 James Hundt, Stroke Andrew Cahill with coxswain Paddy Martin; coach Michael Lane and Rob Giblin.

Captain of Boats

The Captain of Boats this season was Michael Roche and his vice captain was Angus Campbell. Nothing was too difficult for both these men. Angus would have to be one of the most positive boys I have had the pleasure to work with. He would always say 'She'll be right sir' whenever I was worried about something.



The 2nd IV - winners of the Allan Callaway Trophy

Michael Roche always led from the front whether it was boat loading or talking at an information night. Both Michael and Angus were exemplary in their leadership roles and both have wonderful futures in the sport. I thank them for their excellent contribution to Riverview Rowing.

The Boatshed Manager

A popular addition to the Riverview Rowing Club this season has been Boatshed Manager Mr Michael Smith. Michael replaced the previous incumbent Richard Florance who gave sterling service for many years. Michael understands the culture of the program we have at Riverview and has considerable skills in management and rowing generally. Michael has managed international rowing team; he is a Director of the NSW Rowing Association and he has decided to make a life style change by committing himself to Riverview Rowing in a significant managerial role. Michael Smith's contribution to the club can only be seen as a positive for the rowing program at the College.

Riverview Rowing Parent Support Group

This group met regularly to ensure that all the needs of the rowers were indeed being looked after. The Rowing Parents help to organise the Rowing Cocktail Party, the Head of the River Dinner, Saturday breakfasts, camp logistics, tents at regattas and importantly the Riverview Gold Cup Regatta. President Paul Brogan, Treasurer Don Whiteway and Secretary Janine Fekete together with Tony Harris, Gabby and Ted Campbell all ensured that the associated logistics of Riverview rowing were in good hands.

Mr Alex Rybak

Australian Rowing Championships

The National Rowing Championships were held in Lake Barrington, Tasmania during the Easter holidays. Arguably one of the best rowing courses in the world, Lake Barrington provided almost perfect rowing weather for the entire regatta and an unforgettable experience for all those involved. The College was firstly represented by Angus Campbell who rowed with three members of the Sydney University Boat Club, including Rupert Sheridan (OR 2002), in the U/19 Men's Coxed Four Championship.

This crew had come together in a bid to represent Australia at the Junior World Championships in Greece later in the year and the National Championships was to be their first test. They passed with distinction winning the race by over 6 seconds in the very fast time of 6:23.41. The next day, Angus rejoined his schoolmates, Bryce O'Brien from the 2nd VIII and Andrew Cutcliffe, Mark Flower and David McMonnies from the 1st VIII, to race in the Champion Schoolboys Coxed Four.

Since this was a completely new combination, which required Bryce and Mark to change from stroke side to bow side, the crew's campaign started slowly. In the heats and the semi finals they finished second and it was evident that the final on Sunday was going to be a very close race.

Trailing for almost three-quarters of the course, the Riverview crew hit the lead by the narrowest of margins going through the 1500m mark. With a blistering and determined final 500 metres, they were able to extend their margin to 0.82 of a second over the Tasmanian crew from Scotch-Oakburn College in a very exciting finish! The crew from Hutchins Boat Club was a further 3.6 seconds behind in third place. This was a wonderful culmination to an already successful season, not only for these boys, but also for the other members of the Riverview Rowing Club, particularly the 1st VIII, who can take much credit for the success of their crew mates.

Angus Campbell had already been selected to represent NSW in the Men's Youth VIII and he once again joined Rupert Sheridan to row in this crew in the Interstate Regatta, which followed on from the National Championships on Sunday afternoon. In a performance which completely dominated their opposition, the NSW crew went on to win by nearly 5 seconds. Thus giving Angus his third gold medal!

Angus is to be congratulated for his outstanding performance at the championships, not only by representing his state and by winning three gold medals, but also by the humble and sportsmanlike manner in which this young man has conducted himself. Indeed, it is imperative that I highly commend Bryce, Andrew, Mark and David as well for the exemplary manner in which they represented their College.

Mr Michael Smith, the Boatshed Manager for the Riverview Rowing Club, not only helped coached the Riverview IV, but also managed the New South Wales Team for the Interstate Regatta who were once again victorious. Congratulations to Michael.

Riverview winners at the Australian Championships (Sunday, April 27, 2003)

- Australian Championship Schoolboy Four with coxswain: Stroke Mark Flower, 3 Angus Campbell, 2 Andrew Cutcliffe, Bow Bryce O'Brien, coxswain David McMonnies.
- Australian Championship U/ 19 Four with coxswain: Angus Campbell in the 3 seat (with Rupert Sheridan OR 2002)
- Interstate Youth Eight for the Wilkinson Cup:Angus Campbell in the 4 seat

Mr Charles Rowe





The 4th IV - winners of the Penrith City Council Cup:



Bow, Paddy O'Halloran, Andrew Cutcliffe, Ross Walsh, Tom Cullen, Michael Roche, Angus Campbell, John Ryan, Mark Flower (stroke), David McMonnies (cox)

From the first GPS Rowing regatta at SIRC (Sydney International Rowing Centre, Penrith) It was clear that the 2003 Riverview 1st VIII was going to be a powerful force for the competition to deal with.

Two minor placings, in this our first regatta as a crew, meant we went into the rowing camp at Canberra with high expectations of ourselves and each other. At the camp we faced two weeks of intense training, three times a day. This, at such early stage of the season, would have made most people want to 'jump ship'. However, a mixture of good humour and good bloke vibes ensured that the spirit in the boat was very positive and stayed that way throughout the season, forging a strong bond between everyone involved with the boat.

Back in Sydney, after the camp, we were well prepared to face the competition with a series of regattas at one of Sydney's less desirable courses (not due to its aesthetics but the range of weather conditions that managed to prevail there) – Hen and Chicken Bay.

A run of close and sometimes frustrating second placings to a quick Shore crew bred within us a strong desire for victory leading into the NSW State Championships. After a serious talk with Mr Michael Smith and Mr Charles Rowe, we hit the water with our eye on the gold. A collision (quite a feat on a straight and buoyed course) in the first 500m put two strong crews out of the running and the Riverview VIII was able to pull away from the rest of the field to our first win of the season.

After the State Championships we again fell into the pattern of coming second to the Shore crew at Hen and Chicken Bay. Some major seating changes attempted to rectify the situation but we seemed to be running out of options with only two races to go.

The week leading into the Riverview Gold Cup was one of our most productive in terms of training and there was a really good feeling among us going into the business end of the season. After two hard heats, where the Kings crews were knocked out by 0.3 of a second, we came to the start line of the Gold Cup final. Starting well off the course in the outside lane, the boat had the quickest start to a race so far in the season.

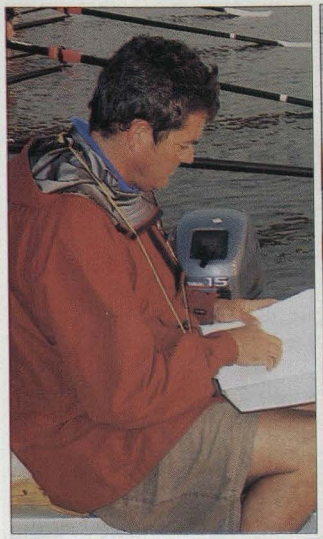
After some skillful manoeuvring from our cox, David McMonnies, we came into the final straight just ahead of the Shore crew and a solid length behind a Drummoyne/Sydney University composite crew.

We finished strongly with a clash of oars between our bowman and the composite crew's stroke to take out the Schoolboy First VIII Trophy.

Training in the final week of the lead up to the 2003 Head of the River was disrupted by sickness in the crew but we realised that the only way to make the boat move faster would be to pull harder. The race was a blur to me. My only memory from it was thinking how quickly it was going at the 500m mark.

We had come out fast and were winning, but a quick second 500m from the Shore crew put them in the lead. The final 500m would decide the winner, but even the mass of Riverview supporters couldn't make the boat go any faster. Shore finished first in a cracking time and a fast finishing Kings crew drew level with us on the line to give the first dead heat result in GPS Rowing ever, 1.8 seconds behind the Shore crew.

Everybody in the crew was supportive and contributed something vital. John Ryan, was the reliable workhorse of the crew. Everyone knew that John would give 100% all the time: at weights, training, on the erg or racing. In the 2 seat





Above, Coach, Mr Charles Rowe and right, the Ixt VIII at the Head of the River

Andrew Cutcliffe who always rowed with style, and, regardless of his Thespian ways, learnt what it meant to work hard once he arrived back from his Christmas holiday.

In the 3 seat Patty O'Halloran was a constant source of witty humour. Patty also showed a very serious and determined side to his personality during the season which few people had witnessed before . He was constantly pushing himself and the crew harder and further. Tom Cullen searched for that perfect stroke all season. Every stroke of every training session, every kilometre, was a search for that one perfect stroke. The search continues but Tom is gradually getting very close to his goal. In addition, the other crews were always psyched out by Cullen's unkind glares.



Ross Walsh was there to keep people positive. Whenever things were getting frustrating, Ross was could always prop up our spirits with something funny that held the crew together. Gus Campbell was a constant source of energy in the crew. He always wanted to row further, or go jogging, or do sit ups, or do a 2k erg. He continually wanted to make everyone want to work harder. Gus has the potential to do whatever he wants with rowing, and regardless of what he has done so far (three times National championships!) he is still the same humble Sug looking out for the crew.

Michael Roche was the responsible, hardworking father figure in the crew. Whenever there was argument over something Michael tended to settle it in his calm and collected manner. He was a powerhouse in the 7 seat and was always 100% focused and disciplined in the boat.

Although initially Dave McMonnies was a little reluctant to fill the large cox's shoes he stepped up to the task and soon showed his fearless determination to win. Being the only cox in GPS with a deep voice, Dave found it easy to subdue his opponents. He never backed down from other coxes trying to pull rank or push him off the course and could throw his weight around like an old pro.

In the stroke seat, I had a tendency to talk a lot, but I still maintain that whatever I said had complete relevance. I had the best time this season surrounded by eight of the best blokes around. Mr Michael Smith was a constant source of encouragement to the crew and was continually pushing us to 'crack it.' He is a little mad in a sane way and generated a lot of the crew's desire to win.

Mr Charles Rowe was our head coach and was more committed to us than any coach I have known before. He was constantly moulding his life to fit around rowing training. His many years of experience as a rowing coach meant he knew what to look for and how to make us do it.

The 2003 Riverview 1st VIII had a very successful season: we won two races that were important to us and learnt so much more about ourselves. Much of this was due to Mr Smith and Mr Rowe and all of the parents who supported us.

Mark Flower



The Head of the River



Bow, Jim Ryan, Bryce O'Brien, Martin Plokstys, Michael Delaney, Phil Lulic, Tom Flynn, Sean Killham, Alex Harris, coxswain, Laurence Shanahan

Throughout this season there was strong competition among the GPS 2nd VIIIs. The four most dominant rowing schools were separated by only three seconds from first to fourth place at the opening regatta of the season, the Loreto Normanhurst Regatta.

After a loss to Kings at the Harbour Classic two weeks prior to this, we were eager to assert our dominance and pride by beating this heavy weight crew. However, coming out of the blocks locked together with Sydney Boys' High school for seventh place, the season and the race were not looking promising. Fortunately, the Riverview boys rallied to eventually win the race by more than 3 seconds from a fast finishing St Joseph's' College crew.

As the season progressed the crew became a close band of finely-tuned athletes. At the two rowing camps held over the Christmas academic break, we achieved a totally a staggering 38 sessions on the water in Canberra and Penrith. The Canberra camp was the backbone of the season where everything we learned was carried into the season. The 'unbelievable' effort put in by each crew member is a testament to the burning desire in all of us to succeed. Morning rows through fire and smoke hardened the image of the crew who were determined not to be stopped on the road to glory.

The Sydney Grammar School Regatta began the racing season in earnest at Hen and Chicken Bay. Our confidence took a battering in the heat as we were comprehensively out rowed by all our opponents. We managed to restore some credibility with a close third placing in the final. Credit must go to our coach Mr Don Roberts who changed the entire crew each week, from seating combinations to new boats, trying to find the best combination for the race for the Robson Cup at the Head of the River Regatta.

Next came the NSW Championship Regatta where, typically, we allowed the crews a generous start before rallying to a close fourth placing. Once again the pace setters were Shore, Joey's, Kings and Riverview with each of these four crews vying for success in all the regattas. Our pride was certainly dented in this race and it was up to the old master, Mr Don Roberts who had a range of tricks up his sleeve, to find the answer to our success.

The following week at the Scots College Regatta was a do-or-die event for us. We knew we had to win to wrest some faith in ourselves on our journey towards victory. In the heat, Shore took a length lead, as they usually do, but we knew that this was going to be different. Steely grit and determined rowing from Riverview resulted in a good win experience.

However, a heat is only the entrée to the final and Shore were not going to lie down easily. The final started with the pattern staying the same – Shore leading before the Riverview spirit asserted itself. Then, under the goading of coxswain Laurence Shanahan, we pulled back centimetres with every stroke before going on to record a strong win. Our season had been resurrected – or so we thought.

A third place at the High Regatta, 4th place at the Kings Regatta, 2nd at the Sydney Regatta, 3rd at the Newington Regatta started to once again dent our confidence, with St Joseph's College emerging as the dark horse to an ever confident Shore crew.

The Gold Cup was another second placing but we seemed to have sound excuses for this absence of success. We still believed we had the potential to win this race at the Head of the River Regatta.

The inevitable day arrived and the crew felt comfortable and prepared. No excuses on this day. We had one more chance. We were fit and ready. When the race began, that familiar pattern of racing emerged with Shore School away to a length lead within the first 500 metres. Joey's went with them and Riverview were placed 5th. Gradually, we picked up the rhythm and settled into a strong finish.

The race was extraordinary with Riverview negatively splitting the last 1000 metres.This is indeed rare in Schoolboy rowing and more so in GPS rowing. We had rowed our best race and were pipped by Joey's and an excellent Shore combination. We could still hold our heads high and reflect on a sound season, knowing that we had done everything to win. We were just beaten by a better crew on the day. Congratulations to the Shore School. Those students continuing rowing next year will go a long way to bringing back the Major Rennie Trophy to Riverview. I and the other Year 12 rowers, will always remember this season as the one where we gave it all we had.

Alex Harris



Tom Joseph (bow), Jack Meagher, Pat Barrett, Jake Molkentin, James Dodd (coxswain)

The Riverview 1st IV faced many challenges this season. We began with a lot of potential and, at our first regatta in November, the Loreto Normanhurst Regatta, we stamped our authority on this race.

We beat our rivals Shore convincingly and in the second race under rated the winners by four points. We knew we had a real chance being the fastest crew from Riverview and posting faster times than last year's 1st IV. However, our coach, Mr Michael Lane wasn't totally satisfied with this, and used the Canberra camp to establish a different combination . We were now even faster with Jake Molkentin in the stroke seat. Our opponents Shore also changed around their crew, with some boys from their VIIIs drop into their 1st IV.

Despite our crew improving all the time, Shore still managed to win the first regatta and establish early season favouritism for the Head of the River. But we were not prepared to give up. Coach Mr Lane was quietly confident we could do win and altered strategies and gearing to establish the required ascendancy over the pacesetters.

This paid off when we led from the start to the finish at the Kings Regatta. Unfortunately, Shore's defeat made them resort to a determined extra effort in order to re-establish their position as favourites for the Head of the River.

On the day of this most important race, we actually thought we could do it – we believed we could win. We were the fastest IV Riverview had produced in recent history; we had winners from previous Head of the River races and we had a coach who was sharp enough to try something special to bring out the best in us. We were going to push our rivals until it hurt and then some.

Unfortunately, while we rowed a great race, we were beaten by a better crew on the day. Congratulations to the Shore School. I personally am proud of the boys who stuck with us all the way. A special mention should be made about the Joseph boys, Andrew, David and Tom who have all rowed in consecutive years in the bow seat of the Riverview 1st IV.

Pat Barrett came back to row after a great year last season and it was a pleasure to have him backing me up in the three seat. Two man, Jack Meagher is a 'tough customer' with an awesome talent. He certainly rowed himself out on the day. Coxswain James Dodd steered a great course and made the right calls but ultimately, at the Head of the River, we had to settle for second place.

Jake Molkentin



Karl Ferguson (bow), Damien Patterson, James Hundt, Andrew Cahill, Paddy Martin (coxswain)

The final Riverview 2nd IV crew for the Head of the River was not confirmed until a few weeks before the big race. Before this, however, the Canberra rowing camp which was a vital part of the rowing season, saw our newly formed crew rowing with precision and depth under the heat of the burning capital.

Mr Michael Lane and Mr Rob Giblin were our mentors, helping us through those difficult times such as when we just didn't want to get up at 5am. But we knew from the start that we had a winning combination, with many levels of experience and strengths, despite the fact that different individuals were rotated through the crew.

The season started with Phil Lulic in the boat, but he would later move up into the 2nd VIII. We then accessed Jake Molkentin who was later moved up to the Ist IV. Next we received Damien Patterson who was one of our greatest assets.

Andy Cahill was the person who brought the boat together. We all agreed that he was great as stroke and provided a great lift He was also very patient and always listened. James Hundt was the boat's engine, for it was when he and Damien put their foot down that the boat started to get going. This combination of power in the middle also proved to be the winning margin in any race we won.

Karl Ferguson did well to adapt in the boat, being required to change sides three times in the season. And lastly, Paddy Martin our coxswain was in our eyes the best in the sheds, always putting in work, whether it would be during the joey's runs where he tagged along, or the getting up early where he offered support.

The season started off with a double win at the Loreto Normanhurst Regatta. Yet this result would not come to us many times during the season. After our first competition race, where we came second, the crew realised that if we didn't 'fix it right now', this would be just a season of excuses.

The following week we competed in the NSW Championships Regatta, and even though we didn't race against the Shore crew, we actually beat them on time thanks to the great perseverance of our stroke at that time, Jake Molkentin. After the NSW Championships, the crew was constantly changing, with nearly everyone having a go at stroke, and many people changing sides to suit the coach's vision. Even though we didn't know it at the time, if it hadn't been for the perseverance of Mr Lane, we probably would not have ended up with a win at the Head Of The River.

At one stage, the season was turning out to be a season full of excuses. At every regatta where we came second, there was always a foot stretcher breaking, or an inconsiderate person washing us out to blame our loss on. However, it was about three quarters through the season that we realised we had the ability to win the Head Of The River, and that we had to train hard and stop making excuses.

Every week we would inch closer to Shore. For us the clincher was at the Gold Cup Regatta where we were beaten, not by Shore, but by Kings. This put things into perspective for us. With this knowledge in hand, we knew we were one of the two competitors for the Head Of The River.

The day of the race our nerves were going at a million miles an hour. There was a lot of pressure on us to perform, as we were competing for the Allan Callaway Cup. This prestigious trophy had a definite Riverview imprint on it after three seasons of sitting in the College trophy cabinet.. We considered it 'ours'.

Thankfully on the day everything went well, and although we nearly made the same mistake of 'flying then dying' that we had made in so many other regattas, sheer determination pulled through. It was at the 300m mark where the crowd kicked in, The Kings School were a canvas in front, yet we could see them tiring. With a ramble of words from our coxswain Paddy, and an incomprehensible scream from James, we pulled away to win the cup.

The season was an absolute pleasure with friendship made that cannot be broken. The main people we want to thank are the coaches and all those other people who helped us, from giving lifts to regattas, to fixing broken boats. The season was a great experience for us and we have left it with close mates that we won't ever lose.

Karl Ferguson



Michael Spencer (bow), Jeremy Chapman, Tom Stalley, Simon Hegarty, Stuart Whiteway (coxswain)

The season started with a search for the right combination according to ergometers and sculling time trial results. Different rowers filled the seats until the summer holiday rowing camp brought together strikingly varied individuals to blend together into what was an extremely competitive crew. We did manage to win a lot of races and we did have a lot of fun on the way and the only down side was not performing to the best of our ability on race day at the Head of the River.

The original crew of Simon Hegarty, Tom Stalley and Stuart Whiteway was joined by Jeremy Chapman and Michael Spencer who both had spent time in higher crews. Rowing Camp in Canberra was an intense experience and despite the blisters and the bushfires we managed to improve in virtually every session we attended. We knew we would be competitive when we surprised the 2nd IV with some close racing. We also won at the CGS Regatta which was a great start to the season.

Leaving Canberra on an optimistic note, we could not wait for the first GPS Regatta at Hen and Chicken Bay where we could gauge our performance against our opposition. Winning at the Sydney Grammar School Regatta was a highlight because we knew we had a crew that could go all the way. Tom Stalley was also pleased because he won his first GPS rowing race.

The NSW Championships the following week would really test us over the full 2,000 metres. This was our next hurdle. We were all nervous. We knew we could do it but we had to prove to ourselves that dreams can become reality. We started quickly and immediately established early dominance with Kings and Shore pressing us all the way. We managed to defeat Kings by two lengths. Winning this race reinforced our belief in ourselves. We now had the confidence that needed to be asserted later in the season.

We managed to win the next three regattas at Hen and Chicken Bay: the Scots Regatta, the Sydney High School Regatta and the Kings School Regatta. All these wins put a lot of pressure on us to maintain our unbeaten record. We raced again at the SIRC in the Sydney Rowing Club Regatta to score another strong win.

We raced a second time in a club event and managed to beat all the St Joseph's College crews. It was only a higher ranked Shore crew that beat us into a close second place.

We won again at the Newington Regatta but we noticed that the Shore 4th IV had changed with their 3rd IV because of their continued success. This new crew would become our 'albatross'. We then realised that our success was not guaranteed when Shore won the event at the Gold Cup. With one race left, the Head of the River, we were ranked number one. We still had to prove ourselves.

At Penrith, Shore School got out to great start and we normally would go with them. However, on this day, it was not to be. Shore had a big lead through the 500 metre mark and we really couldn't peg them back. We tried everything but their lead was too far. We put in a determined row to come second, but we knew we had blown it. If we followed our race plan we could have been more competitive, but that's sport!

In spite of the last race hiccup, we had a terrific season. We managed to win five races, and a NSW Championship race. Thanks must go to our coaches Mr Jim Busteed and Dr Mike McGlynn. They pointed us in the right direction and we just needed to follow their plan. We have all learned a lot from the season and we look forward to having another go at the big races next season.

Simon Hegarty



Wiliam Marsh (stroke), Brendan Kenny, Michael Parmeter, Ben Turner, Anthony L'Huede (coxswain)

Season 2003 proved to be successful once again for the Riverview 4th IV. The crew had eight wins and six second placings out of 14 races. The crew also won two out of three significant regattas – the Gold Cup Regatta and the AAGPS Head of the River Regatta.

The reason why we were successful was because we set ourselves the goal of improving at every regatta. And we managed to do this despite a form slump in the middle of the season where we tried a few things that did not work.

For us, the workload of the season was more than just the four sessions on the water but also an ever changing, always amazing, weights circuit set for us by Mr Rocky Wijesinghe. The critical coaching on the water was a credit to Mr Jim Busteed and Dr McGlynn who kept the training challenging, yet interesting, continually feeding the desire and the motivation of the crew.

Our training partners in the 3rd IV were great role models. We had great tussles on the water and we knew that if we could keep up with the 3rds we would certainly be competitive in the regattas. Then, after our boat was damaged immeasurably in Canberra by the vicious winds, we managed to secure a replacement boat, which arrived prior to the Gold Cup. This was enough psychological motivation to secure a close win at the Gold Cup and once again at the Head of the River.



Will Marsh, Brendan Kenny, Michael Parmeter and Ben Turner after their win at the Head of the River

The crew was proud to row in a boat named after our coach Jim Busteed and to date the boat has an unbeaten record.

Ben Turner



Mitchell Gorman (bow), Simon Jenkins, Tom Perry, Patrick Giblin, Daniel Smith, Matthew McDonald, George Flannery, Henry Harding, Peter Perry (coxswain)

The 3rd VIII for 2003 came into the Riverview boat shed in the shadow of the dominating 2002 3rd VIII. The crew knew the only way to rise above this was to win at the Head of the River Regatta, a task never achieved by a 3rd VIII in Riverview's 100 years of rowing history.

The 2003 crew was one of, if not the, greatest 3rd VIII to glide through the Lane Cove River. The crew endured rigorous training to be able to excel as it did. and, although we began the season on shaky grounds we overcame this to cement ourselves in Riverview history.

On race day at the Head of the River we arrived with high hopes but were anxious about the ability of Shore school and St Joseph's College to excel on the day. We sat ready at the start line hoping to achieve a good clean start but unfortunately this was not the case. Shore got away to a blinder after the first 20 strokes.

We began a length off the pace and then the nerves began to set in. As we cruised through the first 500m we were still behind and Joey's were fast pulling away. Our next 500m was much better as we put in a 10 stroke piece. The boat took off and we began pulling back ground on Shore and Joey's.

Still slightly off the pace the adrenaline set in as we began to hear the Riverview chants in the distance. The school had turned out in full support and were expecting a good show.

Our third 500m was where we really put it in: the crew took off, establishing a tight lead on the other crews. As we hit the 1500m mark we were in the lead and could smell the steaks being cooked by Stewart in the Riverview tent. The crowd lifted with us and brought us down the last 500m in record time. Our last 500m was the fastest of any crew in the race, quicker than Shore and Joey's by 3-4 seconds.

The 3rd VIII crew were:

• 7 seat George Flannery. George bought a sense of humour to the crew which could not be matched. His good nature and willingness to learn made him a vital asset to the crew. George is a real name to look out for next year in one of the top crews.

• 6 seat Matt McDonald who joined the crew late in the season Matt was one of three Year 12 rowers. He'd gone through the disappointment of defeat last year. Matt brought real power to the crew and his strength and commitment was second only to my own!

• 5 seat Pat Giblin. Pat was an easy choice for the crew, knowing he was a Giblin made us realise he would put everything in. The talent which his family possesses in rowing didn't skip him, Pat is a rower with awesome technique and the physical frame to really excel in the sport.

• 4 seat Dan Smith. Dan is an excellent rower. He has a perfect technique and the power he puts in his stroke is phenomenal.

• 3 seat Tom Perry. Tom has an impressive stroke and his high standard of fitness was impressive throughout the season.

• 2 seat Simon Jenkins. Simon had an amazing season. He decided to join rowing in Year 12 and, after heavy training over the Christmas holidays he came back with an impressive erg result. His sculling was also impressive. Simon's degree of dedication was quite unbelievable.

• Bow man Mitch Gorman. Mitch's weight training and dedication to rowing were amazing. Mitch is a definite rower to look for next year!

• Cox Peter Perry. Peter began the season rather quietly but blossomed into a high-quality coxswain. His ability to always have something to say kept us going through the season

• Stroke Henry Harding. When Henry entered the crew the boys knew they had a chance at the big one. His awesome power and perfect stroke where overshadowed by his amazing size and ego. He is a rower who will excel no matter what the obstacle.

• Reserves Oscar Peppitt, Jock Palfreeman, Tim Brogan. These three boys are all rowers with dedication and a lot of ability.

• Coach Mr Ben Smyth. Ben was presented with eight rowers with talent.He showed us everything we needed to know about the rowing stroke and inspired us to always give of our best no matter what.

Henry Harding



Robbie Lamond (bow), Spencer Palfreeman, Oscar Peppitt, Nicolas Millett, Tim Brogan, Christopher Loth, Ruari Maginn, Joel Stillone, Frank Pacetta (coxswain)

This hardy crew came together at the start of 2003. It came about because there were insufficient rowers to crew a Year 10 3rd VIII or to crew a second 3rd VIII.

Initially, the crew was a little hesitant, e but soon came together in commitment to one another and to the prospects of each rower in the next season. Several rowers from a similar crew last year won at this year's Head of the River in the 4th IV and the 3rd VIII. Those new to rowing (including the coxswain Frank Pacetta from Year 7) developed nicely, despite the handicap of having boats broken or otherwise amended, and the sometime feckLessness of some in the crew. They rowed with a pleasing style and were able to keep time, maintain steady oar heights, avoid crabs and keep to the course. Their main challenge is to build their strength and endurance to claim a set in the next season. Those who stayed the course can be well pleased with their work and development this season, even though they have no trophies to brag about.

Dr Gregory Haines



10.1 VIII

Paolo D'Ambrosio (bow), Jeremy Neville, Mitchell Wall, Will Hiscox, Eamon Ryan, Will Kennedy, Sam Young, Tom Gorman, Richard Salter (coxswain)

Progressing from last year's four-man Quads to the sweep-oared eights provides a different experience with some learning required to adapt to the new technique of rowing. In addition, we could not really come together as a crew as some boys were involved in the City/Bush Experience at the start of the season.. Consequently, we were a little behind other schools in training and preparation. As well, there were other events during the season which did not treat us very favourably

These included the one-week rowing camp in late January which was marred with injuries and illness. No less than four oarsmen were out of action during this camp, but thankfully we had a late recruit, Jake McKay, from the country, who was able to bolster the numbers so that we could at least train during the camp.

However, despite the various injuries and illness setbacks, the camp provided many positives especially in the fitness and bonding areas. Watching the Rocky series of movies during camp also provided much motivation for a tough and competitive season ahead.

After the camp, the season began in earnest for us. A regular sequence of regattas at Hen and Chicken Bay saw a pattern emerge in our racing. We were consistently fast out of the blocks but tended to lose boat speed with 500 metres to go.

Our coaches James Curtin, Donovan Murphy and Nick Jones tried a range of different seating combinations and strategies to find the elusive boat speed required. Unfortunately, just as things were looking better, we seemed to be once again visited by fate with either illness or injury affecting our preparation.

Three critical rowers Nick Clift, Kieran McCaffery and Richard Curtin were unavailable due to injury in Term 1. In the previous term Paolo D'Ambrosio and Tom Gorman had broken bones which prevented their involvement in the crew for 10 weeks.

As the business end of the season started approaching, the crew trained frantically to ensure they would be ready in time for the important races. The week preceding the Gold Cup brought with it anticipation, excitement and the pressure to perform. Unfortunately, on our own turf we could only manage a third (out of three) in the heat which prevented us from proceeding to the final.

However, late in the day watching the 1st VIII just pip Shore for the first time during the season with a determined finish inspired us with the conviction that we, too, could do something similar if we really put our minds to it.

In the week leading up to the Head of the River, the crew forgot their previous results and concentrated on the last and crucial race of the season. James Curtin's strict preparation of light sessions and carbohydrate loading had us ready to perform.

All nine members of the crew felt the nerves as the last race of the season approached.We left the pontoon with a positive air, focused and ready to do our best. Our start was solid but as the race progressed we could not keep up with the pace setters and gradually fell back to finish eighth.

We had given it our best shot and this was not good enough. And although we were disappointed ,we were certainly on a steep learning curve. The atmosphere and the excitement at the Head of the River are something that we could never forget. What that experience succeeded in doing was to make us all determined to achieve GPS selection and do our best. We certainly learned a lot about ourselves during that race. The feeling at the Head of the River was electric – something we all want to experience again.

Sam Young

year 10.2 VIII

Bow Edward McCoy, 2 Jack Cuddigan, 3 Jake McKay, 4 Lachlan O'Kane, 5 Daniel Jones, 6 Andrew Campbell, 7 Jeremy Neville, Stroke Dom Reardon , coxswain Jack Turner with coaches Mr John Polin and Mr Michael Turner.

This crew was part of the squad which worked closely together to be the Year 10 VIIIs. We had quite a few rowers new to the sport and some great guys coaching us. We worked under the philosophy that we needed to provide nurture and support for the 1st VIII and we did our best.

Every time we became competitive we lost a rower due to illness or injury. Dom Reardon was a revelation and was extremelyh valuable as stroke. Eddie McCoy never stopped trying. Jack Cuddigan had the biggest heart. Jake McKay gave up his holiday to help us out and this was much appreciated. He eventually cemented his place in the crew. Lachie O'Kane and Andrew Campbell were determined oarsmen. Dan Jones always worked hard and did his best. Jack Turner was an exceptional coxswain.

Despite reeling from one problem to another during the season, we were pleased with our final row where we came fourth at the Head of the River Regatta

We couldn't believe how close we'd come and some of even thought: that if only we had ...

Michael Turner

The 2002-2003 rowing season was an amazing roller coaster ride for the Year 9 squad and our crew. We started with a lot of optimism especially with some new 'recruits' who looked promising.

Mr Perry, the squad manager and our coach organised an excellent grounding in the basics during Term IV. We concentrated on fitness work and sculling. The training was varied with rows to Iron Cove and McDonalds. We all started to develop that competitive edge and it was the final selections which concerned us most.

During the January camp the final crews were chosen. Interestingly enough the crew was the same as the Year 8.1 quad from last season. John Nigem was fortunate to be selected as coxswain.We knew we had a competitive crew but Shore was the bench mark. Surprising everyone, we managed to defeat Shore at the St Joseph's College regatta. This win made us realise that we had the potential to be outstanding. However, after this success, we had some disappointing results with thirds and one fourth which nearly put us out of the 'A Final at the Gold Cup. Our coach, Mr Perry tried everything to recapture that winning drive from the St Joseph's college regatta but as expected Shore won the Year 9.1 Quad.

We all developed as rowers and Mr Perry brought out the best in us. His enthusiasm needs to be bottled because he certainly tried everything to make us compete strongly. We had an enjoyable season and learned a lot about ourselves and the art of racing.

John Nigem



Adam Campbell (bow), Christopher Larkin, Philip Matthews, Timothy Fitzgerald, John Nigem (coxswain)

9.2 Quad

This year saw us introduced to a regular training pattern which was indeed rigorous. We all knew we had to work hard to secure a place in the crew.

Training varied in intensity and we had our fair share of discussions about techniques because we had all become experts. Our aim for the season was making the Gold Cup A Final.

Throughout the Hen and Chicken Bay race programme we managed many minor placings but we also pulled off a few first places more specifically against Grammar and Newington.

We managed three first places overall and this was pleasing. The accrued points saw us miss out on the A Final by the narrowest margin of 1 point.

Although we made the B Final we were determined to show that we were capable of better results. We ultimately won the B Final staying in front of Newington in a very convincing win.

Many thanks to our coach Mr Perry who was extremely dedicated to our cause and most generous with his time. We hope to live up to his expectations and develop further the skills he has imbued into the crew.

Robert Carter



Kerry Lane (stroke), Matthew Martin, Ben Egan, Robert Carter, Paul Chandler (coxswain)

The season fluctuated as much as the crew itself did. It really became the Year 9.3 and Year 9.4 squad more than two separate crews and major improvements were seen in the 4ths as the season progressed.

It seemed as though our crews were playing catch up for most of Term IV but our perseverance shone through at the Gold cup Regatta where our crew won the B Final in convincing style.

There was a common feeling of team spirit that everyone possessed and it proved to be the corner stone to the team's success during the racing season.

A special thanks must be given to our coach Karuna Elliott, who made every effort to ensure the crews were competitive.

Patrick Higgins



Michael Bailey (bow), Tomas Fekete, Patrick Brassill, William Kalyk, Patrick Lang (coxswain)

9.4 quad

Despite having three oarsmen and a coxswain who had not been involved in the sport we had a great year.

Ben Egan was always positive and determined, Brendan Hay realised he could win when he put some effort in and trained seriously, Mike Bailey just enjoyed rowing and Will was an excellent stroke who was so calm under pressure.

We all trained as a squad and switched crews regularly, always searching for the best combination. We had a great win at the Gold Cup regatta.

Thanks to Ms Karuna Elliott who put so much time into coaching us.

Ben Egan



Ben Egan, Brendan Hay, William Robertson, Patrick Higgins, Josh Tatham (coxswain)

This crew had many changes and only two established rowers from last season. We wanted to give everything to be competitive.

We managed to have some solid minor placings but were unlucky not to score a win. We learned how to row in time and we also developed some good skills upon which we can build next year.

The whole crew rotated through the 3rds the 4ths and the 5ths but all these three crews were always within one length of each other.

Liam Meagher



Liam Meagher (bow), Ryan Gall, Matteo Villani, Dominic Ryan, Andrew Galvin (coxswain)

9.6 (2) quad

During the season we came together as a squad and we gradually got sorted into crews. Most of our crew was new to rowing so we struggled to be competitive.

We also had trouble training regularly with illness and injury taking time away from the water work which was so important for skills development.

We had a lot of fun and enjoyed the times when everything worked together. We especially enjoyed the racing and thanks to our coach Mr Chris Edwards.

Ben Cohen



Benjamin Cohen (bow), Brendan Tree, Brian Marlow Palmer, Michael Brogan, William Grounds (cox)

Year 9.7 quad

We were the 'left overs' who did not have a boat or crew to train in, but we eventually made it when an Englishman offered to coach us. We decided to get serious about our rowing and fitness. Although we gave most of our opponents a start in preparation we became more competitive as the season progressed. The most important thing was thatwe had fun and learnt a lot about the racing part of the sport. Thanks to Mr Edwards who coached us in Term I and to 'Stormo' who coached us in Term IV.

Bow Ben Cohen, 2 Will Grounds, 3 Rob Hogan, Stroke Mike Brogan, coxswain Brian Palmer with coach Mr Chris Edwards.

Mike Brogan

This year we had a great introduction to the sport of rowing at Riverview. We had some wins, we had a chance at success, we had some close seconds and some thirds. Everything was terrific fun.

The first few days at the shed are difficult because we are all learning the basics, such as how to take a boat out, how to launch a coaching boat, the names for all the equipment and what you do with an oar in hand. It is certainly not easy.

We managed to get through Term IV going into the camp over the holidays with some basic combinations.

During camp the squads were finalised with coaches looking for the right balance in the seats and technique. We knew we would be competitive during the season when we raced the Year 9 Quads and managed to beat most of them home.



William Callanan (bow), David McDuling, Toby Meagher, Alistair McFarland, James Corcoran (coxswain)

Our coach, MsKatherine Lewis kept us guessing, changing the crew regularly before deciding on an eventual crew immediately prior to the Gold Cup. Assistant coach, Mr McLaren, was extremely helpful with his hints. Then, getting a new boat the day before the Gold Cup was a bonus.

We hit a bad wash early in the race which affected our race plan significantly. Despite this, we tried our best and managed to come fourth. We did qualify in second place on points leading up to the last race which emphasised how competitive we were during the season. Thanks to our coaches MsKatherine Lewis and Mr Peter McLaren for their support and helpful guidance.

James Corcoran

8.2 quad

This year there were many strong rowers in Year 8 which made qualifying for the top Quads much harder than expected.

We started the season learning basic skills and eventually progressed to the subtleties of racing in regattas. We were moved into different combinations and different boats and we always seemed to be competitive.

The Year 8.2 quad was not finalised until two weeks before the Gold Cup but nevertheless, the results always flowed in the positive direction.

Our best performance came when our crew had only been together for two training sessions, and when race day came we were focused and ready. We all rowed with precision in exact time and felt very smooth through the water. We managed to pip a determined St Joseph's College crew right on the line with sheer intestinal fortitude.



Lachlan McCaffrey (bow), Henry Renshaw, Mitchell Davies, Patrick McNamara, Thomas Forrest (coxswain)

We then had the final hurdle – the Gold Cup A Final to win. Unfortunately, Shore School was too good on the day but they certainly knew they had to earn their win. Throughout the season the crew had one third placing, four second placings and two wins. We enjoyed our first season of rowing and we are all looking forward to next season. Many thanks to our coach Ms Katherine Lewis, who should take a lot of credit for our success.

Patrick McNamara

The year was generally a successful one for the crew. We were put together at the rowing camp at the end of summer.

After our first two races. our bow-man, Lachlan McAffrey swapped with Cameron Smith. Cameron then went on to show his skill and loyalty to the crew and fitted in nicely for the rest of the season.

The crew turned out to be very successful, with the season up to the Gold Cup Regatta consisting of first and second placings.

Nearing the Gold Cup our training was very tough, mentally and physcially. For each session we would row over the Gold Cup course three times at race pace. Then we would have long gruelling runs and other fitness training.



Cameron Smith, James Quirk, Lawrance Hunting, Thomas Hovey, Michael Murphy (coxswain)

On the day of the Gold Cup we came third which was disappointing but in the end we were not the best crew on the day.

Most importantly, throughout the season, we all became great friends and had lots of fun. Thanks to our coaches, Ms Julie Park and Mr Duncan Warlters.

Thomas Hovey

8.4 quad

The 4th quad had a challenging but otherwise joyful seasonal. Although we experienced a few changes in the crew early in the season, we soon learned to work together and operate as a crew.

With the constant challenge of Shore School and Grammar we tried to do the best of our abilities. The majority of our races we came second to Shore, although on two occasions we were able to snatch first place.

At the end of the season, we had earned enough points from our positioning in all our races to qualify for Division A, 4th Quad, Gold Cup.

We had hopes of winning, because our times had shown to be faster than that of Shore for the 1500m Gold Cup course.



Brendan Donovan (bow),Patrick Levins, Benjamin Diserens, Sebastian Wirth, Nicholas Harrington (coxswain)

The Gold Cup is a test of endurance and skill. The race commenced with us taking an early lead. During the half point, Shore managed to take the lead, which they worked hard to keep possession of. In the the last 200m we really started to gain on them with Shore being out in front by just a small margin. Shore managed to hold their lead, carrying it to the finish line.

Overall, the 4th Quad had an enjoyable season. Special thanks goes to our coaches, Simon Nola and Julie Parks for their guidance and support throughout the season. We will work hard when Term IV commences for we believe there is still room for improvement.

Sebastian Wirth

This crew had an excellent season and we were rated just behind Shore in the pointscore. We managed to win one race but we were permanent second place getters.

Everyone had a great time and our coach Liam Smyth tried a lot of interesting drills to help us improve our skills. We were lucky to have a coxswain who could row and he was a versatile reserve for the crew.

Thanks to the parents who helped us on regatta day with transport. A special thanks to our coach Liam Smyth who stuck with us through the season.

Damian Mair



Damian Mair (bow), David Venuti, Diarmuid Ryan, Michael Wells, Donald Benn (coxswain)

8.6 quad

The Year 8.6 Quad had an interesting season. We had some bad luck with boat breakages and we missed the start once. We still managed to have some good rows and as our fitness improved we became more competitive.

Our coach, Michael Marsh. took a real interest in us and we appreciated his efforts.

Jake Cumbers



Jake Cumbers, Anthony Russo, Charles Broad, Max Joseph, Dean Curnow (coxswain)

Year 8.7 quad

This crew came together prior to the Gold Cup Regatta to give every boy involved in rowing a chance to compete in the College's own regatta. Despite difficulties and discordant rhythms the crew blossomed on the day with an excellent row.

Bow Pat Menary, 2 Brendan Tree, 3 James Hunt, Stroke Anthony Russo coxswain Brian Palmer with coach Mr Liam Smyth and Mr Chris Edwards

rowing year 7 scullers



Back row, from left, Max Stephens, Kurtis Bellemore, Nicholas Callaway, Lachlan McKillop, Nicholas Bannister, Adrian Bicknell, James Wainwright, Douglas Joseph
Seated, from left, James Aitchison, Michael Meagher, Daniel Fernandez, Alexander Unmack, Edward Morgan, Harrison Checkley, Jordan Hunt, Mr Robert Gough
Absent: Robert Guzowski, Xavier McCoy, Michael Power, Louis Russell, Gabriel Crowley-Gray, Patrick Curtin, Jeremy Julian, Jacob Sperry

During Term 1, 24 Year 7 boys took part in Rowing at the College where the emphasis was on sculling. The Year 7 sculling program involved two afternoons of mostly land-based activities and two hours of sculling each Saturday.

For practical purposes, the group was split into two for the Saturday component of the program. During the season, the boys learnt the basics of sculling under the expert tutelage of Mr Richard Curtin. The boys made excellent progress and were rowing the Gold Cup course quite confidently by the end of first term.

During the after-school sessions the boys were put through a series of tests to determine their suitability for rowing and help improve their fitness. These included measurements of height, weight and arm span, a continuous 20 metre shuttle run known as the 'beep test' to test their stamina, a lap of the College drive and rowing ergometer tests. The boys were instructed in the correct techniques of rowing on the ergometers. They also viewed an introductory instructional video on rowing.

All the boys in the squad are looking forward to continuing the rowing program in Term IV which places greater emphasis on quadruple sculls.

Mr Robert Gough

Riverview Rowing coaches for the 2002-2003 season

GPS Coaches

GPS 1st VIII	Charles Rowe
GPS 2nd VIII	Don Roberts
GPS 1st and 2nd IV	Michael Lane
GPS 3rd and 4th IV	Jim Busteed, Dr M McGlynn
3rd VIII	Ben Smyth

Junior VIIIs

Year 10.1 VIII	James Curtin (Squad Manager)
Year 10.2 VIII	Michael Turner, John Polin
Year 10.3 VIII	Dr Greg Haines, A. Connellan

Year 9 Quadruple Sculls

Year 9.1, 9.2 Quads	Mike Perry (Squad Manager)
Year 9.3, 9.4 Quads	Karuna Elliot
Year 9.5, 9.6 Quads	James Dossor, Bruce Egan

Year 8 Quadruple Sculls

Year 8.1, 8.2 Quads	Katherine Lewis
Year 8.3, 8.4 Quads	Simon Nola, Julie Park
Year 8.5, 8.6 Quads	Liam Smyth, Michael Marsh

Technical Coaching Adviser
Peter McLaren

Junior Scullers (Year 7)
Rob Gough (in Term 1, 2003)

Specialist Sculling coach
Yevgenyi Pavlov



sailing



Back row, from left, Jeremy Byrne, Edward Farrell, Ian Quartly, Christopher Fallins, Nathaniel Hardy, Lawrence Bye, Daniel Aquilina
Middle row, from left, Hugh Miller, Matthew Ingram, Harrison Bethwaite, Christopher Malouf, Benjamin Aquilina, Robert Manna, Mr Anthony Sear
Seated, from left, Gianni Moseley, Hamish Johnstone, Terence McNamee, Daniel Gregory (Captain), Bartholomew Hardy, Brendan Askey-Doran, Joshua Long

This year sees the Riverview Sailing Club celebrating its 20th anniversary. In 1983, a teacher at the College, John Hunter was asked what he would like to do for summer sport. Thinking that a school like Riverview with its prime position on the river would naturally have Sailing. John asked if he might take this sport.

John became the first Master-in-Charge of Sailing at Riverview. Earlier this year, John, who has now retired, helped us celebrate the club's 20th anniversary.

This season there have been some solid performances by all students involved in Sailing, especially Dan and Ben Aquilina In addition, some younger students, who were sailing for the first time this season ,showed some remarkable improvement throughout the season and have started to take part in races. All of our sailors competed admirably in the Tri-Series as well as the SCEGGS Co-ed Cup, a new event for this season.

A sporting organisation does not stand the test of time without dedicated people. As the new MIC of Sailing, I am indebted to the small group of parents who have kept the sport going and who have given me so much personal assistance this year.

I also appreciate the outstanding leadership given by the Captain and Vice Captain of Sailing, Daniel Gregory and Terry McNamee. Such fine young men are a credit to this club and to St Ignatius' College itself.

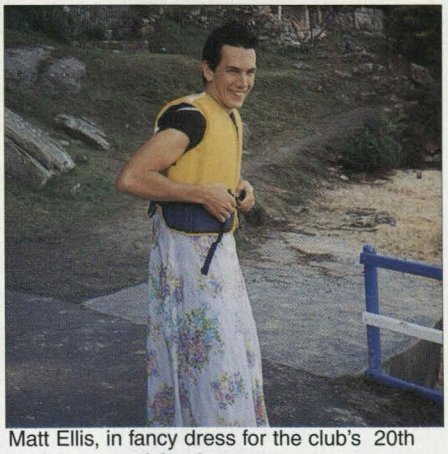
Mr Anthony Sear



Ben Aquilina, cleaning up after sailing



Dan Gregory, Mr John Hunter, Mr Steven Aquilina and Mr Anthony Sear



Matt Ellis, in fancy dress for the club's 20th anniversary celebrations



surf life saving



Senior Surf Life Saving Squad

Back row, from left, Matt Lancaster, Tom Prichard, Patrick Westhoff, Doug McNamee, Byron Fay, Will Magnus, Stephen Gillespie, Anton Joris, Oliver Curtis, Will Schiller, James Dwyer, Paul Barton
Middle row, from left, Mr Dean Hargreaves, Mr Peter Colledge, Sam Cincinnato, Conor Burke, Paul Dunstan, Nick Baulderstone, James Magney, Simon Jones, Simon Oxenham, Scott Turner, Mr Phil Amata, Mr Rob Stuart
Seated, from left, Tom van Beek, Brendan Homer, Tom Bromley, Tom Manion, Michael O'Brien (vice-captain), Sam Farrell (captain), Michael Ryan, Hugh Koh, Josh Rowlison, Scott Lynch

The 2002-2003 Surf Lifesaving Season that Riverview Ironmen shared with Freshwater Surf Life Saving Club was possibly the most successful and undoubtedly the most enjoyable that we have ever experienced.

The Riverview Surf Life Savers share a unique unspoken spirit and commitment and this season saw it unleashed every Saturday under the valiant leadership of Mr Stuart and Sam Farrell our captain.

The Bronzed Heroes

These toned and bronzed Aussie heroes would not be the surf life savers they are now without the training and dedication of five staff members: Mr Colledge 'MIC Board Paddling', Mr Hargreaves 'MIC Beach Weight Training', Mr Piper 'MIC Flags', Miss Catling 'MIC Awards' and Mr Amata, 'MIC Freshwater/Riverview Social Calendar'.

This group of handpicked specialist surf coaches, who teach in their spare time, have been tireless in their efforts throughout the season, with no reward, just one gruelling day at the beach each week.

The Spirit

This spirit, or camaraderie, can only be properly explained by outlining a typical Saturday in the life of a Riverview surf life saver. With a total of 123 boys travelling down to Freshwater Beach where the early morning sun glistens on the always-sizeable 'Freshie' waves, the day begins with a morning inspection of Rage's hottest 100, and the latest episodes on 'Saturday Disney', on the Freshwater big screen.

Following this, the 'Savers' would embark on a 'light' board paddle with Mr Colledge taking in all the sights on the Northern Beaches such as South Head, Barrenjoey Lighthouse and Long Reef.

After a quick vanilla milkshake, and a bacon and egg roll on cold mornings, the Savers would bolt back to the beach for the weekly internal competitions – a Mr Stuart initiative. The now refuelled savers would divide into age groups, and every saver would compete in four events: run-swim-run, the board paddle, sprinting and flags.

The day would conclude at high noon, were all Savers had the option of relaxed surf, sunbake or snorkel. At the end of the season, champions were decided in events, in each age group:

Riverview Internal Championships

1st place U/18 board race : Sam Farrell
1st place U/18 swim race: Sam Farrell
1st place U/18 flags: Michael Ryan
1st place U/16 board race:
Simon Oxenham
1st place U/16 swim race
Nick Baulderstone
1st place U/16 flags
Sam Cincinatto
1st place U/14 swim race
Bryan Coleman
1st place U/14 flags
Ed Murray

The Carnivals, Champions and Cheerleaders

After intense pre-season training the Riverview Savers competed successfully in two carnivals, at Whale Beach and Freshwater.

Barker Knox Carnival at Whale Beach

Sebastian van Veenendaal secured a first place, appearing to cross the line almost at the same time as Nick Baulderstone, in the U/16 board race, an event where the word 'carnage' did not do justice to the havoc wreaked by a massive set of dumping waves that persisted for at least five minutes.

Second placings went to Nick Baulderstone (U/16 board race), Sean Mason (individual open iron man), the U/16 beach sprint relay team of Matt McDougall, Alex McCullagh, Simon

Oxenham, Sebastian van Veenendaal, Nick Baulderstone and Alex Vrisakis, the open beach sprint relay team of Tom Farrell, Michael Ryan, Scott Turner, Anton Joris, Michael O'Brien and Matt Lancaster, the taplin relay team of Michael Ryan, Sam Farrell, Sean Mason, Michael O'Brien, Tom Prichard and Matt Lancaster.

Third placings were gained by Sam Farrell (open board race), Anton Joris (U/16 beach flags), Michael Ryan (open beach flags) and Nick Baulderstone (U/16 individual iron man). Well done to not only these boys but to a large number of others who showed a great attitude to competing and getting involved.

Riverview Carnival at Freshwater Beach

Third placings went to Matt Lancaster (U/18 beach sprint), Matt McDougall (U/16 beach sprint and U/16 water flags), Sam Farrell (U/18 board race), Mike Ryan (U/18 water flags), Nick Baulderstone (U/16 surf race) and the beach sprint relay team of Anton Joris, Nick Baulderstone, Matt McDougall, Simon Oxenham, Jackson England and Alex Vrisakis.

Second placings were gained by Sam Farrell (U/18 iron man, U/18 surf race), Tom Farrell (U/18 beach sprint), Sebastian van Veenendaal (U/16 beach sprint and U/16 beach flags), Nick Baulderstone (U/16 board race), the open beach sprint relay team of Tom Farrell, Michael O'Brien, John Hartman, Sebastian van Veenendaal, Matt Lancaster and Michael Ryan, and the surf race team of Bryan Coleman, Nick Baulderstone, Simon Oxenham and Alex Vrisakis.

Victories were achieved by Sam Farrell (U/18 run swim run), Anton Joris (U/16 water flags and U/16 beach flags), John Hartman (U/18 beach flags) and Simon Oxenham (U/16 surf race).

The Award Winners

Bronze Medallions:

James Auswild, Oliver Curtis, Tom Bromley, Brendan Homer, Alex Smith, Sam Purcell, Byron Fay, Paul Dunstan, James Magney, Damien Healey, Scott Lynch, Simon Jones and Alex Vrisakis. Stefan Pavlovic, James Dwyer, Ed Woolrych, Matt McDougall, Sam Chaffey, Tom Kent, Pat Dennis, Alex McCullagh, Patrick Pragasam and Chris Radford.

Advanced Resuscitation certificate:

Stephen Gillespie, Paul Barton, Sam Cincinnato, Nick Baulderstone, Simon Oxenham, Michael Ryan, Tom Farrell, Anton Joris, Tom Manion, Tom van Beek and John Hartman.

Bronze medallion instructor's award

Tom Farrell

IRB Drivers' licence

Sam Farrell, Will Schiller, Will Magnus, Tom Prichard and Michael O'Brien.

Surf Rescue Certificates

Bryan Coleman, Mallory and Dom Barnes, Alex Young, Nick Crampton and Ed Murray.

Events and Incidents

A Saturday was never complete without Freshie's fair share of drama. Throughout the season, there were many events and incidents. Mr Colledge had a close encounter whilst re-baiting the shark traps one overcast Saturday morning. All Savers will remember the anonymous 'rubber-ducky' drivers who, heroically??, refused to abandon ship until mother nature swelled from below, violently flipping the 'ducky' in stormy conditions.

The most dramatic incident though, came with the early February southerly currents, and the arrival of the highly feared Antarctic bluebottles. During a swim, Mr Hargreaves was suddenly struck down by swarming bluebottles. He was unable to continue the swim due to the horrific wounds, although afterwards, he was not shy in showing them off.

A season as fantastic as this would not have been possible without the tremendous energy and enthusiasm of the Riverview staff, the time and efforts of Lindsay Davis at Freshwater SLSC, the generous help given by parents each Saturday, and the wonderful involvement of all Riverview Savers – a big thank you to you all!

Michael O'Brien
(vice captain)



Junior Surf Life Saving Squad

Back row, from left, Tod Montgomery, Alex Vrisakis, Sam Egan, Alexander McCullagh, Tom Phillips, Alexander Smith, Matthew McDougall, Robert Dempsey, Sam Purcell, Jackson England, James Harvey, Dominic Stack
Middle row from left, Mr Peter Colledge, Mr Dean Hargreaves, Mallory Barnes, Christopher Radford, Edward Woolrych, Campbell Dalton, Edward Murray, Sam Green, Tom Kent, Ed Brand, Chris Ryan, Nicholas Crampton, Tom O'Neill, Mr Phil Amata, Mr Rob Stuart
Seated, from left, Dominic Barnes, Timothy Dodd, John Grant, Patrick Dennis, Sam Farrell (captain), Michael O'Brien (vice captain), Sam Chaffey, Bryan Coleman, Alexis de Vienne, Alex Young



swimming



Back row, from left, Andrew Frawley, Timothy Butcher, Matthew Barham, Dean Dal Broi, Benjamin Fitzpatrick, James Magney, Andrew D'Ambrosio, John Took
3rd row, from left, Nicholas Marshall, John Andrews, Christopher Larkin, James Fitzpatrick, Nicholas D'Ambrosio, Thomas Rubenach, Marco Cantarella, Michael Zucker, Matthew Lancaster, Nicholas Baulderstone
2nd row, from left, Hugh Baulderstone, Benjamin Marshall, Samuel Lloyd, Kennard Wong, Kurtis Bellemore, Edward Quartly, Jack Masi, Daniel Kelly, Mark Watson, Sam Buttel, Matthew Malloy, Nicholas Fitzgerald
Seated, from left, Ben Tickner, Carl Giammarco, Sean Mason, Mrs Dominique Marturia, Michael Prodinger (captain), Mme Evelyne Giovannetti, Damien Patterson, Thomas Prichard, Samuel Watson
Absent: Patrick Bell, Luke Hannan, Philip Butcher, Daniel MacMahon, Timothy L'Estrange, Aidan Roach, William Tickner, James Wainright, Brenden Brown, Philip Matthews, Matthew May, Benjamin Lloyd, Timothy Ireson

The Swimming season for 2003 was one marked by individual achievements, team successes and above all, spirit. Lead by Michael Prodinger, Sean Mason and a committed senior team, the boys achieved:

- 1st place: Seniors (the 1st GPS Swimming Premiership for Riverview)
- 2nd place: Juniors
- 3rd place: Intermediate

These results were a fantastic achievement from all the boys involved and certainly augers well for the future of swimming at Riverview. The swimming team for 2003 consisted of the following boys:

U12
Philip Butcher, GPS, Sam Buttel, Hugh Baulderstone, Sam Lloyd, Matthew Malloy

U13
Nicholas Fitzgerald, Kurtis Bellemore
Andrew Frawley, Dan Kelly, Jack Masi
Nicholas Marshall, Daniel MacMahon
Tim L'Estrange, Aidan Roach, Will Tickner
James Wainwright, Mark Watson

U14
Patrick Bell,Tim Butcher, GPS
Edward Quartly, GPS, John Took, GPS
Kennard Wong, GPS

U15
Brenden Brown, Andrew D'Ambrosio, GPS
Chris Larkin, Philip Matthews, Ben Marshall, Matthew May, Hamish McKay, Tom Rubenach,GPS, Ben Lloyd

U16
Nick Baulderstone, Matthew Barham, Marco Cantarella, James Magney, James Fitzpatrick, Ben Fitzpatrick

U17
Nicholas D'Ambrosio, GPS, Dean Dal Broi, Luke Hannan, GPS, Matt Lancaster, Michael Prodinger, GPS, Tim Ireson, Ben Tickner, Michael Zucker, John Andrews

OPENS
Sam Watson, Tom Prichard, Sam Farrell, GPS, Sean Mason, GPS, Carl Giammarco, Damien Patterson GPS
(those noted GPS also gained GPS selection)

The boys all showed great commitment to training – especially the Under 12s and 13s. Their strength and depth in numbers was certainly evident. Throughout the season, many records were set and broken, but after the final Carnival at the Gartlan Centre – and the incredible support of the Riverview crowd – the following records remained:

- U12 50m breaststroke: Philip Butcher 35.40
- U14 50m backstroke: John Took, 30.15
- U14 50m butterfly: John Took, 29.86
- U17 50m backstroke: Michael Prodinger, 32.12
- U17 100m freestyle: Nick D'Ambrosio, 56.34
- JNR 200m freestyle: John Took, 2.07.28
- JNR 200m I.M: John Took, 2.23.52
- INT 200m freestyle: Andrew D'Ambrosio, 2.05.05
- INT 200m I.M: Andrew D'Ambrosio, 2.21.86

OPEN 400m freestyle: Andrew D'Ambrosio, 4:23.32

Friday night carnivals are only a small part of the swimmers' commitment each week. Many attended external training and training for other sports as well. I thank them for their enthusiasm and encouragement of each other; especially the senior team who were excellent role models for the younger boys in the team. On behalf of the team, I would also like to thank Mme Giovannetti for coaching the team, Fr Strong and Mr Kitching for their support each week and all the parents for their practical support and encouragement each week. It certainly was my pleasure to be part of such a spirited team.

Mrs Dominique Marturia



Back row, from left, Edward Quartly, Timothy Butcher, Thomas Rubenach, John Took, Andrew D'Ambrosio
Seated, from left, Kennard Wong, Sean Mason (vice captain), Mrs Dominique Marturia, Michael Prodinger (captain),Mne Evelyne Giovannetti, Damien Patterson, Nicholas D'Ambrosio
Absent: Philip Butcher, Luke Hannan, Sam Farrell





tennis

2003 was another fine year for Tennis at Riverview and once again a lot of time went into the preparation of teams for the GPS competition.

During the December holidays, the Riverview 1st team progressed to the semi-finals of the National Schools Tennis Championships in Lyneham, Canberra. Later in the holidays our 1st and 2nd teams competed in the National Jesuit Schools tournament hosted by St Aloysius' College.

Both teams remained unbeaten during this competition and were able to return victorious to Riverview. The players also took part in the 'GPS squad' Tennis camp at Gosford on the Central Coast. At the camp some of our top players had the opportunity to test their skills against our seasoned 'GPS veterans'.

History will record that our GPS 1st and 2nd teams won 13 of their 14 matches this season. Our 1st team lost by the narrowest margin, 4-5, to Sydney High. The 2nds have now won 9 of the last 10 GPS premierships.

Sam Turner (RIP) and Andrew Slattery were outstanding captains of the 1st and 2nd teams. They had strong support from the other Year 12 players, Noel Brennan, Matt Hudson, Brad Howard and Billy O'Connor (RIP).

Andrew Slattery also did a fine job as Captain of Tennis, 2003. This role involves giving support to players in all age groups and promoting the game of Tennis throughout the College. Andrew has a real passion for Tennis and much of this enthusiasm has rubbed off on his fellow boarders who are now playing Tennis at the College in record numbers.

It is also important to acknowledge the contributions of many of our other top players at the College. Brodie Stewart, and Matt Hor, for instance, have both put in a great deal of time and effort playing Tennis throughout NSW. The experiences they have gained in these competitions have benefited our other top players at the College. Our players also gained lots of experience during the school holidays when Simon Causley and I took a group to country tournaments. There the boys had an opportunity to learn the value of patience, application and team-work.

At the end of any season it is sometimes easy to forget the countless hours put in by our tennis coaching staff who not only provide expertise and guidance for our teams, but also go far beyond the 'call of duty'. Often they become good friends with the boys and their families. Much of our success in this sport is based on such a partnership between staff and students.

Mr Simon Causley and Mr Sab Trovato have done a wonderful job in preparing the 1st and 2nd teams. Similarly, Wade Hantos, Mark Wright, Stephen Brown, Jo Kragelund, Anthony Causley and Ollie Spratt played a vital role in the development of our teams across the various age-groups.

In April we billeted 12 lads from Kearsney College, Durban. This team was very strong and it was pleasing that Riverview was able to hold such a strong Tennis school to a 9-9 draw on the last match of their tour.

I would like to thank our coaches and parents for their continued support for our boys during the hot summer months. While most Riverview Tennis teams have performed with great distinction, 11 summer teams were lucky enough to have remained 'undefeated' for the season.

At the same time I wish to stress that there were other players who may have played a vital role in the performance of an undefeated team. However, as these students were promoted during the season, they may not have been listed as a member of that specific team.

For example, Noel Brennan was the number one player in the GPS 2nd team. During the season he moved up to the 1st team which narrowly missed out on being undefeated. There were many other examples similar to this across all the age groups.

UNBEATEN TEAMS FOR THE 2003 SUMMER SEASON

- 2nd team: A.Slattery (C), M.Hudson, B.Howard, M.Pond, L.Scifleet,W. O'Connor (RIP) (Mr S.Trovato, coach)
- 5th team: J.Mattiussi, A.Cahill (C), J.P.Beaumont, J.Reardon, W.Sheehy (Mr O.Spratt, coach)
- 6th team: N.Janu, J.Driscoll (C), G.Percy, T.Backhouse, S.Martin (Mr O.Spratt coach)
- 16A team: R.Cahill (C), P.Chidrawi, O.Woolrych, A.Bott (Mrs J.Kragelund, Mr A.Causley, coaches)
- 15A: D.Power (C), M.Williams, P.Oei, R.Hellstern (Mr S. Brown, coach)
- 14A: Mr M.Wright (coach),
- 14B: Mr M.Wright (coach),
- 14C: Mr M.Wright (coach),
- 14D: Mr M.Wright (coach),
- 13B: Mr R.Hart (coach)
- 13D: Mr R.Hart (coach)

Mr Richard Hart

SUMMER TENNIS RESULTS AND MVP AWARDS

Team	Win	Draw	Lost	Best Player	Runner up
1sts	6	0	1	Matt Hor	Nicholas Crisci
2nds	7	0	0	Andrew Slattery	Matt Hudson
3rds	5	0	1	Dom Biancardi	Mitchell Cook
4ths	4	0	1	Simon Angove	Robert Power
5ths	4	1	0	Andrew Cahill	James Mattiussi
6ths	4	1	0	Nicholas Janu	Trent Backhouse
16a	6	0	0	Richard Cahill	Paul Chidrawi
16b	3	0	3	Aaaron Dal Broi	Alex McEncroe
16c	3	2	1	Andrew Sullivan	Mitchell McClintock
16d	4	1	1	Patrick O'Mahoney	William George
15a	6	0	0	David Power	Michael Williams
15b	4	1	1	Anthony Pizzolato	Stephen Rohl
15c	3	2	1	Tom Kelly	Nathan Conaghan
15d	4	1	1	Anthony Sommer	Bruce Gaddin
14a	6	0	0	Andrew Thomas	Alex Cook
14b	6	0	0	Joseph Machart	Jack Clinton
14c	6	0	0	James Metcalfe	EdwardCarroll
14d	6	0	0	Henry Norris	Jonathan Chong
13a	4	1	1	David Barclay	Oscar Videan
13b	6	0	-	Elliot Ford	Matthew Garrett
13c	5	0	1	Ronan O'Driscoll	Troy Helmich
13d	6	0	0	Daniel Kelly	Tom Docker



Members of the SIC 1st Tennis Team
Back row, from left, Matthew Kalyk, Ashley Radford-Sutton, Noel Brennan, Nicholas Crisci
Seated, from left, Brodie Stewart, Mr Simon Causley, Matthieson Hor
Inset: Samuel Turner (RIP)

The 2002-2003 T ennis season began with great enthusiasm and much commitment from the players. All the boys were ready to face the challenge each week against many in-form players. Winning all the trial games at the end of 2002 created a strong team spirit and this year the 1sts were hoping for another premiership.

However, in the first round, the team lost to High with their top three players helping High win 5-4. Following this first round, our top player Brodie Stewart injured his knee at training and was unable to complete the season.

The pressure was then placed on both the 1st and 2nd teams having to play a position higher. Our defeat of Scots, 6-3, in the next round, was a significant victory. It showed the other schools the depth we have at Riverview in tennis and that we just don't rely on individual players such as Brodie.

The Newington match was a comfortable win, 7-2. It was also another big turning point for the 1st team when Michael Forsyth, who felt he was struggling with form, decided that he would retire for the rest of the season. The team members had to push up to another position. However, the match against Kings, where we won 6-3, once again showed our players' strengths and capabilities.

In round 5 we came up against Shore, where Matt Hor showed his true fighting spirit, defeating Shore's number one player. This day also proved to be successful for the entire team. In Round 6 we played St Joseph's College. And what a wonderfully competitive day this was, with Ash and Noel who were playing the last of the day's matches, needing a win to secure the day 5-4. We were successful, winning one of the two matches. In round 7 we played Sydney Grammar and once again the team had a successful outcome.

This year, the doubles matches were just as important as the singles and many valuable combinations were formed. Each player offered great support to his partner. It was a wonderful feeling to be enjoying the Tennis, while performing to the best of your ability. Congratulations to Nick Crisci as he went through the whole season without losing a match, thus keeping his record of never losing a GPS match.

The Tennis camp at Gosford was enjoyable – when it wasn't raining! Some of the Tennis players were a little sore for the rest of the week after Mr Simon Causley and Mr Wade Hantos worked us with their bounding and static stretching exercises followed by intense games of Volleyball. A special thank you to Mr Simon Causley for coaching the 1st team this season.

As the competition continued the team settled down and were playing top tennis improving week by week. We finished second in the GPS competition and even though we didn't win the premiership this year, those members of the firsts certainly gave it their best and all of the boys need to be congratulated. We grew as a team, we supported and laughed with each other, we shared our disappointments and importantly we played confidently.

It was a wonderful honour being Captain of this team for the latter half of the season and hopefully, the school will get the trophy back next year.

Sam Turner, Captain (RIP)

tennis 2nd team



Members of the 2nd Tennis team
Back row, from left, Mark Pond, Bradley Howard, Luke Scifleet, Joshua Andriolo
Seated, from left, Matthew Hudson, Mr Sebastian Trovato, Andrew Slattery (captain)
Inset, Billy O'Connor (RIP)

At the beginning of the 2002-2003 season, members of the 2nd Tennis team knew they had a lot to live up to, because, for the past eight out of nine seasons, the Riverview 2nd Tennis team had won the premiership.

This year, we again won the premiership. The team, which consisted of Matt Hudson, Andrew Slattery, Mark Pond, Brad Howard, Luke Scifleet, Josh Andriolo, Billy O'Connor and Mr Sab Trovato (our coach) also made GPS Tennis history by winning the most matches ever – 59 out of 63. At the end of the season, our official point score was 77.

Throughout the season, each member of the team was keen and exceedingly interested in the game of Tennis – whether at the recreational, GPS or professional level. This was shown by Luke Scifleet's Tennis outfits worn to training each week which went as far as red shoes, as well as Matt Hudson's admiration for Anna Kournikova.

This was a key factor in getting all of us motivated to play week in week out, as we shared many laughs and discussions with one another.

We approached each week as a new challenge to always perform to the best of our ability. We saw every training session as an opportunity to improve on the previous week's performance. Never did we allow ourselves to believe that we were superior to the opposition – we just played Tennis better than they did on the day.

Thank you to the parents of the players, our regular supporters and assistant coaches. In particular, thank you to Mr and Mrs Scifleet, and Mr and Mrs Pond who supported us each week no matter whether we were playing out at Parramatta, Riverview or Bellevue Hill. We were also very grateful when ever Fr David Strong came along to watch us. The assistant coaches, Mr Simon Causley and Mr Wade Hantos were also highly valued. Their Tennis knowledge was appreciated by us all.

However, our wonerful success would not have been possible without the chief member of the team – our coach. Actually, Mr Sab Trovato was more than our coach, he was a friend who gave an enormous amount of time, energy and enthusiasm to the team.

The highlight for the team was on the last week of the competition, when we won the premiership and all of us (except Mr Trovato) ran down to the foreshore and jumped into the Lane Cove River.

We achieved success, but only through hard work and lots of concentration. It was an unforgettable season.

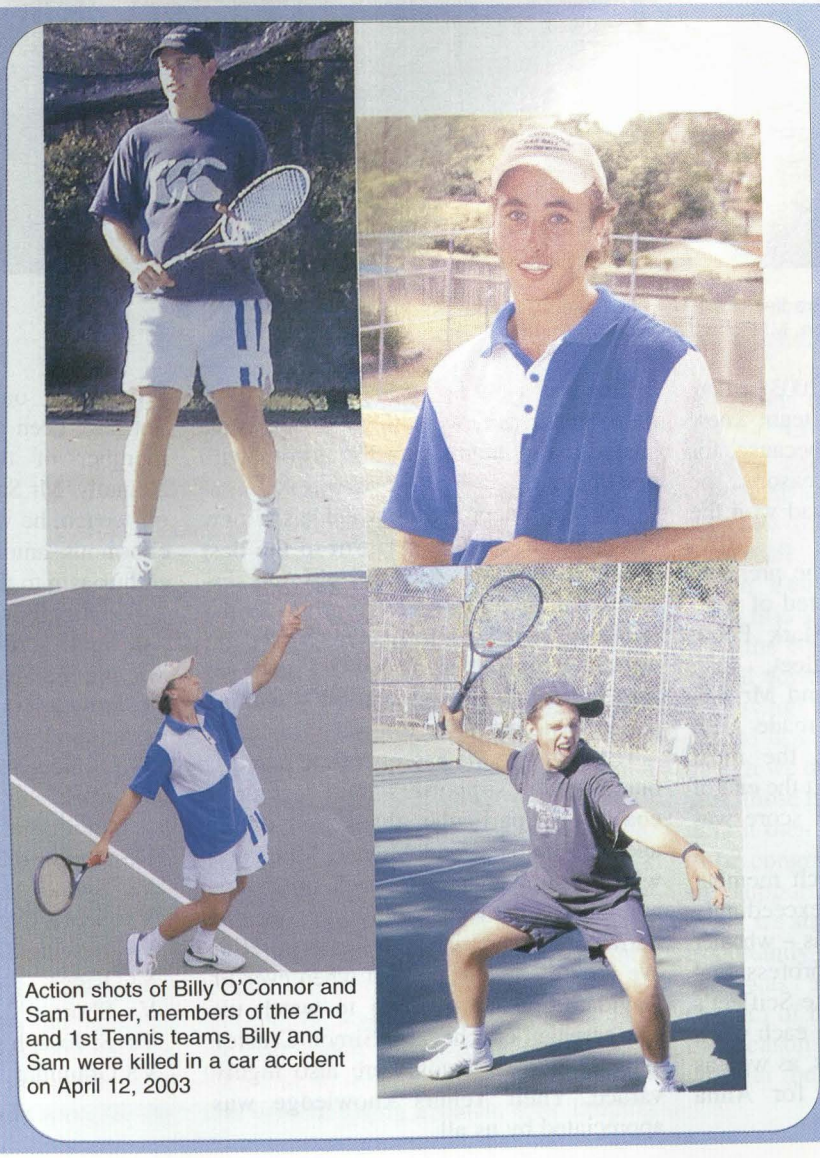
Results for the competition were:

Vs Sydney Boys	WON	12-0
Vs Scotts College	WON	12- 0
Vs Newington	WON	12-0
Vs Kings	WON	11-1
Vs Shore	WON	10-2
Vs St Joseph's	WON	10-2
VS Grammar	WON	12-0

Andrew Slattery (Captain)



Members of the 2nd team celebrate their premiership with a traditional 'swim' in the Lane Cove River
From left, Billy O'Connor (RIP), Joshua Andriolo, Mark Pond, Luke Scifleet, Andrew Slattery, Matthew Hudson and Bradley Howard



Action shots of Billy O'Connor and Sam Turner, members of the 2nd and 1st Tennis teams. Billy and Sam were killed in a car accident on April 12, 2003

tennis opens team

Tennis at Riverview is held in an exceptionally high regard among the seven GPS schools; numerous premierships at both first and second team levels have ensured such a reputation. Yet, this level of skill and natural ability are found throughout the Tennis teams at the College, and it has been my pleasure this season to work with players from the 3rds to the 6ths, whose dedication and hard work have led to a most enjoyable and successful season.

The 3rds were consistently impressive and would have enjoyed an undefeated season had a surprise defeat against Shore not emerged towards the end. At the forefront of the Riverview 3rd team were Mitchell Cook and Dom Biancardi. As a doubles team they were unbeatable, and their individual skill levels would have matched higher grade players.

These two were consistently supported by Harry Windsor and Rob Power, both of whom recorded some great victories. Most notably, Rob secured victory for the 3rds over Sydney High in our last game of the season against some particularly strong opposition.

Due to the high level of competition in the 2nd team we were sometimes fortunate enough to have the skills of Billy O'Connor as number 1 for the 3rd team. It was never a surprise when Billy left the court after a 6-0 victory, but I was always incredibly impressed by the sporting manner with which he completed these victories, wholeheartedly congratulating his opposition players every time.

The 4th team likewise enjoyed a fantastic season. They were able to overcome a defeat against Grammar in the trial games to then score a fantastic victory against them in the final round of the GPS season. And, like the 3rd team, they were almost undefeated, losing only to Shore.

Such was the competitive level of these players that many members of the 4th team played a few games in the 3rds. Players who performed regularly and outstandingly in the 4th team were Brian Cheung, Dom Felton and Rob Power. All three of these players won well over half of their singles games. When he was not injured, Simon Angove also played a very important part in gaining victory for the 4th team. He used his considerable strength to deliver an awesome serve that many opposition players had difficulty handling. Simon's presence both off and on the court was always well-appreciated by the others in the team.

The 5th and 6th teams were able to record an undefeated season. The skill levels within this group were extremely high. The most valuable player within these two teams was certainly Andrew Cahill who, starting the pre-season in the 6ths, quickly rose to captain of the 5ths and even represented the 4ths on two occasions. His singles record was the most impressive of all the boys as he lost only one singles game throughout the entire season – this was a brilliant achievement.

The 5th team also consisted of James Reardon, John-Paul Beaumont and James Mattiussi, all of whom demonstrated excellent levels of skill and determination to emerge victorious against some very strong opposition; often having to battle in a tie break.

The 6th team was ably led by Nick Janu who again won most of his games. His doubles partner was Jamie Driscoll, and the third and fourth players in the team were Grant Percy and Trent Backhouse.

Whilst all the boys, as I have mentioned, played to such a level as to ensure an undefeated season, particular mention must go to Trent Backhouse. Trent only began playing competitive Tennis when he arrived at Riverview at the beginning of Term 1, yet he managed to lose only one game, and even won a brilliant victory in the 5th team in a match against Shore.

Unfortunately, Will Sheehy missed most of the GPS season through injury, yet he displayed some brilliant Tennis ability in the pre-season, winning most of his games. I must also thank Sam Martin who was always ready to play for the 6ths and, as was consistent throughout the four teams, won the vast majority of his games

Overall, therefore, it was quite a brilliant season in terms of victories. In addition, I could always be confident that which ever team was chosen the boys would try their best and give a very strong performance. Tennis skills aside, however, what this team also possessed was a most impressive 'sporting' nature in both victory and defeat. Their conduct on and off the court was second to none and almost always noted by the opposition.

Thank you to Wade Hantos and Simon Causley for their coaching throughout the two terms and I wish all the boys the best of luck for the future.

Mr Oliver Spratt

Tennis this summer was highlighted by an overall good general conduct of all players both on court and off the court. Players showed sportsmanship and pride for the College as they approached each match.

Good performances were achieved by the As who went through the season undefeated. This group faced some challenging matches and showed tenacity to overcome their opposition each week.

While the Bs faced greater challenges in terms of their overall results each week, they managed to maintain a positive approach. From a coaching perspective it was evident their mature approach was invaluable and this encouraged them to continue to uphold their team spirit.



Back row, from left, Patrick O'Mahoney, Richard Cahill, James Cush, Alexander McIntosh
Middle row, from left, Oliver Woolrych, William George, Anthony Baine, Alexander McEncroe, Aaron Dal Broi, Angus Wirth
Seated, from left, Paul Chidrawi, Andrew Sullivan, James Stewart-Hunter, Mr Anthony Causley, Adrian Bott, Simon Long, Dominic Anderson

The Cs and Ds performed quite well overall and showed much enjoyment for the game. Both teams remained competitive and showed much determination, with all players battling against each other to secure higher rankings. With limitless depth to extra players outside of the team, this group was encouraged to perform consistently and to maintain high standards in order to remain in the team.

It was evident right from the start that this group showed much pride in being part of GPS Riverview Tennis and we congratulate all team members for their skill, determination and sportsmanship.

Mr Anthony Causley, Ms Jo-Anne Kragelund

u/15 team

One of the attractions of commencing employment at SIC Riverview was the chance to be involved in a strong Tennis program. However, if I'd known that my U/15 Tennis squad would routinely 'belt me off the court' during training sessions, I may have reconsidered.

Still it afforded me the opportunity to be involved with a winning team – and win they did, handsomely.

Convincing victories at all four levels over Scots, Sydney Grammar and Kings were testimony to the formidable levels of skill, teamwork, sportsmanship and competitiveness which this group displayed.



Back row, from left, Brendan Roche, Justin Ng, Stephen Rohl, Philippe Oei, Nathan Conaghan, Robert Hellstern, Anthony Sommer, Anthony Pizzolato
Seated, from left, Nicholas Cottee, Patrick McGushin, Michael Williams, Mr Stephen Brown, Jonathan Forsyth, David Power, Bruce Gaddin

Shore School and St Joseph's College proved to be our toughest opponents and these two encounters produced much Tennis that was admired by all. The A team managed to rise to the occasion both times and thereby maintain an unbeaten record. On one or both Saturdays, the other teams were not so fortunate. However, it was not just the fine playing record which proved to be one of the season's highlights, but the marked improvement in consistency from all players in the squad as well. The other highlight was the opportunity to meet a delightful batch of parents each Saturday morning.

Mr Stephen Brown

tennis u/14 teams

The U/14 summer Tennis team were undefeated this season.

The conduct of the Riverview students on and off the court was exemplary at all times. Each week the boys competed hard while displaying fairness and courtesy to their opposition players throughout difficult conditions and sometimes pressure-filled matches.

The U/14s were clearly dominant over all opposition teams and yet they displayed humility and a spirit of sportsmanship.

These boys represented the College and themselves in a most admirable way.

Mr Mark White



Back row, from left, Ryan Henry, Edward Carroll, James Metcalfe, Carl McEncroe, Andrew Fraser, Thomas Crandles, Jason Wong, Mr Mark White
Seated, from left, Joseph Machart, Thomas Riley, Jack Clinton, Andrew Thomas, Anatole Koteczky, Henry Norris, Ryhs Pogonoski



u/13 team

Back row, from left, Mr Richard Hart, Ronan O'Driscoll, Thomas Hopkins, David Barclay, William McPhee, Troy Helmich, Thomas Docker, Andrew Smith
Seated:, from left, Matthew Garrett, James Benecke, Patrick Anderson, David Macalyk, Elliot Ford, Michele Izzo, Andrew Cougle



Back row, from left, James McManus, Timothy Ludeke, John Noonan, Xavier Atkinson, Alexander Watson, Laurence Polfanders
Seated, from left, Christopher Moore, John Conley, Patrick Roche, Mr Richard Hart, Joshua Wilkie, James Dudley, Thomas Allen

Coaching the U/13 squad in 2003 was a richly rewarding experience. Having had 10 successive years as coach of the 1st team, it was quite interesting to work at the youngest end of the spectrum.

However, from the first training session, I quickly realized two things. Firstly, that we had a talented group of lads to select from and secondly, that there was a great depth of talent in this age group.

At this early age it is difficult to grade players accurately because each boy is capable of so much improvement. This season, each lad was very keen, and attendance at training was always very good. It was thus no surprise for me then when each player began to 'push' the one ranked above him.

And since I have always believed in selecting players on 'current form', the last few rounds saw many changes of position within the four teams. These changes were not a consequence of my disappointment with the contribution of specific players. What I was trying to do was provide opportunities that would 'stretch' and challenge each lad to the best of his ability, even though, as a coach it is often tempting to try and win every match.

I tried to move each boy closer to a rank where he would get a 'hard' match on any given Saturday. In most cases this worked out very well and we had good contests against most of the GPS schools. Indeed, I believe that boys will always value and remember most, their closely-fought matches, whether they won them or lost them.

Throughout the season most of the boys in this age-group gave of their best at each training session and when playing for the College on Saturdays.

13A TEAM

David Barclay (captain), Oscar Videan, Pat Anderson, Andrew Cougle. This is a talented quartet of players with good physical and technical skills, however, some work is still required on their team-skills. The team enjoyed a good season with just one loss in the final match against Grammar. David Barclay impressed us with his considerable skill; Oscar Videan with his tenacity; Pat Anderson with his calmness under pressure, and Andrew Cougle with his exuberant spirit.

Best player: David Barclay
Runner-up: Oscar Videan

13B TEAM

Matthew Garrett, Elliot Ford (captain), Michele Izzo, James Benecke. These lads were not far behind the A players in terms of skill. The team element among these players was very positive and it helped them to remain undefeated for the season. Matthew impressed us with his shotmaking; Elliott with his patience and love of the game, Michele with his constant smile; and James by his cheerfulness at all times.

Best player: Matthew Garrett
Runner-up: Elliot Ford

13C TEAM

Ronan O'Driscoll, Troy Helmich (captain), Andrew Smith, Tom Hopkins. The movement of players in and out of the 13C team at times upset the doubles combinations, but overall it was a great season with just one loss. Ronan impressed us with his speed around the court: Troy by his gentle nature and his kindness to others, Andrew by his helpful but determined presence; Tom by his love for the game and his humility.

Best player: Ronan O'Driscoll
Runner-up: Troy Helmich

13D TEAM

Daniel Kelly, Tom Docker, David Macalyk, William McPhee, Laurence Polfanders. The Ds played with great determination and they remained unbeaten all season. Dan impressed us with his ability at the net; Tom with his huge forehand; David with his fighting spirit, and Will impressed us by his love of the game.

Best player: Dan Kelly
Runner-up: Tom Docker

Mr Richard Hart

tennis northern suburbs squad



Back row, from left, Patrick Ryan, William Doyle, Samuel Morse, Matthew Corcoran, Mitchell Dale, Andrew Sommer, Mr Tony Causley
Middle row, from left, David Watson, Franco Bonserio, Alex Barbara, Andrew Collignon, Michael Barlow, Alexander Happell, Luke Tsolakides
Seated, from left, Timothy Leung, Alistair Stephenson, Christopher Marchand, Kane Hayes

This year, Riverview fielded 16 teams in the Saturday morning Junior section of the Northern Suburbs Tennis competition. the largest number the school has ever fielded. The teams ranged across the grades from Grade 4 (Riverview 1) to Grade 19 (Riverview 15 and 16).

A total of 64 boys was involved in the competition and they were coached by Wade Hantos who spent a lot of time driving to and from the various locations transporting the competitors, including some very late ones!

Training was held on Tuesday and Friday mornings for an hour. Each session was attended enthusiastically by the players even though it was a 7.30am start.

All teams performed well, and in general were graded appropriately, with the result that there were some very close contests in the competition. As a result many parents commented that the boys showed considerable improvement over the season. This was important as for many boys it was their first session of competitive Tennis.

Three teams progressed to the finals which were held on Saturday, April 5. Riverview 5 (Grade 8) of Matt Corcoran, Charles Duffy, Tim Leung and Michael Barlow was beaten by a very strong Rawson Park number 1 team. Riverview 8 (Grade 10), of Nathan Aranha, Joshua Navybox and Alex and John Scardino won in a very close contest. Riverview 14 (Grade 11B) of Damien Giblin, Guy Marchand, Nick Pembroke and Alex Still won a hard -fought match.

All in all this was a successful season and further highlights the depth of Tennis at the College. The boys are looking forward to another successful season in Term IV.

David Watson

Riverview 1 team



Laurence Young, Oscar Lewis, William Radford, Haydn Wall

Riverview 8 team



Alexander Scardino, Ms Erica Reading, Nathan Aranha, Jonathan Scardino, Joshua Navybox

Riverview 13 team



William Kelly, Ms Erica Reading, Chester Salter, Luke Mildren, Ryan Jones

Riverview 14 team



Nicholas Pembroke, Ms Erica Reading, Guy Marchand, Damien Giblin, Alexander Still



Riverview 15 and 16 team

Alexander Kalyk, Andrew Taylor, Jack Flood, Ms Erica Reading, Lewis Holmes, Joseph Welch, Jonathon Hugh

prep teams

A greater addition of pupils to the College brought many interested and talented Tennis players.

The standard was extremely high and we enjoyed tough competition from many schools including St Aloysius, Knox and Waverley.

If these young Tennis enthusiasts continue with zeal and skill, Riverview's future in Tennis seems to be very promising.

Ms Erica Reading



Prep A 1 team

Ms Erica Reading, Jarryd Timm, William Myler, Dean Rando. Absent: Dominic Sweeney-Nash



prep A2 team

Stefan Smoloniec, Ms Erica Reading, Conor McCraith, William McGushin, Joss Hickey



prep B1 team

Benjamin Coffey, Ms Erica Reading, James Anthony, Lachlan Gorman, Jordan Navybox



prep B2 team

Dominic Hayson, Ms Erica Reading, Edward Davidson, William Bonnefin, Simon Parsons



water polo

water polo 1st team



Back row, from left, Matthew May, Michael Sutherland, Patrick Sheehan, Thomas Robertson, Rohan Keys, Sean Mason, Daniel Roach, Nicholas D'Ambrosio, Pascal Herington
Seated, from left, Nicholas Kenny, Toby Anderson, Luke Hannan, Mr Shawn Duffy, Carl Giammarco, Samuel Montgomery, Dominic Hogan

This was a rather interesting season which proved to be both frustrating and successful. Early in the season (in Term IV, 2002) we played the top teams. In the games we did lose, we were very unlucky to be beaten by just 1 or 2 goals.

These games could have gone either way and unfortunately the final quarter was often our undoing. Two games in particular come to mind. In the game against Trinity we were leading by 3 goals. Unfortunately, we lost that game by 1 in the final stages. The game against Newington was a last minute fixture and we were 'caught out' as we had not had a training run after the holidays. We lost that game 8-5.

The results of these two games were disappointing and cost us a place in the top four playoffs. However, this disappointment soon disappeared with excellent displays of Water Polo in 2003 where we turned our misfortune into success and only lost one game.

The team started to become more composed and played well as a team. It would have been great to play the top teams again while we were finding form. Ultimately, the 1st team played Barker for third place. It was a game we felt we wanted to win. The boys were very focused throughout the game and this determined attitude could be seen right from the time the whistle blew. We continually held control of the game and had a comfortable win. It was a great way to end the season.

I thank the boys who worked hard and improved continually throughout the season. It did take some time to break some 'bad habits' but we got there in the end.

Mr Shawn Duffy



2nd team

Back row, from left, Timothy Whybourne, Samuel Barrow, Xavier Hancock, Liam Walsh, Kip Koenig
Seated, from left, Samuel McElvenny, William Hotson, Mr Alex Sutton, Robert Bennett, Patrick Bodimeade



Back row, from left, Matthew Carter, Jakob Cakarnis, Jarryd Malouf, Thomas Rubenach, Nicholas Ward, James Fitzpatrick
Seated, from left, Timothy Butcher, William Nathan, James Sheehan, Ben Fitzpatrick, John Andrews, Joseph Greathead, Andrew J. D'Ambrosio

16B team



Back row, from left, James Waldorf, Richard Hughes, James Watson (captain), Thomas Rae
Seated, from left, Alexander Colvin, Martin Whybourne, Mr Kurt Bartelme, Keppell Smith, Ben Marshall

The 16B team had an excellent season which saw improvement every week as the season went on. Whether it was passing the ball in training, scoring goals or even putting in a few extra laps after training, the team players gave their very best. This was clearly evident towards the end of the season where we pulled off narrow wins against Newington and Barker.

With Water Polo being such a fast moving and physical game, our commitment to swimming and involving all of the team were vital to our success throughout the season. It was clearly evident that Marty Whybourne's and Mark Joseph's midfield defence were really helping the team to some crucial victories. James Watson's and Nick Lancaster's teamwork upfront witnessed some great goals throughout the season.

All players noted Austen Simpson's abilities in goal when week after week he would pull off some fantastic saves. With James Daldorf's and Ben Marshall's ability up front and the excellent goal side defence of Tom Rae, Richard Hughes, Alex Colvin and Keppell Smith added with Brendan Brown's quick reflexes in the attacking half, the team was set. Week after week Vaughan Hay and Will Miller never gave up and produced some fine goals in the dying minutes of games, which clinched us victory by the narrowest of margins.

Special congratulations goes to Nick Lancaster for being our player of the season. He delivered a high level of consistency in every game, whether it was in defence or attack. James Daldorf who came late in the season, was our most improved player this season.

With Mr Kurt Bartelme's knowledge and the great commitment he had towards the team, the 16Bs made remarkable improvements in their game. The support given by Mr Bartelme and our parents was of great assistance in the team's success this season.

James Watson (Captain)

water polo 14A team



Back row, from left, Mr Daniel Bartels, Edward Quartly, Timothy Butcher, Liam Roach, Andrew D'Ambrosio, John McNicholl
Seated, from left, Jonathan Bleasel, James Vaughan, Luke Prodinger, Aidan Roach, Kennard Wong, Luke Sheehan, Mark Watson

The 2002/2003 season proved to be an exciting and prosperous few months. From the first training session I knew that I had a group of lads with a lot of potential but who also needed a lot of basic training.

Indeed, many of the team struggled to stay afloat and catch a ball at the same time. But very quickly they all got the hang of egg-beater kick and their ball handling improved out of sight. I was impressed to see a few boys who, last season, had played with or outside the College and had some idea of what we were trying to do.

Our season hinged around two simple ideas, 'time and space'. Our defence was the hallmark of our season, using a simple 'press' defence each player knew exactly what his job was – to 'stick to your player like glue and link our press defence back to starving our opposition of 'time and space.'

As we became a strong defensive team, we began to work on our attack strategies. Throughout Term IV, we really relied on our strong swimmers to provide counter attack goals, but we really had no pattern as to what we were trying to achieve. Again working on time and space, we began to learn the basic formations for counter attack We also introduced the mushroom attack into our arsenal. We had a few boys who were strong centre forwards and outside shooters and this helped our cause. And by the end of the season we looked like a real Water Polo team. The only style of attack we were yet to really master was extra-man, but too often we scored very quickly after an extra-man was awarded.

During the season we had a three boys selected into the state squad, Aidan Roach, Tim Butcher and Ed Quartly. These players excelled throughout the season and have bright futures ahead of them.

However, the strength of this year's team did not stem from just these three players but from a group effort. Every player scored a goal throughout the year which really reflects the overall skill and ability of all the players.

The team players were:

• Liam Roach

Liam is a great lad with a desire to play hard and to win. He is a strong ball player and swimmer and has the potential to be a great sportsperson. Liam will make a strong centre forward or back. Often it was the goals he assisted in scoring that were the most important.

• Aidan Roach

Aidan provided me with a great amount of pride this season as he grew very quickly from a young player with a small amount of knowledge into an extremely strong player who earned the respect from players as high as 1st grade! From the beginning it was an exciting prospect to coach such an enthusiastic player.

By the end of the season, Aidan set a standard for all the players in the team with his wide vision of the play and hard swimming in defence – his cover defence saved us many times.

• Timothy Butcher

Tim was a great asset to the team this year and his play in the field made him one of the most dominant players in the pool. His speed and excellent ball skills made him dangerous from all over the pool.

Tim is always a pleasure to coach and has lots of desire to score goals. His team play was evident on many occasions and was a hallmark of this year's team.

• John McNicholl

John is an excellent player who trains hard and plays hard. John's growth this year as a member of the team was exciting to watch. As a

naturally talented sportsman, John took to the game like a duck to water. His ball skills and legwork came along nicely. He was always eager to play. His eagerness was his trademark all season, as was his cheery disposition and willingness to help motivate his team mates.

• Edward Quartly

Ed was one of the strongest players in the team, but never let his extra ability allow him to become complacent nor did he act superior to the other players in the team. I was pleased to see him selected in the state team and continue to grow as a player. One of the hallmarks of his play was strong team focus. He learnt very quickly that the ball is faster than the man and was often the key in us scoring excellent team goals.

• Luke Sheehan

Luke is an excellent young man who was a pleasure to coach. He always seemed to really enjoy coming down to training and being there for the game. Luke always had a smile on his face and was keen genuinely interested in his team mates. His ball skills and game play came along in leaps and bounds. His desire to chase down swim-aways was never lacking.

Luke has great potential – it was exciting to see his successes and triumphs as we overcame some worthy opposition. I was encouraged to see the work that Luke put in after his games to support the club. Many times after our game Luke could be seen on the table or working the clock for the games that took place after our games.

•Andrew D'Ambrosio

Andrew became a senior member of the team this year and never failed to enjoy his Water Polo. He was always one to train hard and play hard. He was a true team player, taking a few turns in goals when I was having trouble getting a volunteer. Andrew often offered insightful suggestions on how we could work as a team to overcome our obstacles.

• Kennard Wong

Kennard is a very strong swimmer and after a while was able to mix the different swimming styles of Water Polo and Swimming very well. During Term IV, Kennard quickly picked up many of the important parts of the game including good counter attacking. His ball skills came along as he learnt to watch the other players around him and combine his comfort in the water with his normal ability to catch and throw and ball (this simple proposition is a lot harder than it sounds).

Kennard always took great pride in winning but also in the individual performances of his team mates.

• Luke Prodinger

Definitely one of the most enthusiastic players in the pool, Luke always arrived to training – even our early morning sessions – with an amusing remark or just a friendly hello. Luke is a natural sportsman who easily understands the basics of any sport quickly and easily. Luke soon picked up the different facets of the game and his ability to easily understand and use the basic skills necessary in Water Polo assisted me immensely as a coach. He was a great model for others to follow.

Luke is a strong player who finds great enjoyment and lots of success with Water Polo.

• Jonathan Bleasel

Jonathan initially began his season in the B team, however, I was quick to notice the determination and tenacity that were evident in every facet of his play and for that reason promoted him into the A team. On many occasions Jonathan was outplayed by a larger or faster boy but this did not stop his fierce defence and desire to save a goal. When he was promoted into the A team, Jonathan's play got better every week. He scored some strong goals and was instrumental in our tight defence.

Throughout the season, Jonathan was always happy to play and was always confident amongst his team mates. John's tenacity and true grit is a gift that I wish I could bottle and give to other players. If all the team played with his determination our opposition would never even score a goal.

• James McGuire

James is a cheery and delightful player to coach – he was always keen to excel and ready to motivate his team mates before a game. James has a great ability both in goal and on the field. His willingness to grab the goalies' cap assisted me a lot this season, but his ability to go on the field and score good goals and defend with gusto was great to see.

James has a great potential to achieve many accolades in Water Polo. He has a natural ability as a sportsman and could go far.

• James Vaughan

James is a well-rounded and intelligent player. With a good swimming ability he picked up the nuances of Water Polo easily and developed his skill sets a great deal during the season. James featured heavily in some of our best performances throughout the year and scored some exciting goals. His strong swimming meant his counter attack and cover defence were the best parts of his game.

• Mark Watson

Although, he started late in the season, Mark quickly demonstrated he had plenty of potential. As a strong swimmer and good ball handler, Mark quickly set himself a target of becoming an integral team player.

Mr Daniel Bartels

water polo 14B team

The boys have had a very good season this year. At the beginning of 2003 the boys were very inexperienced, however, as the season progressed, the team improved quite dramatically becoming good players who performed well as a team.

This is seen in their results as they were undefeated for the entire year. Hopefully, they will all be back next season to continue on their Water Polo journey.

Brigitte Mason

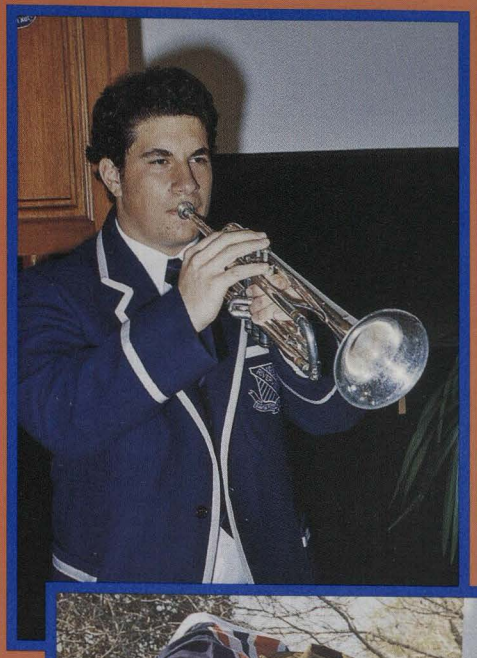


Back row, from left, Nicholas Parrella, Ashton Clarke, Tomi O'Connell, Konrad, Wehinger,Dugald McGinness Michael Egan
Seated, from left, Mitchell Teudt, Edward Godbold, Mr Brad Cooper, James Scobie, Andrew Watson



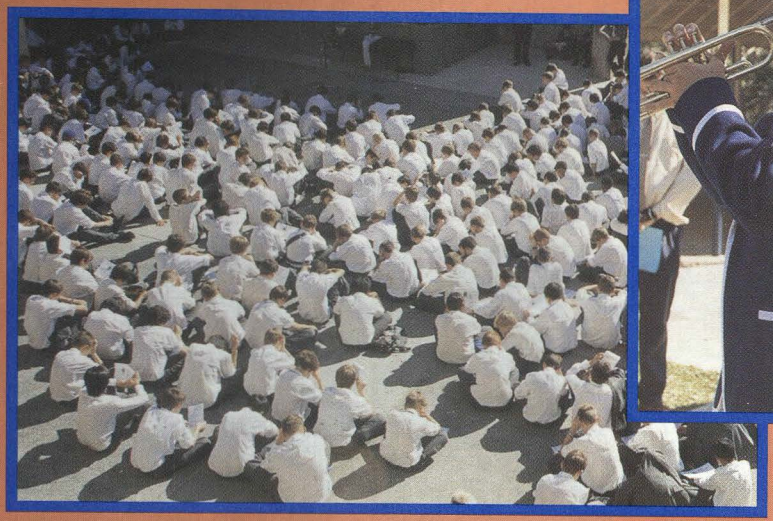
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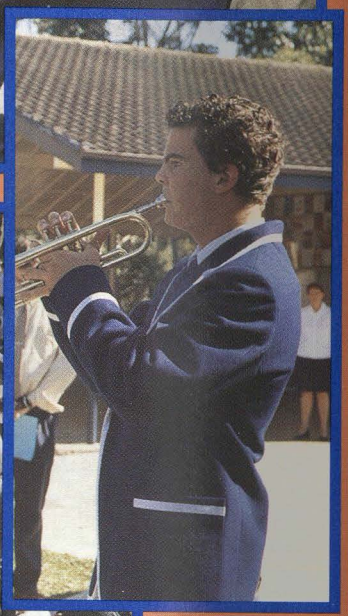
Back row, from left, Justin Lloyd, Daniel McMahon, Claudio Santoro, Timothy Hill, Mr Barry Smith, Nicholas Sood, Stefan Giammarco, Joshua O'Neill, Max Dixon
Seated, from left, James O'Neill, Haydn Brown, Michael Howden, William Tickner, Liam Hogan, Hugh Dalton, Damian Bryant

















No peace without forgiveness



Above, the Ramsay Hall bathed in coloured lights for the Art and Craft Show (photograph by Chris Fitzgerald)



Year 12 students, Noel Brennan, Nick Guglielmino, Paddy O'Halloran and Josh Passaro promoting tickets for the couch raffle at a College Assembly



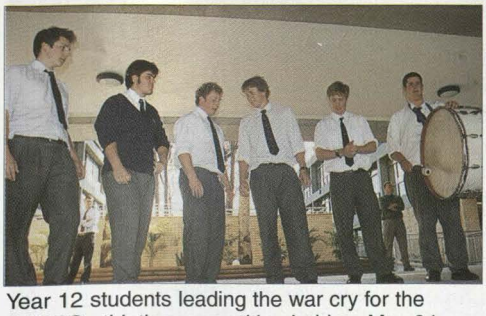
At the same assembly the staff band, Mark Egger, Damien Thompson, Peter Colledge and Paul McCarthy delighted and thrilled the audience with their choral repertoire.







Year 7 students, Will Dent, Will Story and Andrew Smith sell flowers for Mothers Day. Above left, long time member of College Council Mrs Nina Riemer said farewell in May and right, the heavy rains that came in May created a huge pond for the ducks on Gorman Field.



Year 12 students leading the war cry for the AAGPS athletics competition held on May 24.



May - the month of Mary - saw not only tributes to Our Lady and mothers at the College, but several events which involved the entire Riverview community. There were parent teacher interviews for both Senior and Middle School students and their families; new parent dinners, House Masses, suppers and retreats and visits by the Development Office team to Mudgee and Newcastle.

In the classroom, there were plenty of assessment tasks for senior students while the younger ones sat for the Australian Science Competition. Meantime Year 9 students had a break from their studies with their annual dance organised by Mrs Linda Bryan and the SRC.

In May, Senior students helped organise a Student Mass which had as its theme: Athletics and Spirituality. Later, there was a special Liturgy to mark National Sorry Day and students from the Aboriginal Reconciliation Club attended celebrations in Lane Cove in honour of Reconciliation Week.

May also saw the splendid performance of Tartuffe by Year 11 Drama students under the direction of Ms Pauline Cain. Another performance of a totally different kind was given by Year 12 students in the final of the handball competition which featured a display of skill and handiwork by the Headmaster.

This momentous event preceded the annual Art and Craft Show, opened by radio personality, Wendy Harmer whose sense of humour delighted and occasionally astounded her audience of parents and friends.

The next week many of these same people were at the College for the annual OIU Careers Expo and then later at Homebush for the AAGPS Athletics where Riverview took out both the Senior and Junior Championship titles.

Early this May, my friends and I had a fantastic time trying out for Soccer.

So far it has been great, with myself working hard. I now have an opportunity to play for the A team.

For the first game we played Knox. It was a brilliant game but in the last 10 minutes, Knox ran away with a fine 5-1 victory.

Our second game against Scots was superb, with Riverview winning 5-0. It was a great team effort with Mr Rizzardini coaching us.

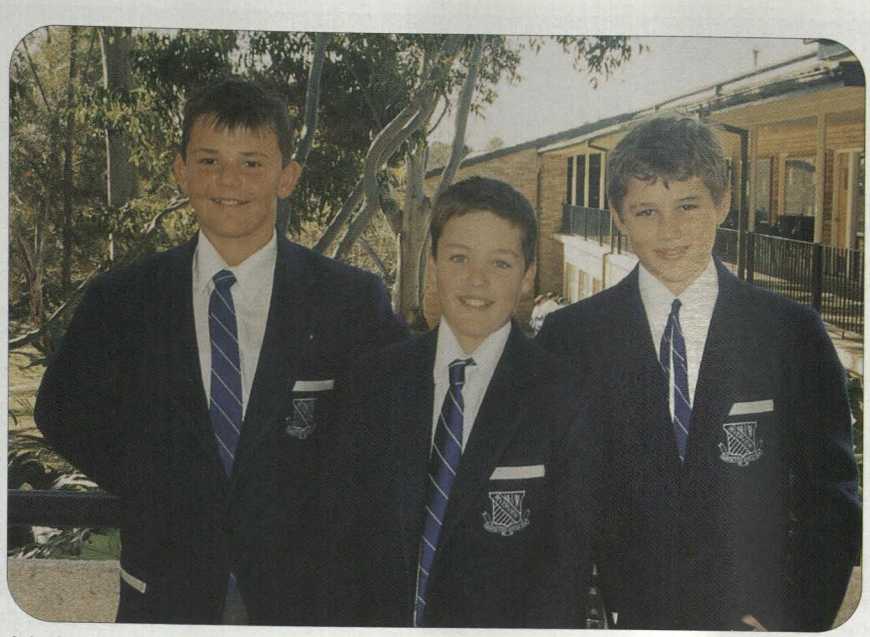
With practices washed out a lot during May it has been hard to train, but our team is going along well.

I have found that all the boys are playing with great team spirit.

I am working hard and cannot wait until our next game which will be great fun.

There is no other way I would have liked to have started off May than with Soccer trials. I will not forget my first Soccer trials at SIC

Riley Morgan
Year 6



Iain Salteri, Riley Morgan and James Livesey, Year 6

When I was asked to write about May, I was lost for ideas. But after a quick look in my diary, I found a very important date - May 12th which, in case you don't know was the CIS Athletics carnival.

All the athletes who took part had a great time whether they won - or let's be frank - lost.

We strutted our stuff on the track and on the field.

All in all we had a great day and in most case came home happy.

James Livesey
Year 6

Something has changed in May. It is the atmosphere – but of what? I have been looking forward to it all year. the Rugby and Soccer season is here - it has finally started.

The engines are roaring, our legs are pumping and are hearts are beating fast. We have three test runs and two games. The first two trials were cancelled due to rain. We were meant to play St Pius and St Aloysius.

We have played two games – one against Scots, the other against Cranbrook. We played well when we played Scots. We drew 10 all. At half time the score was 5 all. It was a tight game the whole time.

Against Cranbrook we had the upper hand in size and in speed. At half time we were off to a great start leading 19-0. We finished off in style winning 29-5. this was not too bad considering we hadn't played as a team before.I only hope we can continue improving like this.

I love to play Rugby with my school mates but I will never forget this season because this is my first year playing for Riverview.

Iain Salteri
Year 6

Over 2,000 years ago, the Greeks began the athletic tradition as an offering of thanksgiving to their Gods. Although the ancient Olympics were in homage to other Gods, the Greeks understood the truly spiritual nature of the quest to achieve athletic and physical perfection.

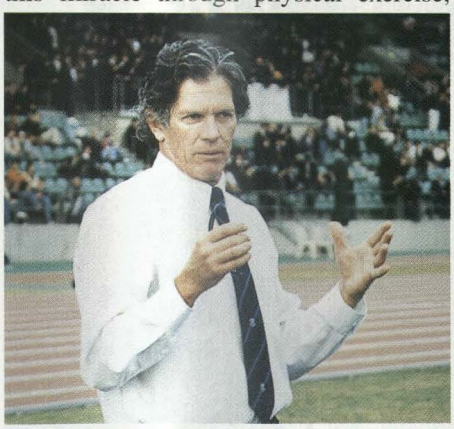
Just as scientists and philosophers have striven to understand and harness the power of nature, so have athletes endeavoured to control the power of God's greatest creation, the human body.

We often take life and our bodies for granted– which I think is a bit of worry since these are probably the two most tangible miracles God has given each of us.

The other night I realised just what a miracle I was ... It truly is a miracle that we are here and each of our body's is a miracle. I mean if you look up to the night sky, just think that nowhere ever in the history of the universe has there existed an organism as complex as you.

Athletics is the outward expression of the miracle of our physical abilities. In this way, each event is a small miracle. How amazing is it that a human being can run 100m in under 10 sec, jump over 8m long and nearly 2.5m high. You can't tell me that isn't a small miracle.

God has given each and every one of us the tremendous gift of life and a body to live in. It is up to us whether we celebrate this miracle through physical exercise, reaping the reward of further health or, perhaps sulk that we have been dealt a bad hand and neglect our bodies, which will result in further unhealthiness.



Mr John Macdonald at the AAGPS Track and Field Championships.

St Ignatius himself would have loved Athletics because it's all about striving for the 'magis', that little bit more, as per the Olympic motto we all know: 'faster, higher, stronger'. The real opponent in Athletics is in fact yourself. It takes so much courage to go beyond where you have ever gone before and to dare to be the best that you can be.



Sean Williams (sporting a goatee for a College play) receiving his captain's badge from the Headmaster, Mr Shane Hogan

In this way, Athletics can become a springboard for life, teaching competitive spirit, persistence, risk-taking, courage and willingness to celebrate what gifts and talents you have and desire to develop these so that you will reach your true potential.

One of the two truly great things about Riverview athletics is the coaching staff, Mr Giuffre, Mr Rockky Wijesinghe, but especially, Mr Macdonald, "Macca". His love of the sport and enthusiasm for coaching has been the cornerstones in the success of many GPS teams.

I think every Riverview athlete for the last decade would recall Macca sprinting across the infield, stopwatch in hand to shout advice to one of his beloved distance runners. Get those hips up, you're going great! Arms, arms!"he'd say. No other school has a super-coach like Macca who, I think, draws his energy from his exceptionally strong faith. He undoubtedly sharpens our winning edge.

He wisely said to me once that you are most fully alive when its athletics season because training somehow makes your life clear and uncluttered. In my experience, this rings completely true. There is a simple conclusion from Macca's words of wisdom: we need to be fit and healthy in order to live life to the fullest in our sport, in our school work, in our social life and in our faith.

The second great thing about Riverview Athletics is feeling of camaraderie and belonging created by the team focus of G.P.S. athletics. Although we are in fact competing against each other for spots in the team right up until GPS, it isn't the memories of beating a mate on Saturday that we hold dearest and longest. The fondest memories for most of Athletics season are the sunny holiday camps, the after-school training sessions in the rain, and the Friday night pit-stops at MacDonalds to refuel a night competition. That's what Athletics is all about, the friends, the fun, the enjoyment of competition and the celebration of yours and others' talents.

So where's the message in all this? I suppose just that your existence is a miracle, your body is a gift. Life is there to be actively lived, not watched; you've been given a body: Use it! Move it! Groove it! Or lose it."

(Reflection given by Sean Williams, at a Student Mass, May 7, 2003)



Riverview supporters at the GPS Athletic Championships



Sean Williams, right, with Tim Corcoran and Tim Harrington at the GPS Aths.

In early May, representatives from the College visited Mudgee. There they met with parents, old boys, current families and prospective parents and spoke about the College. Members of the 'Riverview Visits Mudgee' team included: Wendie Milazza (Boarding Parents), Mr Rod Loneragan (Development Office), Ms Belinda Clark (Boarding), Fr Strong SJ, Mr Peter Cahill (President of the OIU) and Mrs Catherine Hogan (backing up the Headmaster - to quote Viewpoint). The weekend was most successful thanks to the generosity of the Riverview community in Mudgee.



Fr Joe Dooley PP, Fr David Strong SJ and Mr Shane Hogan



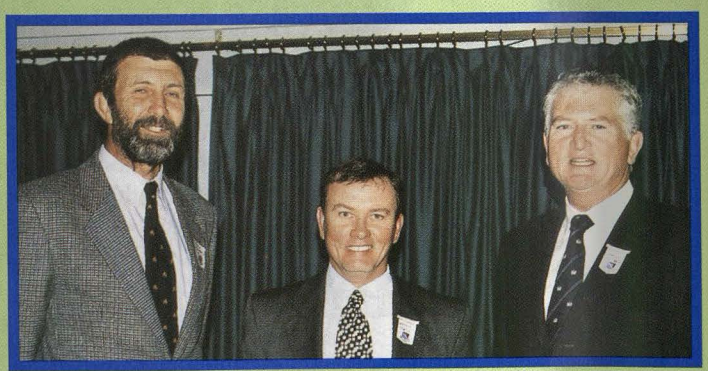
Mrs Wendie Milazzo, Mr Peter Cahill, Mr Shane Hogan, Ms Belinda Clark, Mr Rod Loneragan and Fr David Strong SJ



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Mr John and Mr David Egan



Messrs Tony Hegarty, Michael Kenny and Peter Cahill



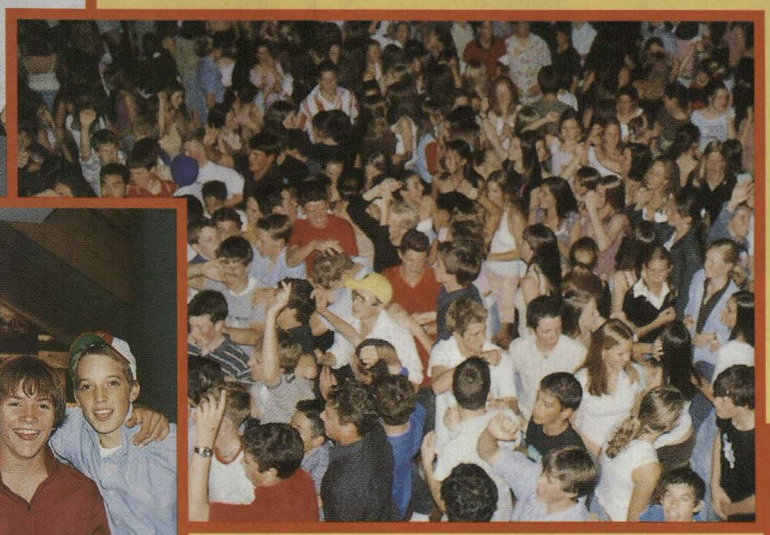
Above, Rod Loneragan with Richard Loneragan and Sue Loneragan; right, Frank Loneragan, Peter Cahill, Michael Prior and Rod Loneragan



year 9 dance

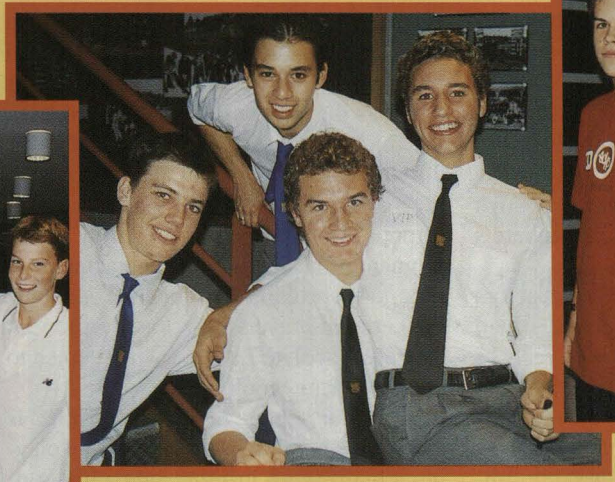
One of the successful events of May was the Year 9 Dance organised by the Student Representative Council and Mrs Linda Bryan. Young ladies from nearby Colleges were invited to this auspicious social occasion and as these scenes show a jolly good time was had by all. The dance was supervised by teachers and some Year 12 students who, towards the end of the evening, joined in the festivities.

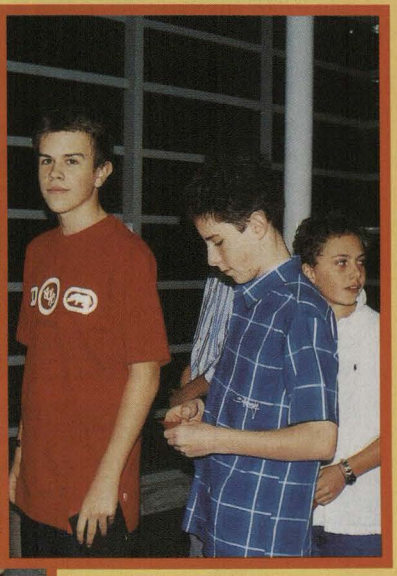


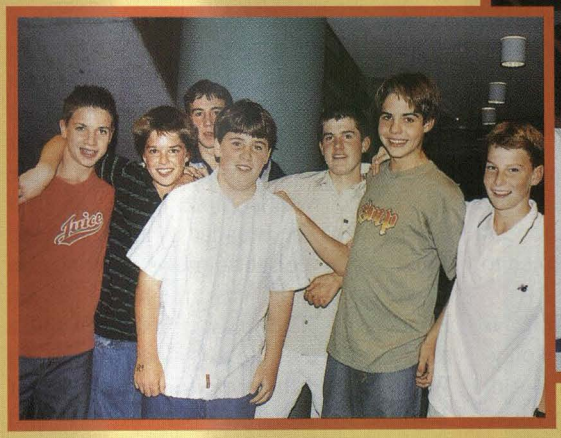


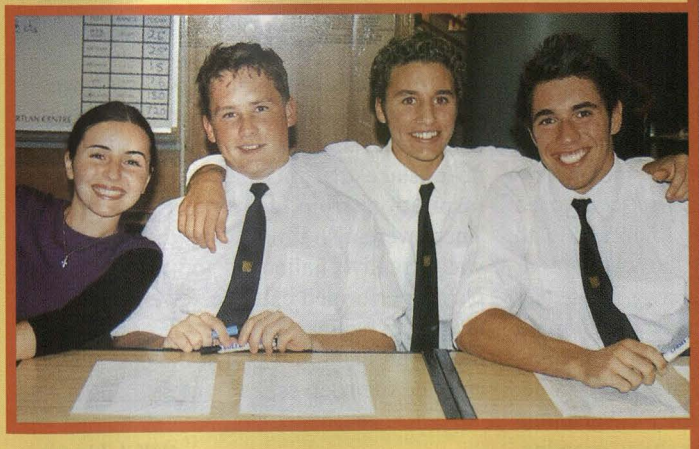


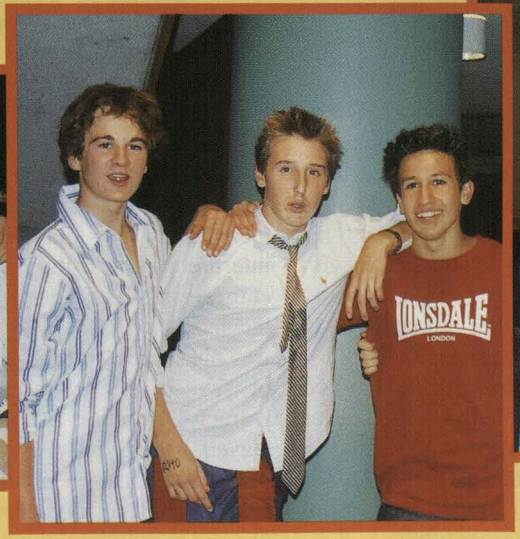
















The Year 11 Curriculum Drama production, Tartuffe, by the famed playwright Moliere, was originally written and performed in the late 17th century. Even today, with a recent and terrific new interpretation by the esteemed theatre translator Ranjit Bolt, Tartuffe retains its original and intended impact, and remains ever-relevant. And quite surprisingly, for a play that deals with the heady overtones of religious deception, Tartuffe has a ready and clever wit that entertains and is quite provocative.

However, to make the play even more comprehensible to the audience, the deft director, Ms Cain, and the production's design team, Hamish Peters and Conor Burke (who also made a appearance as Valere, engaged to Mariane), set it in the late 1960s and early 70s, rather than in the 17th century as was originally intended.

The set itself was a typical suburban living room, bare but for a television, a clock, a table, a sofa, a shag-pile rug, and the ubiquitous 60s servery hutch in the kitchen. Even the number of the house reflected the period – number 96 – if one was old enough for it to make sense. The set also had, on the wall, a brilliant motif – a photograph of the newly-elected Prime Minister of the time, Gough Whitlam. He took the place of Moliere's Sun King Louis.

For the set to be effective, the actors themselves needed to be effective. It had been rumoured that the current Year 11 Drama class were hugely talented, and this was readily vindicated by the performances they gave in the play.

Easily the star of the night was the sublimely greasy Tartuffe, played by Glenn O'Sullivan. His interpretation was outstanding, keeping the audience in stitches throughout his entire performance. Byron Fay as the talkative, scheming and energetic butler Phillipe was perfectly cast. Equally well placed was Matt Hickey, as Orgon. He kept just the right edge to his voice, and his slide from obsession with Tartuffe to utter disgust was seamlessly portrayed in his switch of moods.

Orgon's children, Mariane and Damis, (Michelle Weick and Joel Stillone) played their parts with distinction. Joel never failed to impress with his annoying curiosity. Bria Crouch, as Orgon's wife Elmire, was another quite outstanding performer delivering, her seduction scene, which featured a strong element of slapstick hilarity, with much professionalism and equanimity. .

James Dodd as Orgon's brother Cleante seemed to illuminate each scene he played in. As a self righteous fop, he was the source of much humour, especially when he delivered his remarkable one-liners. At this point, it is also essential to mention Tom Retter's flawless portrayal of Monsieur Pernelle, Orgon's father who, as the play unfolded, changed from the role of accuser to stubborn defender. Tom paired with Daniel Laoh who played the part of Msr Pernelle's senile butler, Flipote. Daniel seemed to enjoy every moment of his narcoleptic character. Also in a non -speaking role (apart from some well uttered prayers) was Joe Simpson, as Tartuffe's acolyte Laurent, who seemed to enjoy wearing woolly vests.

The final scene, in which Tartuffe is arrested as a fraud, had Jon Wenman playing a bailiff with just the right amount of pomposity. He was supported by three solemnly stereotypical law officers, James Riordan, Heath Collins and Alex Hassell.

There were several distinctive features about the production of this play which made it both extremely enjoyable and memorable. For one thing, the actors' interpretation of the script, composed entirely in verse, added enormously to the humour of the play. Much humour was also provided by changing the gender of two of the characters. The maid Doreen, became the butler Phillipe, played by Byron Fay, while Pernelle, who was originally a crotchety old grandma became an equally crotchety grandpa, played by Tom Retter. Another excellent decision was to have the whole audience begin the play singing the hymn, Hail Redeemer King Divine, accompanied on the organ, by Marcus Bortollotti.

The screechings of the young children, the bawlings of the middle aged, and the waverings of the senior citizens in the audience, did and still does haunt me most terribly. Thankfully, the cast at the encore performed an upbeat rendition of They'll Know We Are Christians, independently of audience participation!

Another clever effect, which the cast certainly enjoyed, was to use a TV to set the scene. Broadcasts of news stories from that era including the Vietnam War and the up and coming elections, were punctuated with comments by the cast themselves. The broadcasts also included some rather delightful news reports from a most youthful cast member's Brian Henderson. The play finished with a report of the newly-elected Gough Whitlam, and the melodramatic arrest of Tartuffe. Thanks to Joel Stillone and James Dodd for providing this interesting and entertaining video footage.

Overall, the Year 11 production of Tartufffe was a resounding success. It was characterised by moments of pure slapstick, total farce and absolute hilarity (it is no mistake that this play receives much inspiration from commedia dell'arte). There were also times when the audience was actually challenged to think! Each player performed extremely well, and the most convincing aspect of the excellence of this production was that the cast really enjoyed themselves.

Will Atkinson







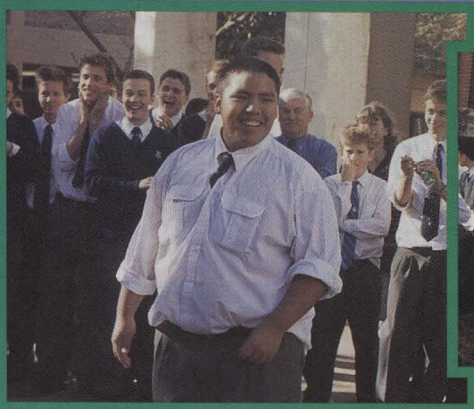


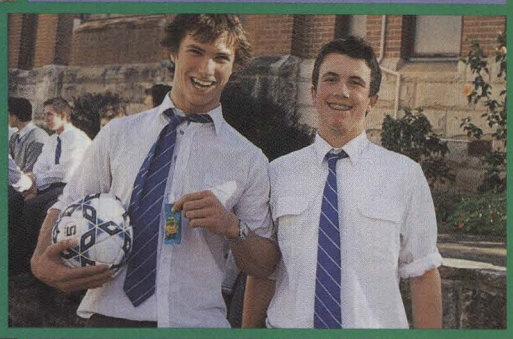
Cast and Crew

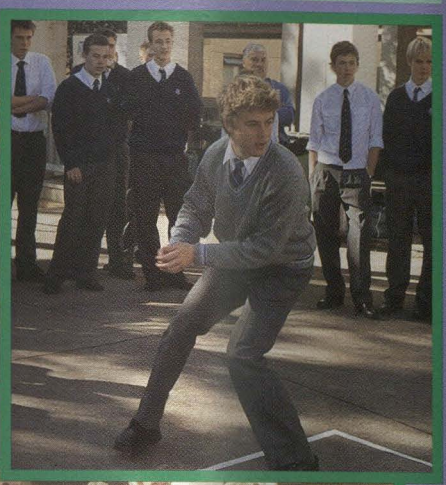
Orgon	Matthew Hickey
Mariane	Michelle Weick
Elmire	Ms Bria Crouch
Damis	Joel Stillone
Msr Pernelle	Thomas Retter
Cleante	James Dodd
Phillipe	Byron Fay
Valere	Conor Burke
Tartuffe	Glenn O'Sullivan
Laurent	Joseph Simpson
Msr Loyal	Jonathon Wenman
Officer #1	James Riordan
Officer #2	Heath Collins
Officer #3	Alexander Hassall
Flipote	Daniel Laoh
Gough Whitlam	Hugh Cashmore
Director	Ms Pauline Cain
Designer	Hamish Peters
Design Assistant	Conor Burke
Lighting Design	Paul Lewis
Lighting Operator	Stuart Robertson
Stage Manager	Jonathon Wenman
Ass Stage Mnger	Joel Stillone
Set Construction	Hamish Peters Adrian Schofield
Wardrobe	Ms Myriam Moysey Hugh Cashmore
Props	James Dodd, Joseph Simpson Ms Katia Durst
Musician	Marcus Bortolotti
Front of House	Ms Belinda Clark
Head Usher	Simon Walsh



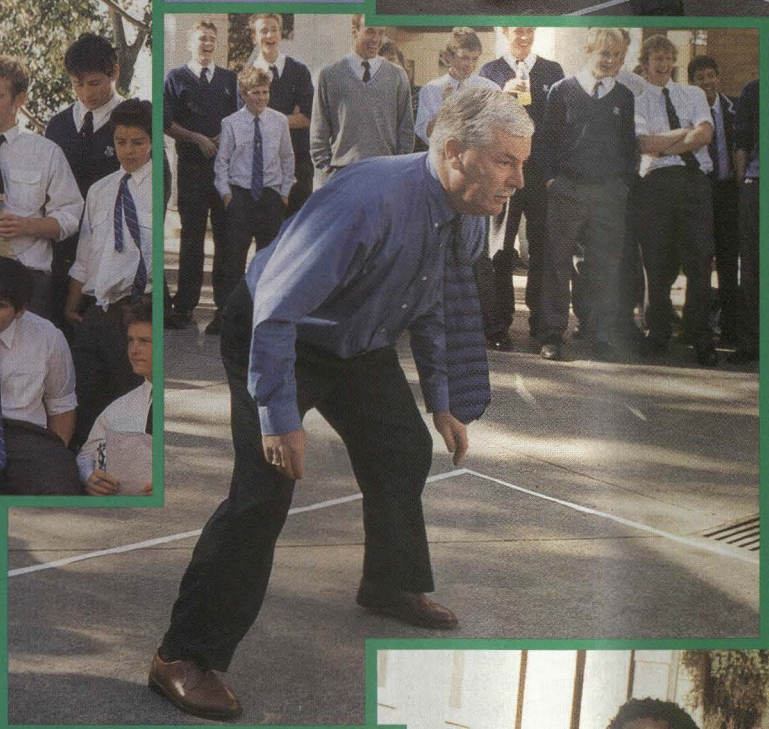
Mid May and it was time for another round of the Alliteration Cup, Hamburgers and Handball, organised by Year 12 students. Despite the rain that had fallen earlier in the week, the concrete outside the main reception area was deemed fit and suitable for the exciting final of this unprecedented handball competition which featured, among others, the Headmaster, Mr Shane Hogan pitting his wit and manual dexterity against some very determined and highly experienced senior lads. Despite the Headmaster's valiant efforts and the loud, encouraging cheers of the crowd, he was ultimately not the winner of this illustrious competition.Instead, it was Ed Jenkins who carried aloft the most glorious, time honoured trophy – a Freddo Frog.







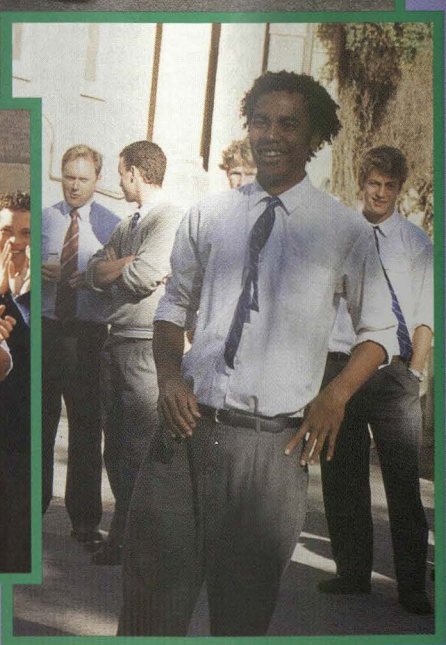












art and craft exhibition

Those who attended the opening night of the 32nd annual Art and Craft Show at the College would have seen the College in a new light, literally, wrote President of the P and F, Mrs Christine Roberston in the May 23 edition of Viewpoint.

"The exterior of the Ramsay Hall was bathed in a kaleidoscope of colour. It was a promise of the riches inside. The entire weekend was an enormous success and a testament to the volunteering spirit of the parents of Riverview," Mrs Robertson wrote.

The Art and Craft Show was opened by Ms Wendy Harmer and featured over 800 works by painters aned sculptors including, Jack Vettriano, Reg Mombassa, Tim Stack and Norman Lindsay.

On hand, providing musical entertainment for the evening, were members of the College Senior Stage Band.















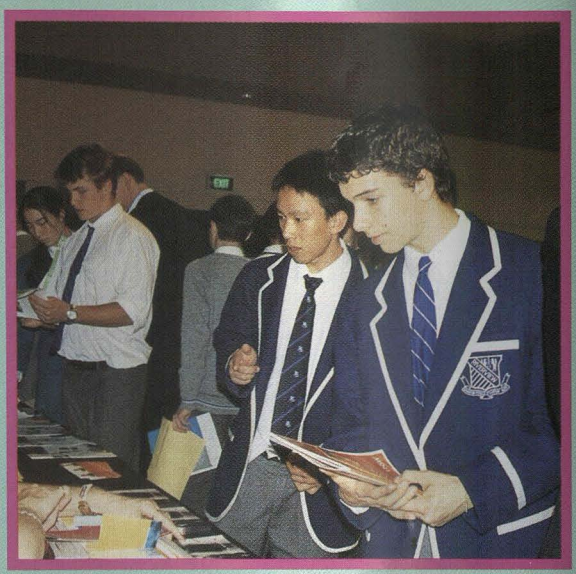




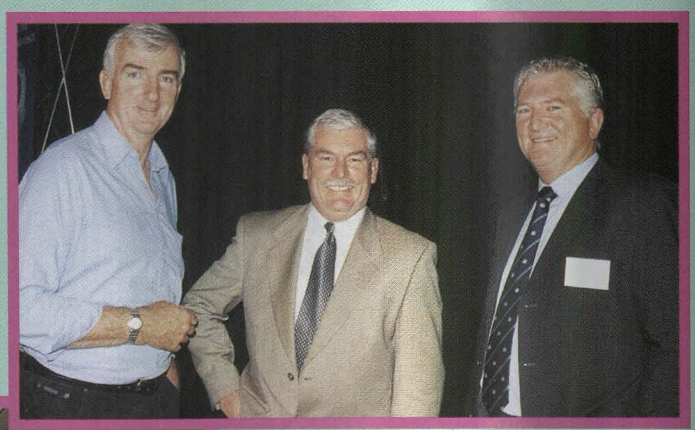




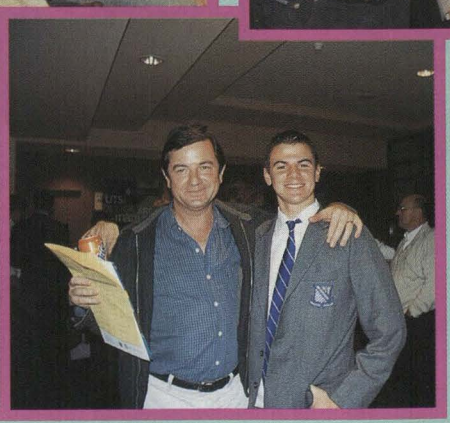
Several hundred students, parents and friends attended the Old Ignatians Union Career Expo on May 19 in the Ramsay Hall. Among the many people on hand to give expert advice on future directions for the students were the police, members of the armed forces, representatives from universities and Fr Jeremy Clarke SJ, a member of the Jesuit Vocations team.









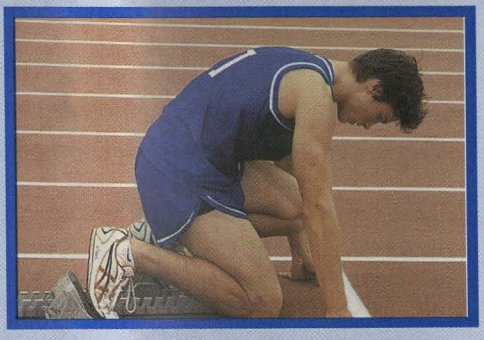


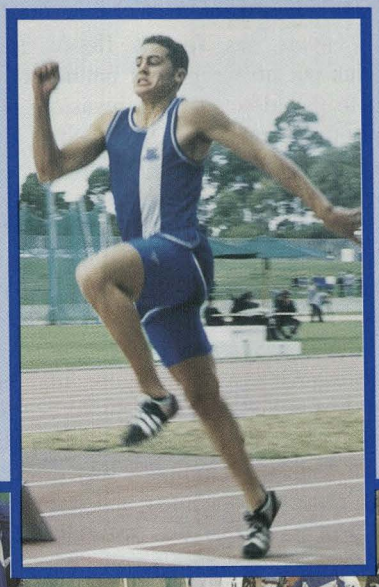


When Riverview won both the Senior and Junior titles at the AAGPS Championships at Homebush on May 24, it was a 'Double, Double' according to Mr John Macdonald, MIC Track and Field. This consecutive dual title triumph had not been achieved by the College since 1964/65, Mr Macdonald said. Despite early successes, the day was very tense, with the both point scores being decided in the last relay event of the day. At one stage the Junior team was behind by 30 points. But win they did, by a narrow margin, cheered on by hundreds of student and parent spectators in the stands. As Mr Macdonald wrote: "If one close finish on a GPS Championship day severely taxes the adrenal system, then two just about destroys it."





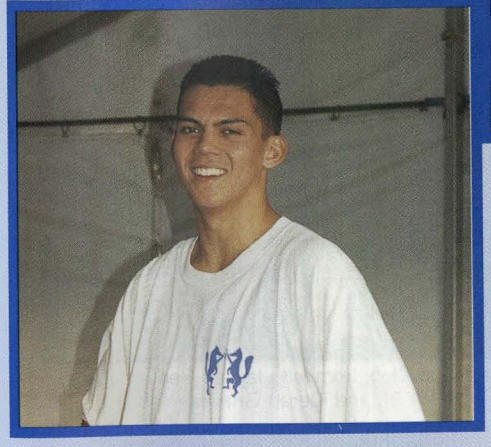
















Chained to Dusty Plains

The Outback is a desert in every sense of the word. The expanse is treeless, barren, and as one walks on the dusty roads it feels as though coals are burning underfoot.

These dizzying lowlands are home to the true Australia. This Australia is filled with tales of injustice, genocide and the unmistakable sight of spilt blood.

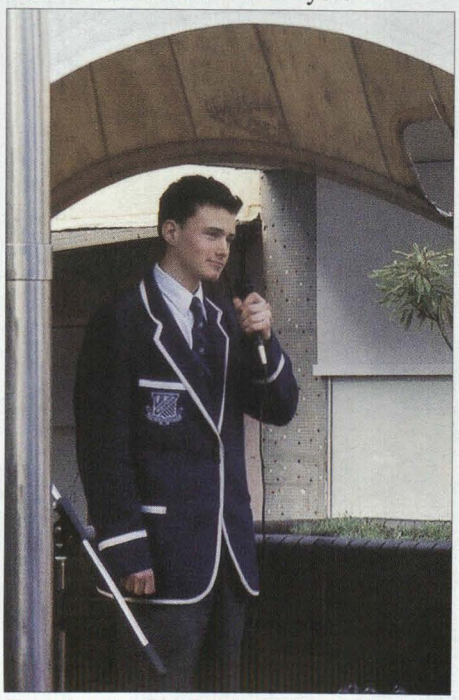
In Sydney the sight of an indigenous Australian is a rare thing – and most people would desire to keep it that way. Why? Because our history, the few unburnt scraps that are left, isn't impressive.

We hear the classic story of Australia's discovery, but we never hear about the truth of the 'invasion.' This is our history, a forgotten history, whose whisperings can only be heard in Outback Australia. In Sydney, we forget, move on, and drift with the passage of time. Our identity is ignored, and all truth passes from existence.

My name is Travis, and through this story telling, in the great Aboriginal tradition, we can move far from this suffering.

Brewarrina is home to the oldest man-made structure on Earth, one of the greatest, and most unappreciated facts in Australia. However, this ancient civilisation was plundered.

Imagine now if our local Lane Cove Church, after standing proudly for generations, was razed and all of our sacred texts were shredded. In Brewarrina, and all over Australia, we watched, voiceless, as this happened. We did nothing as an ancient tradition was destroyed.



Travis Brooks-Garrett (Year 12) speaking in the Plaza at Lane Cove for Reconcilation Week



Members of the College Aboriginal Reconciliation Club, from left, Mitchell Wall, Edward Fernon, Malcolm Lynch, Kieran Grieves, Tim Hill, Josh Rowlison, Jayden Bedford, Travis Brookes-Garrett at Reconcilation Week celebrations, Lane Cove

This town has fought floods and droughts but no weapon of nature compares to the affects of the invasion, the extent of our cruelty and the reach of our all-conquering ignorance.

Today, the town now witnesses alcohol and poverty in the extreme. This is Australia's second largest, and most concentrated Aboriginal community – and the suffering is nowhere else more evident, almost unbearably so.

In Brewarrina, a slight figure, tugging at my shirt, asked me 'why you 'ere?' At that moment, staring at a boarded-up pub, I couldn't answer him in any way.

I sat, reflected, lamented, and rested on a patch of grass that was struggling for life. This small boy was a voice of truth, under-educated, but more knowing than any Sydneysider. He managed to convince me, with so few words, that the fallacious 'discovery' is no cause for celebration. This boy's story, and that of his ancestors, needed to be told.

We arrived here in iron chains only to forward them to the indigenous Australians, who are still shackled. Through story-telling and recognition we can free the Aboriginal nation from the despair of history by offering them understanding and respect.

We must do this, not as Christians, but with the far-reaching arms of what we like to call 'Australianness.'

Address given by Year 12 student, Travis Brooks-Garrett to the Lane Cove Reconciliation Society in Lane Cove Plaza, May, 2003



Indigenous members of the SIC Aboriginal Reconcilation Club, from left, Jayden Bedford (Yr 7), Josh Rowlison (Yr 12) , Tim Hill (Yr 7), Malcolm Lynch (Yr 9), and Kieran Grieves (Yr 10)



athletics



Senior Track and Field AAGPS Champions, 2003

Back row, Timothy Harrington, Simon Jenkins, Karl Ferguson,
Third row, Mr Philip Brady, Angus Rankin, Damian Raper, Timothy Corcoran, Michael McGuire, Alexander Testa, Christopher Partington, Mr Rod Loneragan
Second Row, Mr Mark White, Glenn O'Sullivan, Patrick Cape, Jonathon Jenkins, Thomas Joseph, Timothy Byrne, Edward Jenkins, Andrew McManus, Dr Stephen Williams
First row, Mr Craig Jeffery, Michael Prodinger, Jason Bertacco, Michael Boyle, Nicholas Jones, Sean Williams, Declan Walsh, James Healey, David Peak, Ms Dale Thompson
Seated, Mr William Cape, Richard Salter, Ms Fira Dvoskina, Scott Turner, Mr John Macdonald, Justin Merlino (captain),Mr Rocky Wijesinghe, Thomas Crasti (vice captain), Mr John Giuffre, Jeremy Skellern, Mr Luke Russell. Absent: Michael Ternes

108th AAGPS Championships

If one close finish on an AAGPS Championships day severely taxes one's adrenal system, then two just about destroy it! Although Michael Ternes and Tom Joseph got us off to a flying start in the Senior long jumps, the day was soon to turn tense, and remain so until the very last event.

The emotion from Michael's dramatic last round victory flowed into his division hurdles win as he ran through the finish line and literally into the arms of the SIC supporters (many of whom had played a decisive role beside the long jump runway during his earlier success with their orchestrated clapping and chanting). Michael added his AAGPS gold medal for this year's open long jump to the one he won last year in the same event as an U/17 athlete.

The quadruple success of our Senior shot putters, unprecedented in any event, and the all but congruent results of the Senior hurdlers, gave the Seniors the early cushion they would need to successfully defend the Senior Shield. The Juniors would need the luck of champions to come from behind to retain the Junior Cup. The consecutive dual title triumph meant that the 'Double Double' had been achieved by the college for the first time since 1964 / 65.

The weightmen (Michael Boyle, Nicholas Jones, Nathan Grant and Alex Testa) were almost matched by the hurdlers (Angus Rankin, Damian Raper, Michael Ternes and Justin Merlino) in their spectacular achievement.

Team Captain, Justin Merlino, under pressure with a hamstring injury which re-occurred during his first event (the 110m open championship hurdles), somehow managed to coax himself to a critically important victory, but he was forced to withdraw from the 100m and 4 x 100m. His one performance was, however, a stirring, morale boosting victory for the whole team.

The only Junior athlete to be promoted to this year's Senior squad was high jumper Patrick Cape who produced a 9cm PB, and a most focused series of clearances, to win the U/17 high jump. Patrick's win was not only a timely boost to the Senior pointscore during the final round of field events, but also meant that we had at least one championship winner in each event area.

Edward and Jonathon Jenkins, who had spearheaded our Senior track attack early in the program, proved decisive late in the day with two emphatic 400m races which set up the relay teams to secure the Senior title. Ed and Jonno were also members of the U/17 4 x 100m relay, and our two highest individual Senior pointscorers.

The relays also saw us overtake The King's School to retain the Juniors. Given the circumstances of their defeat, King's were most gracious in their congratulations. Credit to their MIC, Mr Anthony Benn who should receive our highest commendation. The same must be said for Mr Alistair Miller of Shore School and Br Charles Evans of St Joseph's College. These gentlemen set the rest of us a very good example and ensured that the whole championships were conducted in a wonderful spirit.

The Juniors, who won only 6 of 41 championship events, got up in the lengthening shadows of the Homebush finishing post.While Matthew Barry (U/13) and David Constable (U/14) narrowed the gap between ourselves and Kings by winning the first two 200m events of the day, it was middle distance men Patrick McCabe (U/15) and Kimon Tellidis (U/16) who reeled them in. While



Junior Track and Field AAGPS Champions

Back row, Daniel Jones, Matthew Conlon, Thomas O'Connor, Thomas Gorman, Dominic Reardon, David Hickey, Matthew McDougall, James McCullagh, Michael McDermott, Alexander McCullagh, Adam Fitzgerald, William Passas
Fourth row, Cameron Smith, Andrew Fraser, Rafael Del Rosario, Malcolm Lynch, Kerry Lane, Patrick McCabe, Sam Green, Alistair Clifton, Geoffrey Goddard, Joseph Payten, David Constable, Matthew Hannaford, Mr Rod Loneragan
Third row, Mr Craig Jeffery, John Grant, Jack Freeman, Robert Passas, Jack Graham, David Loneragan, Samuel Irwin, Benjamin Williams, Kimon Tellidis, Matthew Barry, Dr Stephen Williams, Mr William Cape
Second row, Mr John Giuffre, Darius Navidzadeh, Edward Carroll, Nicholas Cottee, Anthony Pizzolato, Timothy Dodd, Mark Fonseka, James Kelly, Wiliam Sierakowski, Andrew Thomas, Ms Dale Thompson
First row, Mr Mark White, Ms Fira Dvoskina, Max Cordony, Timothy Hill, Laurence Parker, Patrick Murton, Raymon Mainsbridge, Gabriel Navidzadeh, Luke White, Arthur Gatt, Mr Philip Brady, Mr Luke Russell
Seated, Thomas Burns, Harrison Checkley, Sean Rushton, James Vaughan, Mr John Macdonald, Justin Merlino (captain), Mr Rocky Wijesinghe, Thomas Crasti (vice captain), Lawrence Rushton, Jonathan Hew, Logan Mead

Patrick won his second consecutive 1500m title, Kimon made it four in a row, in the process underscoring his amazing competitive temperament by coming from behind to punish the pacemakers in the home straight.

In the midst of these half-lap and metric mile doubles, diminutive Sam Irwin exhibited what must be the highest power-to-weight ratio in Riverview history by winning the U/14 shot. Later in the day David Constable became the only SIC athlete during this year's championships to win a championship double by also winning the U/14 400m. David was also the Junior Team's top pointscorer.

Coaching highlights included Coach Fira Dvoskina's senior hurdles and Coach John Giuffre's relays. The sprint relays were, together with shot put, our equal best championship event in terms of average placing across the six age groups.

At the end of this season when he received a special award for 25 years of excellence in coaching at the college, Coach 'Rocky' Wijesinghe can take special satisfaction in the achievements of his athletes. Apart from the aforementioned senior shot put quadruple of victories, and dominance in that event throughout the program, he also coached championship winners in long jump (Michael Ternes) and 800m (Jonathon Jenkins).

Mr Wijesinghe possesses a special talent for helping boys to discover their own talents and believe in their own abilities. Moreover, via his strength and conditioning work in the Gartlan he has played a critical role in the preparation of many athletes across all event areas. That, combined with his rigorous supervision of consistent training and competition, are the secret of his many successes over the years at GPS, State and National level.

Although our victories in both divisions were both relatively narrow (Juniors by 20; Seniors by 12), the winning margin in the unofficial aggregate pointscore was once again substantial (130).

SIC has now won the aggregate at seven of the last eight championships. The GPS Championships themselves aside, the outstanding performance of the whole season came from 16 year old Jonathon Jenkins, who at the St Joseph's College Invitation Meeting at Homebush recorded the following set of performances within the space of three hours: 800m in 1m58.3s, 200m in 22.6s, 100m in 11.3s and 400m in 50.0s, 4 x 100m Relay in 44.2s.

In addition to the above mentioned coaches the following staff also richly



AAGPS Division Winners

Malcolm Lynch, Damian Raper, Nicholas Jones, Rafael Del Rosario

deserve our gratitude and commendation: Mr Luke Russell (OR 1998, High Jump Coach), Mr Bill Cape (OR 51, High Jump Manager), Dr. Steve Williams (OR 72, Long Jump Assistant Coach), Mr Mark White (Shot Put Manager), Mr Philip Brady (ex-Clongowes Wood, Sprints Assistant Coach), Mr Rod Loneragan (OR 77, 4 X 100m Relays Assistant Coach), Mr Craig Jeffery (OR 90, 400m, 4 x 400m Relays Coach), Mr Andrew Salter (OR 1997, Middle Distance Assistant Coach), Ms Dale Thompson (Statistician), Mr Mike Lawson (Masseur), Mr Paul Hedger, Ms. Barbara Hungerford, Mr Dan Vickers (Physiotherapists), Mr Peter Burke (Official AAGPS Championships Scorer), Mrs Cheryl Merlino and Mrs Maryanne Crasti (End of Season Function Convenors).

Mr John Macdonald



AAGPS Champions 2003

Standing, Joseph Payten, Patrick McCabe, Patrick Cape, Alexander Testa, Michael Boyle, Kerry Lane, David Constable, Samuel Irwin
Seated, Matthew Barry, Kimon Tellidis, Edward Jenkins, Justin Merlino, Jonathon Jenkins, Geoffrey Goddard, Anthony Pizzolato

Track and Field Awards 2003

Inter-House Age Champions

Primary Inter-House Champion	•Matthew Skilbeck
U/15 Inter-House Champion	•John Grant (James Kwan Trophy)
U/16 Inter-House Champion	•Matthew McDougall (Ray Smith Cup)

GPS Division Winners

U/13	•Liam Roche (Shot Put) – 2002
U/14	•Rafael Del Rosario (Shot Put)
U/16	•Malcolm Lynch (800m)
U/17	•Nicholas Jones (Shot Put) •Damian Raper (110M Hurdles)
Opens	•Nathan Grant (Shot Put)

GPS Championship Winners, College Record Breakers, State and National Medallists and Other Special Award Winners

U/13

- Matthew Barry (200m) and U/13 Inter-House Champion

U/14

- David Constable (200/400M), U/14 Inter-House Champion Award for Best Junior Track Athlete
- Sam Irwin (Shot Put) and The Fr John Drury SJ Trophy for Most Improved Junior Athlete

U/15

- Patrick McCabe (1500m)
- Joseph Payten, Anthony Pizzolato, Geoffrey Goddard, Kerry Lane (College Record Breakers in 4 x 100m Relay)

U/16

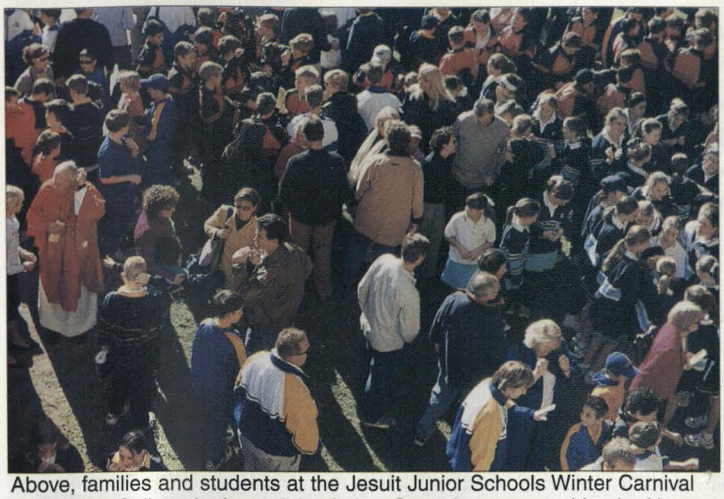
- Joseph Payten, Dominic Reardon, James McCullagh, Thomas Gorman, (College Record Breakers in Junior 4 x 400m Relay)
- Patrick Cape (U/16 College High Jump Record Breaker, U/17 GPS High Jump Champion and the Nicholas Johnson Trophy for Best Junior Field Athlete)
- Kimon Tellidis (1500m) (This is the fourth consecutive year that Kimon has won the 1500m at GPS)

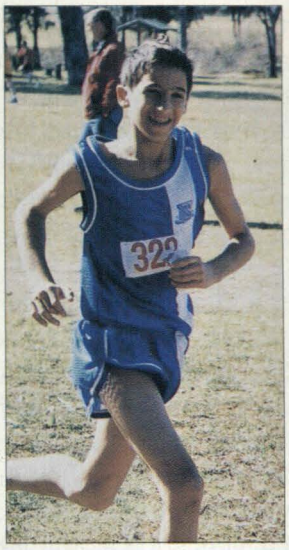
U/17

- Michael Boyle (Shot Put)
- Edward Jenkins (U/17 Inter-House Champion, NSW All Schools Bronze and Silver Medallist at 800 and 400m respectively, and AAGPS 400M Champion.)
- Jonathon Jenkins (800M and Trophy for Best 400m performance at GPS)
- Angus Rankin (NSW All Schools Bronze Medallist at 110m Hurdles)
- Alexander Testa (NSW All Schools Bronze Medallist, AAGPS Gold Medal for Open Shot Put Championship, College Open Shot Put Record Breaker; and the Centenary Coaches' Award for Best Performance at GPS)

Opens

- Michael Ternes (AAGPS Gold Medal for Open Long Jump Championship and Winner Open Div. 110m Hurdles)
- Justin Merlino (College Open Champion Athlete, NSW All Schools Silver Medalist, Australian All Schools Bronze Medallist, College Record Breaker and AAGPS Gold Medal for Open 110m Hurdles Championship)





Above, families and students at the Jesuit Junior Schools Winter Carnival held at the College in June; right, Arthur Gatt who competed in the House Cross Country competition

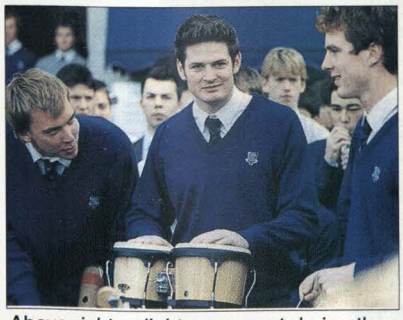


Members of the Arrupe Acaademy who met for the first time in June





The SRC Band Competition attracted a lot of attention especially the performance given by Henry Harding, Tim Harrington and Tom Tuxworth (below)





Above right, a lighter moment during the tutor group photo shoot; left, students and staff gathering for the whole school photo

june, 2003

In June, as the temperatures out of doors declined and the dreaded lurgies made their presence known to many, the College continued on its merry journey towards the end of the first semester.

Early June saw a good percentage of students in the senor school involved in mid year exams with relief from the books provided by a much appreciated long weekend.

However, this extended short break did not mean an absence of students at the College, for during that four day break, Riverview was host to the Jesuit Junior Schools Winter Carnival where schools from as far away as Adelaide took part in a variety of sporting competitions.

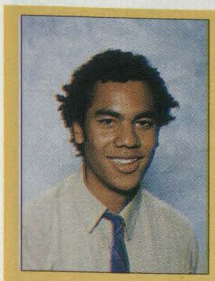
After the break, the exams continued for some while others found themselves involved in a variety of House activities and other events including a student Mass the Campion Kebab Day, the Gonzaga Head Shaving Day and other House Masses and suppers.

However, one event in June all of us will not forget for a long time was the College assembly in which Ryan Macalyk told his story.

Other memorable events were the Mass held to celebrate the 125th anniversary of the purchase of the land for the College; and the day members of the entire College community, all 1750 plus of them, gathered for the Big Picture.

There were other photographic sessions held during June, a few of which provided the opportunity for some to demonstrate their sense of humour and their creative talents. Such talents were also revealed in the SRC student band competition.

However, talents of a highly applaudable kind were on display during Riverview in Concert, the regional Shakespeare Festival and performances of Murdering Ministers by Year 11 Drama students under the expert direction of Mr Mel Morrow.



At the start of June, we had the boarders Mass on a Chapel Sunday – and what better way is there to start off the month. This was then followed a few days later with the June long weekend after the various sporting matches against Knox Grammar.

June for many people (boys and staff) was to be a very busy month in terms of the various activities that were ahead of them. Some of these included the Year 9-11 exam week which was very hectic for those who decided to cram in last minute study.

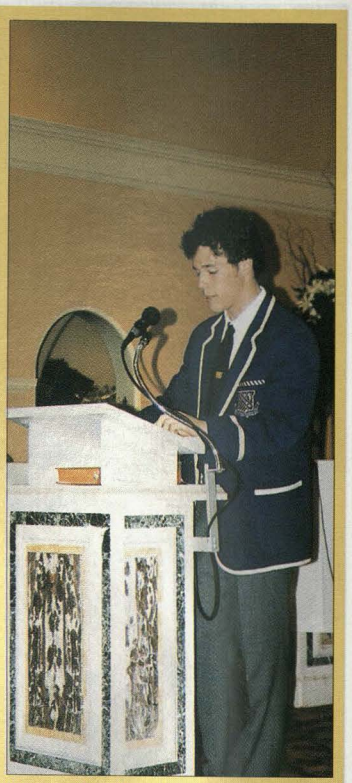
Then a speech by Ryan Macalyk which ended in a great standing ovation led by Ryan's Knights was followed by other interesting activities such as the year 10 leadership day.

Next came the school photo which was done early for various reasons. The photo was held on 2nd field on a cold, wet day so the boys most probably wanted to get the photo shot quickly.

This wasn't to be the case, because after numerous changes on the rows; staff and teachers trying to work out where they were supposed to be in the photo and about eight shoots that didn't work, the balloons came out. First one, then two, then about 10 others were flying about so it took a while for the first real picture to be taken.

For me, it's about June time when Kevin Fagan House and St John's and the other divisions start to become a real boarding house. The 'psyche' up music, the stench of footy jerseys and muddy boots; the irritating showers for the bumps and bruises after a hard knock on 4th field or 1st field, the boarders dances – that's when boarding is really alive for me; that's how I remember June at Riverview.

Sam Raresea
(Year 11)



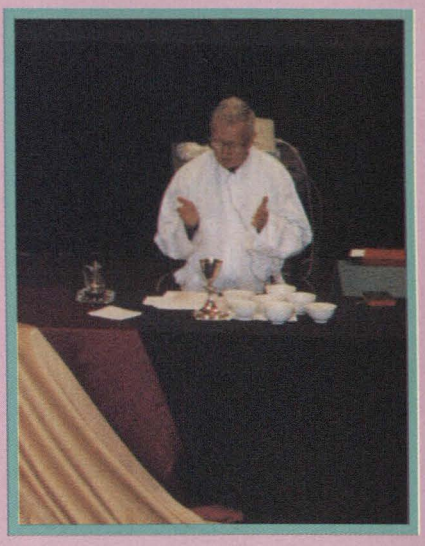
Henry Shepherd reading at a Boarders Mass in the Dalton Chapel

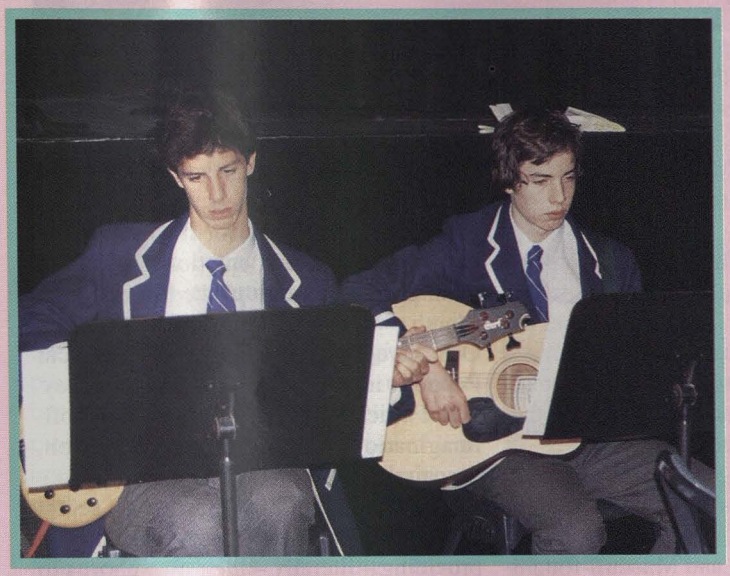


The Dalton Chapel

Photograph by Wendie Milazzo

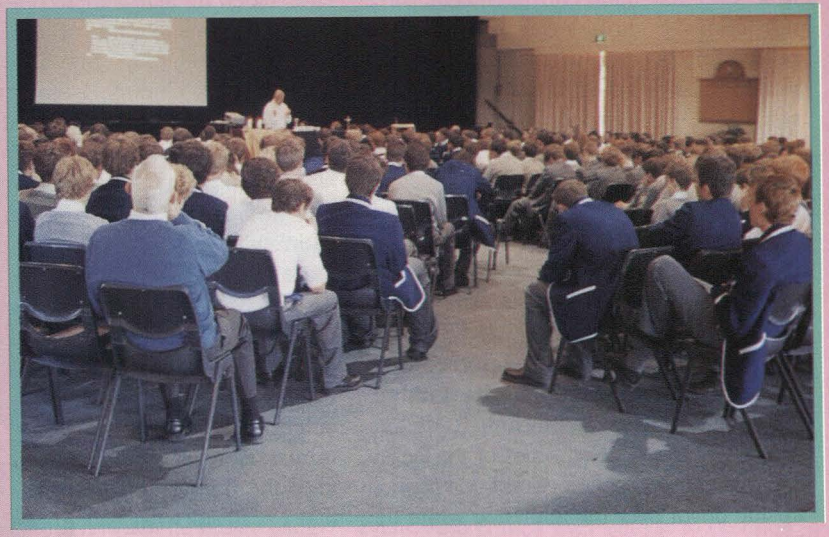














Curtain call

Photographs by Chris Fitzgerald

Riverview's Popinjay Productions has cornered the market in anthology productions. This year's offering, Murdering Ministers, struck me more as a workshop for Macbeth The Musical, not least because the highlight of this short, sharp piece was the brilliant original musical score composed by Marcus Bortolotti.

It was teasingly fragmentary and pitched midway between Benjamin Britten and Andrew Lloyd Webber but for all that, Bortolotti's melodies and chants powerfully underlined the text and forced the audience to contemplate the destructive journey narrated in Shakespeare's lines.

This successful impact was due to the fine singing of the talented and disciplined company comprising seven Macbeths, one male Lady Macbeth, three mysteriously shrouded students, three percussion playing witches, a keyboard player and a Macduff later doubling as a student. The cast worked excellently as a team and there wasn't a weak link.

Descending to Riverview's marvellous O'Kelly Theatre, the audience was introduced to the anthology's mood by a mournful saxophonist playing under a threateningly red branch, presumably a bloody symbol of Birnam Wood. Once in the foyer, the mood was reinforced by a clarinettist poised under a similar symbol.

On entering the auditorium itself, the effect was electric. Both sides of the theatre had the blood-soaked wood suspended upside down over the audience while the black stage and what I took to be a magic grey witches' square were draped in strips of diaphonous red material descending from the lighting bars and covering a kind of spooky classroom that I thought might have escaped from the first draft of the new Harry Potter novel. Bravo designer Conor Burke for the stunning effect! We instantly knew we were in for something different and something different was what we got.

A student from the witches' tutorial read out an essay question ('This dead butcher and his fiendlike queen.' Discuss.) Then the timpani and cymbals summoned up the production's threatening supernatural atmosphere and in the dark, the company sang, 'Good things of day begin to droop and drowse whiles night's black agents to their prey do rouse'.

Suddenly Macbeth and Macduff fought the last scene from the play and just before the protagonist died, six of his alter egos faded up and jabbered in whispered chorus the opening line of a major soliloquy from the play. Six Soliloquies In Search Of A Climax, I thought, and on reflection half an hour or so later, I reckoned that was pretty close to the mark.

And why not? Any anthology reflects the anthologist and director Melvyn Morrow's fluidly spoken and sung nightmare boldly announced that we were assembled in a phantasmagorical forest to explore the inner world of two of drama's most celebrated murdering ministers. It wasn't until the final moments that I realised what had been really happening—Shakespeare's plot was being condensed and retold more or less backwards, concluding with the protagonist being hailed as the hero he is acclaimed in the first two scenes of the play. Neat.

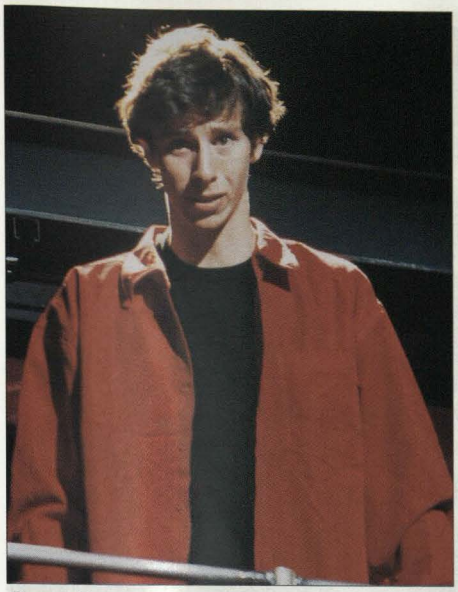
Morrow also knew his actors' strengths and played confidently to them. Each of his seven stages of Macbeth was invested with a predominant emotion and all of them played that trait to the hilt. William Marsh embodied courage; Glenn O'Sullivan, self-knowledge; Oscar Peppitt, intelligence; Matthew Hickey, evil; Patrick Wall, pain; Patrick Westhoff, imagination; and Joseph Simpson, despair.

Individually and together, the septet proved a dynamic ensemble, especially in providing – literally – their own chorus to their catalogue of crimes. Every line rang clearly through the auditorium and the production's energy produced theatrical electricity.

Byron Fay's Lady Macbeth was confident and manipulative. Like the character, the player was in full control. It would have been a bonus to have watched this fine performer's interpretation of madness, but for reasons not altogether clear, Morrow kept the focus seemingly on the husband rather than the wife.



Glenn O'Sullivan, Oscar Peppitt and Matthew Hickey



Byron Fay

Hugh Cashmore proved to be an heroic Macduff, while the highly perched percussive witches, Laurence Bye, Marcus Bortolotti and Jonathon Wenman, provided an eerie soundscape sensitively attuned to the text.

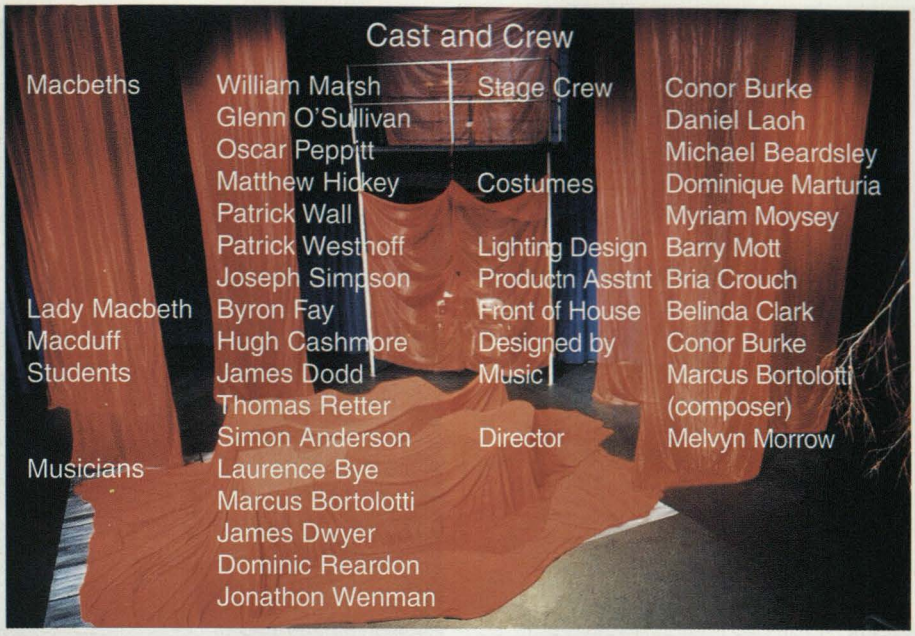
This sensurround effect was completed and enhanced by the now intrusive, now distant underscoring of saxophone and clarinet - a nice continuation of the audio colouring initially painted for the audience. I hesitate to carp but given the piece's reverse chronology, it would have been sensational to have concluded the piece with a magnificent flourish of live brass. This clever production deserved such a pay-off.

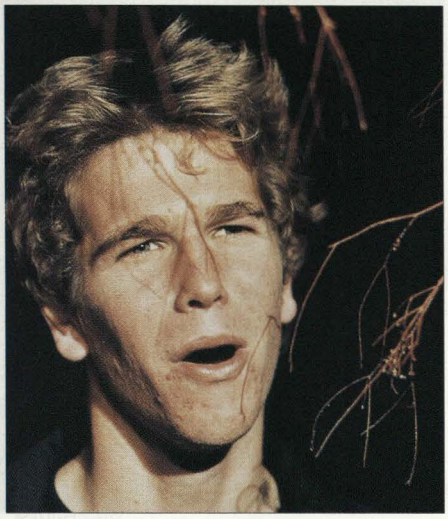
Special mention must be made of Marcus Bortolotti's intriguing Hecate sequence. Without doubt, the least important scene in the text and almost certainly an interpolation not written by Shakespeare, its inclusion as a major theatrical tile in the mosaic came as a big surprise. And a satisfying one.

The composer himself performed the aria stylishly, complementing his rich baritone voice with appropriate emotional intensity. Ably accompanied by Nicholas Janu on keyboard, Bortolotti's performance forcefully contextualised the dimension of evil in Macbeth's disintegrating moral framework.

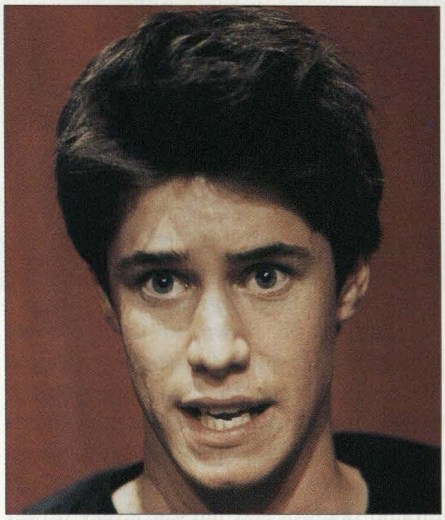
I was particularly struck by the way all the fractured Macbeths interacted, speaking to each other as different strands of the debate swirling in the butcher-hero's mind. This effect was reinforced by the actors' ritualised movement which added to impressions of turbulent guilt in his little world of man.

Similar vocal strength was evident in the barrage of essay questions lobbed to the audience as ironic epiphanies. The

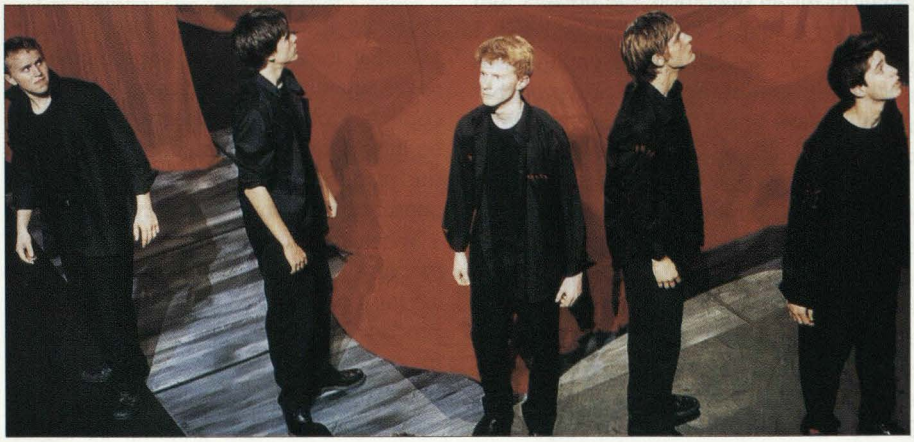




Joseph Simpson



Patrick Westhoff



Five Macbeths in search of a plot

speakers, Simon Anderson, James Dodd and Thomas Retter, made a significant contribution to the evening.

Barry Mott's lighting was appropriately haunting, especially when he subtly backlit the different Macbeths through red gauze. The effect of having these murdering ministers intruding on each others' thoughts was frighteningly disconcerting.

Since one of the production's premises was writing an essay on the subject of Macbeth, I feel comfortable in awarding almost full marks to Popinjay Productions for yet another stimulating anthology event. And if they ever decide to produce the complete musical, my prediction is that it will give Sweeny Todd a run for its money.

Margaret Eastman

Most of you already know who I am but for those who don't know me my name is Ryan Macalyk or if that doesn't ring a bell perhaps the name 'Wheels' will.

I came to Riverview in 2001. In order to understand what life is like for me and other people with disabilities I have to go back to the beginning. The year is 1984 the month is March the date is the 1st, the day I was born.

To say I was born with problems is an understatement. The outside of me and my spine hadn't formed properly and my insides weren't where they were meant to be. In technical terms, this means I have Spina Bifida and short baur syndrome.

Here are a couple of facts so that you can better understand Spina Bifida. It is the most frequently occurring permanently disabling birth defect. It affects approximately one out of every 1,000 newborns in Australia.

90-95% of babies born with Spina Bifida are born to parents with no family history of Spina Bifida. These birth defects occur very early in a woman's pregnancy, about 3-4 weeks after conception, before most women know that they are pregnant. There are also four different levels of Spina Bifida, four being the worst. I have level three.

I had to be flown to Camperdown Children's Hospital for surgery straight away after I was born. This surgery was to be the first of many; the tally now stands at 60. I stayed in hospital for seven years.

For seven years, my life revolved around doctors and nurses. Every time I went in for an operation, the doctors told my parents that I might not make it. I spent seven years in hospital and this was incredibly disturbing. You are probably thinking how bored I must have got. Well it's true.

One time when I was about five years old I tried to escape from hospital. I managed to get myself into one of those laundry baskets and hide under the sheets – and yeh, it smelt bad. And since I was really small when I was five, about the size of your average three year old, the people at the hospital didn't notice me in the basket and took me all the way to the laundry.

When I got out of the basket I realised I didn't have my wheelchair and that my plan to escape had failed once again. I had to crawl all the way back to the ward and as I was wearing shorts, I ended up with dirt all over my knees. When I got back to my bed, the nurse asked, "Where have you been?" I just replied,"Out'".

I have seen things which most people would never expect to see in a life time.



Ryan Macalyk speaking at a College Assembly Photographs by Chris Fitzgerald

Probably the worst thing about hospital was that every day was unpredictable. I never knew what was going to occur. I could be sick, or I could be well or I could be having another operation, with potentially unbearable consequences. The impact on my family was very significant.

When the average school kid was out partying or having fun, I was in hospital having operations. The loss of my independence was great and one of the most frustrating aspects of my disabilities. I saw many other kids doing things that seemed so natural and easy, that I could not do, and never would be able to do. At times it feels as if I am a prisoner trapped within my own body.

Making friends in hospital was hard. Either they got better and left to go home, or they died. However, there are some positive aspects to my disability. Since I was in hospital for so long I became so familiar with the people who worked there and the hospital environment, that it became my own playground. I think it helped me to see a side of the world that most people do not ever see. Often it is ugly and unpleasant, but other times it is great. It has helped me to appreciate life.

After leaving hospital, I went to Truscott Street Primary School where I was in Year 4,.in a unit for students with special disabilities. This was my first taste of the world outside hospital. It was scary being outside a sheltered environment and having to finally get the independence I had been craving.

In Years 5 and 6, I was fully integrated into the main school where I was made totally aware of my situation. This was the first time in my life where I was able to mix with able-bodied students, both male and female. It was very good being in mainstream.

There were also many problems I faced being mainstreamed – such as playing sports like soccer and cricket. I could never play these but always wanted to. However, I started to take an interest in wheelchair sports such as wheelchair



Ryan and his Knights, from left, Jack Meagher, Nick Porta, Tom Bromley, Tom Tuxworth, Tom Cullen, Aaron Lind, Ian Murphy, Henry Harding, Ed Tighe and Tim Harrington

basketball and wheelchair rugby. I took part in many carnivals playing these sports and enjoyed myself tremendously. By going to Truscott Street I learned that throughout my life I would have to try twice as hard as others to fit in.

After Truscott Street I went to Balmain High School for three years. To me this place was like hell on earth. I do not want to go into too much detail about this, however, every day was like an uphill battle. To me it was like a speeding train that kept coming and coming but I was not in the driver's seat. The bullying that I experienced redefined the word 'bullying'.

To give you an idea of how bad it was at Balmain High, this is one of the many incidents that happened to me. I was going to the lift, and as I was going in, two other boys entered the lift with me and sent me to the top level where the oval is located. Grabbing my chair, they tipped me out, and one boy gave me a kick in the left side of my ribs before they ran off with my chair. Bruised and battered, I was forced to crawl back to the office, taking me a number of hours to do so.

It is probably questionable as to why I stayed at that school. The reason why I stayed was because Balmain had a special unit that had catered for my needs. However, after Year 9, and after many years of anguish, my parents and I decided to look for another school.

This is when we found out about Riverview.

I remember the first day that I came to this school. No one passed judgement on me. I felt that I could lower my defences, and for the first time in my life, I felt relaxed. Everyone was very welcoming, but my first year at the College was cut short when I had to go to hospital. And that is when I realised just how good Riverview really is.

Usually the only visitors I get while I am in hospital are my parents and other family members, but this time within the first week of being in hospital, I had over 20 students from Riverview visit me. You might be thinking that this is not a big deal, but when you're lying in bed and the only thing you can see from your window is the morgue it means everything.

It was on one of these visits by the boys that I became fascinated with the idea of boarding. The boys were talking about how they had to stay in last Saturday because it was a chapel weekend. They told me how they had gone to each others' rooms after lights out and watched what there liked to call 'A very educational movie'.

They also seemed to have this kind of bond between each other that I had not seen before. I was surprised when I was let into boarding so quickly after applying because the boys had told me that it was nearly impossible to get in. I believe I owe this acceptance into the boarding community to mainly two people at Riverview: Matron Leanne Neal and Mr Mark McGinnity to whom I wish to extend my thanks.

When I first saw the inside of Kevin Fagan House I was overwhelmed by the layout and scale of the building. It was more wheelchair-friendly than most hotels. My first night in boarding was one of the best nights of my life thanks to the welcome given to me by Mr Damo – a welcome that was continued in Year 12 by Mr Mushan. For the first time ever, I finally felt just like an able bodied person.

It was also boarding that let me meet some of the best friends I will ever have the privilege of knowing. I wish I could say all their names but I don't have enough time. But I would like to mention some of them. These guys are my 'Knights' as I like to call them. They are the best of the best.



Ryan receiving a standing ovation after his speech at the College assembly

• Tom Tuxworth because without his help I would not have been introduced to as many lovely girls as I know now and I also most certainly would have never been invited to a formal by Matilda Brown. He has also saved my life on a number of occasions by making sure I went to the infirmary when it was plainly obvious I was unwell and being the stubborn person that I am, I thought I could last.

• Tim Harrington. There is a lot I could say about this man but I don't have a whole hour, but what I will say is that whenever anyone says anything to me or upsets me, he makes sure they never do it again. He is also one of the few people who came to see me in hospital even when he had prior engagements, unlike most who only came during school time. He truly is a man for others.

• Ed Tighe is usually a pretty quiet kind of guy, but I can tell you that when I am being hassled or I need a hand to get my point across he can be pretty loud.

• Henry Harding is pretty tall and I am pretty short so when I need help to reach something that is beyond my reach he never hesitates to give me hand.

• Tom Bromley is the kind of guy whom you can always rely on in a time of crisis and when ever I need his support I know he will always be there for me. I am actually kind of glad he broke his hand because it gives me a chance to help him the way he always helps me.

• Simon Walsh who every night, even though he has a busy HSC schedule, goes to the infirmary and gets my equipment. Which no-one likes doing.

• Nick Porta, who also always comes to see me even though he has prior engagements with his girlfriend Lucy, the full smart one. As well, when I am in hospital, Nick also likes to bring me what he likes to call comics but what most nurses would call 'inoperative reading'.

• Ian Murphy is also the same as Nick except instead of comics he brings videos.

• Jack Meagher who always gets me motivated when I need to go for an operation or I have to face a crowd of people such as this.

As for the rest of my Knights whom I cannot mention, I would just like to say"thank you".

I have had many adventures during my time here at Riverview. Here is one I want to tell you about. I was lying bed in hospital at about 5 o'clock in the afternoon, when Tom Tuxworth rings me up and says: "Everyone's over at Phil's; come on over." So I immediately got dressed and told the nurses I was going downstairs to have a look around. I called a taxi and when I got into it, a nurse who was on duty on my ward and who knew I wasn't supposed to be going anywhere, almost saw me. Fortunately, she was too preoccupied, having a smoke.

So I got to Phil's and as you could imagine, after being in hospital for over a month and a half, I had one of the best and most relaxing nights of my life. During the course of the evening I had a bit too much to drink and was a little bit tipsy. Some of the boys said to me , "You shouldn't drink and drive".

When the evening was over the guys helped me into a taxi. At the end of the trip, I got out of the taxi and paid the driver. The meter said around $30 but I accidentally gave the driver $50 and I think I said something like, "Keep the change you deserve it".

When I got back to the ward it was about 2 am. The nurse asked where I'd been and that they'd been looking for me everywhere and had called my parents. I just replied, "That's for me to know and hopefully for you to never find out". To many of you, that's a a normal night, but to me that was a very special night.

It was only last weekend that I realised we only have one term left. That's 86 days. However, I know that because of this school I am better equipped and prepared to face the harsh realities of the outside world.

Throughout your life there will be many challenges and obstacles you will have to face – some easy, some hard and some that no matter how hard you try you feel like you haven't got a chance. However, what you should away remember is that you should never, ever give up. And if you think you are really stuck, you should remember what US President Franklin D. Roosevelt, who was also in a wheelchair, once said: "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself".

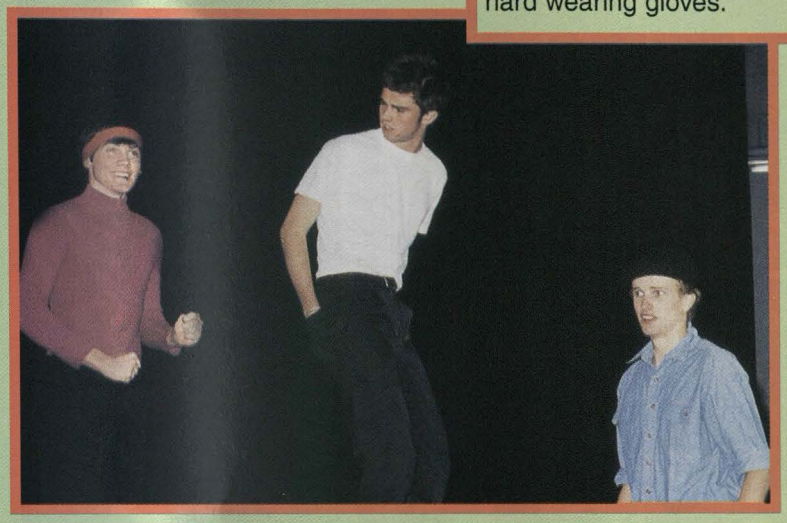
I have told this story, not for your pity, but in an effort to convey this message: value life and don't cry for what you do not have, but celebrate what you do!

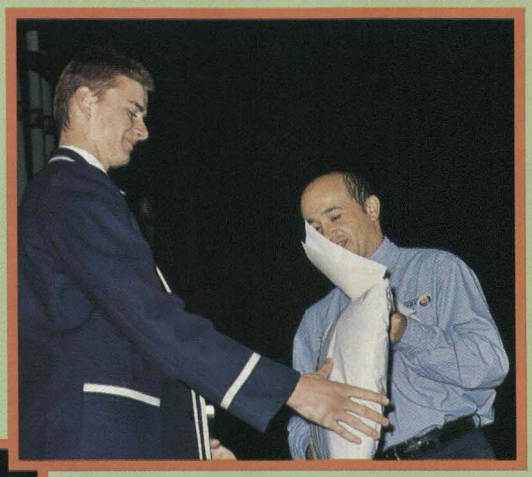
Ryan Macalyk
(Speech given at a College Assembly, June 18, 2003)



The College Assembly in June saw not only a speech given by Year 12 student, Ryan Macalyk who told his story, but also a performance from A Midsummer Night's Dream by Drama students, James Riordan, Hugh Cashmore, Heath Collins and Glenn O'Sullivan. In addition, the assembly also featured other presentations: a Rugby referee scholarship to Paddy O'Halloran (Year 12) by Mr Stuart Dickinson and, through an initiative from College Captain, Tom van Beek, Riverview Showbags and a trophy (designed by Mr Craig Jeffery) to the winners of the 'Tough Break Award': Tom Bromley, Mark Flower and Rob Warmoll. As well, Ed Jenkins received a special prize for winning the handball competition – a pair of hard wearing gloves. Photos by Chris Fitzgerald
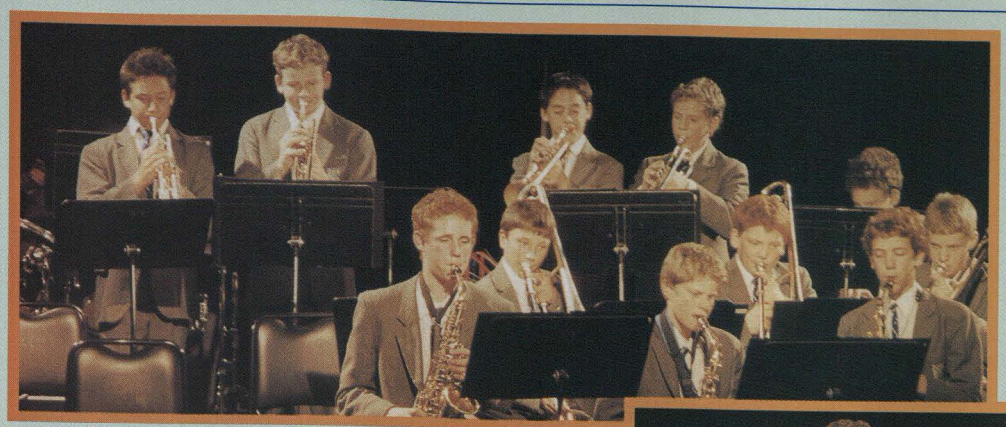














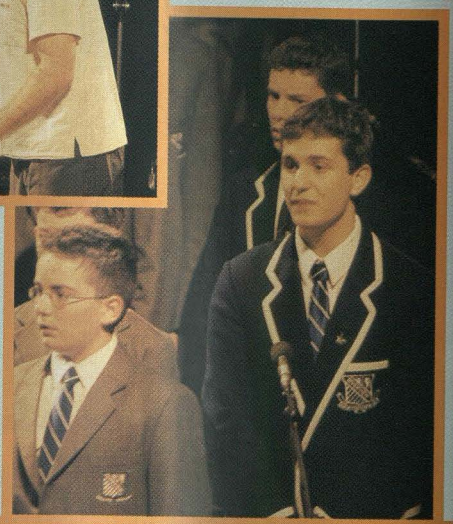




On Friday, June 20, some 385 students took part in Riverview in Concert - a wonderful success from all accounts. "The standard across all ensembles and soloists was high and displayed a solid depth of musical talent emerging in the younger years", Head of the Performing Arts Faculty, Mr Bruce Rixon reported in Viewpoint.















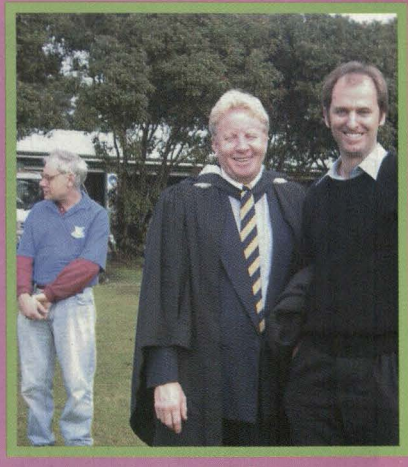










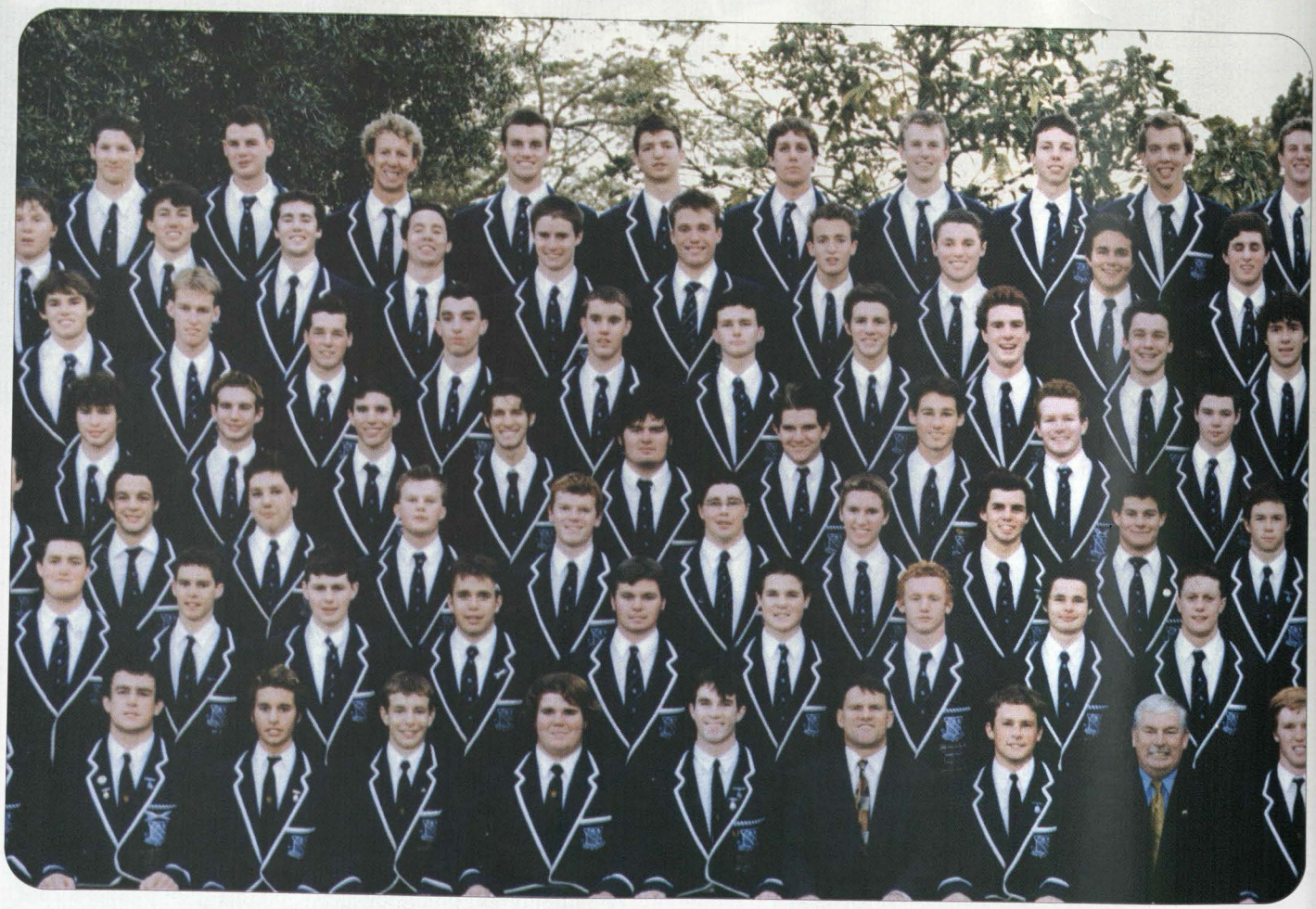






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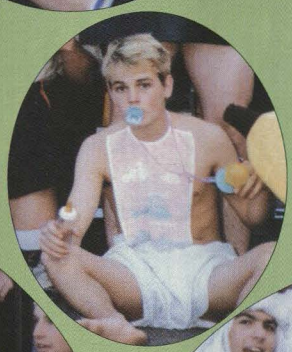




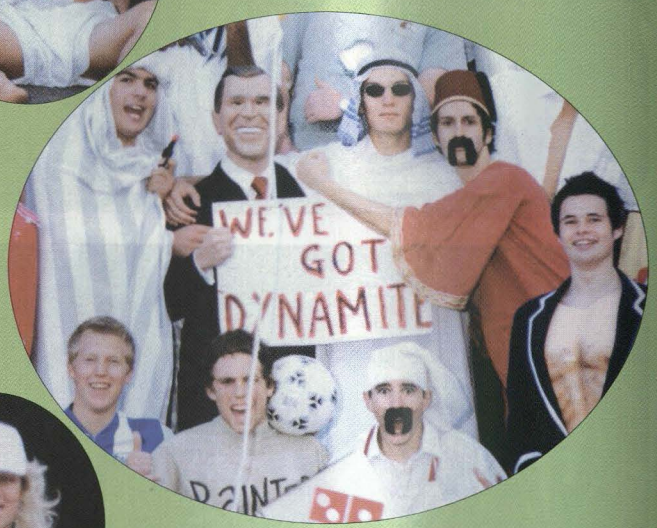









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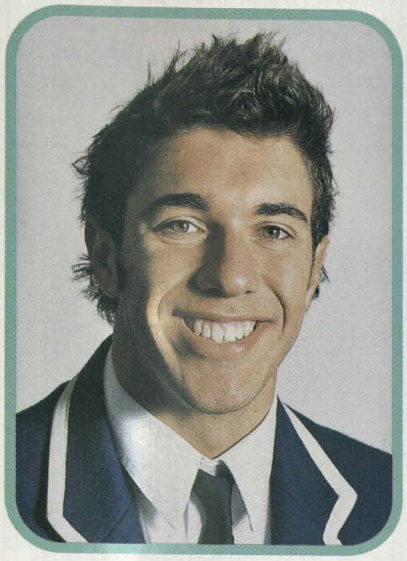




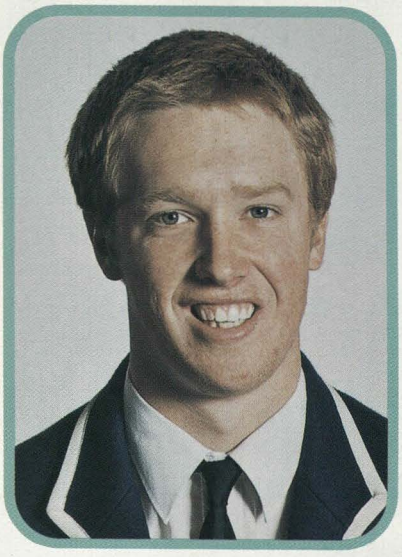


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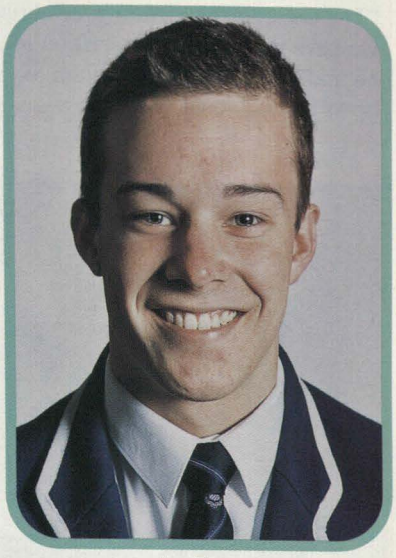
In June, the Headmaster, Mr Shane Hogan announced that these Year 12 students had been selected to represent the College as Gap Students in 2004: Justin Fleming and Michael Roche (Clongowes Wood College, Ireland),Carl Giammarco and Harry Windsor (Stonyhurst College, England), Jon Frazer (St Richards, England) and Will Magnus, Sean Williams and Dominic Hogan.



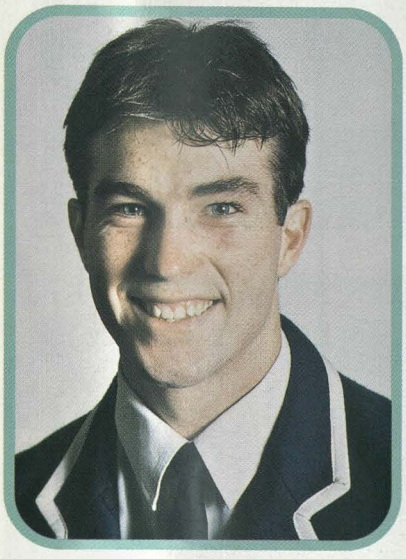
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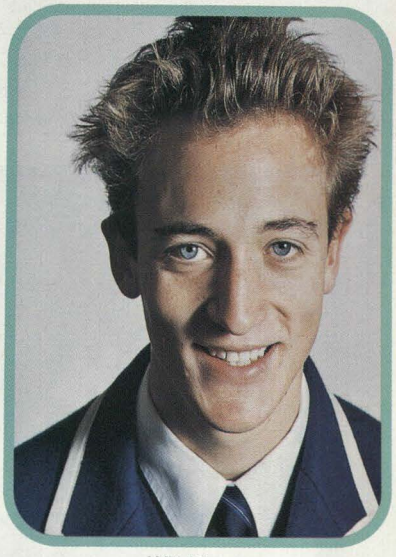
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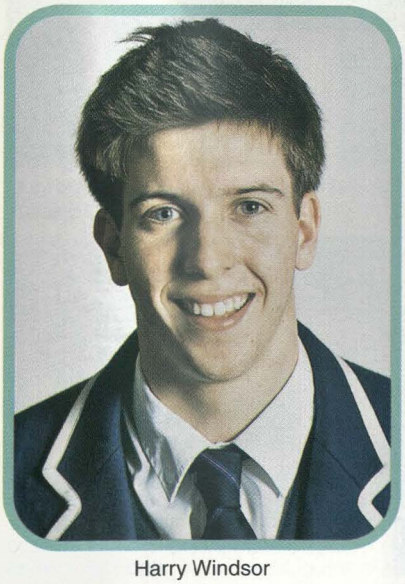
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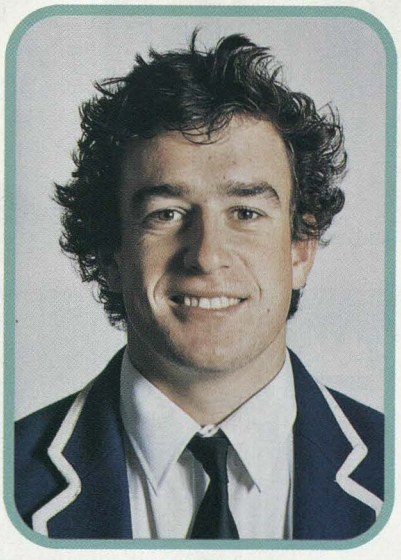
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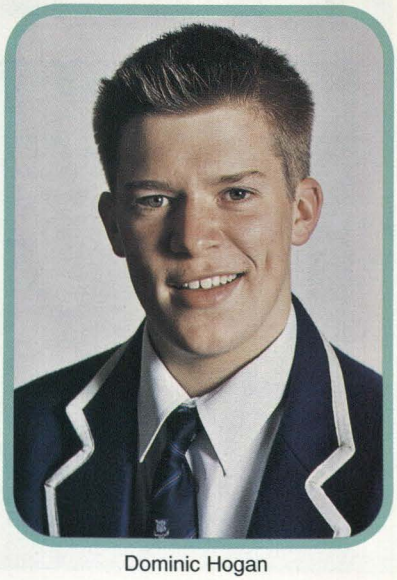
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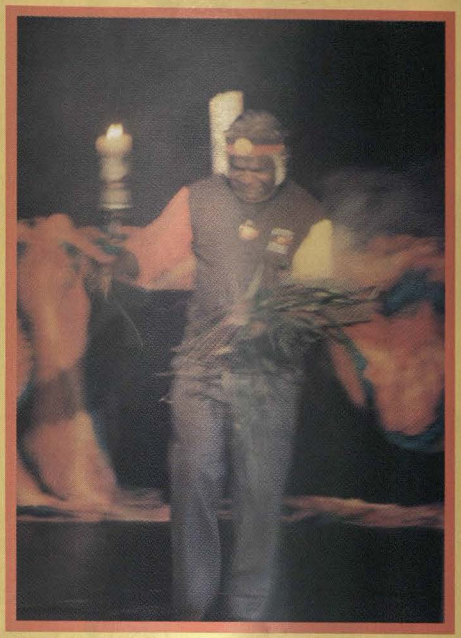


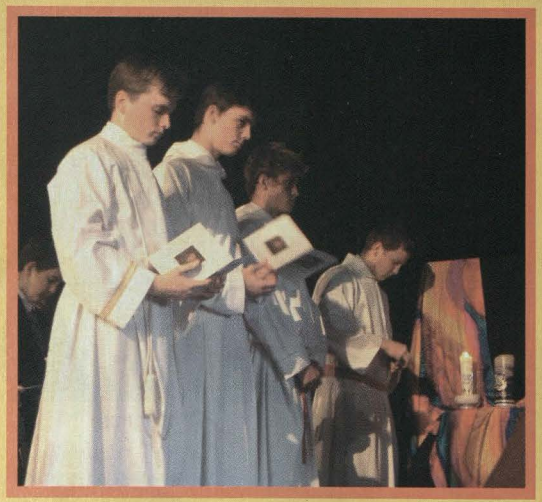
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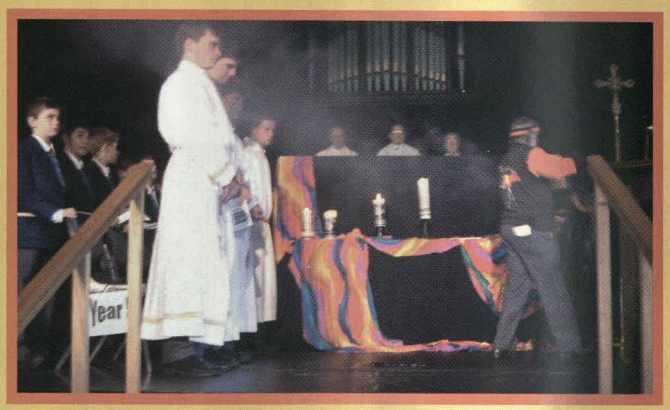
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On Friday, June 27, 2003, the Feast of the Sacred Heart, the College celebrated the 125th anniversary of the purchase of the Riverview property by Fr Joseph Dalton SJ (pictured, bottom right) with a Mass in the Ramsay Hall. The Mass began with a traditional Aboriginal Smoking ceremony performed by Uncle Max and an acknowledgement of the Kurringai people – known as Cammeraigal, the first inhabitants of Riverview. Mass was then concelebrated by Frs Robert Bruce SJ, Peter Quin SJ, David Strong SJ and Joseph Sobb SJ. Reflecting on the anniversary celebration, the Headmaster, Mr Shane Hogan wrote in Viewpoint: "The College, this morning, celebrated the 125th anniversary of the purchase of this wonderful site, known as Riverview. Clearly we have inherited a wonderful tradition of education by the Jesuits and an incredible site here in Sydney, one that is the envy of all and one that is large enough for us to provide so many of the facilities that allow each and every one of our students to develop as an individual. We have been truly blessed by our forefathers."

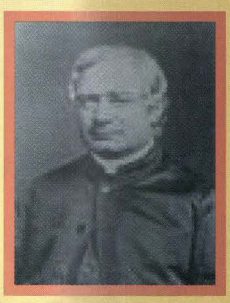




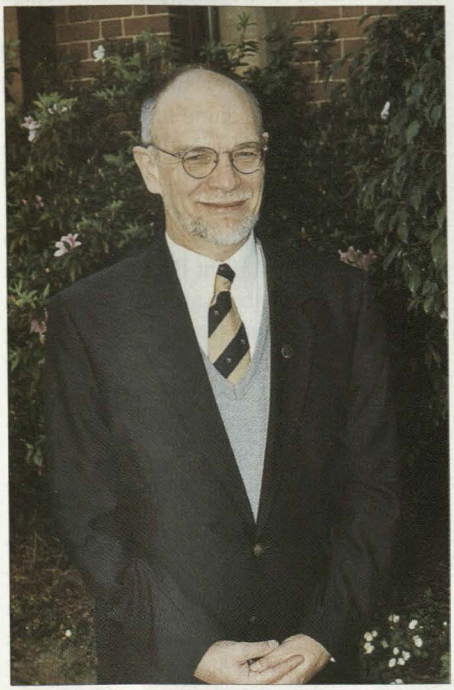


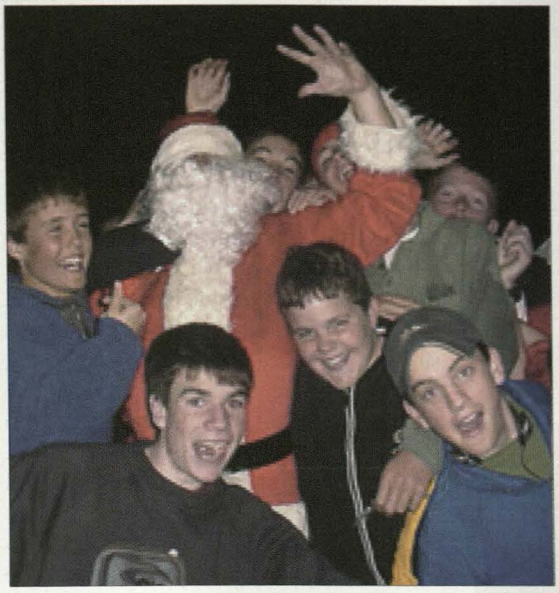






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Left, our new Rector, Fr Andrew Bullen SJ who arrived in July. Above, Boarders celebrate Christmas in July





Farewell to the old gappies (above) and welcome to the new (right)







July saw the arrival of a few new and some not so new staff members including Brett Bastin, Liz Phelan Katie Brindley







Above, some of the trophies given out during the co-curriculum awards assembly in July. Above right, guest of honour, John Davison

Old Boy, Anthony Fisher appointed a Bishop in July

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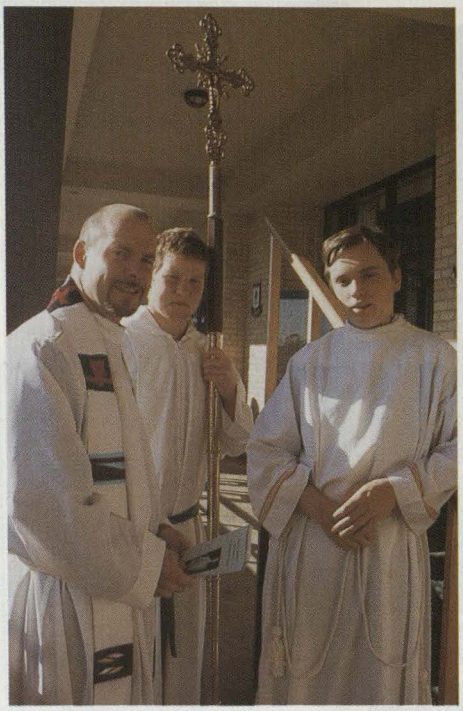
At the beginning of July most of the students and teachers went on holidays while the rest of the staff continued to work hard on matters large and small such as cleaning and maintenance and of course the seemingly never ending admin work.

Some extremely generous teachers decided the holidays were an excellent opportunity to spend even more time with their students and so they took them to exotic places for a tennis camp, a soccer competition and a rugby tour of New Zealand.

During the holidays there were a few departures from the College - Barbara Paul went on maternity leave and Jo-Anne Kragelund went to China. We also said goodbye to Gap students Oliver Spratt, Damien Moloney, Philip Brady, Bria Crouch, Jack O'Brien, Paul Hicks and Matthew O'Sullivan who returned home to England and Ireland. Later in July we welcomed some more Gappies - Sam Nolan, Paddy Walsh, Benedict Hunt and Henry Russell-Blackburn

Another new face to the College, this time at the start of Term III, was our Rector, Fr Andrew Bullen SJ .The start of term also saw the arrival of new staff, Katie Brindley, Liz Phelan, Brett Bastin, Greg Skeed, Christopher O'Mahoney and Claire Scott and the arrival of two wonderfull babies: Charlie Warlters and Anthea Johnson. Staff Association President Stephen Brown returned home to Tasmania in July for family reasons.

In July, the students, resplendent in their winter suits and new College blazer, settled down for some serious academic work undistracted (so they tell me) by thoughts of winter sports and GPS competitions. On St Ignatius Day their thoughts, however, were on the needs of others. From Years 5-12 the students gave in all sorts of ways, and, as usual, not once did they count the cost.



Fr Mark McGregor SJ with Rowen McDermott and Ed Farrell at the Mass for St Ignatius' Day

Dear students, staff, alumni and friends of St Ignatius Riverview,

Within a week of my January 22 arrival in Australia from Los Angeles I found myself learning about Riverview – in Nowra, of all places. Over prawns and chilled beer, Dr Bill Ryan, and his son Mark, Old Boys, talked about their alma mater to a house of strangers – me and 10 other Jesuits from around the world. We 11 had come for tertianship, a program of prayer, study and service based at Canisius College in Pymble. It prepares Jesuits for final vows.

How did it come to be that we were the Ryan's guests that hot night? We had gone to Gerroa and our tertian director, Pat O'Sullivan SJ, told us that we'd go. (Jesuits are most obedient when it comes to dinner invitations.) We left, thanking the Ryans for their kindness. I left not having any idea how the Riverview Spirit would come to touch me spiritually over the next seven months.

I was not sent to Riverview to work, but being part of three Masses, playing tennis on its courts, talking to media/visual arts students, visiting the Year 9 boarders at St John's House and meeting several Old Boys like the Ryans and Dr Tony Breslin in their homes, Riverview has taught me about prayer, mateship and the resurrection. Here's the story behind the story I feel compelled to tell.

In February and March, four of us tertians used our free Tuesday or Thursday afternoons to improve our tennis game at Riverview, courtesy of your coach Simon Causley. However, by April we were in the contemplative mode of a 30 day silent retreat version of The Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius. Near the end of this retreat we heard of the tragic accident that took Sam Turner and Billy O'Connor's lives just up the road from us in Pymble. That week, in Mass, we prayed for the boys' families and for Riverview.

That following Sunday was Easter. That morning I drove to Riverview to celebrate Mass with young people doing a retreat at in Kevin Fagan House. Originally I was supposed to meet a friend from the States, who was going to be a speaker at the retreat – an inspirational Jesuit who works with gang and ex-gang members. Instead of coming to Australia: my friend had stayed in the USA because doctors discovered cancer and began chemo two weeks earlier. I went to Riverview to be there for him.

As I got out of my car I saw metal frames on the tennis court, part of the awnings at Billy and Sam's memorial. Mark McGinnity gave me a warm welcome, but his weary look could not go unnoticed. It was not lost on me that a place that knew deep grief was the place where I had come with others to celebrate the Resurrection.

After Mass, breakfast with over 40 vibrant young adults and walking the grounds at Riverview, a surge of memories and a powerful warmth brought tears to my eyes. It was all about Easter – about the hope and promise of life.

From 1973-76, I lived in what used to be called the Panama Canal Zone as my father was in the military. Americans whose parents were in the military and those whose parents worked for the Panama Canal Company lived in the Canal Zone.In school there was a (mostly playful, but real) rivalry between the military kids and the Canal Zone kids. I was a military brat.

A boy with whom I became good mates, Joe Corrgian, was a Canal Zone kid. Joe never let differences get in the way; he built bridges with a positive attitude. A good athlete, he showed me how to play football better. He let the fun of sports take the edge out of competition.

I left Panama in 1976, and lost touch with Joe. In 1995, 20 years later, as a Jesuit, I returned to Panama on research, and I found out that Joe had drowned in an accident while swimming near the Gatun Locks. His death happened three years after I left, I was shocked. Joe was such a good athlete. I had imagined him as growing up, but he had died a year before graduation.

Now, on the shores of Australia, after Easter Mass, I walked past the tennis courts, remembering that Sam and Billy's friends and families were grieving. 1 did not even know the boys but tears streamed from my eyes. Joe came to mind. I imagined my 14 year old friend who taught me to play football and who studied Geography next to me. In my heart I felt his smile, and felt Joe's message speak to my heart, "I'm all right I'll be there when you toss the football around, when you keep it simple and fun. Keep on loving people." I looked past Kevin Fagan House into the blue sky, and felt that somehow Billy and Sam were helping Joe's message get across to me.

It's hard to put it into words this unique spiritual moment.

Nearly six weeks later, in June, Fr Bruce invited me to celebrate Mass for the borders at Riverview. I jumped at the chance, and wanted to tell the boarders about Easter, but I didn't have the right way to talk about it, being part Irish and afraid of unpredictable emotions. I opted to talk about the Resurrection by reading from a letter sent to me in January. It was sent by Tim, who is 19 years old, and who is currently in prison in California. I met him two years ago when I worked at a Juvenile Hall in Los Angeles.

Tim' s letter conveyed a message about finding God in the hardest of circumstances. That letter really spoke to the boarders. I wrote Tim back, stating that his inspiring message had touched the boys, and that some had even asked about how they could write to him. I also told him that Riverview had lost Sam and Billy in a car accident in April. Somehow I wished I had the right way of telling the Easter story.

On July 29, I returned from a month's work at a parish near Cairns to find another powerful letter from Tim. It was like spiritual dynamite, and it spoke directly to Easter!

Michael Gray had invited me to concelebrate at the Riverview Mass on the Feast of St Ignatius, and many thoughts and feelings emerged. I listened to Joe's voice about keeping it simple. A day later when I arrived at Riverview, I told Fr Andy Bullen about the letter, and he encouraged me to read from Tim's second letter during the Mass. Part of the letter reads:

"So as I sit with my cup of coffee and watch the sun rise every morning, 1 wait for that single light beam from the sun to shine in this little box, for within that Quick Second, I am One with the Son, and I say to myself, "Still I will rise ..."

'It tickles my heart and makes me smile that you read my reflection to the boys of

Riverview. I can't describe that exact feeling, but it's that feeling of completing one of God's missions by using our words to give people hope and belief. I shouldn't take the glory and reward for what the Lord has done, so I thank him for the gift of expression, so that others may feel my heart pumping and see my visions soar from their own eyes.

"It saddens me though, on the other end, that the fellas of Riverview lost two comrades. My prayers go out to them and Sam and Billy 's (RIP) families. The sad reality is that good do die young, but I am sure if the boys listen to the wind, they will notice that it carries the conversation of their homeboys (mates)."

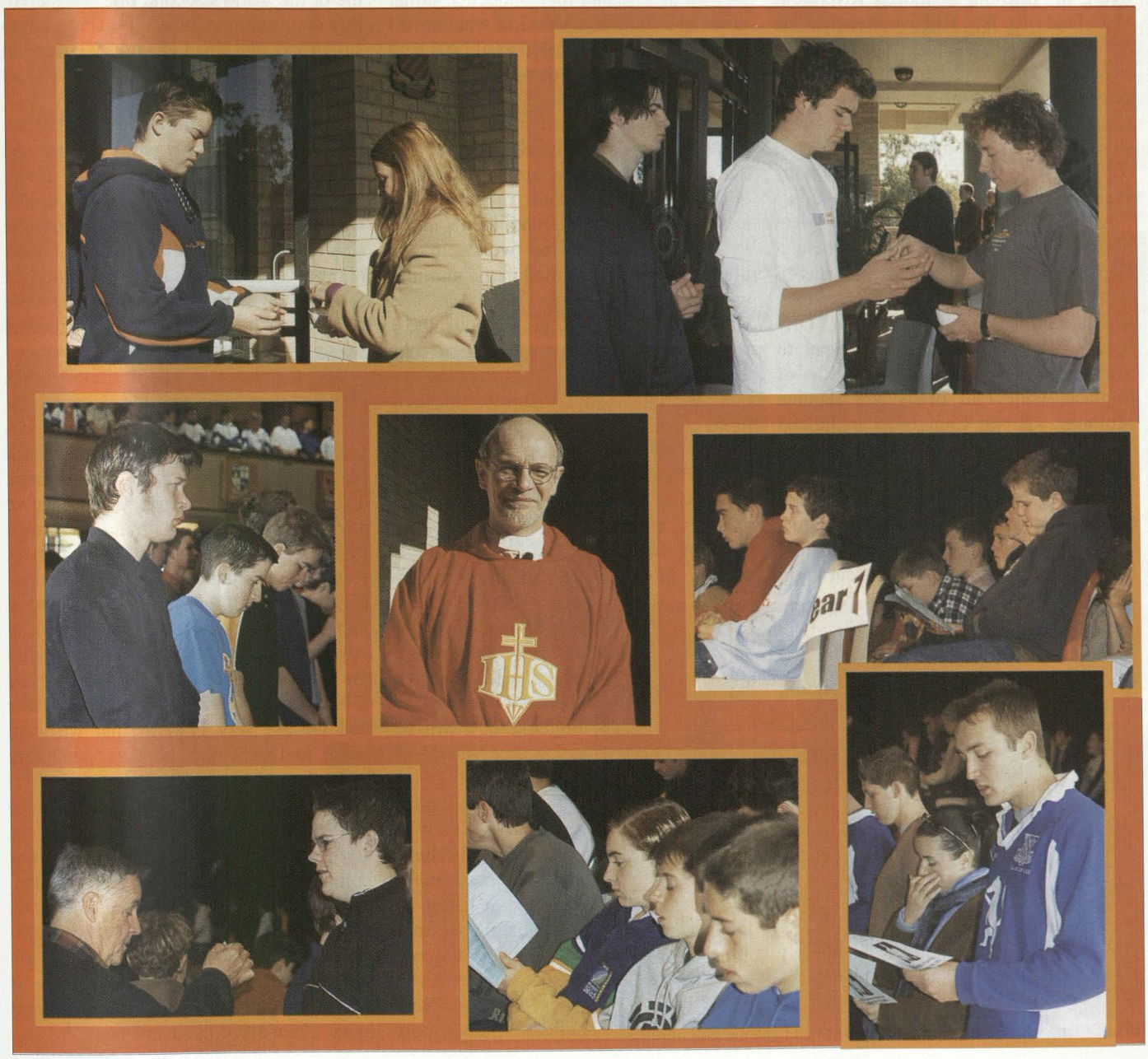
Tim's words described what had happened on Easter morning. The wind that carried Joe's voice to me two month earlier stirred in the hearts of the assembly. 1 noticed a stillness and a power in the boys as they listened, applauded, then thanked me after Mass for telling them about Tim.

There was much more that 1 wanted to say, but I trusted that, although there was so much more to say, my sacred duty of delivering Tim's message was accomplished. I am grateful for Mr Gray and Fr Bullen, for they each have asked for that inspirational letter. Little did they know the story behind the story .

The story does not simply end there. After the Mass the boys went out from Riverview on St Ignatius Day to be St Ignatius' hands to reach out to serve the Lord. Through their taking in Tim's message and praying for him, they were already serving the Lord in visiting those in prison.They could not visit Tim personally, but through their prayers they could offer a ray of light to shine into Tim's cell, ln their many actions later that day, they reached out through the Spirit, helping and being touched by others in need: children with AIDS, the hungry, the homeless, the physically handicapped – so many considered least, but who are Christ among us. I trust that Sam and Billy's spirit will help them find new ways of defining the Resurrection at Riverview.

Prayer, personal and communal – the Eucharist, mateship,and the Resurrection are the core experiences of our faith story. Here's to Joe, Sam and Billy, Tim and all our mates who help us keep it simple, love others and be in touch with God's Spirit. That Spirit is part of the Riverview spirit. Now you know the rest of the story.

Fr Mark McGregor SJ
(Fr Mark spoke at the Mass on St Ignatius Day, July 31st, 2003)



a year in oz

july, 2003



In July, this year, Gap student Bria Crouch returned home to England having spent the past 12 months here at the College. In her speech to a College assembly she reflected on her experiences as the first female Gap student at Riverview.

Good morning everyone. For those of you who don't know me my name's Bria, I'm 19 and, as you've probably gathered from the accent I'm English. I've been at Riverview for almost a year working as a Gap student.

I chose to do a Gap year for a number of reasons. For one thing, I wanted to give myself a challenge. I didn't board at school and until this year had never lived away from home. So, the idea of moving to the other side of the world without my family and friends was an exciting yet terrifying one – not to mention the challenge of the possibility of being the first female gap student at an all boys school.

Another reason for applying was pure nostalgia. This has not been my first year living in Australia or indeed Riverview. My Dad is an English teacher at Stonyhurst College and 11 years ago he took part in a teacher exchange programme and swapped jobs with Jo Castley. He taught here at Riverview for a year. I loved it and always wanted to come back, so the opportunity that a Gap year presented seemed too good to miss.

All of us were lucky enough to go to schools which recognise how beneficial a Gap year can be and so help students in every way they can to get a placement which suits them. Jack O'Brien, Olly Spratt, Paul Hicks and myself went to Stonyhurst College in the north of England while Phil Brady and Damien Moloney went to Clongowes in Ireland and Matt O'Sullivan went to St Ignatius Enfield in London.

Paul and Matt are part of the Father Grummit programme whereas the rest of us are on an exchange. This means that four Riverview Old Boys are currently spending their Gap years at Stonyhurst and Clongowes. The main difference is that the five exchange gappies are here for 12 months whereas the Grummit gappies are here for six but the catch is that those of us who are here for a year had to pay for the plane ticket.

In applying for a Gap year here at Riverview, I decided the best approach was to send an e-mail saying that I knew there'd never been any female gappies before but if Riverview wanted one I'd be more than happy to oblige. I was quite surprised when the College said yes.

I think all of us were excited but nervous when we found out that we'd got the places. I distinctly remember running around the house screaming like a madwoman at first and then suddenly sitting down and thinking "Oh God what have I done?" This anxiety lasted until I got here but once I'd met the other gappies, everything was fine.

Most people seem to think that we don't do very much here at the College but we do. Each of us are assigned to a department in the school. This term Jack and Matt are in the Gartlan, Paul's in the ISD department, Damo works in the library, Olly sorts the mail in the morning with Phil and then goes to the Licona whilst Phil goes to Regis Campus and I work in the Woods. As well as these jobs we are also assigned to a division for boarding duties. We also have to take part in co-curricular activities. The others all coach a sports team but I decided to refrain from coaching AFL and instead offered my services in the theatre.

For me the co-curricular activities have certainly been the most enjoyable and also the most beneficial of the jobs I've had here. I have gained a lot of invaluable experience which will help me when I return to England as I will be going to a school of performing arts.



Bria Crouch with Glenn O'Sullivan in a scene from the play Tartuffe

The holidays have also provided us with incredible opportunities. We have managed to see a lot of Australia, in particular, Queensland and in the summer even made it to New Zealand. On our most recent holiday 11 of us went to the Whitsundays and embarked on a three day, three night cruise.

We've had a fantastic year and as a group now have many 'traditions'. In fact we've instituted a couple of Gap firsts. Our website chronicles our adventures and is regularly updated, thanks to Damo, with the latest amusing photos and stories. Along the same lines last term saw the publication of the first Gaps newsletter, thanks to Matt.

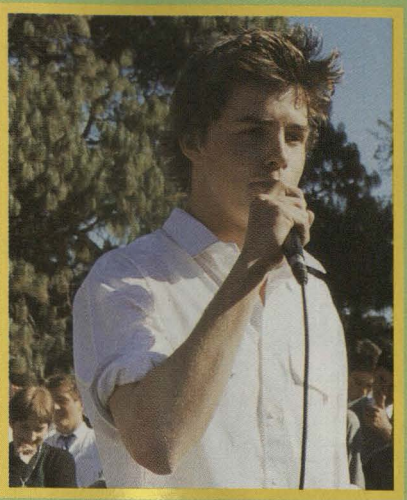
The whole year has been a huge learning curve. I admit that I found the initial culture shock huge. Not only did I move from England to Australia but I also changed from living in the middle of the English countryside to living in the middle of the world's second biggest, incredibly multi-cultural, busy city. That's not to say that it was a bad change. We have all come to love Sydney and I think we'll all find it difficult to leave.

And while there are similarities between the schools we went to and Riverview, there are also many differences. One thing that struck me initially was the sheer size of Riverview, both the size of the school building itself and the number of people. Our year group at Stonyhurst consisted of around 70 people so to come to a school of 1500 students was a fairly big shock.

The scale of Riverview school events was also surprising. I particularly remember being amazed by the number of people at the Joey's rugby match which took place fairly near the start of our time here. This, and all the other events we've attended. also demonstrated the most impressive thing that I've noticed about Riverview and that's the sense of community amongst all the students, staff and in fact everyone connected to the school in any way. Even though there are people in the school who may have never met due to the numbers, everyone sticks together and we are very grateful that we were made to feel a part of that community instantly.

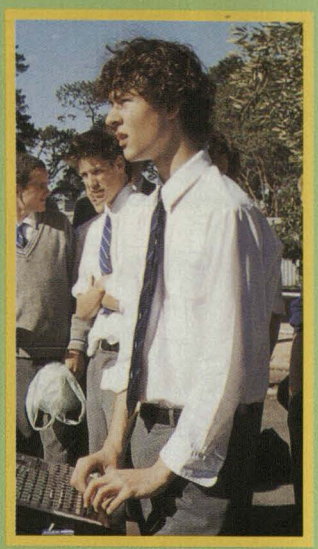
So, finally, on behalf of all of the Gap students I'd like to say thank-you to the staff, students and the whole Riverview community for making us feel at home. We've thoroughly enjoyed our time here, which has gone far too quickly. I can honestly say it's been the best year of my life but without your welcoming nature it would have been a completely different story. From all of us, thank you.

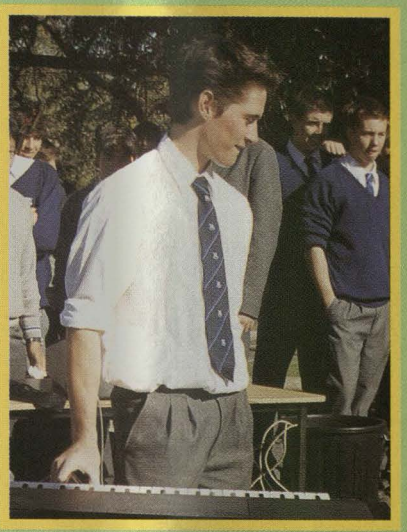
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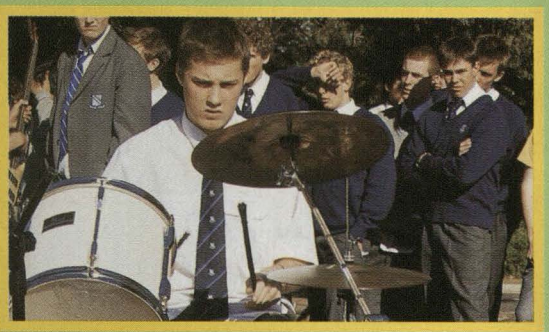


The finals of the SRC Band Competition were held in late July, following elimination rounds late last term. Overall, some nine bands took part in the competition. The finals featured four Year 12 bands: Ronnie Look to Russia (Nick Aggar, Jeremy Moore, Carl O'Sullivan and Nick Prior); Benoit B (Will Magnus, Joe Natoli, Simon Jones and Andrew Kerridge); Mapusa Brown (Marc Malouf, Andrew Kerridge and Byron Fay) and the Dirty Birds (Phil Mahony, Mark Longhurst and John Hartman). Each band played extremely well and it was hard to pick the winner. Indeed, the vote went to a 'division of the house ' says SRC MIC, Linda Bryan, but ultimately Mapusa Brown was chosen as the clear winner.



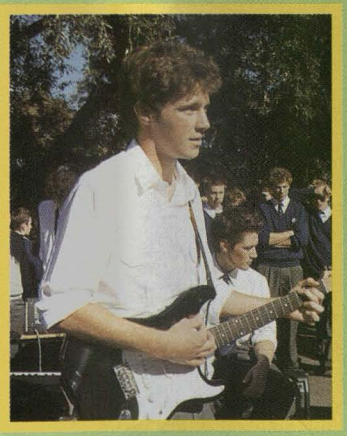




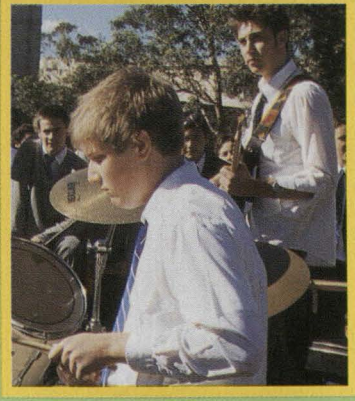






















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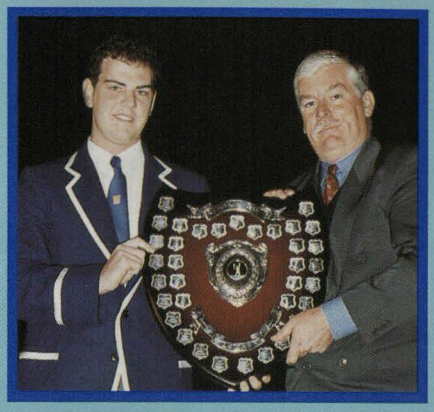






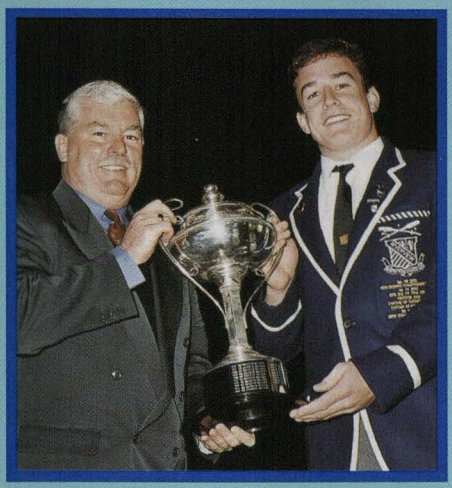

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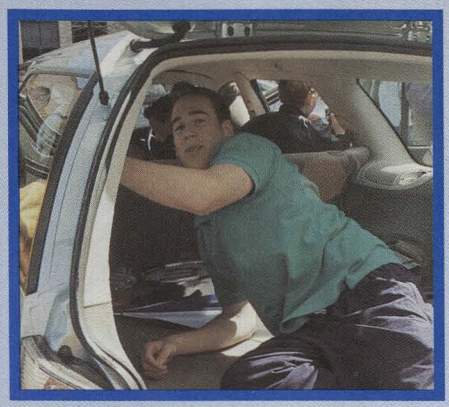


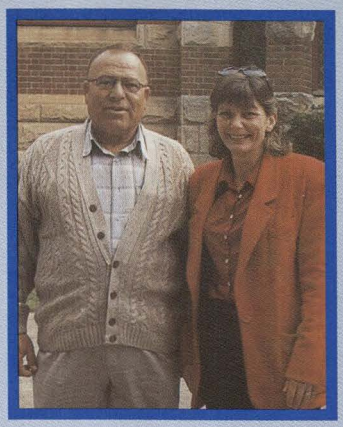






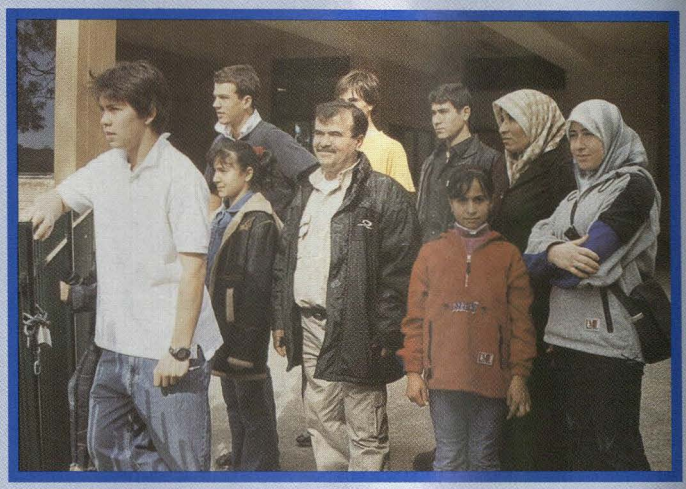
St Ignatius' Day at the College was, in the words of our Rector, Fr Andrew Bullen SJ , "a big one". Students were involved in all sorts of activities at the College and at places near and far.There was tree planting, school visits, guest speakers, visits and activities at special schools and hosting of refugees. The school was alive with activity. "Thanks to the Claver car wash, I have a very clean car," Fr Bullen wrote in Viewpoint. "I met two of the Muslim guests whom Dalton House was hosting. The young men of Regis were abuzz with an array of games. The aroma of sausages sizzling still hangs over Lane Cove. In and beyond the school the boys were enjoying themselves and reaching out to help others."

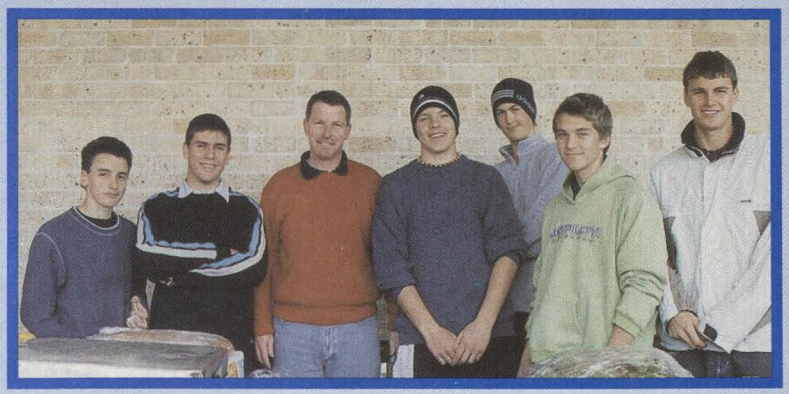


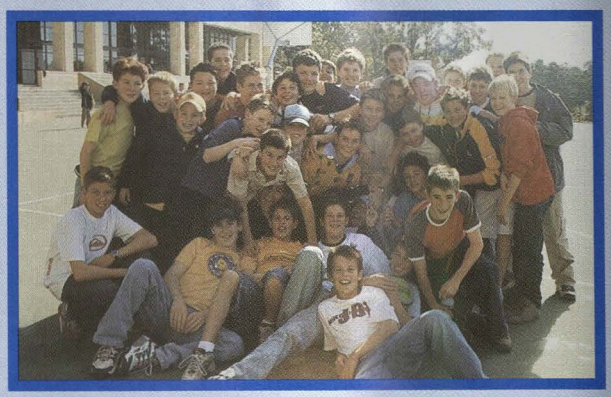




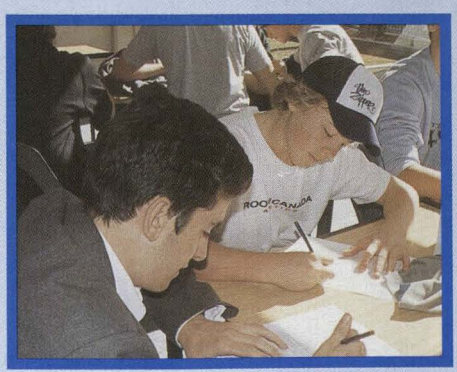








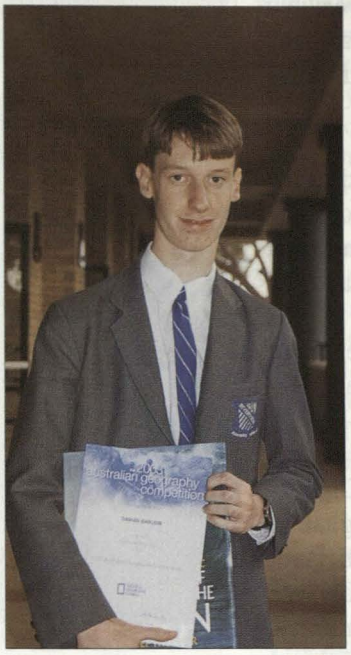








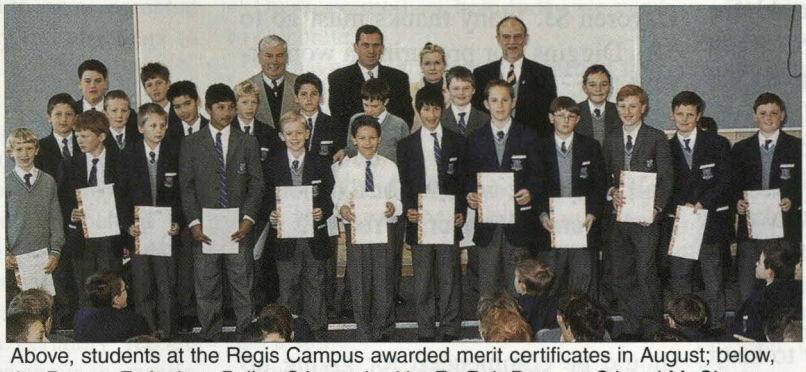




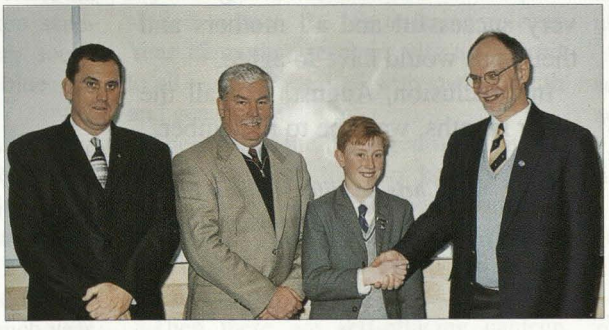
Several students were recognised for academic excellence at the College Assembly, August 13th, 2003

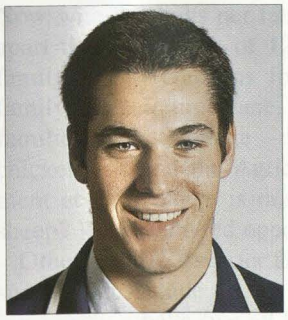


Above, Will Sheehy (Yr 12) was presented with an Archbishop of Sydney award for student excellence. The award citation read, in part, "William is a very capable and conscientious student with an outstanding work ethic. He has shown a strong commitment to service ... he displays a natural humility and a depth of active faith."



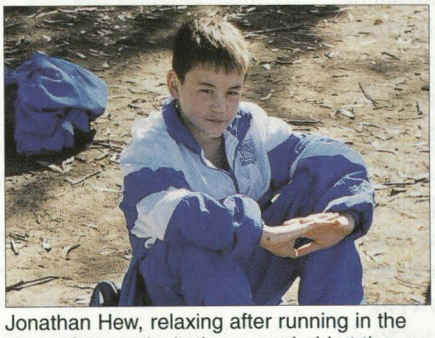
Above, students at the Regis Campus awarded merit certificates in August; below, the Rector, Fr Andrew Bullen SJ, watched by Fr Rob Davoren SJ and Mr Shane Hogan, congratulates Thomas Murphy – Regis Captain for 2004







Angus Campbell, left and Christopher Croke - two world champions - Angus in rowing and Christopher in debating.



Jonathan Hew, relaxing after running in the Cross Country invitation event held at the College

august, 2003

Weather wise, August is known as the windy month - but the winds that blew not as often as expected did not deter the many activities that took place in and around the College that month.

There were Masses - both student and House, and feast days celebrated; there were retreats for staff and students and inspirational reflections by Josh Rowlison and Justin Fleming.

There were excursions as far away as the Gold Fields, in Bathurst or to TV stations more closer to home. There were light-hearted football competitions of all kinds as well as the more serious GPS games every weekend; there were concerts and a play - The Outsiders and there was lots of singing and dancing (Pascal Herington and Damien Parr, and separately the Year 8 student dance).

There were award ceremonies recognising academic as well as all-round excellence and accolades for our world champions, rower Angus Campbell and debater, Christopher Croke.

There were visits made by writers and players - rugby players, that is, all the way from Wales

There was lots and lots of testing - the all important HSC trials and the equally important - for the younger students - LANNA testing; there were appointments of leaders - the new proctors in senior boarding and the captains and vice captains in the Regis Campus.

There were lots of questions asked and statements made - in the preferred futures surveys; at information evenings and at the many debates in which our students competed and for the most part won most convincingly.

Yes August was a memorable month - but I personally will remember August for it was the month in which Fr Geoffrey James SJ, described by Andy Bullen as 'that utterly Australian priest' , died.

Like most months at Riverview August was no exception. It was busy and exciting. Students and staff were anticipating a successful end to the sporting season.

There were events that added to the excitement and these included St Ignatius Day, the visit of renowned children's author John Larkin and the Mother/Son Mass and Dinner.

At the start of August we reflected on St Dgnatius Day which was celebrated on Thursday, July 31st. For us, St Ignatius Day was celebrated enthusiastically by everyone. Mr Diggins gave a thorough insight into Ignatian Service. During his talk we reflected, prayed, and thought about how we could help others in our community.

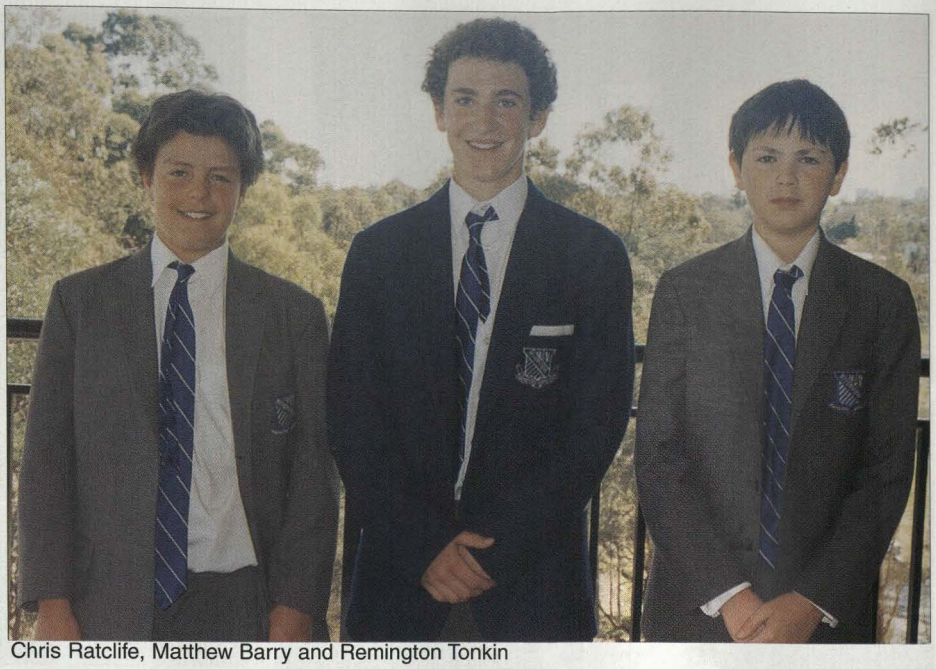
We also enjoyed an inspirational talk by Mr Vic O'Callaghan, an amazing worker for the poor in East Timor. He explained how he and his fellow helpers did the best they could for others. His talk was finished off when Elliot Ford presented a cheque to Vic for $1200 courtesy of the Year 7 students who contributed to this donation.

The day was then concluded by a tragic yet touching movie, Molokai, a true story about Father Damien and his mission to help the lepers on the Island of Molokai. All up, Saint Ignatius Day 2003 was a day to keep at heart.

In mid-August, Year 7 were privileged to have John Larkin, renowned children's author, visit the Therry Campus. John is well known for publishing books which target the young adult market. These include 'Spaghetti Legs', 'Pizza Features', 'Ghost Byte' and a collection of short stories called 'Bite Me'.

His talk was very humorous and inspirational. He recollected stories of his childhood and truly hilarious experiences from his teen years. These experiences are the heart of his novels. It is interesting that John Larkin was never in the top English class. Year 7 found it very impressive that he obviously has worked really hard and, consequently, has enjoyed success. Everyone enjoyed his visit.

On the last day of August, the Year 7 boys and their mothers took part in a special Mass and dinner. The evening got underway with a wonderfully prepared liturgy celebrated by Fr Davoren SJ. Many thanks must go to Mrs Diggins, for preparing a wonderful Mass.



Chris Ratclife, Matthew Barry and Remington Tonkin

At the conclusion of the Mass we escorted our mothers to the Ramsay Hall where we were in for a delicious meal. Harry Windsor, a Year 12 student, made an inspirational speech about our school life at Riverview.

The fathers who acted as waiters should be commended for giving up their time and effort to make the dinner possible. Overall, the night was very successful and all mothers and their sons would have to agree.

In conclusion, August, like all the other months, was one to remember.

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year 12 mothers mass and luncheon

We all remember those first few tentative days at the College when as new mothers we were in foreign territory, overwhelmed by the size and complexity of the place.

Now today, the situation is completely different. Today, there are about 200 odd mothers here at this luncheon (no, maybe 180 odd and 20 very odd mothers!) and between us, with an average of six years here, that's over a century of experience at the College!

So today I propose that we put together an induction pack, a sort of survival kit to offer new mothers the benefit of our experience.

I suggest essential items would include

• The large platter because everything that happens here is large in scale, inclusive by nature and generous in quantity

• The UBD (the recent post-Bledisloe edition, which I believe includes New Zealand) for all those desperate Saturday mornings spent trying to locate Field 7AZ in the circular maze they call Centennial Park, or finding Loyola College at Mount Druitt, or as essential hand luggage on rugby training tours to New Zealand.

• The golden gloves: before I came to Riverview, a close friend (a parent at the College at that time) confided that I must never, never forget to wear my pearls, even if I was just working behind the scenes of a function in the kitchen, that's the sort of place Riverview was. Well, today's my first day in pearls at Riverview, and I can certainly recommend the golden gloves above the pearls. That's the sort of place it REALLY is.

• The chicken sandwich recipe. We all know that the Riverview chicken sandwich is the cornerstone of every social function – as fundamental as blue and white to the College scene.

(Incidentally, and this one's for the Headmaster, Mr Hogan. I think Riverview is missing out on a big opportunity in vertical integration here. I calculate that if the average mother supplies say 2 platters of chicken sandwiches at around 6 functions a year, that's 12 chickens each year. Now with 2-3 boys per family, 2-3 years apart that's 12 years of 12 chickens per family – 144 chickens for the average family in their time here, roughly 1000 families at the College – that's 144,000 chickens … and the Agriculture department at the College is raising cows and sheep? What a missed opportunity!)

Other possible items for the new mother's survival kit include:

• juggling balls (we all have too many in the air at once)



Jane van Beek with her 'golden' gloves at the Year 12 mothers luncheon

• tissues (for those tears of pride – yes pride and joy, and to stifle our laughter at events like the Year 7 cello concert when nothing remotely related to music happens)

And I'm sure you can suggest many other essentials.This could be our legacy: a Survival Kit from the Mothers of 2003 to the new mums - secret women's business.

There are mothers here today we need to celebrate.

We have not one, two, or three but four Presidents of the P&F in our year group: Christine, Mary, Margie and Maree, wondrous generous women in our midst!

Others like Ruth Tighe, Jo Manion, Anne Harrington, Maureen Frazer, Annie Pavlovic, flower-power treasurer Helen Walsh, and Helene Herington all organise gigantic events with a flick of the wrist and a smile.

And what about Catherine Hogan – how many hats can one woman wear at any one time? This remarkable multi-skilled woman has an amazing role as Year 12 mother, teacher, wife and friend to all – and does it all with such warmth and generosity.

Then there's the 'fairy godmother of the Winter Canteen', the very bouncy Mary Magnus who taught me how to turn pies into profits, merely by ordering approximately 5000 fewer than I proposed on any given Saturday.

Then there are self-effacing canteen roster-runners like Janine Whelan, Ginny Barton – a real stayer in the kitchen stakes (who taught me the delicate distinction between frittata and quiche), Suzy Tait who's a wizard with the electric knife!(Chicken sandwich business perhaps?)

Let's not forget my old school mate Sally Delaney, who hosted the raging success, the Cowra country-city lunch, and women of extraordinary courage and generosity, women like Evelyn and Julie here with us today, who allow us to share their grief, knowing that after our years together, our young men are no longer 'your boys', or 'my boys', but 'our boys'.

Our boys have learned much in their time at the College.They've learned about 'creativity with fire extinguishers' on a recent Geography excursion; about 'dexterity'; on a Commerce excursion in Year 9; about 'motor mechanics' on a retreat in Bowral; and about 'smoke alarms' right here in the Ramsay Hall. They've also learnt a lot about 'teamwork'.

Lessons too many to name, all lessons in life. They've had their share of spiritual spit and polish on Kairos and other retreats, and I believe, over the past six years. They've also spent a bit of time in classrooms picking up smatterings of chemistry, maths and whatnot along the way.

We mothers, too, have picked up a few tricks:

• We've learned to interpret grunts,

• We can now tell a CRX from an XJ6, an X-box from a MP6 (did I get that right?)

• After six years we can now match the real boy with the nick name, so we now know who Rabs, Beano, Chip, Smiley, and Keith are (to name a few).

And we've learnt that all success comes at a price: there is a demonic correlation between making it into the 1sts or 2nds in your field of sporting endeavour, and gaining a whiter than white uniform to strut your stuff in the mud – so rewarding for boys; so punishing for mothers! (Add Napisan to that new mothers Survival Kit!).

Michael Carr-Gregg, at a parent information forum here at the College,taught us two valuable lessons in parenting:

1st: A boy has a maximum 27and a half second attention span and compress ideas accordingly, AND

2nd: Ask him no more than two questions in any given day.

Let me take you back: We've seen the Junior school become the Regis Campus; Years 7 and 8 become Middle School; the handball courts become the Therry complex; rolling slopes become Fagan House; bushy slopes become demountables; demountables become carparks. And the winter sports scoreboard spring up out of the ground.

Before our time, the Ignatian Children's camp; the City Bush Experience; young boys wearing blue blazers; back-to-back-to-back-to-back soccer premierships; the quadrupling of the junior school; the VPN workbench and the 4-code footy fest on 1A were just figments of a Jesuit imagination.

However, wrestling with change and finding the balance between tradition and change is a trademark of the Jesuit education that our boys are privileged to have received.

As 'Wog ball' has become 'Soccer' and then 'Association Football', and as Jesuit leadership by Jesuits has evolved into spectacular lay leadership in the Jesuit tradition, the current leadership has encouraged our boys, through activities like the Hot Potato Shop and community service programs, on days like St.Ignatius Day yesterday, to engage with, reflect and act upon the issues of our times, from the Native Title Debate to homelessness, homosexuality, refugees, and whether our nation should go to war.

In his time as Rector, Fr Chris Gleeson SJ consistently drew our attention to Jesuit perspectives on the issues of the day, enriching our world view and helping us to find the balance.

Now, our new Provincial, Fr Mark Raper SJ inspires us with the courage of his engagement with challenging issues.

Our boys have been encouraged to celebrate diversity, to accept change, indeed to define it and relish the opportunities it offers; to develop the capacity to imagine possibilities,with a keen eye for social justice; to study, to reflect and witness their faith through their actions.

They have learned all this in a context of 'creative truth' – an imaginative space where truth is not dictated, but discovered. Such an education of the heart and mind is indeed a blessing. As a body of mothers, it is an overflowing cup of blessings that we share.

Our boys began Year 12 in the shadow of 2002 – the year of the College's greatest ever number of GPS victories. The Year of 2003 includes young men who are champions in so many diverse co-curricular activities offered by the College. From rowing to debating, athletics, water polo, rugby, soccer and tennis, But as a whole, together, they have faced great emotional challenges. And they have come through, affirming themselves and each other; affirming the strength and cohesion of this rich and resilient community; facing the reality of wonderful, energetic and gifted young lives snatched away; and vowing to carry forward and live to the full

The dreams they shared with Billy and Sam,with renewed commitment and a new understanding of how they value each other and how powerful are their friendships; the outstanding pastoral care of the tutor system and the fine, grounded and clear-sighted leadership we are privileged to enjoy in this extraordinary College community then and now, will continue to empower our boys to move forward.

Last holidays, Tom and two other city day-boy mates, Simon Jones and Sam Farrell, set off for a weekend at the snow by train, which they booked on Michelle Jones' credit card. (Thanks Michelle - I have the cheque here today). Tom hadn't been since he was four so I was a little nervous. (I'm a mother!)

They arrived in Canberra, to discover they'd missed the bus to Jindabyne. And there wasn't another till the next day. So, remembering they had a mate outside Canberra, they called Simon Angove, who just happened to be in Canberra at the time.

Half an hour later they were burning around on Simon's motor bikes, treated (thank you Paula) to a fantastic feed, playing a bit of pool and having the time of their lives. It's great to have mates.

Thanks to their mobile phone-facilitated lifestyle, they then established that another mate, Ollie, was driving by on his way to Jindabyne, so Simon drove them over to meet Ollie at Lake George and they were on their way again, heading to Cooma for dinner at Flem's.Not long after, Ollie noticed that the petrol was running low, but, hey, they all remembered a story that a teacher (who shall remain nameless) had told them about getting 100 ks on a quarter of a tank, so who was worried? Not one of them one. Until they stopped – outside Cooma. Well, Flem didn't quite have his Ps so both Flem and Sue drove out to their rescue with a tin of petrol (thank you Sue!). Once again they were on their way. It's great to have mates.



Jane van Beek with husband Harris, son Tom and Fr David Strong SJ

There were other close shaves that weekend including hunger – taken care of by the Hudson family who happened to be in Thredbo (thank you Bernie);minor injury – again a Riverview connection came to the rescue and … so on.

Everything that could go wrong, did, but every time, there was a mate to help out. Their lives from here on will take many twists and turns, but one thing for sure, the mates will be there. That is their, and our, blessing.

Boys don't come to Riverview, families do, building friendships that span generations.So for us all, places like Gorman, 1C and 2A are as familiar as our own back yards or back paddocks.

I have some heroes here – too many to name, but a couple I'll share: people like Mark White and Chris Newton who facilitate so many of the dinners that bring us all together, but who always remain in the doorway, not celebrated nearly enough.

Others like Carla, golden-voiced Carla, for whom nothing is ever too much bother. And Jo Bradley, who has the patience and good humour of Job, and who works tirelessly in the tuckshop, with such tolerance of our inability to add 2 plus 2 together.

Another hero is Shane Hogan, a man whose vision is grounded in faith, truth and integrity - these are rare and wonderful qualities of leadership.

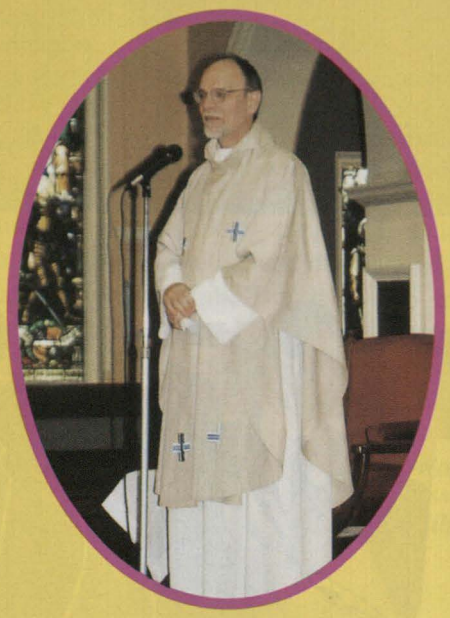
I look around the room and, like you, see the faces of so many friends.We've shared such precious times together: magnificent Liturgies like the one today; sideline spats; parent/teacher night traumas; hopes, dreams, recipes for success and resurrections after failures.

So it's time to hang up the golden gloves; to say goodbye to 'backbreaker' – the sink down the back that I shall not miss – and to remember Rose Garden receptions, cocktail parties, sports dinners, House liturgies and suppers, musicals, trivia nights, arvo teas, P&F meetings, balls, Art and Craft shows, Indian Bazaars, Gold Cups, chats on the sidelines, early morning cuppas shared down at the boatshed, watching the still water at daybreak, late afternoon pink and orange sunsets over the rugby, and the wonderful friendships we have shared, along the way, here at the College.

Jane van Beek
(Speech given at the Year 12 Mothers' Luncehon, August 1, 2003)

year 12 mothers mass and luncheon





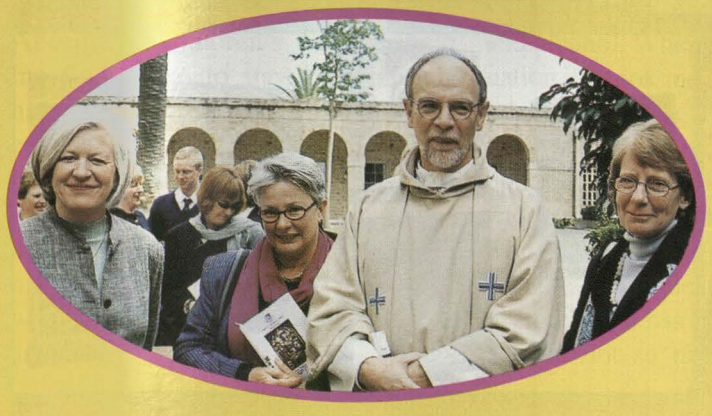












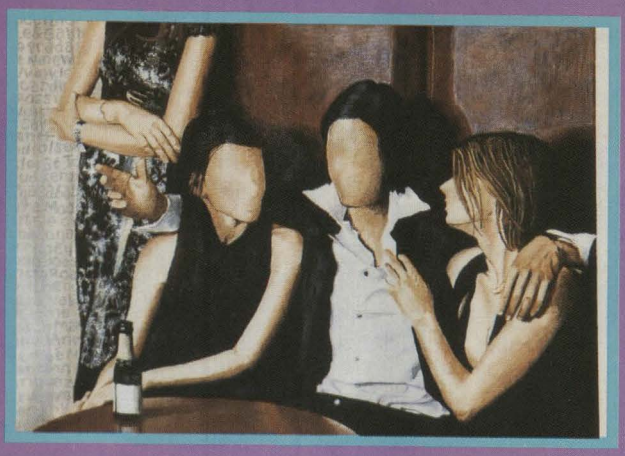


For those of us fortunate enough to attend the opening of the HSC Visual Arts Exhibition, organised by Ms Julie Stevens and staff on Friday, August 1, it was an evening of excellence and style. The major works by the Year 12 students were simply outstanding, as was the atmosphere and the opening speech given by Visual Arts expert , Ms Kerry Thomas







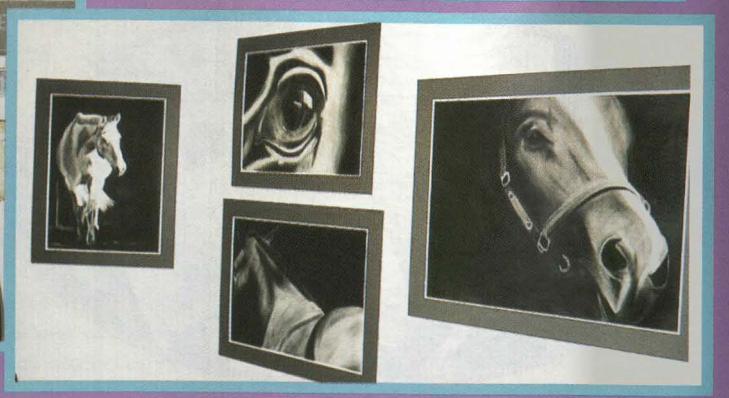












My name is Josh. I'm in Year 12 and I've been here for two years now. Well, I'm up here today to tell my story.

My mother is Aboriginal and my dad is Australian. I have 11 brothers and sisters and a lot of us had different fathers. I would have had 13 but two passed away. One died from my mother being wounded in the gut area with a knife, killing the baby; the other passed away from premature birth.

I guess a main reason for these events happening is the fact that my mother is a very bad alcoholic. I see her sometimes, but I don't get along with her the way I would like to. A lot of that comes from the fact that all my brothers and sisters are, or were, put into foster homes and refuges.

I have met my dad a couple of times. He owns a property on the North Coast. He is a lumberjack and owns his own business. A lot of people would say, well, why don't I go live with him. But that would be a bit hard when your father doesn't accept you as his son. He said it is my mother's fault. So that didn't go too well.

From when I can remember, I was put into a foster home when I was five, until I left there when I was 13 because things weren't going too well there.

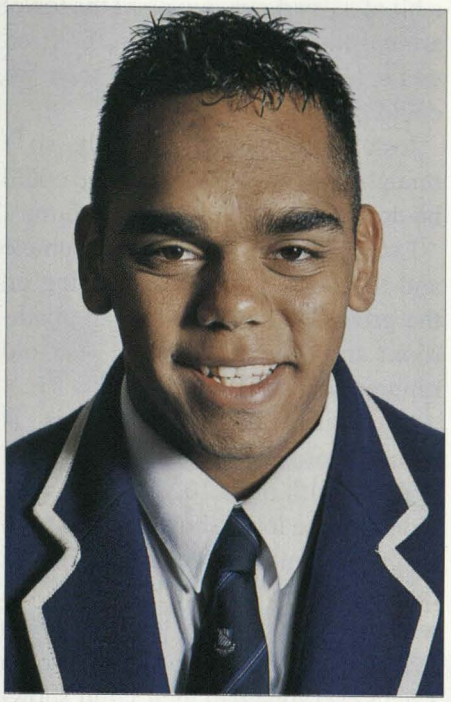
From then on I was getting shifted a lot around refuges and hostels. Some of them were short term so you could not stay there very long. But most of them wouldn't or couldn't take care of a person like me. It once came down to me staying at an old men's home. I paid my own rent, which I had to rake up and received one meal a day.

I feel that sometimes I have been left alone. Sure, I have had the Aboriginal Children's Service help me find places to stay, but mainly I have been left without a mum or dad, cousins or family, most of whom I have never met.

I get really frustrated sometimes that I don't have a mum there to love me or a father to teach me right from wrong and pull my head in every now and then.

But I don't or can't blame it on my mother, for she has probably had it harder than I have. She was affected by the stolen generation. My mother's mother was one of the stolen.

Sometimes people don't realise how much my people were mentally affected by the stolen generation. It's the type of thing that would make a man four times the size of me just burst into tears. A lot of mental trauma was done to my family and a lot of other Aboriginal people. Some people, they read about it, or hear about it, but I am the living effects of it.



Joshua Rowlison Photo Chris Fitzgerald

I don't live or act like I used to anymore. I live with a man, Don Clark. A lot of you wouldn't know who I am talking about, but in my eyes , I reckon he's one of the best, kind-hearted men I have ever met.

He used to run a drug and alcohol programme at Mt Druitt for youths with problems with family or drugs and alcohol. When he heard of my situation, he took me under his care, and this is something I am very thankful for. I have now received many more opportunities for being at Riverview and I am very grateful to everyone who has made this possible.

In the end, I guess everything I have been through has made me a stronger person, not so much physically, but more mentally. In ways I am disappointed with my life, but in other ways I'm very happy. For there are kids in this world who have it much harder than I have.

I'm also kind of glad that my mother didn't keep me, for I could have ended up like one day or even worse. But overall, I'm happy to make it from where I have come from to such a damn good school.

Speech given by Joshua Rowlison at a College Assembly, August 13th, 2003

I have been asked this morning to share with you a bit of my experience of the Ignatian Children's Holiday camp (ICHC)

The ICHC ran over four days from December 12-15, last year. Can I firstly set a platform, by saying that the camp was an outstanding experience for all those involved. I'm grateful to all those who allowed it to happen.

The camp for me started on Thursday December 12 at 8.30 am. I arrived at Kevin Fagan House to discover that Josh, my child, who I had learned about a couple of days earlier was already there. Josh was 10; he was partially deaf in both ears. This had affected his hearing and it was difficult to understand him. He also had ADHD and a mild case of autism called Pardington's Disease.

Even with all this, Josh was more active than most of us. I did not stop playing cricket, ping-pong, swimming and running around for four days.

The first thing that had to be done after all the children had arrived was the fire drill. We were all evacuated out to the front of Kevin Fagan House and Mr Marsh gave us instructions to follow if a fire did occur. I was standing next to Josh and after about two minutes he pulled me down and asked, "What's going on?"

I reassured Josh that there was nothing to worry about and that we just had to know what to do in case there was a fire. With a puzzled look on his face, Josh gave me a big hug and said, "You are my best friend."

Now, I am not ashamed for a minute to say that I was a bit touched. I'm not the kind of bloke that gets all emotional at the drop of a hat, but Josh had no idea who I was. I had only met him minutes before but the fact that I was going to spend four days with him and show him a bit of a good time was a good enough reason for me to be his best mate. This is one memory I won't forget for a while.

At the camp, each child was hard to look after for different reasons. As I mentioned, Josh was flat out for four days, so for me it was physically tough. On the other hand, there were children who could not walk, talk or eat and had to be fed through a tube, so you can imagine the difficulties there. It certainly was a definie character building experience

I remember on one night, as I did every night, i took Josh for a shower. In terms of washing and going to the toilet he could do it all himself so shower time was a good opportunity for me to rest the legs.

On this particular night after a while Josh turned off the taps and told me he was ready to get out. So I gave him a bit of a dry down, wrapped the towel around him and told him to hold on while I got his clothes and then we could go and get dressed.

Josh took off very quickly so I thought this might be easy – he could be dressed by the time I get to him.

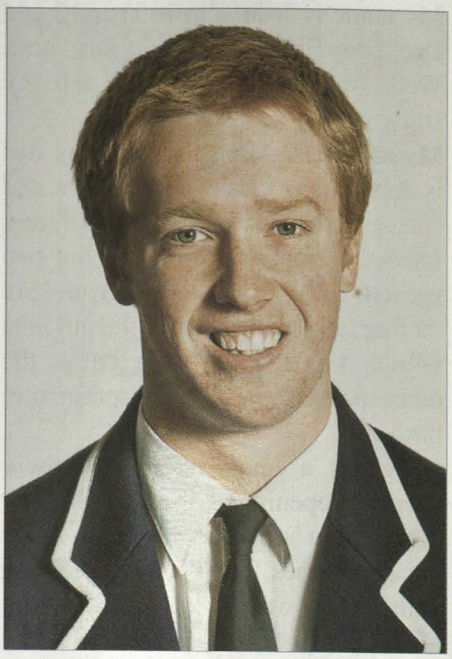
I stepped out of the shower cubicle and then saw a white towel lying on the ground. I looked out of the bathroom and saw a naked 10 year old running down the hall.

My initial thought was, this is embarrassing for the boy. As you can imagine with most 10 year olds, Josh didn't have a lot to show off. So I tried to catch him ... I couldn't. Then I thought to myself,'let him go for a while'. But it soon got beyond a joke. Josh kept running into the TV room where everyone had their child showered and dressed.

Josh soon got over that but found his way to the female bathrooms where young ladies from Kirribilli and Normanhurst were getting ready to have their showers. I had the difficult task of trying to explain to them that yes I was sorry, but I am responsible for that naked 10 year old running around.They didn't find this at all funny, but Josh and I thought it was hilarious.

I was finally saved by some very capable female members of staff who convinced Josh from a female perspective that running round in he nude was no way to 'pull chicks', so eventually we got some clothes on him.

I could talk on and on about the camp. To me it was an eye-opener. I'd been in contact with disabled people on a number of occasions, but never before had I ever had sole responsibility for anyone for more than an hour, let along a 10 year old who was deaf, had ADHD and autism.



Justin Fleming Photo Chris Fitzgerald

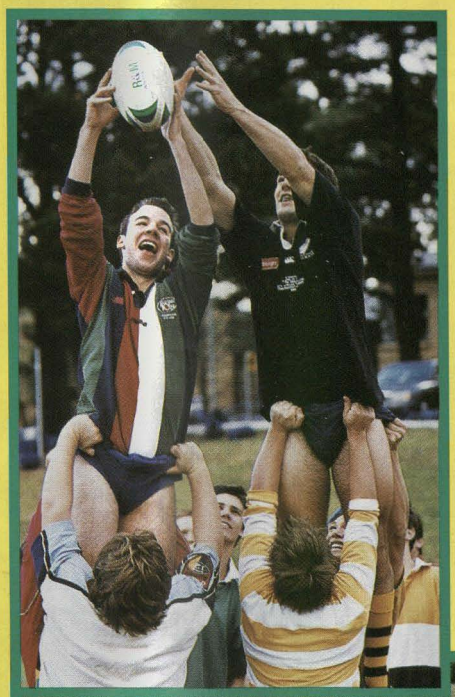
The camp was a character building experience and an excellent experience. If I had my time over, I would do it again and again.

Speech given by Justin Fleming at a College Assembly, August 13, 2003

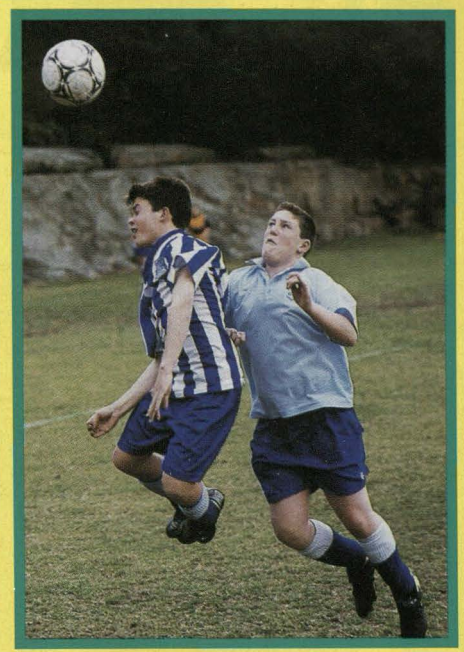
In August, the GPS games were well under way with training for the various football codes held on most afternoons and sometimes early in the mornings during the week. However, as these photographs show, while the matches themselves were taken quite seriously, (even by the winners of the sideline couch - Johnathan Russo, Peter Doran, Chris Mallett and Alex Mazzoni), the training sessions did allow for some lighter moments.

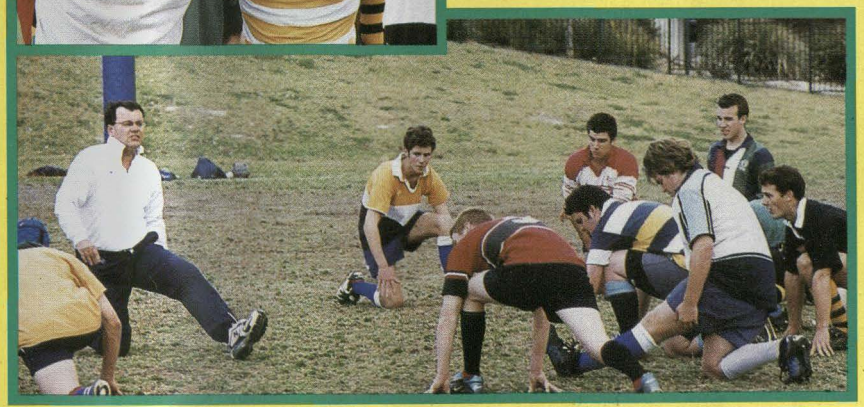
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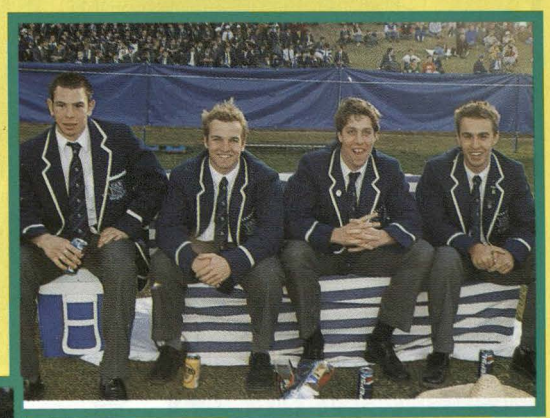














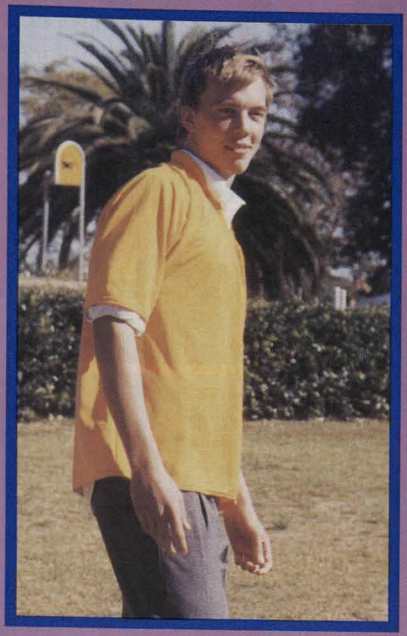


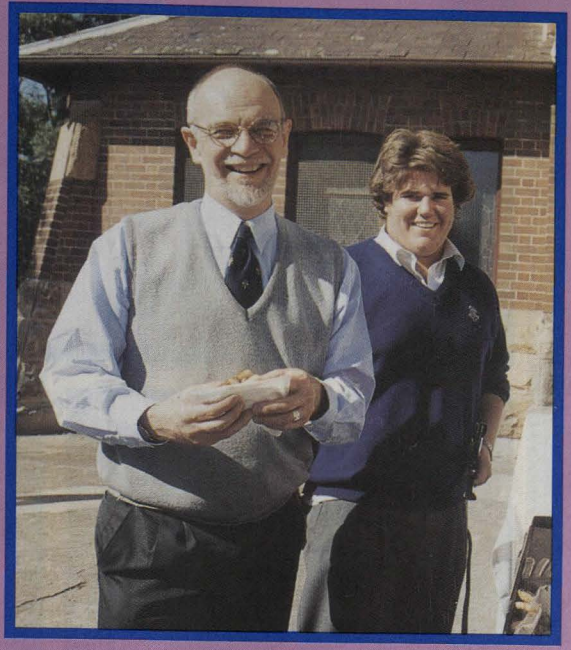


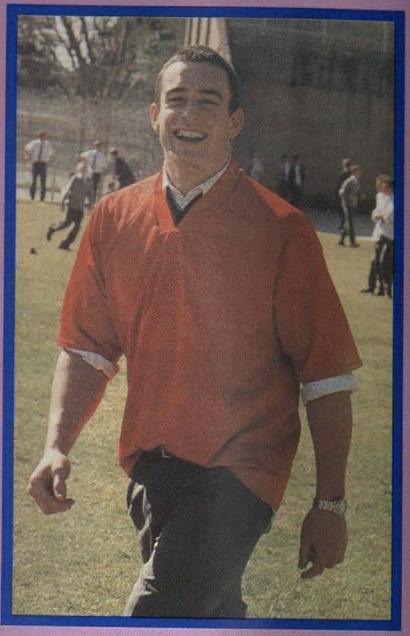
alliteration cup - soccer and sausage sizzle

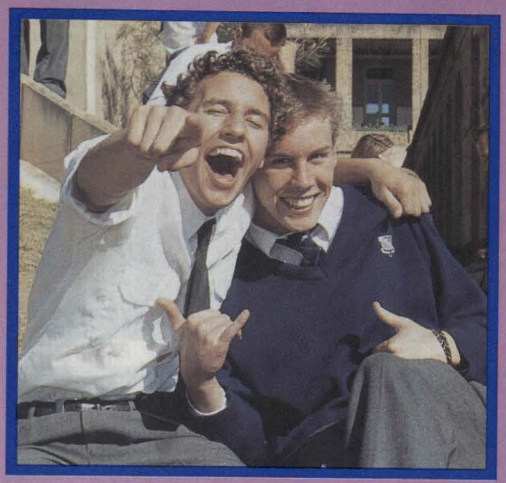
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Late August - and time for another round of the Alliteration Cup - this time a scrumptious sausage sizzle with a scintillating game of Soccer – hosted and played by Year 12 students. The result?: more money raised for charity and a final score that no one can quite remember.



















Simon Angove sprinkles holy water over the bench built and paid for by Year 12 students in honour of Billy O'Connor and Sam Turner, while Fr Bullen reads a blessing.



Year 11 students lead the war cries prior to the Riverview vs St Joseph's College football matches.



Visiting author Markus Zusak talks with year 8 students about the art of writing



Fr Davoren and friends at Grandparents' Day



Captains of the GPS 1st premiership teams, Michael Roche (1st XV) Chris Croke (Ist Debating) and Nick Guglielmino (1st Soccer)



New students who obviously enjoyed their 'testing 'day at the College



Familiar faces at the P and F Trivia Night

september, 2003

September began and ended with lots of excitement and celebrations but the weeks in between were far from dull and boring. Indeed, event wise, September was probably the busiest month in the calendar with musicals, plays, final rounds of winter sports competitions, and of course, at the end of the month, the congratulations and farewells to the Year 12 graduates.

The first few days of September saw the end of the HSC trials and House retreats for Year 12 students, then it was back to classes to consolidate before the big exam. If the trials had left the students a little disconcerted, then the first weekend of September lifted their spirits as well as the rest of the school's spirits when Riverview took out three first GPS premierships - the Rugby 1st XV, the Soccer 1st XI and the Debating. The assembly held the following week was overwhelming in its applause, happiness and sheer joy as the whole student body congratulated the three teams on their fantastic victories.

Earlier in the week, there was time for quiet reflection when Fr Andrew Bullen SJ blessed the new bench built and paid for by Year 12 students in honour of Billy O'Connor and Sam Turner.

Meantime, September also saw lots of activities going on in the Middle School with the production of Wind in the Willows, Grandparents' Day, the testing of new students and the Regis Campus swimathon.

Over on the Senior campus, Mel Morrow produced another outstanding play - Henry IV Part 1, featuring Year 9 students, while Year 10 students went on various excursions and had fun at their annual dance. Year 11s were in a more serious mood towards mid September as they sat for their exams, but later found time to relax and enjoy themselves at the Indian Bazaar.

The United Nations declared it the Year of fresh water. The Chinese declared it the Year of The Goat. In 2003 Riverview won its fifth straight soccer premiership. Five premierships and still counting…

Students of Year 12, 2003 embraced the leadership of the College with enthusiasm and imagination. In the course of the year we have shared both tragic and wonderful experiences. Through these experiences we have grown in our understanding of how much we value our friendships and our time together at the College.

As a Student Leadership Team we set out to celebrate the diversity that enriches our Riverview community. Because Riverview is the sum of us all, we began to put our story together. At our first assembly, Hugh Kennedy began our story, sharing his family's experience of the drought with courage, optimism and humour.

Next assembly we met some of the newest and youngest members of our College, when Year 5 students were interviewed by their Year 12 buddies. We learnt about their spoon collections, their dogs, their favourite soccer players, the activities they enjoy even more than snorkelling and their first impressions of the College.

Mr Gock spoke at the following assembly about his family's experiences coming to Australia. Next, we met the Gap students from England and Ireland, as Bria Crouch, from Stonyhurst, entertained us with a story of gappy adventures down under.

Ryan Macalyk followed Bria, sharing his extraordinary story of overcoming the amazing challenges he faces daily, then Josh Rowlison told the equally extraordinary story of his Aboriginal family background.

At our final assembly, our two resident world champions told each other's story with style and panache: Gus Campbell (world champion rower) and Chris Croke (world champion debater).

Our diverse, courageous, amazing Ignatian story has been superb! Prior to 2003, lunchtimes were lazy, recess was random, students were sluggish, sport was sparse… lunchtimes at Riverview lacked that competitive edge! The answer? The Alliteration Cup.

As well as fine-tuning Riverview's athletes (perhaps our subsequent premiership performances should be attributed to the gruelling groundwork on Gorman throughout 2003?), the Alliteration Cup allowed teachers to tackle truants and students to strut their stuff. It also brought people together and made lunchtimes fun. Teams of teachers and students played teams of teachers and students, enriching the spirit within our wonderful College community.

Still on sport, in the playground this year, handball just wasn't cutting it – it wasn't competitive. It lacked bounce! Accordingly, the Leadership Team in 2003 put a spin on it. The announcement, with fanfare, of the Inaugural Riverview Handball Championships, provoked a response that totally reinvigorated handball at the College, restoring the glory days of a grand Riverview tradition!

Following hard fought and keenly supported preliminary rounds, a surprise 'wildcard' entrant emerged to challenge for the trophy. Unfortunately, wildcard Mr Shane Hogan was roundly and soundly defeated in the finals, on the 'holy courts' outside Dalton Chapel, before a boisterous crowd. Ed Jenkins (Year 11) proudly claimed the crown.

This year, the College, and Year 12 in particular, experienced great sadness and loss, with the sudden deaths of Sam Turner and Billy O'Connor – two wonderful, talented and fun-loving characters, friends to us all. As we faced this tragedy together, we gained comfort and strength from belonging to our close-knit, faith-filled and incredibly supportive Riverview community.

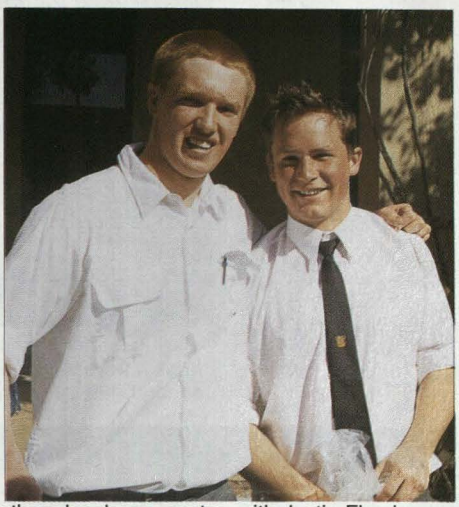
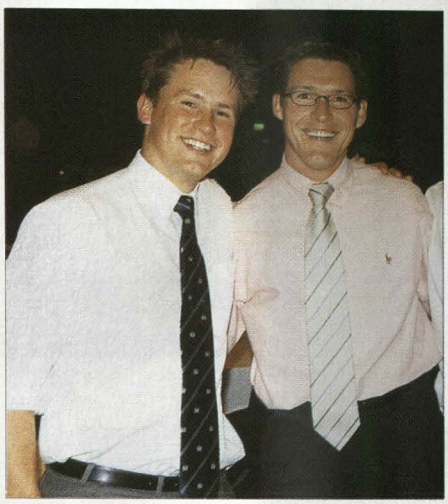
In large numbers we attended Billy and Sam's funerals in Harden and Yass, to farewell these two young men whom we were so fortunate to call our mates. It was heartbreaking.

Losing two mates so suddenly, in our grief we began to see the 222 other guys in our grade in a new light. We realised how much we value each other and the friendships we've formed here at the College. We also recognised more clearly than before the faith, strength and caring support that defines our Riverview community.

For here at Riverview we just don't have school spirit – we have more than that. Here at Riverview, where every boy has a sense that he is a valued part of the community, we have quality of soul. We knew it and felt it a few Saturdays ago in that last minute at Joey's. We knew it and felt it after Billy and Sam's funerals when in the quiet stillnes with that familiar, rousing 'Jerusalem' we sang them home.

It's this quality of soul that makes Riverview a wonderful place, a happy place, a place we have loved coming to for the past six to eight years. We'll take this quality of soul with us from this place for it binds us together – this wonderful friendship we share.

And so I know that all Year 12 students are proud that our gift to the College as we leave will continue to commemorate our friends Billy and Sam. A bursary in their names will enable a young country boy to come to Riverview. We are pleased, too, that we have placed a bench beside the tennis courts – a bench built and paid for by Year 12 students. On that bench there is a plaque that reads:

Above, Tom van Beek, speaking at the Year 12 Mothers luncheon; centre, with Justin Fleming, and right, with his housemaster, Mr Craig Jeffery

'In memory of Billy O'Connor and Sam Turner,
Remembering our time together
We hold you in our hearts
The Class of 2003'



Tom with a few friends at the Year 10 dance, from left, Pascal Herington, Tom van Beek, Justin Fleming, Jake Molkentin, Michael O'Brien, James McDougall, front, Mr Duncan Warlters

Lookling back there have been many highlights of 2003. Some of these are:

•'The Best View In The House' – the SRC fundraiser for Bear Cottage – a comfy couch complete with gourmet esky, on the sidelines of the 1st XV game

•Flemo's 'Give me a home among the gum trees' when the whole school jumped to its feet to join in

•The Riverview Showbags – prizes for high achievers

•The Tough Break awards for 'self sacrifice in the field of sporting endeavour'

•Year 12 end of term 'prayer meetings', including gelato in the rose garden, baked ham in the Ramsay Hall and paddle pops in the quadrangle.

•Student activism – the survey on Australian military involvement in Iraq war, and expressions of Riverview students' sentiment in the public arena

•A new world record for the largest ever crowd of supporters at a Riverview home 1st XI soccer game versus Grammar

•Rugby, Debating and Soccer undefeated Premierships as well as Senior and Junior athletics shields

•Year 12 Boarders' 'sausages and windscreens' fundraiser for RNSH

The Class of 2003 is so grateful for our Ignatian education at Riverview. From rowing to fencing to debating to student masses, from musicals to rugby to water polo to drama, from chemistry to ag to Hot Potato Shop to community service, from band comps to Amnesty to cycling to retreats, from city-bush to wood-work to public speaking to classical Greek ... Riverview has offered us so much.

Our year group is fortunate to have experienced the exceptional dedication and generous spirit that is a quality of teachers at Riverview. Our teachers, who have so enthusiastically shared their time, expertise, support and friendship, have been brilliant Ignatian role models. We thank them so very much. We also say thank you to:

•Mr Hogan, Headmaster, teacher, soccer coach, trombone player, handball wildcard, alliteration cup cricket cheat, Achilles challenged netball player and father figure to us all. Your role model fine judgement, tempered with compassion; your authority tempered with humour and fairness – integrity defines your leadership.

•The Jesuit Community, in particular Fr Strong, our superb and much loved College Chaplain for the past six years; Fr Bullen who won our hearts so quickly – it's impossible to believe that you have been here just one term; and Fr Gleeson who articulated such strong College values and vision

•Mr Newey, our fantastic and incredibly popular form prefect, together with Ms Raad (Mrs Paul) and Mrs McLean who have cared for all of us with extraordinary generosity, thoughtfulness and good humour this year.

•Our form prefects from previous years, who, while keeping us in line, along the way taught us a fair amount about right and wrong and Ignatian values – some of the most important lessons we're likely to learn.

•Our housemasters and tutors. We have greatly valued your support, advice and friendship in our time at Riverview.

•Mr Rodgers, Mr Kitching, Mr McGinnity, Mr Hayes, Fr Davoren and Mr McLean. We appreciate your tireless efforts, your support, your encouragement and deidication.

• Mrs Hickey, Mr Gray and the Ignatian Centre team. More and more in our time at the College we come to value the liturgies, retreats and Ignatian spirit that enriches us all.

• Mr White, Mr Marsh and Mr Clark and the teams they lead, who give us beautiful grounds and green fields to play on every day.

•Mrs Bradley and all the mums who feed the hungry hoardes in the tuckshop and footy canteens.

•Mrs Rankin, tavel agent extraordinaire

•Mrs James, Mrs Beamish and Mrs Little, who smooth out so many wrinkles in our lives.

•Mrs Abdi, who indulges our creative excuses for absence and lateness

•Our parents, for the gift we value so highly, an Ignatian education at Riverview.

•Year 12, a terrifc, and wonderfully cohesive bunch of guys. Thank you for the privilege of being on a leadership team with such great guys as Flem, Seany and the prefects this year.

One wonderful thing we will take with us from Riverview is our friendships. We sailed together at Narrabeen in Year 7. We christened the Caravan Park together in Year 8. We suffered the merciless tyranny of Southbound Adventures together in Years 9 and 10. By Year 11 we were partying together.

And in Year 12, well, we have done everything together. Through it all, we have learnt how much we cherish the friendships that we know will continue to enrich our lives for years to come.

Tom van Beek
Captain of the College, 2003

With 80 boys on stage, and 20 back stage, the Regis Campus production of The Wind in the Willows was certainly an ambitious project. Boys rehearsed during lunchtimes, after school and on Sunday afternoons from the start of Term 3. By the time the cast and crew moved into the wonderful O'Kelly Theatre for dress rehearsals, all three performances had been booked out.

What a treat for the audience. From the opening moments the light and music, all operated by the boys themselves, created a magical Riverbank, Wild Wood and Toad Hall. Rats, weasels, stoats and ferrets scurried about in their masks, hiding amongst the cartoon like cut outs of a tree, boat, car and caravan, all dominated by a large portrait of Toad.

The Policemen spent the evening pursuing Toad, in an attempt to "lock him away for ever and ever".

Back stage crew took control of all scene changes, operated fairy lights and snow and ensured that actors made it onto the stage on time. From the largest role to those with one line, from the boys who operated the lighting desk to those who showed the audience to their seats, all who participated realised and appreciated that a production such as this is the sum of its many parts and all combine to create the one successful performance.

So many boys featured that it is difficult to single out any one boy for praise. However, Thomas Murphy must be mentioned for his confident handling of an extremely large role. Likewise William Kelly for his natural acting style. Liam Hogan was a suitably cheeky and playful Toad, and James Livesey presented a charming and sophisticated Badger.

Timothy Pascoe's Albert the Horse brought both pathos and humour. Among the Wild Wooders, David Cain and Alexander Dale stood out as Chief Weasel and Weasel Norman, the Mafia Leaders of the English Forest.

Otter and Portly, Hedgehogs Harold and Harry, the motorists Felix and Rupert, Mr Parkinson, the car salesman, Train Driver, the Magistrate and his Clerk, the Jailer's son, Fox, Ferrets Fred and Gerald, and the Washerwoman (a different one for each performance), all acquitted themselves admirably, performing their scenes with enthusiasm.

Thank you to the boys who gave up their own time for rehearsals, to the parents for your support, and the Regis Campus staff for your patience and hard work. All who participated can feel proud of their involvement and achievements.

Ms Suzanne Millar









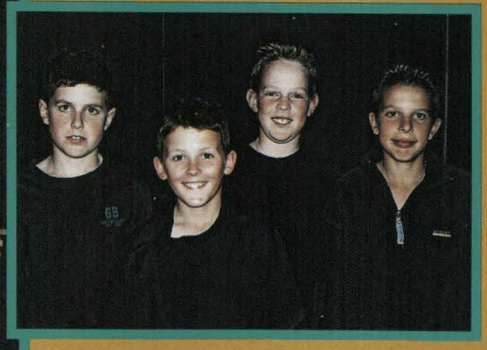


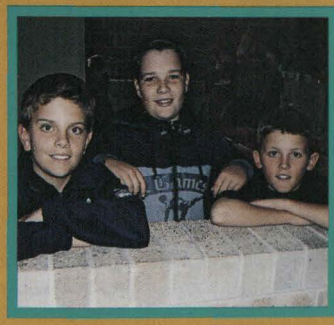


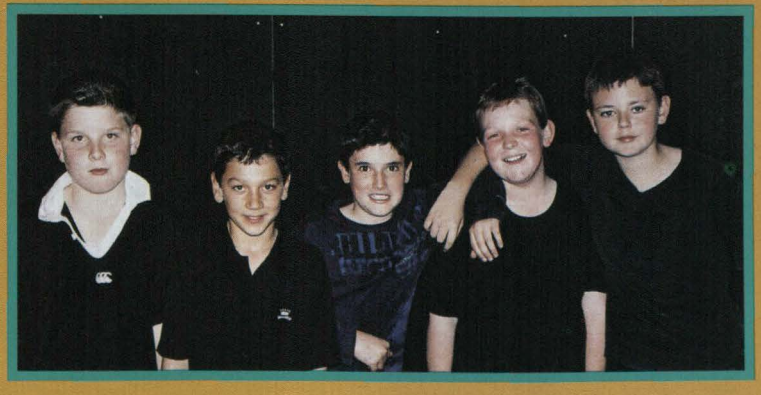














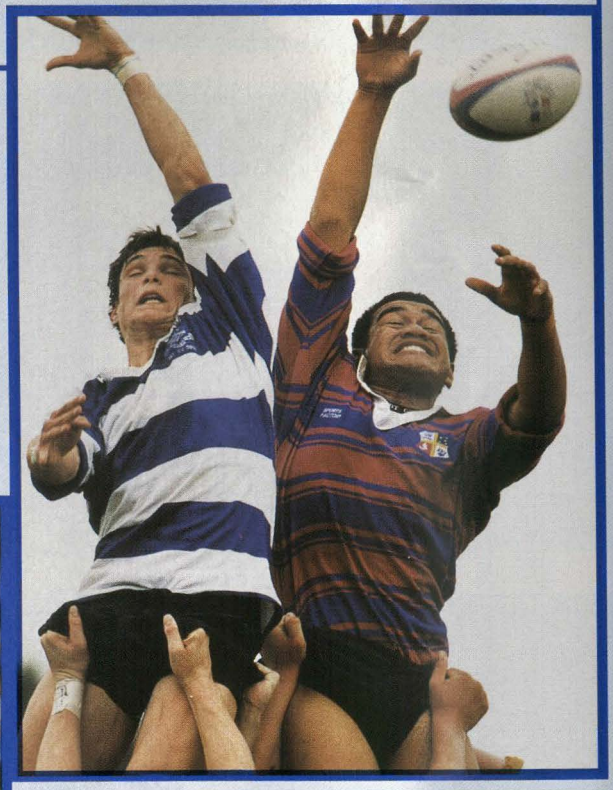
Photo, Chris Fitzgerald

It was a weekend the College will long remember - Friday and Saturday, September 5 and 6. A weekend in which Riverview took out three GPS First Premierships - Debating, Soccer and Rugby - all undefeated. The celebrations began on the Friday night and went on long over the weekend and into the next week. Indeed, weeks later the euphoria was still there. There were letters of congratulations - not just from those directly connected with Riverview but from parents and Old Boys from Riverview and from other schools. The media, too, gave its congratulations - there were lengthy articles and fantastic photos of the 1st XV rugby team in action while The Catholic Weekly acknowledged in detail Riverview's outstanding Debating record. There was, as Fr Andrew Bullen SJ wrote in Viewpoint, "a special excitement that weekend – a spirit at the Rugby and Soccer games that had special meaning and purpose. It was loaded with emotional meaning" .

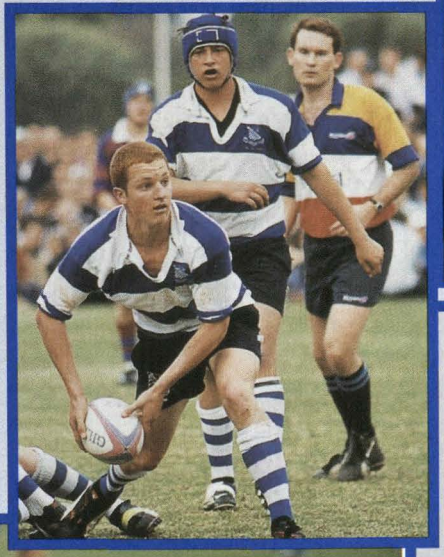
And as these photographs from the Riverview vs St Joseph's College 1st XV Rugby match in which Riverview defeated Joey's (20-18) show, again to quote Fr Bullen, "They were doing all they could in memory of their friends. They were caught up in something very big and inexpressible, and the rest of us knew it and were touched by it. In the blokey way boys have, something was shown more by deeds than words."



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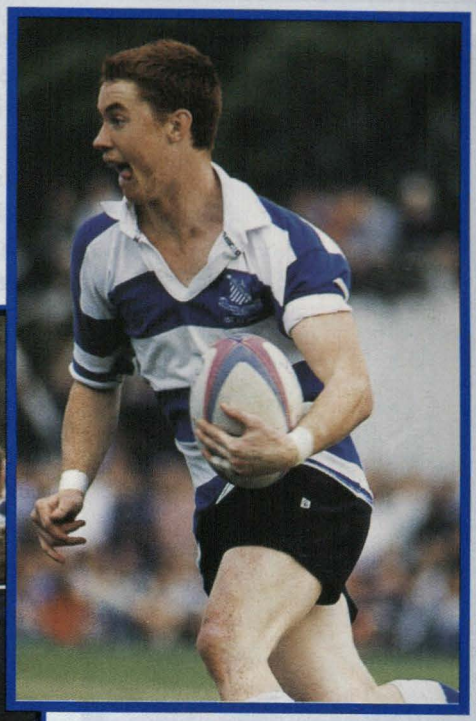
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Christopher Croke

Photograph by Chris Fitzgerald

I would firstly like to point out that what Chris and I are doing here this morning is what he is the best in the world at, and, as far as I am concerned I am pretty hopeless at this. So, I hope you can bear with me while I attempt to do his story justice.

Let me start by pointing out why I prefer a boat to a lectern. I am very much an outdoors bloke who prefers to be out and about and working up a sweat. I live for that bell on a Friday afternoon just to put my feet up and look forward to the weekend.

To be honest, the only thing that could hold me back in a classroom on a Friday afternoon would have to be penals, so from the outset it was clear to me that I could never show that commitment required to be a good debater.

After having a chat with Chris this morning, I discovered his reasons for being involved in such a highly skilled activity. Firstly, Chris has always enjoyed arguing. Starting from a mere nine months old he began back chatting his parents about the temperature of his milk.

His first competition debate was for Riverview in 1997, where he foolishly tried to convince Grammar school that 'junk food should be banned from tuckshops'.

What Chris likes most about debating is exploring interesting issues and meeting many new interesting people while making great worthwhile mates along the way.

After being discovered by the coaching staff here, with such natural ability, Chris soon found himself in the 1st team as early as Year 11. Chris was then to represent NSW in the same year at the National Debating Championships in Adelaide.

After narrowly being knocked off in the final by Victoria, Chris became even more determined to settle the score at the National Championships a year later.

More pleasing news followed with Chris being picked in the Australian Debating team in the same year, despite being the runners up. This meant he was to travel to New Zealand to the World Championships which they took out.

This success did not come over night. It was achieved through a combination of personal sacrifices and commitment. Since Year 6, Chris has dedicated every Friday night for about three terms a year to Debating.

This meant he would often have to miss many a social function such as school dances, much to the disappointment of the girls – as is understandable.

After scoring a position in the national team, Chris had roughly two months to prepare for his next World Championship which was going to be held in Peru. And for those of you who are geographically challenged, that's in South America.

Training consisted of researching current affairs and other issues and topics, along with daily jaw and finger exercises.

With around 30 training debates, Chris and the Aussie team were confident going into the 25-nation quarter finals.Iit was a round-robin event then moving into quarter finals. Chris ultimately led his team in victories over countries such as the US, Ireland, England and then in the final, Singapore.

More personal success was to come at the most recent World Champs where Chris was named the overall third best speaker (which is truly an outstanding achievement by any measure).

Chris' time in Peru was very successful and he not only won over the admiration of all the adjudicators, but also many of the Peruvian schoolgirls – so I am told.

Upon return, after much celebration and getting his face in the Herald along with a flattering article, Chris was described by Triple J's Will Anderson as the 'David Beckham of Australian Debating".

Chris has won 48 out his 51 bouts this year, which boils down to around about 8 hours of individual speaking.

With Riverview nurturing Chris' natural talent, the debating system in place soon developed him into a state representative as they have done with at least one member of the Riverview 1st Debating teams for the last 20 years.

This system has obviously been proven effective. If it weren't, there would be no guarantee of Chris being a world beater.

So on behalf of Riverview, I want to say, congratulations Chris.

As told by Angus Campbell at a College Assembly, September 10, 2003



Angus Campbell

Photograph by Chris Fitzgerald

I'll confess, Rowing was never one of those things that ever really appealed to me. That combination of 5am starts, endless weight training sessions and perpetually blistered and calloused hands always seemed to be particularly pointless in a sport where your whole aim was to face one way and go the other.

In my eyes, Rowing was something close to being the sporting equivalent of an early 1990s Vanilla Ice: beneath the glamour and glory of being the world's most foremost white rapper, the question had to be asked: why bother?

Yet, I'd have to say this was probably due more to the fact that I'm soft and lazy than because Rowing is infinitely rewarding as it is incredibly challenging. As an opportunity to extend oneself and confront physical, emotional and competitive limits, Rowing is like little else; and I guess by now you've realised it's no spooky coincidence that Gus is one of these people, and with good cause.

Gus has always been a lover of water sports. A keen swimmer when he arrived at 'View in 1998, when he met Mike Prodinger and Sean Mason, he soon realised that he might have to pick a different water sport. And so he chose Rowing.

From the 8th Quad Scull to the 1st VIII, Gus, a technically efficient oarsman of immense power and strength, has known success like a good friend.

And in 2003, it's been a whole other kettle of fish. After helping power the 1st VIII to a noble second at the Head of the River, Gus turned his gentle gaze to bigger and better things. In the Easter holidays, at the national rowing championships, Gus achieved the almost unheard of feat of winning three national titles in the U/19 IV, Schoolboy IV and Youth VIII.

He then carried over such form to the national selection regatta in May where it was no surprise that Gus earned selection as a part of the Australian U/19 Coxed IV.

From there, after a long and gruelling training programme of 152 sessions, totalling 304 hours – the equivalent of a 6Unit HSC subject completed in two months, Gus found himself at the World Rowing Championships in Athens.

And there amongst the cream of the world rowing talent, this Riverview hero announced himself as the most legitimate world champion since Rocky Balboa defeated Mr T in Rocky III by beating all comers in the final by a massive three lengths.

It was not his mere talent alone that took Gus to the world stage. Beneath his gentle, self-effacing exterior lies a fierce determination to succeed. As Andrew Cutcliffe put it to me yesterday: this man has 'no give up'. Indeed, when faced with the crushing disappointment of coming second at the Head of the River by 0.48s and also missing the Riverview Rowing Vogue fashion shoot, what didn't break Gus has only made him stronger.

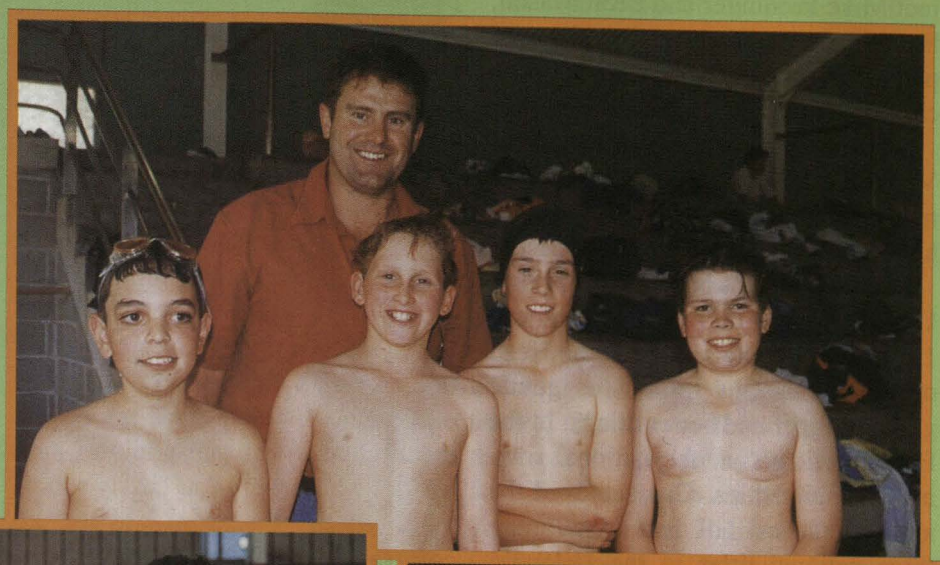
On the fashion front, Gus restored his credentials by wearing a Ninja Turtle shirt to the Year 11 formal. On the Rowing front, he won the world title.

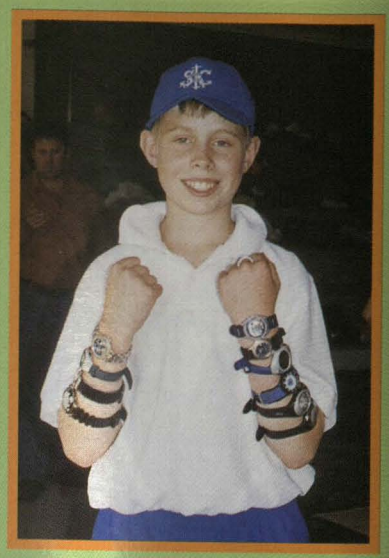
Yet it was not just this magical combination of raw talent and unbridled passion that carried Gus to glory in Athens. With characteristic Gus humility, he insisted that I not only mention his coaches, Marty Rabjohn, Mike Smith and Charlie Rowe, who have guided him so gently to such great heights, but also his peers here at Riverview who have made Rowing such an enjoyable and fulfiling pursuit.

Rowing is a proud Riverview tradition, dating back to the earliest days of the school. As the latest and brightest torchbearer of that tradition, Gus has done his school and family proud.

For all those reasons, let us all congratulate Riverview's latest Rowing world champion – Gus Campbell.

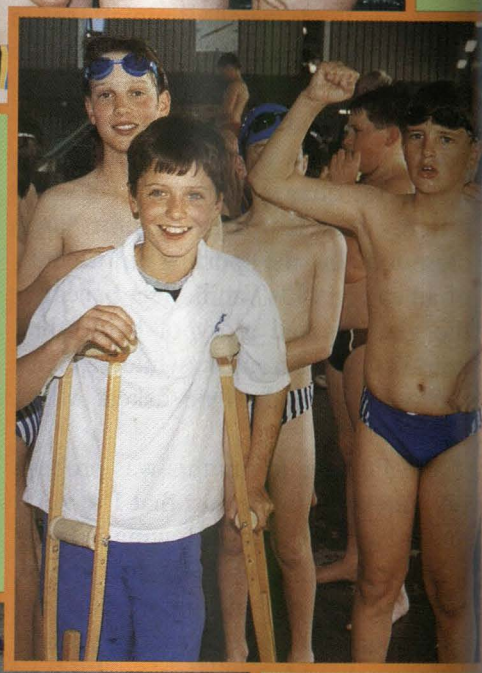
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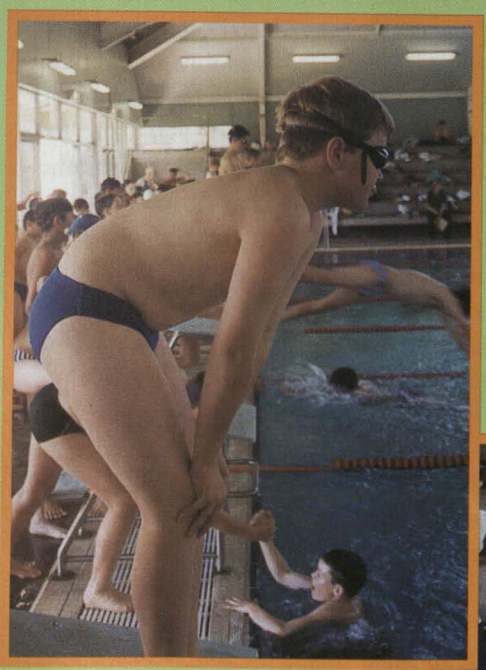










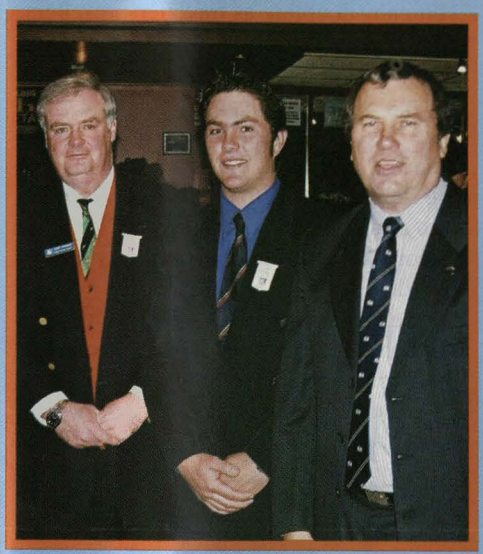



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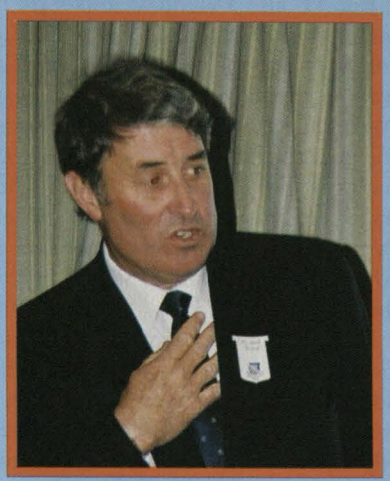
On the weekend of Saturday, September 13, the Development team of Michael Punch, Barbara Peatman, Wendie Milazzo, Peter Cahill plus Fr Andy Bullen, Fr Joe Dooley, Andrew Szabo and Terry Sheehan visited Armidale to promote the College. A team of some 35 Year 10 boarders also went to Armidale for a week-end of friendly Basketball, Soccer and Rugby.

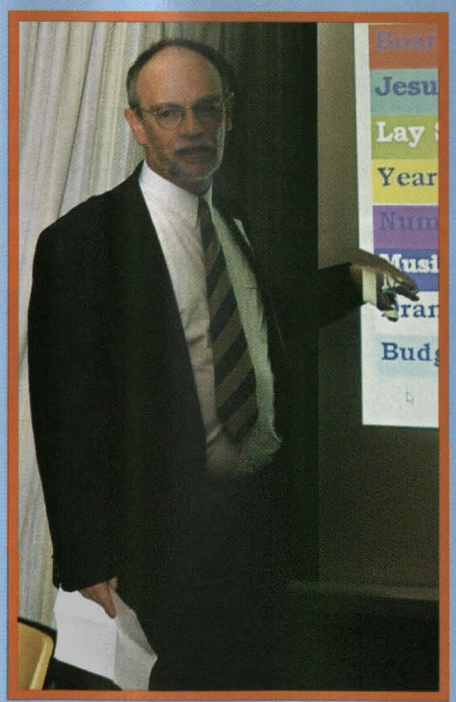












Photos by Wendie Milazzo





Tyrone Lindqvist as Falstaff



Matthew Millar as Hotspur, Tyron Bicknell as Glendower, Lewis Westhoff as Mortimer

Screen Gems presents Popinjay Productions and Year 9 in their latest offering, which began with a silver screen fanfare leading us deep into the chequered table cloths and bikie culture of Melvyn Morrow's engaging presentation of Will Shakespeare's Henry IV Part 1.

But it is also a world of suits – led by a most commanding King Henry IV (Leon Joseph) – and the uniforms of war. There were terrifying echoes of John Howard's Australia, where "the gilded lie" passes for political morality, where stated aims include the desire "to falsify men's hopes," to "make offence a skill", where a "vile politician" roams rampant, and where "an old bearded Satan" misleads the youth.

Especially impressive, too, was Thomas Gormly as Henry Prince of Wales, notably in the private encounter with the King – a great moment, with the emotionally uptight and busy dad, as the blurb informs us, dealing with his golden boy who has immersed himself in the sleaze, robbery and gang warfare of the kingdom of mischief.

The turbulent landscape tumbles with character and attitude, with Prince John of Lancaster (finely played by Patrick Effeney), the Earl of Westmoreland (aptly portrayed by Benjamin Aquilina), Sir Walter Blunt (good work from Matthew Gallagher), Thomas Percy (Christian Grant in top form), Henry Percy Senior (strong work from Thomas Rubenach) and Harry Percy Junior (a truly memorable performance from Matthew Millar), whose slim, tragic form was so poignantly contrasted with the rotundity of Falstaff (an achievement of major merit from Tyrone Lindqvist) with that fabulous dissertation on the puff of Honour.

Another of Shakespeare's themes emerges radiantly – the culture of the corpulent in the kingdom of the lean. This thread brings much mockery, infusing the language and pitting its barbs against the obese Falstaff, only to find that he is, at the end of the day, a survivor.

In a John Singleton world of pizza and Victorian Bitter, even Falstaff himself contemplates the wonders of breaking wind. This layer of antics was superbly realised, complete with coloured cell phones, slick scooters and gay waiters (a bold comic performance from Daniel Wiedenbein).

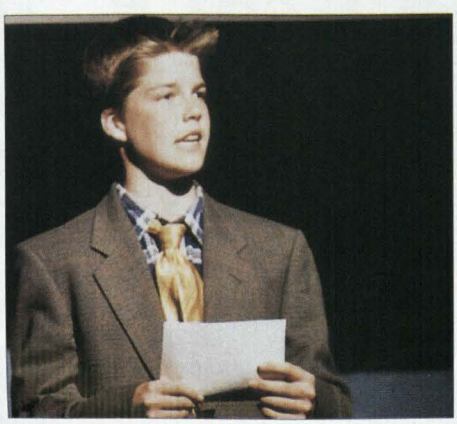
Good and graceful efforts also came from William Atkinson as Earl of Douglas, Lewis Westhoff as Edmund Mortimer, Tyron Bicknell as Owen Glendower and Luke O'Donnell as Sir Richard Vernon. Equally worthy contributions, too, emerged from Richard McKeon (a splendid Poins), and Murray Hansen (Bardolph), Owen Miller (Gadshill), Ben Egan (Peto) and Matthew Sheehan (Chamberlain).

Both the drama and the comedy were well served by a gaggle of good guys, including Henry Grogan and Chris Marchant, with other members of the company doubling as travellers, revellers, inept, gay or handicapped soldiers and fellow VB lovers.

This young company impressed us a year ago with their Kelly Gang. What shines a year on is that they not only got the Shakespeare into their voices, but also into their eyes, faces and hearts. That is a major accomplishment, and they had a ball doing it.

One of the many successes of this production lay in Melvyn Morrow's deft choreography of the theatre of war, a formidable achievement to be "more wondered at".Another fine aspect was the excellent contribution of a team of musicians: Matthew Cook, Gwylim Johnstone, Christopher Malouf, Mitchell Rixon and Adam Rixon. Their lacing of the text and vital scoring of the action was wonderful.

The splendid design of the show (Melvyn Morrow), its reliable and brilliant illumination (Barry Mott) and its execution by Adrian Schofield, were also superbly realised, nobly assisted by the crew, Robert Carter, Paul Chandler, Jack Graham, Edward Grey, Edward Livesey, Lloyd Malouf and Michael Preiss to all of

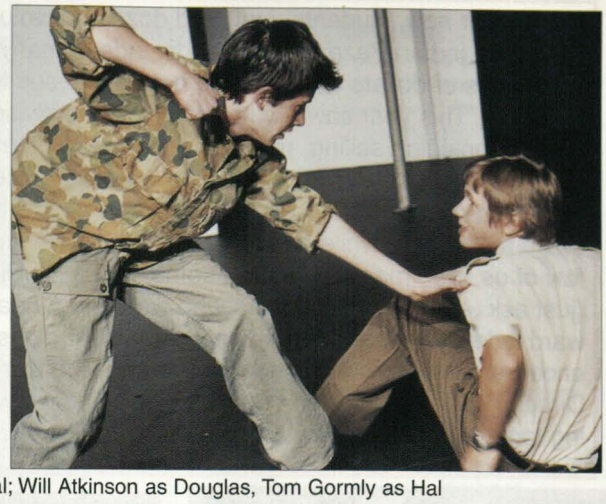


Matthew Millar as Hotspur



Tom Gormly as Hal, Richard McKeon as Poins





Patrick Effeney as Prince John, Leon Joseph as King Henry IV, Tom Gormly as Hal; Will Atkinson as Douglas, Tom Gormly as Hal

whom, significant credit is due.

Such a production cannot grow without the contribution of others to whom thanks and praise are due: Dominique Marturia (terrific costumes), William Macarthur (the scarcely employed prompt), Christopher O'Mahony (IT consultant) and Belinda Clark (Front of House). Gratitude also to Colleen Duffy, Megan Grant, Josephine Joseph, Merrilyn Preiss, Bruce Rixon, Leanne Yates and The Wardrobe, Chatswood.

So pester us with more Popinjays! To all concerned, a loud bravo!

Mr Justin Fleming



Ben Aquilina as Westmoreland



Ben Egan as Peto, Murray Hansen as Bandolph



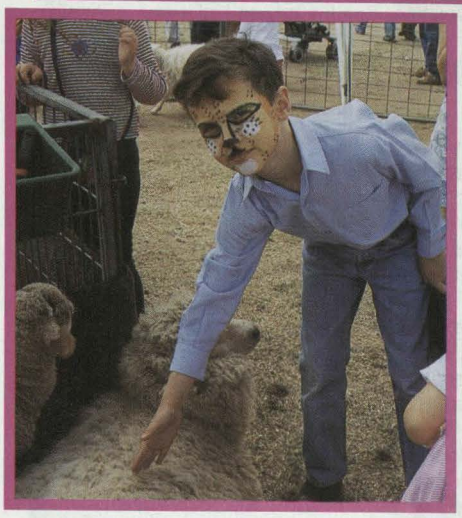
Daniel Wiedenbein as Francis, Richard McKeon as Poins

Cast and Crew

King Henry IV	Leon Joseph
Henry, Prince of Wales	Thomas Gormly
Prince John of Lancaster	Patrick Effeney
Earl of Westmoreland	Benjamin Aquilina
Sir Walter Brunt	Matthew Gallagher
Thomas Percy, Earl of Worcester	Christian Grant
Henry Percy, Earl of Westmoreland	Thomas Rubenach
Henry Percy (son) known as Hotspur	Matthew Millar
Edmund Mortimer	Lewis Westhoff
Earl of Douglas	William Atkinson
Owen Glendower	Tyron Bicknell
Sir Richard Vernon	Luke O'Donnell
Sir John Falstaff	Tyrone Lindqvist
Poins	Richard McKeon
Bardolph	Murray Hansen
Gadshill	Owen Miller
Peto	Ben Egan
Chamberlain	Matthew Sheehan
Francis	Daniel Wiedenbein
Travellers, Falstaff's Irregulars	Ben Egan, Henry Grogan, Chris Marchant, Owen Miller, Matthew Millar, Matthew Sheehan, Lewis Westhoff, Daniel Wiedenbein
Lighting	Barry Mott
Costumers	Dominique Marturia
Set Construction	Adrian Schofield
Stage Crew	Robert Carter, Paul Chandler, Jack Graham, Edward Grey, Edward Livesey, Lloyd Malouf, Michael Preiss
Musicians	Matthew Cook, Jesse Dixon, Gwylim Johnstone, Mitchell Rixon
Prompter	William MacArthur
IT Consultant	Christopher O'Mahony
Front of House	Belinda Clark
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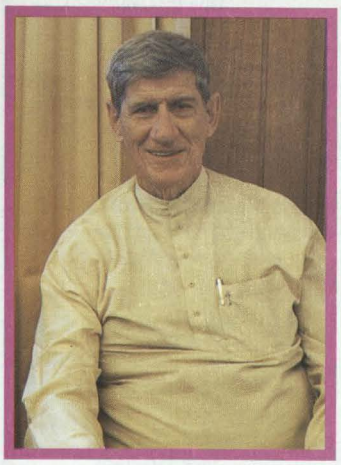
Every year now, students, staff and dozens of volunteers help out at the Indian Bazaar. Thousands, indeed many tens of thousands of dollars are raised to help the Jesuit Missions overseas. This year saw a variety of House activities at the Bazaar including selling milkshakes, sweets, Weetbix eating competitions, the Wonky bike, sumo wrestling, face painting, win a fish competitions, put-put golf, selling show bags and much more. And, while more than $160,000 was raised and a few of us even managed to win some very glittering prizes (just ask a couple of teachers who were seen heading homeward laden with treasures aplenty), the most pleasant experience from the day was knowing, as Fr Steve Curtin SJ, Director of Jesuit Mission wrote in Viewpoint, we were "working together selflessly for a good cause".

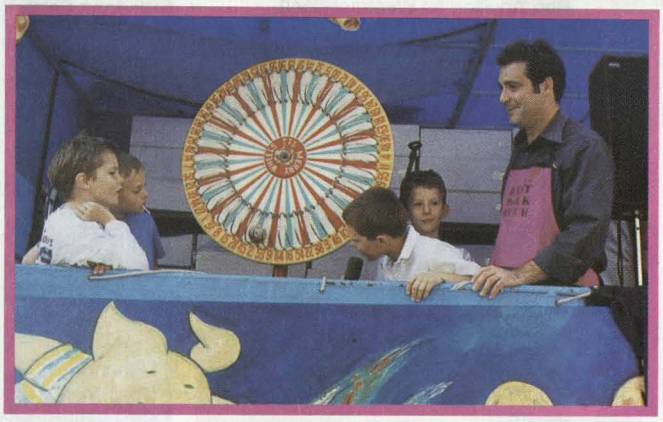


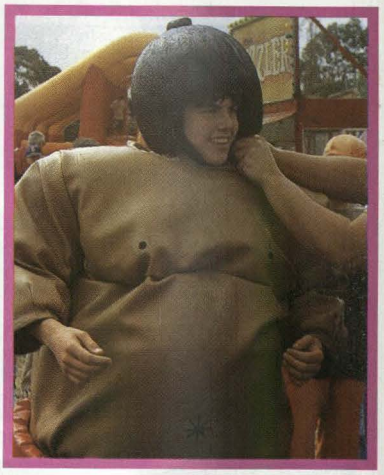


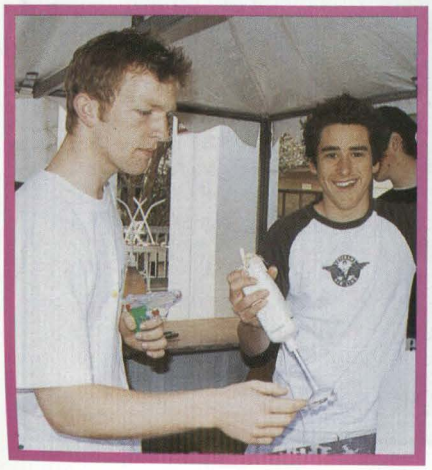


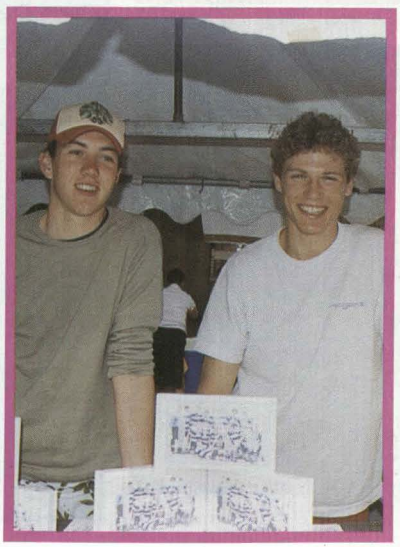














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NICHOLAS AGGAR (2000-2003)

Mr A – an eccentric young lad in many ways, made a name for himself throughout the College as a well known socialite and composer of light verse. While some felt he too oft played the inappropriate role of a 'prima donna', his natural charm and rapier like wit ensured he enjoyed a fond place in the hearts of faculty members and form chums alike. Mr A's engagement with the co-curricular life of the College was fleeting, yet memorable. Following the completion of his tertiary studies, he intends to seek employment in the Bohemian quarter of Berlin as an avant-garde musician.

Jeremy Moore




GREGORY AINSWORTH (1998-2003)

Greg is a talented and versatile young man with an interest in culture as well as sport. He demonstrated his felxibility by being involved in the College orchestra as a dedicated member of the ensemble as well as being Captain of Mountain Bike Cycling and in each of these he showed much skill and great knowledge which he was willing to share with fellow enthusiasts. It's rumoured that his interests outside of the College include American Football and kick-boxing but this has yet to be substantiated.

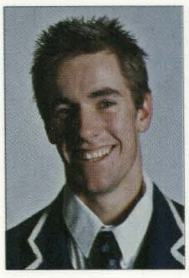
Dan Gregory




TOBY ANDERSON (1998-2003)

Toby (Ando) Anderson joined the College in Year 7 as a day boy and later transferred into the College's boarding community. Whilst at the College, Toby has been involved in such co-curriculum activities as rugby and water polo. He has been a part of the top teams since the beginning. For the past two years he has been in the Ist Water Polo team (including this year). Ando is friends with everyone just as everyone thinks the same of him. He used to love visiting the tennis tuckshop every afternoon where he would shout a group of mates ice creams. Ando should be proud of everything he has done. Good luck with your future employment as a butcher

Simon Angove

SIMON ANGOVE (2002-2003)

LJ came to Riverview from a small town called Sutton in 2002. The new 'imported' drummer boy helped the senior and junior aths teams and the rowing crews to a successful season. He loves his footy and his tennis and is a proud member of the Ist XIII (rugby league). LJ is the most genuine bloke you will ever meet and he is a great mate to all. He is a good fella to be around. Good luck with your cooking career.

Toby Anderson




TOM ARMITAGE (1998-2003)

Edward Thomas Armitage has many nick names. Obviously he is a guy whom people like to personalise but there is much more to Tom than his quirky eagerness and his bright, sparkling attitude. He is a man who makes the best out of the worst and is never afraid to apply his amazing optimism to the most awkward of situations. He is like a brother to me. Tom is a loving, caring human being with a zing and zest for life, be it on the stage or behind it, on the cricket field, in the rowing boat, clashing heads on the footy oval or making amazing goals in the goalie box. His quiet, well sometimes quiet determination and self expectation for the highest of standards makes him truly one of the quiet achievers.

Andrew Cutcliffe




JOSHUA ARNOTT (1997-2003)

Josh has been a member of the Riverview community since he started in Year 6 in 1997. A day boy from Henley, Josh has been an active personality at the College, participating in rugby, rowing and cricket but never allow ing his artistic talents to be shown. However, there were times when he did achieve excellent marks. Josh is a very capable student who will flourish in life after school. He holds all the attributes of one of the best blokes to have gone through Riverview.

Tim Byrne

JAMES AUSWILD (2001-2003)

James came to Riverview in Year 10 from the Scots College. It didn't take James long to commence his prominence in all that the school has to offer competing in both rugby and rowing. His season in the 7th XV rugby was inspiring to other members of the school. James is a good natured and extremely easy going student. His contributions to the boarding school and Chisholm House were second to none.

Tim Harrington

ANDREW BABER (1996-2003)

Bab's is a good friend with great school spirit. He has always been strong and determined to prove his abilities by taking part in activities ranging from Amnesty International, debating public speaking, choir, rugby, cricket and his studies. One of the many awards Babs has received whilst at the College was the Art of Speech prize in 2000. Babs continues to impress me with his confidence and I'll look forward to him taking public speaking to a new level when he announces possibly the greatest rock band the school will ever see – Maldini And the Pirate.

Luke O'Sullivan

WADE BALL (1998-2003)

Wade came from his humble home in Putney to Riverview in Year 7. He has enjoyed the wide variety of subjects he has taken while at the College and seems to have spent endless periods working hard in the library. Wade is always willing to cheer his peers up as he is quick to make a joke and has a very clever mind. In sport he was a valued member of the 6ths soccer team.

Tim Brown

PATRICK BARRETT (2001-2003)

Baz galloped into Riverview from Wagga Wagga at the start of Year 10. He was automatically headhunted by Doc Haines for the spiritually enlightened 3rd Year 10 VIII. The winter saw Pat quickly become buddies with his footy coach and a noticed inside centre. Then, in his first year of rowing, Baz slotted straight into the 3rd IV where he rowed as the third seat . The following rugby season would see him lope into outside centre of the Ist XV. It must be said that he 'sparked' this team to new heights. In his final year of rowing Pat rowed in the Ist IV which managed to come second in a tough field at the Head of the River.

Tom Flynn

PAUL BARTON (1997-2003)

Paul's biggest achievements at Riverview lie in drama where he participated in many Shakespeare festivals and school musicals. No one will forget his awesome crowd-pleasing role as Glad Hand in West Side Story. Since coming to the College in year 6, Paul has also participated in Cricket and Rugby and more recently has been 'strutting his stuff' at Freshwater with the snorkelling club and the SLS crew. Paul is a popular guy, a great mate, and someone who can always put a smile on any face.

Michael McLean

JOHN-PAUL BEAUMONT (1998-2003)

I am fortunate enough to have the highly spirited and superbly natured JP(ness) as a friend for as long as I can remember. A diligent student, JPwas a keen historian and was noted for smiting History exams with the pugnacity of an Aurelian. John Paul will be sorely missed by Hatshepsut, Senemut and various other historical dignitaries like Monty Python when he leaves this fine historical institution for the next year for the dark roonms of ancient Sparta. His friends have no doubt that his uncanny combination of athleticism and intelligence will see him in the career path he chooses to pursue beyond 2003.

Tom Robertson

Valete

MARK BECK (2002-2003)

Since Mark's arrival in Year 11 he has grown as a well-nurtured seedling until now his branches support the form. A friendly young man he is enthusiastic about most sports especially soccer and tennis which he played in his final year at the College. Mark gets along well with everyone and is most generous to all.

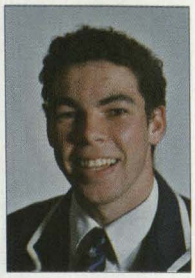
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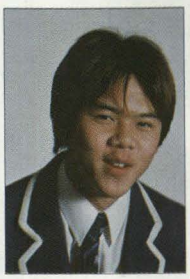




PATRICK BODIMEADE (1997-2003)

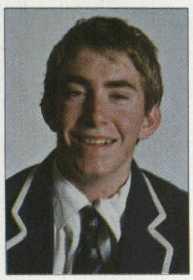
Although not remembered for excessive excellence on the sporting field, Pat placed most of his energy whilst at Riverview into becoming everyone's mate. He was always easily recognised by his tiger striped khaki hot pants. Pat's humble, yet extensive sporting repertoire boasted strong commitment in rugby, sailing, water polo, and surf life saving where it was always appreciated if Pat kept his shirt on. Pat's unselfish nature has made him a genuine mate for so many. *Andrew Cahill*

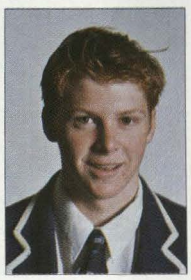




JULIAN BRAUND (1998-2003)

Remember the name and remember the face. It will only be a matter of time until this man is discovered by a top agency and is seen modelling the latest range of flannelette shirts, ruggers and riding boots on the catwalks of Paris, Milan and New York. Coming from the sleepy town of Hernani, Julian found Sydney a welcome change for himself and his sense of fashion. Finally he was able to stand out and offer us Sydney siders something a little different using the U13-U15 Soccer arena to display his talent until a crippling knee ailment kept him sidelined for an extended period. Later, when recovered, he turned his aspirations to rugby. While Braundy's talents on the stage were never detected, many suspect he can deliver an uncanny impersonation of Garth from Wayne's World. *Scott Turner*





NOEL BRENNAN (1997-2003)

Noel Brennan is a perfect example of the whole person, which Riverview strives to produce. Noel is one of the only people in our form to remain in the top sporting team every season since Year 6. His sporting achievements range from GPS tennis premierships to GPS soccer premierships. As a valued member of the Ist soccer team his team mates applaud his outgoing personality. Always well groomed and well dressed, Noel is a young man with a bright future ahead. *Matt Hudson*



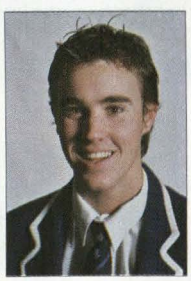


CHRISTOPHER BROADHURST (2000-2003)

Chris Broadhurst came to Riverview in Year 9, 2000 from what he insists is the 'country music capital of Australia'. He instantly made an impression within the Riverview community from academia to sporting fulfillments. His most proclaimed achievements include membership of the Ist XIII league team, as well as his application award for his Year 11 studies. He also holds the most acclaimed award of eating a record 30 Weetbix in one breakfast sitting. A top bloke, Chris has achieved big feats during his time at Riverview.

Anthony Brown

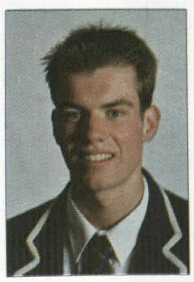




THOMAS BROMLEY (1998-2003)

Brom came to Riverview from St Ives as a dayboy in Year 7. He became a boarder in Year 9. It is in the boarding house and in the social scene that he has never been shy to show his true colours to everyone. Tom is a very open and hard working young man who has found his true passion in the sporting arena. Always excelling in co-curriculum, most notably rugby, Brom has been an invaluable and priceless asset to the spirit and enthusiasm of the school and the boarding house. A Riverview comedian valued by all. *Michael Delaney*





TRAVIS BROOKS-GARRETT (2002-2003)

Trav is a rare chap in the boarding house. His intelligence and strange ability to disappear are matchless. Together we have shared some unforgettable moments, mostly involving the beach, cricket, home delivery fish and chips, and a few deep philosophical conversations. Travis will become something as great as what he deserves - a success story (whether written in his prose or told from the rostrum). He's a great bloke and a mate of many. *Simon Moloney*

NICHOLAS BROTOHUSODO (1997-2003)

In the seven years Broto has been at Riverview he has done much to make his presence known. He has shown considerable talent in both the academic and sporting fields. Rarely does Nic have trouble expressing himself in the most honest possible ways, and often with a sharp sense of humour. Many have found Broto to be an easily approachable friend for a relaxing chat, and, particularly throughout our final year at the College, this has been what has kept many of us on track. In every future aspect of life he wishes to pursue, I wish Brot the very best. *Jack Dixon*

ANTHONY BROWN (2001-2003)

Anthony joined us here at Riverview in year 10. With his flaming red hair he was easily recognised and we soon became good mates. Anthony's leadership among his peers has really come to the fore throughout his senior years and I congratulate his great passion and commitment. His hospitable and friendly nature can be traced to his family - never a dull moment staying at the Browns. His 'moral' stand against attempts to be included in any co-curricular activity have been admirable – his excuse being dedication to studies, which he 'swears on his life' will pay off. *David Fisher*

TIMOTHY BROWN (1996-2003)

Tim came to Riverview in Year 6 and quickly became involved in the extra-curricular activites at the College. Since he began he has been involved in a lots of clubs and sport and says he plans to be a magician one day or perhaps a pilot, but that remains to be seen.

Wade Ball

ADAM BROWNE (2002-2003)

To begin, Adam is a well-liked and extremely respected young man. He has excelled like a rabbit plays the harp – with grace and humour. However, he is far too honest for my liking. Adam is uncomplicated – he shows us who he is. He plays his cards in our view, not celebrating the game but appreciating our friendship. We all value this friendship, because friendliness is his characterising feature. Life can be commonly stressful, but rarely have I ever seen a frown appear above his brow. He will succeed, because it's well-deserved.

Travis Brooks-Garrett

LEON BRUGMAN (2002-2003)

Leon was new to the College last year as he joined us in Term IV, Year 11. He finally saw the light shining from across the river as he was previously attending St Joseph's College. Leon has continued on well with his studies and has made a lasting impression on the Riverview community. He is a true friend and an all round bloke

Adrian Smith

Valete

BENJAMIN BRYANT (1998-2003)

Ben is the ideal Ignatian. He is an academic mastermind and just as equally talented on the sporting field. He was a member of the fencing senior team and also a member of the volleyball team. He's very friendly and enthusiastic as well as a friend you can always rely on.

Damien Healey





ADAM BURNS (1997-2003)

When Adam joined the Riverview community, he added a special splash of cheerfulness to the junior school playground. Hailing from Forestville, Adam charmed his peers with his smile and lucid wit. In sport, he dominated the back line of the soccer field and towered over his opponents making him a fiercesome competitor on the playing field. He is is also an accomplished scholar, accelerating in SDD and obtaining excellent marks in IPT and English.

Rhys Tame





TIMOTHY BYRNE (1998-2003)

Timothy Byrne is a well rounded young man. During his time at Riverview from Year 7 in 1998, Tim has achieved much. Excelling in all co-curricular activities, he has taken part in such activities as athletics, rugby and cycling. Although not appointed to a specific leadership role in Ricci House, Tim has nevertheless taken part in several House activities ranging from athletics to head chef at the Ricci organised barbeque at the Careers Expo. I wish him all the best in his future achievements.

Joshua Arnott

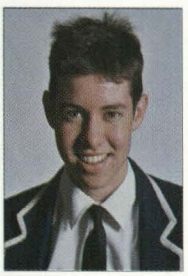


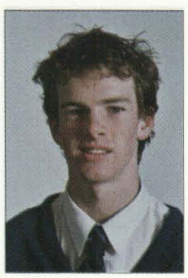


ANDREW CAHILL (1998-2003)

Smiley is a role model for us all. His kind, generous and benevolent nature has seen him become one of, if not the most, likeable and friendly members of our year. His constant search for the magis is evident in all he undertakes, whether it be his monitorship, vice-captaincy, SRC role or his involvement in SVdP. With his involvement in the Symphony Orchestra and his brilliant piano performances at countless musical events, Andrew can be called a true Renaissance man. However, it is his selflessness that is most prominent about Andrew. He is a person you can never feel bad around, never have an argument with, never find anything negative to say about. He always puts others first – if only we could all be like him.

Pascal Herington

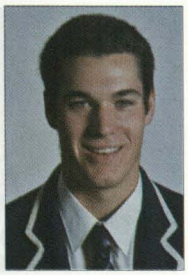


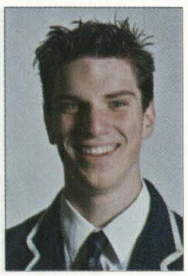


ANGUS CAMPBELL (1998-2003)

'Big' Angy Campbell made his way to Riverview in 1998, standing a clear 2 feet above his classmates. However, he had no problem finding his feet in the classroom with many of his teachers offering him much praise. Gus particularly excelled in rugby, rowing, basketball and french for travel. After a 2nd XV championship in 2002, Gus returned to the water for a second attempt at the Major Renny trophy in the 'V8'. He then decided to show us how talented he is and took off to Athens for the World Junior Rowing championships where he won a gold medal. Gus has truly been an asset to all aspects of the Riverview community.

Ross Walsh





SEAN CARROLL (1996-2003)

Sean Carroll counts himself as an 'original', arriving at 'View in Year 5. He has since excelled in surf life saving, and has also been seen carving through the rugby defence line like a fish through water. Sean can also be noted for his participation in debating and the Arrupe Academy, as well as his involvement in the 2000 Year 9 dance. Sean is a top bloke and I am lucky to call him a great mate. I wish him well in his future career, possibly aquaculture, where I am sure he will excel.

Ben Weber





ALEX CASSEGRAIN (2001-2003)

When Cass first came to our school in Year 10, I realised that here was another name I should add to my friend list. Cassa is a playful, active young man with excellent qualities. He plays soccer and tae kwon do with enjoyment and passion. Sometimes on a Friday night, wrestling with the other guys is his answer to boredom. As a friend Cassa is always reliable and trustworthy. If you need somebody for help, Cassa is always the person to look for. If he owes you something he will definitely pay you back (in terms of pizza) later. Certainly, the school is going to miss Cassa and his forever smiling face.

Wystan Wu

BRIAN CHENG (1998-2003)

A 'late blossomer', Chenga's true social nature only came out in recent years. As the group's 'token Asian' friend, Brian has played along in many fun times. Respected by all who know him, his presence itself is enough to start any party. With skills ranging from chess to snowboarding, Brian is a man for all seasons. A compassionate and caring friend, Chenga is a model among Riverview students.

Brett Thomson, Michael Towey, James Higgins

SEBASTIAN CHEUNG (2000-2003)

'Sebby' joined the Riverview boarding community in 2000 and since then if you had a computer problem this was the man to go to. With his infinite knowledge, Sebby was able to fix any if all problems and if he couldn't do it there and then, he'd "get the software on the weekend". Sebby is a guy who, although enigmatic in his ways, has always been there for a good laugh, while at the same time a fine friend to have a chat with. The sporting career which he held at the College was very much focussed on tennis, and although he was not very 'brilliant' at it, he always tried his hardest, giving of his best.

William Sheehy

THOMAS CLEAR (1998-2003)

Tom Clear is a man of many talents who has the ability to put a smile on anyone's face. A soccer player of much talent, Tom has been known to literally throw himself into the game, no matter what. Tom also has much skill in the sport of cycling and his enthusiasm for this knows no bounds. He's also represented the College in long distance athletics and is a singer/songwriter of much note. With his strong baritone voice he was a valued member of the Ignatian choir.

Charles Passmore

THOMAS CLEMENT (1996-2003)

Thomas Clement left the sunny shores and scenic bridges of Strathfield at a very tender young age to attend Riverview. Thomas is an illustrious and argumentative young man, always standing his own, never being swayed by the general consensus. While Thomas does strive for excellence, he also manages to keep a part of himself firmly placed in his social life, while finding time for his primary pastime- Mathematics. We can certainly say Thomas is an outstanding young man, a pleasure to know and a pleasure to have known.

Anthony Vumbaca

TIMOTHY CORCORAN (1998-2003)

Tim Corcoran came to Riverview in Year 7 as a country boarder from Boorowa. It was hard for Tim to leave his many friends and relatives behind, however, with his bright red hair and his unique attitude Tim fitted in right away, excelling in many College activities. The highlight of his time here would have to have been on the sporting field where he was part of the unstoppable, undefeated 1st XV. With his distinctive hair, he was 'on fire' all season. Tim was also a member of both premiership winning senior athletics teams for 2002 and 2003. He was also a proctor in the boarding house and a funny, top bloke to all. A true asset to the College.

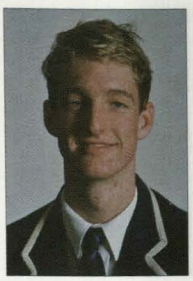
Tom Cullen

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THOMAS CRASTI (1998-2003)

Tom has been the 'star 'of Riverview athletics since his frame morphed into an ultra-dextrous combination of flail-like limbs. A determined runner and worker, Tom lives by the motto: 'train hard, study harder'. While he occasionally stumbles over the metaphorical pressure obstacle, Tom nonethless always manages to achieve his goals. Unquestonable in his commitment and mentality, Tom is a person who, when challenged, shall always meet his match . *Jung Ma*

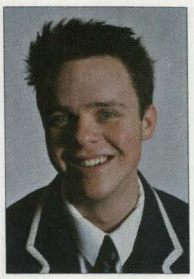




CHRISTOPHER CROKE (1996-2003)

Christopher's appearance would lead one to believe that he is a ghost. However, for a mere spirit, he has certainly achieved a lot. He has spent two years in the 1st Debating, GPS Ist, NSW and Australian sides. This year, he was named captain of the Australian side. He has consistently received academic prizes as well as for dux. Chris is an academic high flyer. With such a CV it is easy to look past Chris the person. Despite his abilities he shows great humility. He has always been a most caring and concerned friend to all, offering sensible advice. Both Riverview and his peers have been privileged to share in the 'Croke experience'.

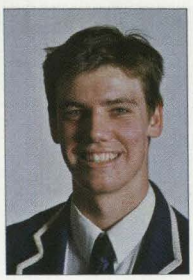
Mark Gallagher





THOMAS CULLEN (2000-2003)

When coming to Riverview in Year 9, Tom Cullen, the country boy from Coonamble, fitted in straight away without any worries. During his time at the College he achieved many things: he stroked the Ist IV in 2002 winning the NSW championships and was a member of the Ist VIII in 2003. He was elected a Proctor in Year 12. Tom also spent countless hours in the Woods practising his trumpet and this opened another window of opportunity to be part of the school band. Tom's good nature and funny laugh will always be remembered by his mates. *Tim Corcoran*

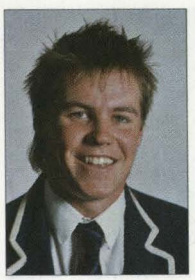




OLIVER CURTIS (1997-2003)

Oli first graced the Riverview grounds as a Year 6 student. Since then he has excelled in all aspects of co-curricular and curricular activities owing his success to the quiet study atmosphere of the beach. Oli has always been a day boy at heart and left boarding in Year 12 when he realised he had he best car in the year to drive to school. Oli has maintained a balanced lifestyle during his final two years at the College and will long be remembered for introducing the 'mullet' to Riverview.

James Fitzgerald and Ed Tighe

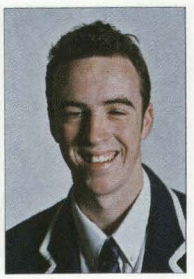




DOMINIC CUSCHIERI (1998-2003)

At Riverview, Dom did nothing but help us at whatever we were pursuing – especially supporting sport. From cricket to croquet, Dom was the 'sports head'. Whenever 'Sports Tonight' was on, Dom would help me with any sporting queries I had. Dom didn't just watch sport: he was the Steve Waugh of Riverview; the John Eales of rugby and Nick Green of rowing. Dom supported GPS sport as well, wading through crowds to urge on the teams to win. Dom wasn't just a mate to me but to 1500 other fellas as well with that rosey cheeked smile of his. *Robert Dawes*



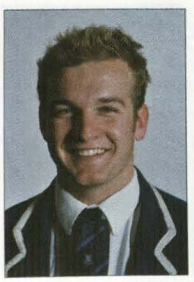


ANDREW CUTCLIFFE (1998-2003)

Andrew, or as I like to call him, Habib, is one of the most genuine caring, honest, considerate and loving people that I have had the pleasure of knowing, let alone befriending. His welcoming and beautifully natured personality has attracted all that come in contact with him and has made him a much cherished peer among the Riverview community. His achievements in the arts, rowing and indeed everything he has done have been of the greatest level and something he should be proud of. Despite his successes he always manages to be very humble in the way he accepts them, which adds that extra spark to Habib's charm. He is truly a zub (inspiration) to me, as well as to everyone else.

Marc Malouf





ROBERT DAWES (1999-2003)

Since arriving at Riverview's pleasant pastures as a metallic mouthed 13 year old, Robert to this day remains an obscurely packaged enigma. An exclusive member of the tightly knit boarding community for the past five years, Robert is no stranger to foreign sights and smells. His artistic developments, based around a strong affection for the design and technology centre, will never cease to amaze his peers. An Adam Sandler admirer and ferrari fanatic, Robert certainly lives life in the fast lane. Riverview has been a true test of his character, and it's pleasing to state that Rob has passed with flying colours. *Dominic Cuschieri*

MICHAEL DELANEY (1998-2003)

Michael Delaney is one of the most genuine blokes at Riverview. Michael is a very hard worker, who has achieved highly, both in the classroom and on the sporting field. He was a member of the Ist XV for consecutive years, with his fellow team mates all agreeing that he was a valuable asset to the team, leading and showing support when times were tough. Michael is a sincere man who is always willing to lend an ear. Mr and Mrs Delaney you should be very proud of the young man Michael has become. He is an outstanding gentleman who has a lot to offer and a bright future ahead of him.

Thomas Bromley

THOMAS DICKER (1998-2003)

What strikes me most about Tom, who is known by many as Dix, is his abounding facial expressions. Tom's plethora of accomplishments at Riverview began when he stunned peers and teachers alike with his acclaimed short story, 'White', which earned him publication in the widely distributed 2000 Alma Mater. In 2001, Tom again astounded us with his film script, 'Black and White' which added a new colour to his repertoire. Tom's consideration of others, the ease with which he can share a joke, and his impersonation of Golum make him a great guy to spend time with.

Carl O'Sullivan

JACK DIXON (1997-2003)

To the untrained eye, Jack is the personification of the truly hard hitting sports he so readily indulges in - basketball and soccer. To those who know him, however, he is a soft, sensitive and caring person who is a friend of many. He will long be remembered for his vintage Mistubishi he'd park in the Year 12 parking lot as well as his heroic and effortless stroke plays he demonstrated on the handball courts. *Matthew Whelan*

MICHAEL DOHERTY (1997-2003)

In 1997, a modest and quiet Gladesville boy came to SIC. Since this beginning MD participated in a tremendous variety of hobbies and sports. Dohers did it all from drama to cricket and cycling to golf – there wasn't one thing Mike was afraid of volunteering for. In 2002-2003, Dohers captained the 3rd XI to an almost undefeated season, with his well known 62 being his undisputed highlight. He is also a passionate member of MacKillop House trying hard to be involved in many inter-House comps. Dohers has a great 'never say die' attitude to life, which makes him such a great bloke and an even better mate. *Mark Scott*

PETER DORAN (1998-2003)

Pete has been an exceptional member of the Riverview community in all areas. He has excelled in various co-curriculum activities and was a member of all A teams in both basket ball and rugby up until the opens. Pete continued basketball to be a dominant player in the Ists and 2nds. However, due to injuries he was not able to play rugby and switched to association football where he has done extremely well. He is very academic and a loyal friend who puts on a great party. Not one person who has met him can say that they do not like him.

Josh Passaro

Valete




LUKE EDWARDS (1997-2003)

Luke started his illustrious career at Riverview in 1997 and has managed to reach his potential at the school through being involved in everything. Intellectually, he was spectacular, excelling in all his subjects especially his 4 unit maths, 3 unit french, and software. Luke was also a social person making good friends with everyone he came into contact with, including the teaching staff. He was involved in all of Riverview's prestigious co-curricular activities including debating, duke of ed (bronze, silver and gold), Arrupe Academy, Ignatian Children's Holiday Camp, french exchange and vice captain of Dalton House. He also endeavoured to do his best in sport trying out for over five different sports. Luke is an adventurous and active person and will, I'm sure, excel in all areas of life . *Warwick Williams*




JAMES ENGLEBRECHT (1997-2003)

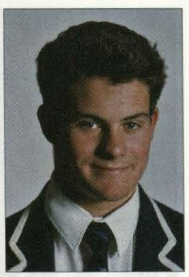
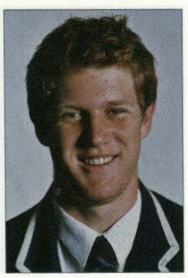
James started off in Year 6 with two other blokes in his year in boarding. He quickly adapted to this new type of lifestyle and has enjoyed his time here. In sport, he is often prone to injury, but when healthy he makes the top teams in basketball and rugby. Now in Year 12, he has achieved a lot and has a bunch of good mates. Living next to him this year, I have got to know him better and I have to say he is a really good bloke.

Angus McKay



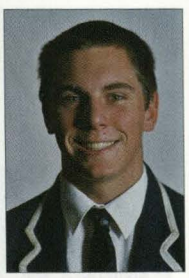

EDWARD FARRELL (1998-2003)

Ed Farrell or Ed is quite well known for he is one of the few blokes in the form who is politically active and indeed very computer literate. Ed is a man of compassion, helping those less fortunate through his involvement in Night Patrol. He is also exceptionally skilled in debating. He was awarded a DEAS silver award, symbolising his attitude to the Outback. Wherever he goes, there will always be someone yelling out "Hey Ed". He is just simply one of the most recognised and popular blokes in the form. There is no question about that. Who knows, he may just be running for the job of Prime Minister in the future. *Sebastian Cheung*

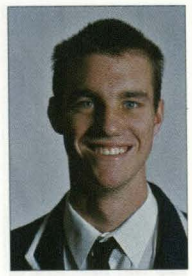
SAM FARRELL (1996-2003)

Sam is well known at the College for his leadership of the surf life saving squad, his ability to swim faster than most teachers and his long, inspirational speeches before a surf carnival. Going into boarding in term 2 of Year 12, Sam found his niche at Riverview. He was selected in the 3rd XV and played a cameo role in the 10th XV whenever he could fit this into his vigorous study routine. Sam will be remembered for his no-nonsense approach to any situation and the frequent pearls of wisdom he offers to his friends. *Simon Jones*




TOM FARRELL (1996-2003)

Tom came to Riverview in 1996 and since then has involved himself in a wide variety of co-curricular activities. A keen sportsman, Tom was heavily involved in surf life saving where he gained his bronze medallion instructors award and was a key member of the open beach sprint relay team. He also enjoyed playing Rugby. Tom is a willing and generous friend who is really enthusiastic and likes to help out.

LACHLAN FERGUS (1998-2003)

Lachlan is a festive fellow. He has endeared all with his absurd antics and goal scoring efforts. He is known by all as a funny guy even if the joke is on him. He played soccer and cricket in his younger years, but on seeing the light he moved to the more physical sports like basketball and rugby, always using his head to get through the defence. In his last year he became a boarder and has grown to be an inspiring young man and a great friend. *Jack Mann*

JAMES FERGUSON (1998-2003)

They only breed them like this in Cooma. However, while he may look a little 'sheepish' James is a mean rower, leading the mighty 3rd VIII to victory at the Gold Cup in 2002. These skills in boats made up for his lack of co-ordination on ice skates. Fergus is a true blue 'View boy boarder with a heart of gold and a value for the spirit and soul of the College. He will be greatly missed. He's one of those champion fellaas that I was lucky to know. *Simon Jenkins*

ADRIAN FIORITO (1998-2003)

Adrian has developed into a mature, thoughtful and generous person who will long be remembered for his amazing goal-scoring talents on the soccer field. A consistent achiever, he has been working hard over the past two years and often says, "I will only go to Leichhardt once a month". Adrian's heroes are Robert de Niro and Robbie Baggio. His friendly face within the community, his wit, charm and great rapport with many staff members have made Adrian one of the most likeable characters in the St Ignatius' College underworld.

Geoffrey Storr

DAVID FISHER (1998-2003)

David joined the College as a boarder from Comboyne in Year 7. He quickly became a valuable member of the College, with outstanding leadership abilities shown through his MacKillop House captaincy. By far his greatest achievement, however, was a strategic scholarship to the Jesuit Mission in India in the Christmas holidays where he skillfully contracted malaria. Yet despite this impeccable timing he still managed to gain top marks in his studies. *Chris Broadhurst*

JAMES FITZGERALD (1997-2003)

The Ignatian vessel started for James when he was in Year 6. From the very start, James made an impression that he wanted to leave a mark at the College. He became involved in as much as he could on the sports field and in the classroom. Academically, James works hard. On the sporting field he has also done well in being part of the top rugby teams and cricket teams throughout his years at the College. This year he was in the 1st cricket and 2nds rugby. Next year, James is doing a gap year in England. *Chris Needham*

JUSTIN FLEMING (2002-2003)

I can honestly say that no matter what I write, it won't be speaking highly enough of this great bloke. The moment Justy entered Riverview, he immediately displayed his strong character, sporting skills and most of all his excellent communication and leadership skills. He was named captain of boarders and was also very talented on the footy field as he was 'best forward' of the 17A team in 2002. He shall be remembered for the wonderful speech he delivered to the school assembly, where he announced the war cry leaders and tried to sing John Williamson's famous song, "Give me a home among the gum trees". Justin has achieved a lot during his three years at Riverview - he has gained the respect of all and is in many ways a legend. *Michael Roche*

MARK FLOWER (1998-2003)

Mark loves trout fishing. However, with fishing not on offer at Riverview, he chose the nearest thing, rowing. And it is here that he blossomed, becoming world renowned for his unmatched sculling ability on the way to stroking the Ist VIII in Year 12. Mark is rapidly approaching genius status. This can be credited to a self realisation that optimum knowledge absorption levels occur whilst asleep and Mark has endeavoured to maximise this in all sorts of situations. He is a truly humble, compassionate and friendly guy who is great fun to be around. *Tom van Beek*

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THOMAS FLYNN (2001-2003)

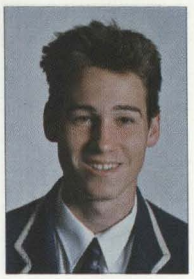
'Fullinny' mosied into Riverview from Mudgee at the start of Year 10. He quickly got a name for telling high quality stories of his travels, while enlisting himself in the 3rd Junior VIII and the 16A rugby team. Throughout his time at Riverview, Tom established himself as a keen bean sportsman and leader doing the ethical right thing in all situations. As a member of the boarding community, Tom became a proctor in Year 12. And in the day school he was appointed Gonzaga House captain. Fullinny was undefeated in 2002 in both the 3rd IV and the 2nd XV Rugby, while in 2003 he gained selection in the 2nd VIII. After school he hopes to travel mainly to Greece and Tonga. *Pat Barrett*





ANDREW FORD (2000-2003)

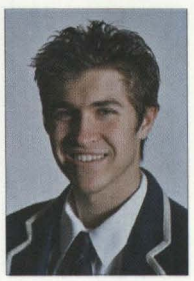
Andrew Ford came to Riverview from the bustling regional centre of Condoblin as a boarder in Year 9. From the onset of his arrival, Fordy applied himself very astutely to his studies. If he wasn't studying he was running, featuring consistently in the Athletics team. Fordy was also one of the 2003 war cry leaders as 'Iggy the Moocher'. He is one of Riverview's most celebrated individuals. I'm sure that what ever he ventures into after school he will be successful. *Chris Mallett*

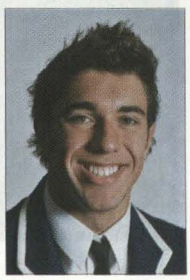




MICHAEL FORSYTH (1998-2003)

This Killara boy came to Riverview in 1998 as a shy, modest sportsman and by 2003 he'd become something almost the opposite. Michael was inevitably known for his uncanny tennis skills, being a part of three Ist premiership titles. He came out of his shell in the latter years of school, excelling in both the sporting arena and the classroom. Mikah was a key member of the 2002 premiership winning 2nd Soccer team and the 2003 invincible Claver soccer team. He is a priceless person in this year, as he likes to tells us, and he is a true friend. *Mark Scott*





NICHOLAS FRAME (1998-2003)

Over the years, Nick has changed considerably, especially in his musical tastes. Initially his interests were in rock, then rap and now he likes all that beads and fluff type music. A keen and versatile sports enthusiast, Nick has enjoyed both rugby as a valued member of the 8ths team in 2002 and athletics. To us he will always remain a lad who is young at heart - or as the song says, the boy 'who will never grow up'.

Jeremy Skellern and Nathan Grant





MICHAEL FRANCIS (1996-2003)

It is hard to sum up a man as legendary as the legendary Michael 'sorry maate' Francis. Renowned for his ability to come up with memorable quotes for any occasion, it is no wonder that Malta's favourite son became so revered at Riverview. He started in Year 5 with the aim of clean sweep with all the Valete prizes, and although he narrowly missed out, many would still be proud. Indeed, he has had many imitators, but he will always be the 'maate' remembered by those who knew him well as someone who could always draw a laugh, whether he intended to do so or not.

Michael Reardon





JON FRAZER (1998-2003)

Jon Frazer or Fraz spent his earlier years at the College studying for his future career in Law. In Year 10 he realised there was something more fun than Shakespeare - soccer. His coach, Mr Rob Stuart fondly remembers Jon's ability to stay clean after a soccer match regardless of the weather and ground conditions. Jon is a smart, caring person who has shown maturity and leadership as a MacKillop House vice captain. He is always ready with a smile and willing to help a friend.

Bradley Howard

TIMOTHY FRENCH (1997-2003)

Timothy French migrated to Australia in 1985 from colonial Tasmania. His arrival was initially met with little interest but after picking up the local dialect, communication was greatly enhanced and social activities increased enormously. Personal activity within the school has been glorified through his metaphysical ability to procrastinate and achieve absolutely nothing. He was involved in many College productions, culminating with his splendid performance in "Anything Goes" in 2001. Tim will be remembered by his outlandish hair and intense smile which combine to resemble Frodo Boggins. He also has the amazing ability to create or manipulate anything on his "without graphics card' laptop. *William Sheehy*

DAVID GADDIN (2001-2003)

David Gaddin, an individual, a figure of excellence, charismatic. His brief stint at this fine institution has seen him rise from the dark, damp shell of shyness to thrust himself into all the school has to offer, encountering the occasional misadventure. David has brightened many people's lives here. His consistent diligent work ethic has impressed students and staff alike. He will be remembered as the devil playing charades who has drawn the angel card. He will also be remembered as a great mate. *Sam Monaghan*

MARK GALLAGHER (1997-2003)

Occasionally, Riverview produces those Superman-type figures whose achievements transcend time and place. Mark is not this man. If you ask him, however, he "could have/would have/should have" been this man. That's not to say that Mark's school career was defined by anything but success. With eastern sophistication, he powered many an SIC rugby team (most often those beginning with 'NSW' ...). As a barnstorming cricketer, overworked academic and esteemed philosopher, Mark captured the imagination of his peers; was a friend to many and a loyal companion to all. That said, Mark did one thing above all others: in the words of Ice Cube, he "kept it real". *Christopher Croke*

CARL GIAMMARACO (1998-2003)

During his time at Riverview, Gia has been a real talent of the sporting field. With persistence and determination, he represented the College at the highest level in rugby (the girls said he was always in the Ists), water polo and swimming. Carl's leadership skills are enviable – he was elected captain of Dalton House and captain of the Ist water polo team. Carl's most important feature was his ability to be the only Riverview boy not to miss a weights session. Between Gia's hectic sporting and social life, he has been intensely involved in the theatrical side, having roles in musicals and plays. My mate Gia is a great kid who was not one to enjoy late Saturday nights, even though young women find him most attractive. Gia is loved by all his peers and is a real stand out from the other students.

Thomas Manion

STEPHEN GILLESPIE (1998-2003)

When Steve first came to Riverview he not only excelled in the areas of Maths and Physics but also turned his attention to sport. Now, after six years of footy, Steve has become a strapping, tall lad, in the Gillespie tradition. He spent four years in surf life saving, where, while it may not always have been his forte, he was often up there with the greats. While Steve's academic commitments may have fluctuated over the years, today he is one of the College's keen and eager students. Steve has partaken in many school activities and is a keen sideline player at GPS athletics and many a 1st XV game. Overall, he made great use of his time here at the College and his Machiavellian smile will be remembered by many. *Will Magnus*

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NATHAN GRANT (1997-2003)





One cannot think Nathan without thinking shot put. For as long as anyone can remember, Nathan has been breaking and defending records vigorously to the the point of going through people's diaries and changing the printing error made in one of them, telling all, "that's my record!" Nathan's last years at school have been riddled with injuries, culminating in a shoulder reconstruction. His life at school can be summed up by a simple plan: "I don't wanna be told to grow up. And I don't wanna change. I just wanna have fun."

Jeremy Skellern and Nick Frame

DANIEL GREGORY (1998-2003)

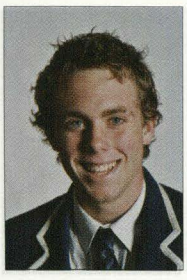




Daniel will be sorely missed by the school when he leaves, not only at major sporting events where he was a popular figure; but also in the classroom, where he was also good. Daniel's only regret from his time at Riverview is that, although he excelled in sailing, including earning a prestigious 'consideration of others' award he never made 'prop' in the school's 1st rugby team. We all wish Daniel well for the future and hope he succeeds as a journalist - perhaps fulfiling his dream to write for influential publications.

Gregory Ainsworth

NICHOLAS GUGLIELMINO (2001-2003)



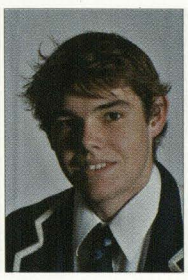


Nick arrived at the College in Year 10 from the Griff. His election as vice captain of Gonzaga House showed that he possessed several qualities of Ignatian leadership. Nick has wisely used his outgoing bounciness as a ferocious weapon on the football field, earning three consecutive premierships in the College 1st XI as well as with GPS 1st XI honours for three years. Captaining both these sides in his final year gave him the confidence to become more adventurous in what he eats, he has now moved beyond Nonna's famous pasta to consuming delicacies such as roast chicken.

Brendan Homer

DANIEL GUNN (1997-2003)

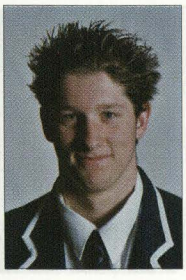


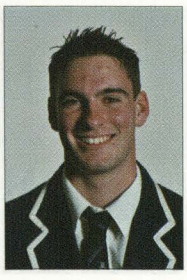


Daniel is a young man whose name has become synonymous with the word first - he was for instance the first 'jock' to win the coveted position of Chess champion. He also insists that he was that he was responsible for bringing long hair to Riverview. A young man of deep insights, Dan was a member of Amnesty and the ISDA senior B debating team. He has a fine academic record and a meritorious record as a member of the 7ths soccer team and the 5ths cricket.

Nicholas Prior

LUKE HANNAN (1998-2003)



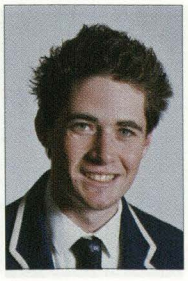


Luke has been a well respected student since his arrival at the College in1998. He has participated in many co-curricular activities including music and rugby but his main passion is water polo where he has represented the school's 1st team since Year 10. He has gained selection in the CIS, NSW and Australian teams. Luke was also part of the premiership winning swimming team. He is a loyal and trustworthy mate and has many plans for the future.

Joe Natoli

CHRISTOPHER HAPPELL (1997-2003)





Chris Happell entered Riverview in 1998 as a quiet individual with a natural ability in the sport of golf. However, since then, Chris has changed from a quiet boy to a confident young man. He excels in business studies and most probably will enter the business world in his future profession. Chris is a great guy and an even greater mate. I am positive he will succeed in everything he does.

Adam Rixon

HENRY HARDING (2000-2003)

Henry is Riverview's most vertically gifted student. He came here in Year 9 and while most students were reaching for the stars, Henry was touching them. His laid-back, humourous attitude is admired by all his peers. His tall ambitions have led to much success in sport including first place in the Gold Cup regatta. Henry's captivating personality as well as his success in both academic and sporting pursuits have defined him as one of Riverview's most well-rounded students. His hardworking attitude and friendly personality will ensure he reaches lofty heights.

Tom Tuxworth

JOHN HARPHAM (1998-2003)

Since John came to Riverview in Year 7, he has involved himself heavily in school life, committing to music, rugby, soccer and cricket. In 2002, John was a member of the 2nd XI cricket team. He was also a talented trombone player in the prestigious stage band and took part in the unforgettable UK music tour. John has been a top golfer in his day and will always be a best mate.

Michael McLean

TIM HARRINGTON (1998-2003)

Tim came to 'View in 1998 from Haberfield and since this day, has become one of the greatest Riverboys in the school. This is present through his sporting, co-curricular and academic achievements. Tim is one of those boys who can be successful in any sporting arena, whether it be his incredible kicking boot in the 1st XV, his speed and power as a GPS athlete, or his enviable skill and leadership as captain of the Ist XI. He is also an expert bongo player. He is really liked by all his mates.

Thomas Manion

ALEX HARRIS (1996-2003)

Alex joined the Riverview community in 1996 when he was in Year 5. Alex is the epitome of a Riverview student. No matter what it is, Alex always gives 100%. He did well in everything he attempted. In the sporting arena. He participated in rugby and cricket, but found his true calling in rowing (2nd VIII) in which he was always the stroke. He also enjoyed volleyball. Academically, Alex is among the 'elite' of the school. Anyone who took the time to get to know him, would have to acknowledge that he is one of the best blokes to go through Riverview.

Tim Byrne

CHARLES HARRIS (1998-2003)

Charles has been a best mate of mine all through primary and high school. Over time I have seen his generosity grow and grow. It is such a crucial part of his life that he always puts others before himself. He is always playing the negotiator, and doesn't take sides. Charlie is probably known to our year as 'breakdancer'.His extraordinary talent with this particular individual sport signposts Charlie's personality. He is also the latest movecritic, always talking your ears off about the latest movies he's seen, not to mention supplying you with a whole lot of quotes.

David Wright

JOHN HARTMAN (1998-2003)

John Hartman talked his way into Riverview in 1998 as Alex Hartman's brother. Since then he has competed at the highest levels in surf life saving, GPS athletics as a member of the 4x100m team, cricket, rugby and debating where his main achievements were in ISDA and GPS debates in Year 9. His speed and agility were not only seen on the athletics track, but more importantly in his victory in the national beach sprints in 2003. John has an unusual relationship with his teachers as he often assumes total power over all and at times the teachers somehow ended up in more trouble than John did. His leadership skills are enviable - he was vice captain of his House and president of the Hot Potato Shop.

Thomas Manion

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DAMIEN HEALEY (2002-2003)

Damien has plenty of talent and is a very conscientious person who will leave his mark on Riverview. He is best known for his outgoing personality and his excellent driving skills. He is without doubt one of the popular people in his year.

Steffan Pavlovic





PASCAL HERINGTON (1998-2003)

Pascal has always called Riverview home. From Year 7, he has shown excellence in Music, Drama, Maths and leadership, shining well above all others. In sport, his commitment and over-enthusiastic approach to rugby, water polo, soccer and tennis usually created much controversy. Pascal has been the face of the last three musicals. He has been an outstanding captain of Chisholm House and a 'shiner' in the Ignatian community. His mateship has, is and continues to make us all the more fortunate.

Andrew Cahill





JAMES HIGGINS (1997-2003)

School simply wouldn't be the same without James. He began at Riverview in Year 6 and from the outset was destined to be just one of the many students in his year. However, in Year 9, Amnesty International stepped in and thanks to the efforts of Mr Turner, James is now a compassionate and caring young man heading towards great things. He has excelled in soccer as well as many other aspects of his school life. His humour and friendship have surely been invaluable to all whom he has met on his endeavours.

Brett Thomson





PATRICK HO (1996-2003)

Patrick is a man of few words, however, what he lacks in volume, he makes up for in action. Whether it is through his skills on the basketball court or through his social stamina, Pat always has lots of excitement. Throughout his time at Riverview, Pat has become involved in many activities including soccer: Never without a laugh, Pat Ho's friendliness and humour always bring a smile to the day.

Ed King





DOMINIC HOGAN (1998-2003)

Feared and revered by teachers and students alike, owing to his name and his uncanny resemblance to the 'Big Daddy Shoges", it was always going to be difficult for Dom to get a penal – and he never did. Not satisfied with the limited perks and plaudits his name brought, Dom decided to prove himself through other means: drama, community service, Arrupe, ICHC , blah, blah, blah. Dom found his passion in soccer, but not content with the fame, money and adulation this brought him, he also took up water polo. He was sorely disappointed. His next conquest will be the English club scene on a Gap year next year. Watch out world.

Jon Frazer





BRENDAN HOMER (2001-2002)

Brendan came to the College in 2001 as a promising young student. He was welcomed into the boarding community with open arms and friendly smiles. With his excellent and knowledgeable academic abilities, Brendan has striven for and achieved success in all his classroom activities, especially excelling in his artistic works.

Bill Lenehan





ANTHONY HORTON (1998-2003)

Anthony came to Riverview in Year 7 and over the years has been involved in a wide variety of co-curricular activities. As a keen sportsman he has enjoyed sailing, soccer, rugby and basketball and in his earlier years was a member of the college choir. Academically, Anthony has excelled to a certain extent. He was awarded a prize for Writing Mastery in Year 10. One of the highlights of his time at Riverview was the trip he made with his family to Nepal.

Charlie Harris

BRADLEY HOWARD (2000-2003)

Brad joined Riverview in Year 9 and quickly made friends with all. He excelled in tennis and rugby and was part of the 2nd tennis premiership team. Brad's determination and smile which glowed on the court was brought to school on a weekly basis without fail. Brad hopes to find a career in psychology and medicine where he should excel due to his keen nature and sharp intellect. Brad was extremely active socially during his school years and had lots of enthusiasm which he shared with everyone around. This quote by one of his peers summarises Brad: 'how tropical of you'

Dominic Hogan

MATTHEW HUDSON (1996-2003)

Huddo, as we know him, began in Riverview in Year 5. He's been a member of the two premiership winning tennis teams, one which broke the record for the most points earned in a season. Matt has also played a vocal role in most clubs and societies at the school including Vinnies and the HPS. Matt has impacted on the Riverview and surrounding community in a huge way. A popular young man, Matt is always quick with a smile and a joke. He has left a lasting impression on both teachers and students. He is a man's mate and a future champ.

Noel Brennan

ALEXANDER JAHSHAN (2001-2002)

Alex (Squishy) came to Riverview in Year 10. He has made many friends and represented the school in sports such as soccer, basketball and rugby. He tries hard with his school work and overall does well. He is a good bloke and not many would say otherwise. At school if you asked who Alex Jashan was, not many people would know, because his nick name is 'Squishy'. Even on an E.D. fax, my Dad sent it, he wrote the name 'squishy' and the Division Master knew what he was on about. We've had some good times while at Riverview – Alex is a good friend and has a great sense of humour which he sometimes takes OTT (over the top).

Sam Lloyd

SIMON JENKINS (1997-2003)

Simon arrived at Riverview halfway through Year 7. Since then he has built up an extensive reputation of being disorganised and late while somehow managing to stay on top of everything. Simon actually used his time at the College to the full and had extensive experiences in many areas. In drama he participated in several school productions and excelled in the Shakespeare festival. He has also been part of the GPS athletics team two years running. Jenks also rowed for the school and in his final season, as a member of the 3rd VIII, he had an illustrious experience, winning Head of the River, and the state championship. This year, Simon won the award for the most improved rower. He was vice captain of Owen and next year goes on a Gap year.

James Ferguson

MICHAEL JOHNSON (1998-2003)

Born in Santiago, Chile, Mike is a typical South American – funny, joyful and full of passion with a sense of humour very different from that of your typical Aussie. Mike participated in a lot of sports at the College including being an active player of rugby. Cool, funny, optimistic and never sad is the Johnson I know. His attitude towards life is one that would lead to a bright future perhaps in music or the DJ industry.

Chris Law

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NICK JOHNSTON (1998-2003)





Nick began at Riverview in 1998, an enthusiastic student of Mr Turner's homeroom. Since then, he has involved himself in a wide range of co-curricular activities from AFL to rowing, while a the same time excelling in his studies. Amnesty International, Hot Potato Shop and debating are a few of the many clubs Nick has involved himself in. On top of school, Nick juggled many external business ventures. His good sense of humour and friendly personality ensured that he had a good rapport with the rest of the form and his teachers.

Will O'Loughlin

SIMON JONES (1998-2003)





Jonesy is a man of courage, speaking his mind to whoever, regardless of what he is thinking. He is renowned for a number of things at the College, one of which is being known as the driver of the most sought-after car at school. More importantly he has excelled in his ability to play the guitar. It was in Year 11, after a trip to America, where he fine-tuned his musical talents, that he performed at our semi-formal in front of an ecstatic crowd. Simon is also a keen member of the College snorkelling club, improving his leadership skills as being the captain of the 'Discovering Shipwrecks' department of the club.

Sam Farrell

HUGH KENNEDY (1998-2003)

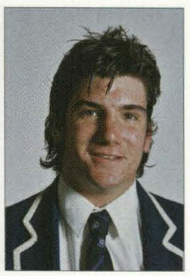


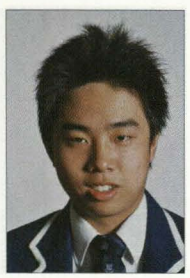


Hugh Kennedy is a colourful character from Coonamble. He has more nicknames than any one else in the school, but I will not mention them here. Hugh is a very gifted sportsman, playing cricket and rugby. He was appointed captain of the 2nd XV for his his ability to lift his team by trying to hold his head up, when times are tough. He was also invited to travel to New Zealand with the 1st XV for a rugby camp which he enjoyed very much. Hugh has got a lot out of Riverview from what he has put in. He has been well rewarded for his 'work hard, play hard' attitude. He is a good mate.

John Ryan

GRAYDEN KENNEY (1998-2003)





G has the best mullet anyone could ever wish for. He is the inspiration and aspiration of the whole boarding community and his Bruce Springstein-like appearance makes him popular with all the ladies. Grayden want s to be great at everything. If he aspires to be a great footy player and mathematician, who are we to stop him. He is a dream jackaroo and loves horses. Not only is he the rustic country gentleman, he's also a good footy player and an excellent mate.

Andrew Cutcliffe

BLAIN KERSHAW (1998-2003)





Blain came to the College in Year 7 from the glorious town of Narooma. A strong, healthy young man, it was apparent that he would excel at sport for the College. After captaining the 13As, he then flirted with rugby but decided that soccer was his number 1 sport. Since then, he has represented the College in the 2nd XI. In the summer he decided to go back to his roots by catching the surf life saving bus each week and competing in body boarding, a yet to be recognised GPS sport. Spending several classes with him each day, I am able to see the real Blain, a gifted sportsman and a good student.

Luke McGilvray

ROHAN KEYS (1998-2003)





When I think of Raz, I remember sitting in front of Rohan way back in Year 7, when our heads all outweighed our bodies and we looked like walruses. Rohan was a funny guy then and has maintained this sense of humour to this day. I admire his easy going nature and his spatial abilities. Whilst at the College, Rohan has proven himself in a variety of areas, including water polo, soccer, musicals and his studies. When he leaves school he plans to market Spiderman merchandise and retire early.

Luke O'Sullivan

SEAN KILLHAM (1998-2003)

If Sean's not pumping the iron or chatting to the ladies, he'll be stroking his oar and reliving the 80s. Sean has initiative, timing, tenacity and coherent co-curricular objectives. Starting off as an indolent lad, in the diminutive rowing position of a cox, Sean advanced through the lower echelons until he reached his position as 7th seat in the 2nd VIII. Sean is a somewhat hesitant academic achiever, often having to be pushed by his peers to reach his potential.

Christopher Partington

EDWARD KING (1999-2003)

Ed is a vertically less challenged man. His daily boasting about his height and his somewhat annoying ear touching habits have become a custom for everyone, as they never fail to amuse those around him. Being a solitary student, who takes up all the three major sciences offered, Ed is one of a few who excels in both his academic studies and his sporting commitments. His constant passion for basketball was well rewarded with him captaining the 2nds basketball team. He has an optimistic nature which makes him popular on the social scene.

Patrick Ho

HUGH KOH (2002-2003)

In the time that I have known Hugh, he has become a very good friend. At first Hugh didn't know how to play rugby, but eventually he came to grips and got the hang of it. He's also learnt a lot about, weights, surf life saving and a bit about tae kwon do during his time here at the College. Hugh is a good person to be around at school.

Josh Rowlison

CHRISTOPHER LAW (2002-2003)

Chris is what we call a 'newbie' to the school. A mature young lad, with optimistic views on life, Chris joined us last year from Hong Kong in Asialand. Your first impression of him is that he is a caring, funny, outgoing person with a lot to say. He has a variety of nicknames and he's one lad people will be lining up to meet. He has an interest in aviation and a keen spirit for soccer and he can even speak three languages.

Mike Johnson

ANDREW LAZZARO (1996-2003)

Andrew began his life at the College in 1996 and has since grown and matured through his involvement in many activities at the school. He played rugby as a front rower, cricket and the trumpet. He has also excelled as a debater winning the Senior SDN premiership in Year 11. He is fully committed to everything that he does, both co-curricular and academic, and he is always successful in these areas. His has a quirky sense of humour and is a great friend. His generosity and determination to meet any challenge are two of his greatest qualities.

Geoffrey Storr

JUSTIN LE BROCQUE (2002-2003)

More commonly known as 'Brocky', Justin has been a man admired for his dedication to his mates. Justin joined Riverview at the beginning of Year 11 as a boarder hailing from Wagga. He is an avid sportsman, loving his footy and starring in the might 9ths basketball team. Justin's hard working nature is one of many commendable traits. His ability to balance his social life with work, family and most importantly his mates is testament to the great man he is.

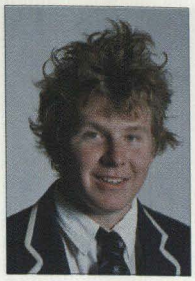
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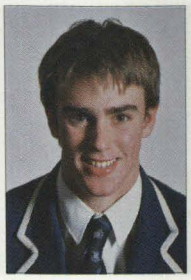
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WILLIAM LENEHAN (1998-2003)

William has been in boarding at Riverview for the past six full moons. This fine young athlete comes from a relatively large and well know community known as Jugiong. But while not working on the place, he finds himself enjoying life in the classroom and on the sporting field, especially during the past two years where Bill has participated and made a fine impact.

Brendan Homer



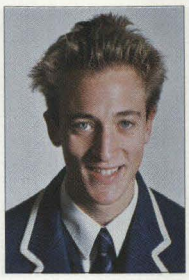


AARON LIND (1997-2003)

Aaron commenced his learning at Riverview in Year 6 and being a Strathfield boy he graced us with his presence travelling to and from the school on board the ferry. In the boarding house he is known as 'Zaa'. He has lots of enthusiasm and loves to play a game of table tennis or pool which unfortunately he doesn't win very often. Through his time at Riverview, Aaron has been a good and constant mate, and will thrive in what ever he embarks upon after school.

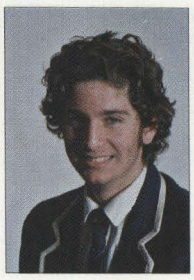
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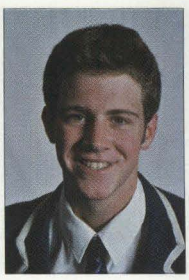




SAM LLOYD (2002-2003)

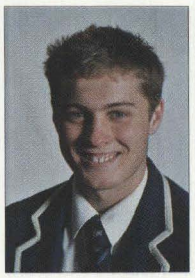
Sam is a boarder from the small bustling town of Narrandera. He started at Riverview in Year 11 where he made many friends and has already made a great legacy. Sam loved his co-curricular sporting activities and competed in opens rugby and opens tennis teams. His academic record is good and he will be able to achieve great things in the future. *Alex Jahshan*

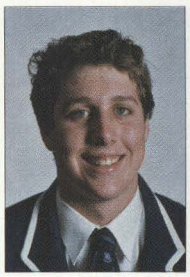




MARK LONGHURST (2002-2003)

Mark is a well established individual in the College. He came to Riverview in 2002 and since then he has been an outstanding member of the 1st XI team where he was vice captain. He works hard, has a great sense of humour and is a good mate to all. *Simon Walsh*





JUNG MA (2000-2003)

Jung came to Riverview halfway through Year 9. He immediately became an extremely enthusiastic footy fan, but too dexterous to play for the school, he decided to impart his knowledge of the game to those with less skill than he - the 14D team. However, it is the sport of fishing where Jung's greatest attributes arise. Jung never ceases to amaze me with his knowledge of this sport. Career wise, Jung's ambitions to outperform Victor Chang is at the heart of his success in academia at Riverview. Hopefully Jung's determination will pay off to a greater extent in his studies than in his relentless pursuits in footy and fishing. *David Peak*

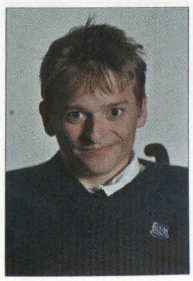


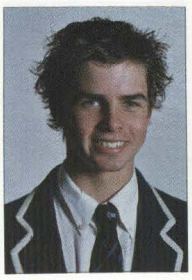


RYAN MACALYK (2001-2003)

Ryan 'wheels' Macalyk cruised into Riverview in Year 10. At first, Ryan struggled to find his way in such a large college, but after he found his place he became an icon, everyone enjoying his company. His happy smile and friendly attitude cemented him a place in Kevin Fagan House as a boarder. Ryan made his mark on the College after his emotional version of 'his story' which was done with such grace and excellence. His trademark 'buzz' from his wheelchair became a welcome noise. Ryan has a 'never give up' attitude to life that is admired by all his peers. Wheel's ability to entertain will be missed by all members of the College. Awwooga!

Tom Tuxworth





ANDRE MADDOCKS (1998-2003)

Andre's confident nature has made him a well known name throughout the College. His dedication to his friends is a noticeable part of his personality. Whether it be playing cricket or in his favourite Year 12 English class, Andre loves nothing more than to diligently go about his work – to produce as he likes to call it. His sense of responsibility and polite nature are his most enduring personal qualities. The highlights of his career at Riverview include taking a hat trick in the 16B cricket team and his calamitous rugby training accident which left him with a perpendicular bend in his right forearm.

Andrew Baber and Andre Lazzaro

WILL MAGNUS (1998-2003)

Will's cheeky sense of humour has made him a popular member of Year 12. He has been a long term member of the surf life saving team, a founding member of the controversial Riverview snorkelling club and a socially oriented player in various rugby teams. Will is a motivated, well-rounded student who is is going to be remembered by his classmates and teachers alike. No doubt he will continue to succeed as he travels OS next year. He is probably going to be the first person in the class of 2003 to produce a rock record. *Stephen Gillespie*

PHILLIP MAHONY (1996-2003)

Phil Mahony first came to Riverview from Lane Cove as a member of the Year 5 class. His humourous nature gave him an accepting attitude to all, which helped him fit into the College community wonderfully well. His sporting talents began when he performed as a crucial member of the 13B rugby side. His strength and passion towards cricket also showed in his inclusion in the A side from the U13s to the U16s and then continuing to the 2nd XI. Academically Phil strived in all his subjects and enjoyed learning very much. This was also seen in his contribution to several clubs including SVdP and HPS. Overall Phil is a 'mad bloke'. His passion towards Riverview has made him a popular member of the form. *Nicholas Porta*

CHRISTOPHER MALLETT (1998-2003)

Chris has attended Riverview since Year 7 during which time he has developed a taste for the finer things of life. His many achievements encompass the academic, sporting and cultural life of Riverview , the most notable being stroke of the Ist VIII - a role he described as 'an honour'. *Andrew Ford*

MARC MALOUF (1997-2003)

Marc always had a larger than life attitude towards people. He didn't care who you were, he always liked you. He is genuinely kind, and cheery to all and had a great sense of fun. Beginning as a cheeky Year sixer, Marc found fencing to be fun, until he found out about surf life saving and water polo where it's rumoured he had the biggest arms in the 2nds for two years. A hooker with gazelle-like grace, Marc's real talent will see him live forever in Riverview rock history as a 6-stringed guitar hero and leader of the band competition champions, Mapuza Brown.

Tom Farrell and Sean Williams

THOMAS MANION (1997-2003)

Thomas Manion started Riverview in Year 6 as a day-boy from Pymble. He played footy and cricket in his younger years and then moved on to surf life saving and footy, winning an award as best back in his senior years. In Year 10 he discovered he had a real talent – in drama and has excelled in his performances for the Shakespeare Festival where he reached the state finals on two occasion and the national finals once. In 2003 he then discovered he had a talent for singing and was brilliant in West Side Story. Always popular with the young ladies because of his looks and charm he is a man of integrity and of course a great mate to everyone. *Carl Giammarco*

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JACK MANN (1998-2003)

Jack Mann has been a key member of the Riverview community since the day he started in Year 7. A member of the 1st basketball team and social football teams he brought true spirit to the games he played. His application to his studies fluctuated but in Year 12, he decided to settle down and apply himself to his work. One of the things we'll remember about Jack was how he used to enjoy eating his bag of two minute noodles while sitting in the corner with his seemingly permanent broken arms.

Lachlan Fergus





DOUGLAS MARSHALL (1996-2003)

During his eight years at Riverview, Douglas has unequivocally involved himself in all facets of College life. Mastering the academic spectrum, he has been honoured on many occasions for his successes. Doug has become known for his innate ability to create acronyms. Doug's commitment to the College has been manifested through his contributions to Amnesty, the College orchestra, basketball and soccer and other activities. We hope that he continues to extend his flamboyant rainbow to the corners of society.

Andrew McDonald-Hughes

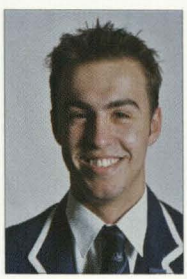




SEAN MASON (1998-2003)

Sean Mason has been one of my friends and opponents since Year 7. We have swum, rowed and run together throughout all our years at Riverview and he has been one of the finest people I have met in both the sporting and academic areas. He has a great attitude towards people and is always positive and enthusiastic about life.

Damien Patterson





ALEX MAZZONI (1997-2003)

Since arriving at Riverview, Alex Mazzoni has transformed himself from an innocent young lad to a man of the world. His time at Riverview has been spent forging invaluable friendships. Alex has left an indelible impression on the school as he has been somewhat of a trailblazer in Anglo-ethnic relations. Without him the school will find itself with a noticeable absence of laughter. This fountain of pop culture knowledge will no doubt go very far in life.

Andrew Walsh





MATTHEW MCDONALD (2001-2003)

Matt commenced at Riverview in 2001 as a boarder from Port Macquarie. Since then, Matt has become an active member within the College as well as an approachable friend. He has participated in a wide range of co-curricular activities. These include rowing in the 3rd VIII, rugby, volleyball, the sax quartet and the stage band. However, his performances of 'Bernie's tune' in front of the College on his saxophone as a member of the jazz ensemble will be long remembered by us all. Matt also had the privilege of sharing a room with Sam Turner whilst in Year 11. Next year Matt will go to Brazil for a gap year.

Andrew Slattery





ANDREW MCDONALD-HUGHES (1998-2003)

Andy has had a heavily weighted influence within the school. His extravagant and expensive wardrobe has always zapped him to the top of the best-dressed list for mufti days and formals alike. Between his shopping, his exhaustive gym routine and his extensive development of acronyms, Andrew has made time for the College orchestra, association football, tennis and Amnesty. Most of all he has been a great friend to many.

Douglas Marshall

JAMES MCDOUGALL (1998-2003)

James' deeds and leadership since Year 7 at Riverview were rewarded when he collected a prestigious black tie as Owen House captain in Year 12. In sport he was an integral part of the 2nd XI for two years where his bowling action was largely criticised for resembling that of a dinosaur. He played in the 16Bs rugby as well as the ground breaking Riverview Ist XIII. A busy man, James was also a talented saxophonist in the stage and jazz bands since Year 8. James' fun attitude and great personality have made him a friend to many.

Michael McLean

LUKE MCGILVRAY (2000-2003)

Luke left the thriving metropolis of Wagga Wagga in 2000 to begin his time at Riverview. His involvement with the College began with the 15Es rugby team. Unfortunately, his game play is understood by few and appreciated by even less. But he is a great sportsman with a personality to match this. Luke has become an important member of the boarding house. He is one of the few league supporters and each week runs the footy tipping competition. He is notorious for his special dance moves but is a friend and a great mate to many.

Simon Moloney

CHRIS MCGREGOR (1998-2003)

Chris is a friendly face to all he knows, standing out in the crowd with his inventive fashion sense. His comical nature has stood out as a major influence in my life. Through six years of schooling at Riverview, we have both grown together from the early exploits in Year 7. Chris has become a friend as well as a part of my daily life. Succeeding in anything he completely commits himself to, Chris' skills through art and snowboarding have driven me and all those around him to strive for the next level. An idol for many and a friend to even more.

Michael Towey

ANGUS MCKAY (1998-2003)

Angus is a man of determination, when he is not sleeping in on a Saturday or during an early morning class. Angus, also known as 'Joofa' has been a boarder at Riverview since Year 7. He came from a small country town, Warren, where I also come from, so I have known him for a long while. Joofa, the soft caring little bear, never had a bad word to say about anyone. He was always there whenever a friend needed him (if he wasn't sleeping). He played cricket in the summer and finished the season with a great game against Grammar. In the winter he played rugby but this final year he was also involved in League. I have been mates with Joofa since I started school and will be for a long, long time.

Mitch Quigley

JOHN MCKEON (1996-2003)

Johnny first came to this school in Year 5. He is a kind person with a good sense of humour and a loyal friend. He has been a cricketer, rugby player, basketballer and soccer player. Along with athletics he has also taken part in drama and college musicals. John plans to go on a Gap year to England next year and then study business when he returns. He played a crucial part in the 8ths basketball team at the start of this year with his 3 pointers that no one actually saw. He contributed greatly to the school and his friends.

Joe Natoli

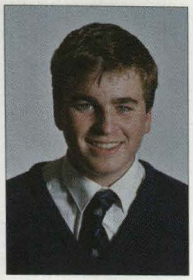
MICHAEL MCLEAN (1998-2003)

With a shock of strawberry blonde hair, a uniquely shaped ear lobe and that mischievous grin, Mike became the stage band's most senior member this year. The trombone section will miss his charismatic presence dearly. When I think of Mike's sporting prowess, the quote 'fortune favours the brave' springs to mind. Whether it be launching himself fearlessly into the biggest bloke on the footy field, taking a spectacular mark or his flamboyant batting technique, Mike personifies this statement. He was known as 'Babe Ruth' to his 2nd XI team mates. Mike always played for fun. His loveable personality has made him a great mate to many and someone not easily forgotten. *James McDougall*

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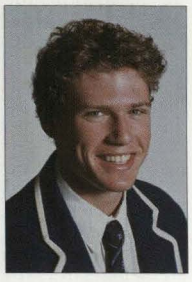
TERRY MCNAMEE (1998-2003)

Terence came to Riverview in Year 7 from the outback town of Dural, NSW. His greatest achievements have been in the music arena where his ridiculously low bass guitar rhythms rocked many a stage band rehearsal. He was also a popular member of the inaugural UK musical tour in 2002. Along with about 9 other McNamees, Terry participated in the musical Godspell in 2002. Sportswise Terry was the vice captain of sailing and excellent as a hooker in the 9ths rugby. A mate to many, Terry will be remembered as a strong, likable character who was always a vibrant topic of discussion. *Michael Mclean, James McDougall, Sam Farrell*



JACK MEAGHER (1998-2003)

Jack became a member of the Ignatian vessel in Year 7. He immediately established himself as a fine athlete, culminating in his final two years. He was part of the winning 2nd IV in 2002, and Ist IV in 2003. Jack also had plenty of footy ability - he was the 17A's best back. Jack always sets a high 'baa' for himself and this is the case in the arts where his sheepish grin allowed him to become a feared member of the Shakespearian circuit. Jack is a very valued member of the boarding community constantly reminding people of his pool playing abilities. He has a light hearted nature, but allows no one to pull the wool over his eyes. Next year he will go to Sweden. *Edward Tighe*



JUSTIN MERLINO (1997-2003)

Justin arrived at 'View as a young lad in Year 6. During his time here he has developed numerous qualities. His athletic accomplishments have contributed towards him gaining a hero status around the school. As captain of track and field, Justin has won medals at state and national championships in the the hurdles along with two AAGPS gold medals (surely more if not for injury). His talents on the track gained the attention of rugby and soccer coaches and as a result Justin became a key member of the 2nds soccer team much to the disgust of his athletics coach, mentor and adopted grandmother, Fira. In academics, Justin enjoys maths and science and features regularly in the PDHPE prize list. His future goals include physiotherapy and athletics.

Scott Turner



JOSEPH MILAZZO (1998-2003)

From the sunny hills of the 'Gong, Joe came to Riverview in Year 7. During his excellent time at the College, Joe played soccer, rugby union and basketball. Joe Joe showed great potential in basketball being in the13-15As, 2nds, 2nds, then finally the 1sts. A very bright player and calm under pressure, Joe snagged the 100th point in a game against Shore. Joe has involved himself in a variety of activities, even being part of the first ever 1st XIII at the school. He is a humourous guy and is respected by all. *Michael Ternes*



MATTHEW MILES (1997-2003)

Matty 'where's lunch?' Miles is a well-rounded individual - an outstanding example of a true Ignatian. He is well known for his friendly nature to all. Matt's sporting success at the College has been considerable. A specialist with both bat and ball, Matt was regarded as a good 'team man'. A hard worker, Matt also enjoyed playing in the 5ths Rugby team. *Jack O'Brien*



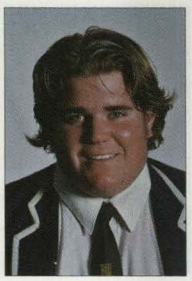
JAKE MOLKENTIN (1998-2003)

Jake is renowned for his extremely animated sense of humour and his talented sporting abilities. A boarder from Jindabyne, Jake has been at Riverview since Year 7. Over this time he has played rugby at all levels as a lethal blur of speed running around as a loose forward. Jake also achieved exceptionally in rowing as the stroke of the record breaking GPS 4th IV, winning most regattas including the state championships, the Gold Cup and the Head of the River, although it did not end here as he continued to stroke the GPS 1st IV the following season. In his natural climate, Jake skied at regional, state and national levels. Jake has received a prize at every speech day since Year 7. *Michael O'Brien*



SIMON MOLONEY (2001-2003)

Simon is a man of principled duality. On field, he is ferocious and untameable. Off field, he is amiable and approachable. On field, the defence winces as he runs towards them. Off field, he offers a welcoming hand and a symbolic pat on the back. At Curl Curl we upturned the quiet neighbourhood organising the largest bible discussion event in the area's history. Socially, Simon has an enviable record. He possesses an unexplainable magnetism which puts many of us to shame. He is a true friend, uncorruptable, and we all certainly hope that he will never change. *Travis Brooks-Garrett*



SAMUEL MONAGHAN (1998-2003)

Sam is a considerate and compassionate young man with lots of Ignatian values. He constantly radiates an aura of stability and comfort – his uplifting and joyous nature brings a smile to many a face. His drive for academic achievement can be seen in his diligent commitment to all his classes and is second only to his passion for music. *David Gaddin*



SAMUEL MONTGOMERY (1998-2003)

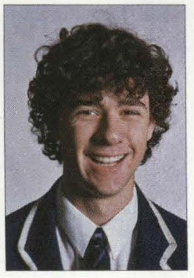
Sam came to Riverview in 1998 in Year 7 from Orange and has been a boarder ever since. Sam is what you'd call a quiet achiever. He is really unassuming even though he has excelled in a number of academic and co-curricular areas. He puts a great deal of effort into his studies and still manages to make the gym for his pectoral and biceps weights three times a week. Sam has participated in surf life saving and was an important member of the 1st water polo team. He is also a keen rugby player and swimmer. With his long golden locks and his appealing face, Sam has always been popular with the ladies. He has a passion for this school and a great relationship with his mates. He is well liked and trusted by everyone. *Carl Giammarco*



JEREMY MOORE (1996-2003)

Arriving as a tender 10 year old at Riverview to the discovery that fisticuffs was not kosher with the hands-off policy was no small set back for Jeremy. Yet with the Rocky Balboa-esque survival instincts that defined his lengthy stay, Jeremy bounced straight back. Content to redefine boundaries of personal grooming in a vain attempt to 'bring back disco', Jeremy ultimately won the post-apocalyptic struggle against all things 'square' by growing his hair to an achievable length. It that was not enough, he also managed to leave his distinctly disruptive mark on the worldly arenas of Riverview debating and progressive rock. A poet/philosopher whose haikus will one day define a generation, Jeremy is his own man and for that his friends (although they occasionally wonder why) will always be grateful.

Christopher Croke



IAN MURPHY (1998-2003)

Known as the 'guy on the couch', Ian started at Riverview in 1998. His friendly nature saw him attain many friends very quickly. His passion for rugby showed in him becoming a member of the 13Cs in Year 7. After an unexpected injury, Ian saw his football career slowly crumble before his very eyes. His funny attitude has helped him through the years at Riverview especially in Years 11 and 12 when he joined the boarding community. Overall, Ian is a great mate. His stories will be remembered by all and surely will be missed. *Nick Porta*



JOE NATOLI (1997-2003)

Joe came to Riverview in Year 6 and fitted in instantly. He started off playing soccer and maintained his position in the As for most of his schooling career. In his final year, he was part of the mighty undefeated social 8ths basketball team in which he used his 'lank' to win many possessions and score amazing shots. Apart from sport, music was Joe's main passion. He excelled greatly here, playing the piano and singing at many assemblies. Joe also took part in Godspell and, The Lost Ring. He hopes to study business after school, which I know he will do ... somehow. *John McKeon*



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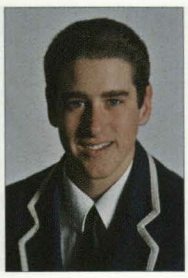
CHRIS NEEDHAM (1998 -2003)





Chris Needham is a guy you can always approach with a problem or just for a good old yarn, that is , if you don't mind him bringing the conversation back to footy within two minutes. His sporting prowess is legendary, being in the premiership winning 2nd rugby team in 2002 and 1st XV premier team in 2003. He has been a GPS athletic champion on numerous occasions in many victorious Riverview teams. Being one of Rocky's favourite prospects, Chris has always loved the school weights room and in early May began his 'schoolies 2003' weights program. Chris has shown great leadership both at the Ignatian Children's Holiday Camp and as Gonzaga vice captain. One of the best day of his College life came with the announcement of the Riverview league team. ***James Fizgerald***

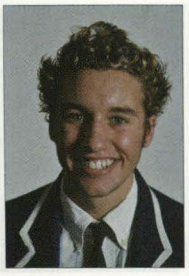
JACK O'BRIEN (1998-2003)

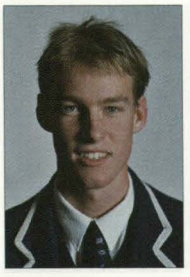




Jack came to Riverview with a positive attitude. He excelled on the sporting fields and had the biggest heart of anyone on the field. He achieved many of his sporting goals such as making the 13g rugby team and the 2nd XI cricket team. Jack also gained a prefect's tie. He has always been a positive member of the Riverview community and is a great friend to all. ***Matt Miles***

MICHAEL O'BRIEN (1998-2003)





Michael is a man of many talents. Amongst many of his achievements, he was Claver house captain, he performed highly in sports and was chief instructor of the Freshwater Surf Life Saving Club. He's also an all round good bloke. Coming from the sticks (Turramurra), Michael arrived at Riverview in Year 7 where he displayed qualities that perplexed his teachers with his smooth charm and mischievous tendencies. Michael is a 'real cool dude', a trendy bloke who lives life to the full. A Justin Timberlake look-alike, a dancer extraordinaire, and a man with a great future. ***Jake Molkentin***

JAMES O'CONNELL (2000-2003)



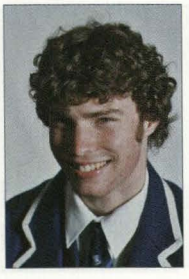


Jim came to the school in 2000 from Melbourne. Since then he has participated in many sports including cycling and water polo. He's also played the guitar a lot. At school, James has been a big part of our group, our House, our year and our social activities.

Adrian Smith

BILLY O'CONNOR (1998-2003) R.I.P.





William Justin Cope O'Connor was a popular boy at Riverview. He was a highly successful scholar, loved by his teachers and class mates. His character enabled him to make friends easily. Billy arrived at school in Year 7 where his life as a boarder from Harden began with a tendency to bend the rules and make everyone his friend. Getting into trouble for Billy had a completely different meaning than it did for most other boarders, for he could cop his punishment and had the ability to wrap every situation and the teachers around his finger. Who could resist that cheeky smile and the off-the-cuff vernacular which attracted so many people to him. Billy found a second home in Lane Cove where we spend time at my sister's place. There he could be found putting his feet up and preparing our usual Saturday nights. Billy was a talented sportsman and loved rugby and tennis. He was a gifted halfback with the 17As and voted most improved in the 2nds tennis premiership victory team. Billy had a passion for the Brumbies football team and his cheering could be heard from afar whenever they ran across the try line.

Billy was and will always be a great friend to all. His spirit will forever shine in our hearts.

Jake Molkentin



TIMOTHY O'CONNOR (1998-2003)

Tim joined the Riverview community in Year 7 as a member of Mr Martin Collins' homeroom. Whilst at school he and became involved in playing tennis as a summer and winter sport. However, his interests in sport were not confined to Riverview as outside of school he enjoyed bike riding with a local club. Tim has a great sense of humour and throughout his time here has worked quite steadily in class

PADDY O'HALLORAN (1998-2003)

Paddy started Riverview in Year 7 as a day student but began boarding in Year 9. and hasn't looked back since. He was taken under the wings of Mr Rowe and Rocky and started rowing - in the 6th quad, then in the 1st junior VIII, the 2nd VIII and finally the 1st VIII. Having injured himself in rugby, Paddy turned to refereeing and in Year 12 was awarded the Australian School Student Scholarship for outstanding refereeing. Paddy is an easy-going and charismatic character, making him a mate to all. His alternate dress sense and humour along with strong self discipline make Paddy the type of person who knows what he wants and knows what it takes to achieve it. ***Jono Russo***

WILLIAM O'LOUGHLIN (2002-2003)

Will has been at Riverview since 2002. During this time he has excelled in many areas, mostly 4 Unit Maths. Will also plays hockey outside the school and is currently completing his pilot's licence. Will is an intelligent, knowledgeable and loyal person and has been a great friend to me and many others during his time at Riverview. He will be successful in anything he strives for.

Nick Johnston

CARL O'SULLIVAN (1998-2003)

What strikes me about Carl 'I have no nickname' O'Sullivan is how much he embodies the amusing caricatures he is so notorious for producing. No student, friend, or eccentric teacher has managed to escape the grain of his stubby pencil once his mind is fixed on their distinctive features. Somehow he manages to distort them beyond all human possibility into the realms of side-cracking absurdity. Carl began at the great extreme of the sporting ladder and has 'defended' his position successfully for many years. He has been a steadfast companion to all and we shall enjoy his continued friendship in the future as he seeks a career as an (illustrious) film director. ***Thomas Dicker***

LUKE O'SULLIVAN (1998-20034)

Luke came to Riverview in Year 7, making a daily trek to and from Mount Colah with his twin brother, Carl. During summer, Luke participated in a season of rowing and played several seasons of basketball for the College. During the winter season, Luke became a prolific striker for the social soccer teams of the College. Recently, Luke has become an avid guitarist – his abilities in the artistic field would appear to be boundless. Most importantly, Luke is a great bloke and a supportive friend. His self determination and willingness to work will surely allow him to achieve any goal he sets himself.

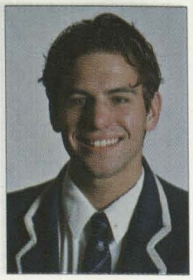
Andrew Baber

CHRIS PARTINGTON (1998-2003)

Chris Partington is a jack of all trades. If he isn't surfin' the waves, or admiring the young ladies, he's shaping his 'laid back' impression on the College. Starting out as an idle sponge, Chris has worked his way to becoming an exultant athlete, conquering the 2003 premiership with his 'unorthodox' running style. Decisively intuitive, Chris' knowledge has evolved and developed exceedingly over the years. Although he mainly keeps his academic abilities to himself, his idolisation of Butch Cassidy has helped him realise his potential. ***Sean Killham***

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JOSH PASSARO (1998-2003)





Josh with his continual striving for self perfection has made is presence felt within our year group. His success on the basketball court and on the soccer field were achieved by his ability to balance his quest for personal achievement with the desire to maintain team harmony. Throughout his time here at the College, he has maintained popularity through his quick wit and his boyish charms. At times he has put many of us to the test, but he has maintained the respect of his peers and teachers through his kind nature and sense of humour.

Pete Doran

CHARLES PASSMORE (1998-2003)

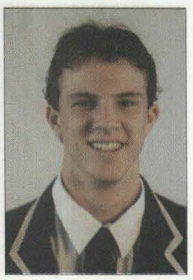




Passionate belief in the genetic superiority of 'strawberry blondes' and an unhealthy obsession with pirates, are not the ordinary ingredients for success at Riverview. yet Charles Passmore succeeded against the odds. With a rare combination of rugged athleticisim and intellectual muscle (which saw him tagged the Ernest Hemingway of the noughties), Charles carved a niche as Riverview's foremost exponent of MC Hammer/flashdance fusion (no small effort!). As the wittiest 'witty-quipper' around Charles earned the respect and friendship of his peers. (There's no doubt that Charles and the College will remember each other fondly.) As the Chad would say: "if money smells bad, the Chad would be stinkin'".

Christopher Croke and Jeremy Moore

DAMIEN PATTERSON (1998-2003)





Damien Patterson has been one of my most trusted friends, committed team mates and strongest rivals since coming to Riverview in Year 7. In our six years together we have been in the same rugby teams, same rowing crews and have even swum together. Being part of the premiership winning swimming team, Damien gained selection for the GPS team to swim at the CIS championships. He has also become an accomplished rower and is to travel to England to row at Henley. A humble young man, Damien is caring and compassionate and never has a bad word for anyone.

Sean Mason

STEFAN PAVLOVIC (2000-2003)





Steve is a punctual and committed student who tried his best at all times and balanced his time well between his studies and his passion for snorkelling. He also enjoyed soccer as a valued member of the 5ths soccer team where he could easily 'read the game'. Whilst at the College,Stefan was involved in the Aboriginal Reconciliation Club. A warm, friendly person, he was appreciated by many.

Damien Healey

DAVID PEAK (1996-2003)





David, despite his rebellious nature, and urge to be a superior driver to all, has always managed to succeed in life, and at that, succeed in style. Because of his avid and determined manner, not even the debilitating glandular fever held him back at the 2003 athletic events. To describe this young man as determined would be an understatement of monumental proportions, and whether for better or worst, this is the quintessential David Peak.

Jung Ma

NICK PORTA (1998-2003)





Nicholas Porta entered into the Riverview community in Year 7, two years behind his brother, Mark. Nick has found great success both on the sporting field and in the classroom. An enthusiastic member of Ricci House, Nick became a boarder in Years 11 and 12 to further his study endeavours. Captain of Boarders, Justin Fleming, once described Nick as 'a top bloke, always up for a laugh'. Throughout his time at Riverview, Nick has displayed lots of fine qualities and will be duly missed by all.

Phillip Mahony

THOMAS PRICHARD (1996-2003)

In eight fun-filled years at Riverview, Tom has distinguished himself as a popular, well-rounded Ignatian. In addition to enjoying high levels of academic success, Tom has also excelled in the sporting arena. While he consistently made a huge impact on the footy field it was in the water that Tom truly proved himself. He enjoyed great success as a member of the GPS premiership winning swimming team and then often backed up on a Saturday morning as a dedicated and talented surf life saver.

Sam Watson

BRYAN PRIEST (2002-2003)

Bryan came to the College as a boarder in Year 11. A friendly young man with an engaging personality, he became involved in various co-curricular activities including rugby, cricket and water polo. Bryan was always quite positive and outgoing and a valued member of the community.

NICHOLAS PRIOR (1998-2003)

Nick, with his rugged good looks, devilish charm and phenomenal break dancing skills, has established himself at Riverview as the ultimate 'man's man'. Nick has left an indelible mark on the collective Australian psyche with his unmissable performance of the disco classic 'Stayin' Alive' on Australian Idol - which earned him both a top 100 place in the search for Australia's next pop star and a 3 minute plug on prime time national radio. After school, Nick wants to attend university and would then like to pursue a career as a pirate, a robot, or possibly just a robot maker.

Daniel Gunn

MICHAEL PRODINGER (1998-2003)

Michael's feisty attitude has seen him dominate many races and discussions here at the College. His determination can be seen in his sporting achievements. His finely tuned body has helped him earn a reputation as a lethal runner and swimmer. His exceptional involvement in the College's co-curriculum activities highlighted his leadership qualities. Through all this Michael still found time to mix with his peers and become a well liked and respected mate amongst them.

Harrison Wiche

MITCHELL QUIGLEY (1998-2003)

Mitch Quigley came to Riverview in Year 7 from a small town called Warren. Quigs got straight into it, playing cricket, making the 13E team in his first year of cricket and in his final year he played cricket in the 4ths team with an outstanding ability to get high scores every game. Mitch's second sport at Riverview was rugby – he made the high teams all the way through, probably the highest was captaining the 17As and playing in the 2nd XV. With a head of hair that would make any country local proud and a freakish ability to misrepresent his true age, Mitch has certainly left his mark on he College.

Angus McKay

MICHAEL REARDON (1997-2003)

Michael is a man of many talents who will be missed by many. He has graced the gates of Riverview for many years. In his earlier years, he was renowned for his soccer talents. Unfortunately, he gave his soccer away to focus on his academic studies. His greatest achievement was winning the modern history prize. He was also vice captain of his House and was extremely enthusiastic during House meetings. Michael is a vital member of the Riverview community and has excelled in many ways.

Michael Francis

Valete

ADAM RIXON (2000-2003)

This naturally gifted musician came to Riverview as a petit trampolinist, however, what he lacked in size he made up for with enthusiasm. From the first minute at Iggies, Adam became heavily involved in music, taking part in West Side Story and playing in several bands. Although he never really made an impact on the footy or cricket field, Adam did have some moments of brilliance, like his 5/15 in the 3rds which he continually reminds us of. Adam is always there for a laugh even if it is at his expense which makes him such a great mate.

Mark Scott





PATRICK ROBERTS (1998-2003)

Patrick came to Riverview in 1998 and since then has involved himself in a variety of sports and other co-curricular activities. A member of the 6th Soccer team in 2002, he was captain of the 7th soccer team in 2003 and proved to be a reliable and defensive player. He also enjoyed playing basketball whilst at the College.

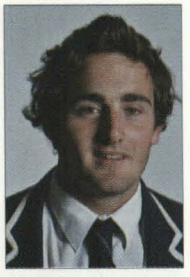




TOM ROBERTSON (1998-2003)

Although the absence of a Riverview cadet corps and the unfortunate omission of Top Gun style GPS dog-fighting from the sporting calendar saw Thomas 'Tom' Robertson's aerial and martial prowess confined to the occasional good natured lunchtime battle, fate fortunately intervened to bless Tom with an eventfully successful time at Riverview. With his unwavering enthusiasm and exuberance, he carved a niche as a debater, footballer, water poloist, musical star and academic par excellence. In Tom, Riverview loses not only one of its most spirited, companionable and good hearted young men, but perhaps the only 13 year old ever with courage enough to unadvisedly yell out: "Counterattack, Riverview, come on, Counterattack!" at full voice in the momentarily silence of a 1st XV fixture. *Christopher Croke*

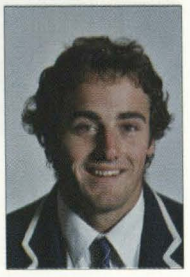




MICHAEL ROCHE (1998-2003)

Mick came to Riverview in Year 7 from Adelong, carrying a box of apples. He quickly became a valued member of the Riverview community. Mick was an all-rounder at school. His sporting ability is outstanding along with his passion for matters important. He played at the top level in his final two years of school, including the 1st XV and 1st VIII. Michael also achieved the honour of captain of boats in his final year. Along with being Cheshire House captain, Mick never lost sight of his study and social life. The fiery manner in which he socialised was envied by all. He is a respected member of the boarding house, a loyal and great mate to many and someone that can be relied upon. *Justin Fleming*

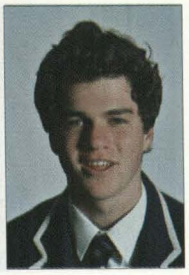


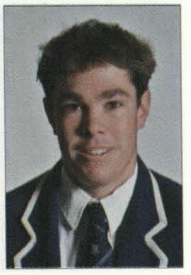


MYLES ROGERSON (1998-2003)

Myles has been heavily involved in the College, particularly in music as a star cellist. Despite this, he feels no need to brag, and is a somewhat quiet achiever. This is a characteristic I admire in anyone - those who know Myles beneath the surface have been rewarded with the companionship of a truly generous comrade. At the most appropriate time, such as on the handball court, Myles displays an unexpectedly cheeky sense of humour. Such unique friendships are hard to find.

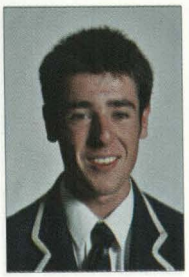
Jack Dixon





MICHAEL ROLFE (1998-2003)

Mike, known to everyone as 'Rolfie' is a friend to all. We have been good friends since Year 9 and since then I have shared a lot of good times with him. Whether it was on the weekend or at school I have always enjoyed his company. Rolfie enjoys playing basketball and is always a challenge to play with. He puts a lot of work in at school and gets the marks he deserves. The one thing that needs to be said about him is that he is a great mate. *Andrew Wells*





JOSH ROWLISON (2002-2003)

From the short time I have known Josh, I have become very good mates with him. It was not long after I knew him that I noticed his passion for rugby league and his splendiferous mathematical ability. Josh found it easy to mingle with his peers with his great attitude towards most things. Josh is a dedicated and hard working student. The endless hours this 'gym junkie' spends in the weights room is the best example of his on-going effects not just on himself but all the boys. *Ian Murphy*

JOHNATHAN RUSSO (1998-2003)

Johnathan is a great character who came to Riverview as a day boy in Year 7. He went in and and of boarding, but heard his true calling from the football field, playing in the 15Bs, 16As, 17As and the 2nd XV. He is a great friend and a true credit to the Riverview community. He has shown ticker and great determination during arduous times in his life applying himself to achieve the goals and high standards he sets for himself.

Paddy O'Halloran

JAMES RYAN (1998-2003)

Jim Ryan, the big country boy from Darlington Point, came to Riverview leaving behind his big family with little knowledge of city life and society. As soon as Jim entered the College, he put his mark on the school. He was an outstanding sportsman. His heart was in the rowing side of things as he was in the 2nd IV and the 2nd VIII. He has a great approach to life and gets on really well with people. *George Skuthorp*

JOHN RYAN (1998-2003)

Big Johny Ryan arrived at Riverview in 1998 completely in the dark about the Sydney way of life – he just knew a lot about farming. After some time, John found his feet and landed a place in the 2nd VIII in 2002 and then the 1st VIII in 2003. John also rose through the football ranks quickly from the 13l team to a championship 5th XV in his second last year at the College. At times John struggled to reach his academic peak, preferring those classes which had a view of the ag-plot. On a serious note, his integrity and wisdom guarantee a long, meaningful career in life. *Hugh Kennedy*

WILL SCHILLER (1998-2003)

Will has been a valued member of the Riverview boarding community since he came into Year 7 in 1998. Schill is known for his laid-back attitude and friendliness towards all his peers. He has achieved highly in both academic and sporting pursuits, being a valued member of the mighty 7th XV and a highly decorated part of the SLSC. He is a regular participant in the weights room and has amazing strength and power. He is a good mate and his constant good humour will be missed by all.He's always there when you need him most.

Tom Tuxworth

MARK SCOTT (1998-2003)

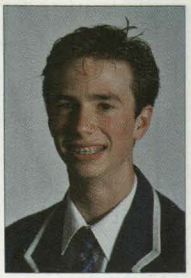
Right from the very start, Mark's sheer determination and strong willed nature earned him the respect he deserved. His persistent charming and glowing presence is a memory that will never be forgotten. As an integral part of the 2nds cricket team for two years, spectators soon learnt the passion he had for the sport. He was always in in form with his batting and had a vast knowledge of the game. Many opponents tried vigorously to dampen his spirit. This motivation is also seen on the rugby field, with many coaches commenting, "he's on fire". Mark learnt to fight his way through adversity and this is a true reflection of his strong nature and what makes him such a great friend. *Michael Forsyth*

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PATRICK SHEEHAN (1998-2003)

Pat Sheehan migrated to Riverview from Nelson Bay in 1998 and since then has become a valued member of the Riverview community. He came from a long line of footballers and has managed to uphold this tradition, representing the College at very high levels. During his time at Riverview he has made many friendships which are valued by all.He has matured into a well respected young man - a loyal friend who is willing to back you up in any situation. *Tim Whybourne*





ADRIAN SMITH (1996-2003)

Adrian has been riding mountain bikes since he was about 10 years old. He also loves his cars. He's a nice easy-going guy who lives a long way from the College, but still manages to make the long drive each day in the Hilux to see his mates. Adrian has been a big part of my final years at the school, my House and is all up a great mate. *Jim O'Connell*

WILLIAM SHEEHY (1998-2003)

William Sheehy descended from the highlands of Woolloomooloo to join his fellow countrymen of Divy 5 in 1998. This boarding proctor has, over the years, proven himself to be a young man of massive, unsurpassable true and pleasant character. Not only that, but he has shown outstanding leadership qualities and determination both as 2003 Southwell House vice captain and the 2nds soccer team right back. Not being able to thieve this head sacristan's idle jellybeans of glucogen goodness from his desk will soon be a sad reality for all. Riverview will dearly miss Will's charming good nature and extraordinary humour. *Tim French*





MICHAEL ST JOHN (1998-2003)

Michael St John, known affectionately by all as Sinjo, chimed into Riverview in Year 7. His easy going, down to earth nature quickly earnt him respect from both teachers and students alike. He has worked hard in the academic and sporting areas and his fine century against Joey's and his recent acceptance in the 1st rugby league team were just some of the highlights of his sporting career. His hard working attitude and great outlook on life have already earnt him a place on a gap year and I'm sure he will go far in life. *Patrick Tait*

HENRY SHEPHERD (1998-2003)

Whether it be strutting his stuff in that distinctive vest of his or carrying out raffles at a Friday form meeting, Shep has left a lasting impression at Riverview. Despite his unique sense of humour, Henry is popular and well respected by both his peers and staff alike, something acknowledged with his appointment as Campion House captain. A gifted and dedicated athlete, Shep has successfully tried his hand at a variety of sports but despite his huge efforts in both sport and study, nothing rivals his dedication to delivering that perfect House Meeting. Despite chasing Mr Morrow's elusive 10 out of 10 this year, Shep had lots of fun and helped everyone around him to do the same. *Sam Watson*





GEOFFREY STORR (1996-2003)

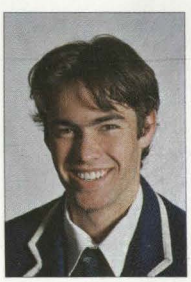
Geoff is a well accomplished and determined young man from Mosman. He has a witty sense of humour and is always there to add comic relief to any situation in any shape or form. Geoff is a naturally humble man who works consistently to achieve his best in whatever he does. As one of the original members of the class of 2003, Geoff has done many things while at Riverview including the french club, cricket and soccer. Geoff is a great guy who will go many places in his life. *Luke Edwards*

JEREMY SKELLERN (1998-2003)

'Bones' our favourite Woomera Freedom Fighter has enjoyed an illustrious career as 'Captain of the Reserves' for the last couple of years before this year soaring into the position of open high jump representative at the AAGPS championships. Off to Belgium next year, Nick assures Jeremy that they will meet in Ibiza. Forever a true friend, Jeremy will always be there to have a lot of fun with.

Nathan Grant and Nick Frame





MICHAEL SUTHERLAND (1998-2003)

Michael entered the College in 1998 answering every question or comment with his favourite phrase: "I bet you say that to all the boys". He soon made his mark on the drama department with his stellar performances earning him comparison with some of the greats on the British stage. He was made Drama vice captain. In sport Michael made it into the 1st water polo team. His plans for next year include going to NIDA, pondering the question, "Why do bad things happen to good people?", and designing and building a time machine.

Nicholas Prior

GEORGE SKUTHORP (1998-2003)

George came to Riverview in Year 7. It was a big shock for this young lad from Coonamble and he found it hard to settle in. Because of this, George often found himself in difficulties with those who keep the rules, but eventually it all worked out well. While George has had an interesting academic and sporting career, it's his ability to handle setbacks that is a true indication of his remarkable character. *Jim Ryan*





PATRICK TAIT (1998-2003)

When Patrick came to Riverview it was immediately evident that he was a talent in all aspects of life. Pat has participated in several sports. It soon became obvious that soccer was the one he liked the most and the one in which he had most talent. In Year 11 he starred in the 2nd XI, best epitomised by his competitive spirit and the spectacular half way goal during the season. He was also in the 2nd XI in 2003. Academically, Pat is a bright character. A wonderful mate to anyone and everyone, Pat's wit, humour and kindness make him most enjoyable to be around despite his habit of bringing up events from the past. *Michael St John*

ANDREW SLATTERY (1998-2003)

In 1998, 'Slats' began his years at Riverview and his love affair with the tennis racquet. In his senior years, he was a member of both the 2002 and 2003 premiership winning 2nds tennis teams and was made captain of tennis in 2003. He is also a talented soccer player, playing in the A teams from Year 8. Andrew has excelled in his studies at Riverview gaining prizes for Business Studies and Geography in Year 11. He was made a proctor in the boarding house this year. Andrew has been a great student and a great friend to many. *Matt McDonald*





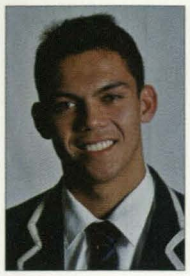
RHYS TAME (1996-2003)

Rhys came to Riverview in Year 5 and over his time here he has developed into a vibrant young man of character and spirit. He has demonstrated his academic aptitude through such courses as extension 2 unit maths and advanced software design. Respected for his witty, insightful mind, Rhys has also brought his well rounded athletic abilities to the sporting arena, through such activities as cycling, fencing (in which he obtained a leadership position) cricket and soccer. He has a bright future ahead of him. *Adam Burns*

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MICHAEL TERNES (1998-2003)

In 1998, Michael made the long, long journey from the distant suburb of Lane Cove to commence his years at Riverview. Michael settled in beautifully changing ultimately into a work machine. He has a great love for sport at Riverview, and has played A grade basketball since the 13As, 2nds in 2001, the 1st team in 2002 and 2003, where he was captain. Athletics is another pride and joy for Michael – he's gained three junior and two senior athletics titles proving him to be a strong runner and jumper. Michael is also a known name on the rugby field – he was in the As since the 13s, the 2nds premiership winning team in 2002. He was also vice captain of Chisholm House. *Joe Milazzo*



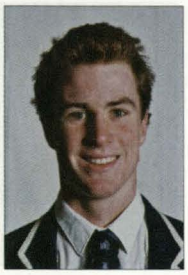


BRETT THOMSON (2001-2003)

Ever since the day that Brett walked through the gates for the first time in 2001, he has been a quiet achiever in all his endeavours. He has played aussie rules, basketball and was an integral part of the mighty 7th XI soccer in 2002 and 2003. Brett's musical endeavours include playing in the school orchestra as an accomplished trumpeter. Brett was also part of the Riverview chess club and is proud that he has won several strategic matches on many occasions. All those who haven't met Brett are missing out on a truly great guy.

James Higgins





EDWARD TIGHE (1998-2003)

When Ed first arrived at Riverview in 1998, he quickly became a popular lad among his peers. His easy going nature continued to develop along with his academic and sporting career. His talent and love of cricket was soon recognised as he endeavoured to have the crossed bats embroidered on his blazer - which he did in Year 12 becoming the secret weapon of the 1st XI, taking numerous wickets throughout the season and batting with class and style. Undoubtedly Eddy's relentless pursuit of perfection spread into the footy field as he skillfully played for the 2nd XV in Year 11 and Year 12. He became a boarder in Year 12 where he developed a talent for playing ping pong and pool.

Jack Meagher





MICHAEL TOWEY (1998-2003)

Michael is a great person and has been a true friend throughout the six years we have spent together at the College. His fascination for art is unparalleled and his artistic ability fills many with amazement. He is fun loving and easy going and it's not hard to like him. He is also also very honest, compassionate and loyal.

Chris McGregor



SAM TURNER (2001-2003) R.I.P.

Known affectionately to many people at Riverview as somewhat of a father figure, due to his copious amounts of facial hair, Sam started at Riverview in Year 10, 2001. He made the very most of his years here, involving himself in tennis and rugby, all the while maintaining a strong commitment to his studies. Of all of these talents though, the one which was the greatest credit to him would have been his fun loving, kind and generous personality. Many Year 12 boys and also those in the younger years will remember Sam not for his academic achievements but rather for the sort of guy he was and the happiness which he brought into so many lives. Our most precious gift is life itself. Sam's life, though cut tragically short, will always remain a reminder of our own ability to improve the quality of the lives of people around us. A great friend to so many people, and generally a great bloke to be around, Sam will remain close to our hearts forever.

Matt McDonald and Matt Hudson







SCOTT TURNER (1998-2003)

Scotty began his time here at Riverview in Year 7 and although first impressions might be deceiving he has developed into a friendly, intelligent and popular Year 12 student. He has been a key member of the track and field team, firstly in middle distance and later making his appearance as part of the sprints squad. Academically, Scotty had done extremely well in PDHPE. I am sure that in the future he will live up to the expectations of his athletics coach and who knows, maybe run the 400m for Australia. *Justin Merlino*

TOM TUXWORTH (1998-2003)

Tom Tuxworth entered SIC with a 'fiery' attitude to all aspects of College life. Tom's REDyness to participate in footy, basketball, league, boarding life and athletics earned him a favourable reputation. His ability to mix with Year 11s especially those from Kirribilli provided him with a large array of friends. Here is a poem to Tom:

"He is the bright red sun
Spreading the rays of happiness and fun
His skin is white and pale
Next year he will head to Armidale
A 'stake of two he may have said
But that's what happens when your hair is red
All in all he'll be missed by his mates
Number 1 is where Tom rates"

Henry Harding

TOM VAN BEEK (1998-2003)

VB is an outstanding young man. He has a special gift in origami, the frog being his forte. Tom is a dedicated chemistry student, especially in practical experiments where his lighting of magnesium made him a shining light for the class. Tom is a great sportsman, particularly apt at kicking round balls and spending two years in team one. Perhaps his greatest passion though, is his summer 'sport of choice', surf life saving where he has spent countless hours tanning his chiselled body and snorkling. As well, the "Dutch Demon' is a whizz on the speed type, regularly messaging other school captains. Tom has an affable nature, a wicked sense of humour and is great fun to be with. *Mark Gallagher*

ANTHONY VUMBACA (1999-2003)

When I think of Anthony Vumbaca a smile comes over my face and I think of the boy who beat me in the media exam every time. I knew Anthony from primary school and believe me he was quite a character then. I am happy to say we have become good friends over the years even though I now find out he didn't like me in primary school. If I ever get senile I'll always remember the antics we got up to in a certain IPT class. Anthony often impressed me with his indifference to school spirit. His jumper will go down in the history of the school as will his eagerness to grow his hair long. I know that he aspires to be a film director/writer and have no doubt he can achieve this. *Luke O'Sullivan*

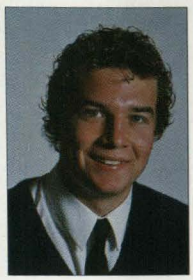
GUY WALL (1998-2003)

Guy Wall opened the Riverview chapter of his life in 1998. From the beginning he has continued to be a valued member of the boarding community. In the co-curricular sense he excelled in soccer where he rose to be the Bs' goalkeeper for numerous seasons. After moving from soccer, Guy succeeded in converting to cycling where he is still held in the highest esteem by his fellow colleagues. In 2002, the mighty Torana became a token of Guy's passion for cars and an iconic emblem to the boarding community. *Justin Le Brocque*

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ANDREW WALSH (1996-2003)





Andrew came to Riverview in Year 5. Although he enjoyed sports - he played soccer - his talents in the sporting field were surpassed by those in the class room - notably in Mr Pahlke's – where he achieved honours in the 2nd, 3rd and 4th courses of English. Andrew's nature and luscious locks shadowed his Einstein-like intelligence and wit. Andrew was a colourful identity of the class of 2003 and his talents will serve him well upon leaving school. ***Alex Mazzoni***

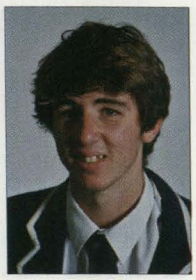
SAM WATSON (1998-2003)

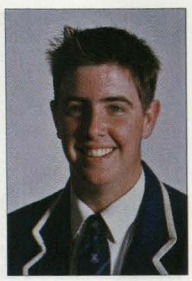
Sam Watson always dares to do his best. This is demonstrated in his considerable academic achievements and his enormous involvement in co-curricular activities at the College. He was appointed a prefect earlier this year. His sporting prowess was evident as the captain of the almost undefeated 2nd XI. Sam is a true athlete, especially in the pool where he amazes his opponents with his skill and muscular physique. Sam was a leader on a Kairos retreat - a reflection of his involvement in leadership at the College.

Jack O'Brien

DANIEL WALSH (1998-2003)

Daniel came to Riverview in Year 7. Thoughout his years he has been involved in soccer as well as other activities including Aboriginal Reconcialiation. A keen enthusiast of wakeboarding, Daniel is an easy going young man who has a great sense of humour and is very loyal to his friends.





BEN WEBER (1998-2003)

Ben Weber has flourished from a shy little Year 7 boy from Lane Cove into a large, extroverted boarder. Ben is the epitome of all the attributes encompassing a fine Riverview education: intellectually accelerated, spiritually enhanced, athletically commendable, but most importantly a great fellow. (He is easily excitable and has been known to be happy for days.) While at Riverview, Ben excelled on the sporting field, whether it was in block-busting runs from prop position in rugby or just gazing at the onlookers whilst surfing at Freshwater. I am honoured to be able to call Ben my friend.

Sean Carroll

DECLAN WALSH (2002-2003)

Declan was a popular addition to boarding in Kevin Fagan House in 2002 as a worldly individual hailing from Beijing, China. A good friend to all, Declan excelled in all areas of College life. He found his forte on the soccer field. Testament to his great character was his selection as a boarding community leader, a proctor, as well as a beadle. His attributes will undoubtedly see him as a success in the future. ***Justin le Brocque***





ANDREW WELLS (1998-2003)

Andrew has been a friend for many years. He has immense talent on the rugby field and on the basketball court. He also has an academic interest in history and is known for his extraordinary ability in senior science. A mate of many years, and for more to come, Andrew is a young man of remarkable character, an extraordinary sense of humour as well as an easy going and warm personality. With him I have had years of fun and laughter. ***Michael Rolfe***

ROSS WALSH (1998-2003)

When Ross came to Riverview in Year 7, he was pretty hard to miss, being one of the biggest students in the form. He always put in 110% in all he did. Six years down the track, the only thing that has changed about Ross have been his teachers. Over these six years, Ross has played and rowed in all the top teams and crews in the sports he's been involved in. He even extended himself further to represent his state in footy. Ross is a friendly type of guy who is well respected.

Gus Campbell





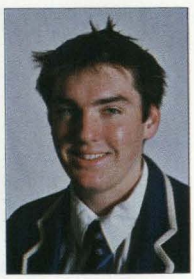
MATTHEW WHELAN (1998-2003)

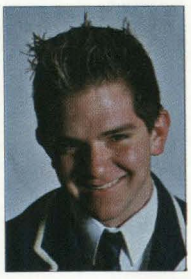
Throughout his time at Riverview, Matthew Whelan has amazed all with his smashing of social stereotypes and with his involvement in breakbeat mixing, snowboarding and his beloved chess - of which he was captain. He has also fascinated us with his ability to recount marvellous stories, especially at House meetings. A philosopher of some note, and a keen member of the Philosophy Club, Matthew has a great sense of humour and a quirky approach to life. He is an extremely likable young man who will go far in life.

Nick Aggar

SIMON WALSH (2002-2003)

Simon is a very caring individual who is well liked at school and within the boarding house. Simon knows what he wants to be in the future and is working hard to achieve this. ***Mark Longhurst***





TIM WHYBOURNE (1997-2003)

Timothy Whybourne has played a vital role in making Riverview what it is today. His quiet, warm personality which has enabled him to make friendships over these years is something to admire him for. People who know Tim will agree that 'one day he is a stranger, the next day he is your best friend'. He has represented the school on a number of occasions, in particular in speech and drama, guitar and surf life saving. Tim is a well presented, all round bloke which makes him the typical role model for students. ***Patrick Sheehan***

ANDREW WALTER (1998-2003)

When I look at Andrew his qualities are obvious. He is a strong willed, determined person who has a good sense of where he is in life. Andrew has been a long time member of Amnesty International and always believes in standing up for what he believes in. Over the years he has 'soldiered on' at times through quite difficult tasks and this has seen him develop into one 'tough cookie'. ***Anthony Prior***





HARRISON WICHE (1998-2003)

Harrison came to 'View in Year 7, where immediately his excellence along with his intelligent, hardworking, humorous and energetic nature became apparent. He has had great co-curricular success especially in soccer where he was an indispensable part of the 1st soccer XI, backed up by his GPS inclusions. Harrison has the ability to brighten up any situation with his hilarious antics and by just being himself.

Michael St John

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SEAN WILLIAMS (1998-2003)

Sean is so close to perfection it's scary. Throughout his time at Riverview he has succeeded in most things which are unattainable to many, by his strong sense of perseverance and unmatched determination to achieve the greatest of results in every way possible. He is truly admired by all his peers. He is a confident and proud young man, yet friendly, considerate and caring which makes him a very valuable and cherished friend.

Marc Malouf



WARWICK WILLIAMS (1997-2003)

Warwick came to Riverview in Year 6 and since then he has never ceased to amaze me with his outgoing and caring personality. He has been an outstanding participant in the College community giving everything that came his way a go. He has played the saxophone since Year 7, done debating, rugby, cycling and Duke of Edinburgh only to mention a few. His true talent, however, lies on the basketball court where the Riverview 'wolves' have relied on him for his height and his ability to shoot goals in the final quarter. *Luke Edwards*



HARRY WINDSOR (1998-2003)

Harry Charles William Windsor of 17 (or is that 170,000?) Palace Road, Petersham has so far had more than a name or four in common with the residents of Buckingham Palace. Harry, just like his namesake, has a rare ability to find the spotlight. But the similarity ends there, for where some attract attention for their peccadilloes, Harry attracts it for his conspicuous success. Whether it be for his efforts to redefine the frontiers of pronunciation and punctuality or his dynamic performances on the stage, in the classroom, or at the front of the Campion House meeting, Harry has left a significant and indelible mark on Riverview. With his self-effacing and generously warm demeanour, Harry has enriched the experiences of his peers and unlike his namesake, he has done it with class. *Christopher Croke*



DAVID WRIGHT (2000-2003)

Since meeting David at the beginning of my schooling at Riverview, Term IV, 2002, I realised that I had just started a great friendship. David and I bought our first cars together - though mine is noted more for its noise than his. David is a true friend and one I hope to keep through my life. He has helped me with so much and I admire his academic ability. I only hope I can teach him to drive as well as I can. *Leon Brugman*



WYSTAN WU (2000-2003)

Wystan came to Riverview in Year 9 and I came in Year 10 - so I have known him for almost three years. In that time I have come to understand him and have become very good friends with him. Wystan is a very interesting individual who has many good qualities. He was very quiet in Year 10 and 11, but ever since the start of Year 12 he has shown his true self. He is very understanding, takes the time to listen, is extremely generous and has a very good reputation in the boarding house as a computer wizz. He gets along with everyone in the boarding house very well. *Alex Cassegrain*

Mr Justin Fleming, our guest of honour, ladies and gentlemen, members of staff, students of St Ignatius, and especially today, the Year 12 class of 2003:

400 years ago Matteo Ricci, the first Jesuit missionary to penetrate China, at last entered Beijing. Reaching the capital of the Middle Kingdom, in its own eyes the centre of the world, had long been his heart's desire, because he hoped that now he could see the Emperor and even convert him to Christian faith.

Ricci was the Jesuit figure that came to mind when I was wondering what to say to the Year 2003 Valete students, as we bid them godspeed and send them off into the world, a world in which during the next 50 years China surely is going to play a more and more important role.

Whether or not any of you Year 12s have anything to do with this – I hope some of you may – Ricci is a surprisingly modern figure. He journeyed far away from his Italian homeland and all that was familiar, to enter into a culture and society that was immensely confident of itself and utterly different from his own.

Most of us are excited by going somewhere different, and yet we can keep ourselves safe by criticizing the place we visit, and pretend that the differences are always to our own advantage.

Ricci felt the difference but he was ready to be changed by his contact with Chinese culture, so much so that he adopted the mode of dress and living of a Chinese scholar, he learnt the language so well that eventually he had trouble remembering his native Italian and wrote books in Chinese that gained the status of classics. He was centuries ahead of his time; we remain challenged today to meet what is different with the openness of mind that Ricci had.

It is an important part of the Jesuit tradition to venture as far into the world as one can, and respect the terms on which the world presents itself. And one of the hopes we have for you Year 12s, and the other years, is that you have the energy and enthusiasm to meet the world you are entering with respect, to know that other people have a right to live the way they do, and indeed to find your own life enriched by opening yourselves to welcome their way to influence your way.

So we hope that you will never stop conversing with the world, and therefore never stop changing in response to people so different from yourselves. This is a major way in which the fullness of life comes to us all.

We hope, too, that you are confident that the education you have received equips you well to participate in the world and engage with its people in all its exhilarating variety and its sometimes daunting complexity.

Ricci, who was naturally very talented, had studied hard in preparation. As well as a fine theologian and an excellent linguist, he was an expert in mathematics, geography and astronomy. He was renowned for his extraordinary memory. He was ready to meet the foreign culture at its best.

He was also kept alive by his curiosity – so he tried to discover whether China was the same place as the place Marco Polo called Cathay centuries before. Ricci was always seeking Cathay. He also was confident enough in his own European learning to produce the first maps in Chinese that showed to the Chinese the whole of the known world.

Ricci never ceased learning and he used his learning to contribute to the world. The subjects you have studied, and will study in the years ahead, bring you the world and help you to go to the world and participate in it. Please God, you will never be done with curiosity or learning. Or reflecting.

Ricci was a shrewd man, and often found himself in dangerous places. He gained a reputation among the Chinese for being 'The Wise Man from the West', a high tribute in a culture that had long treasured its own wisdom, and gave much higher status to its own wise men than we do.

Wisdom calls for intelligence certainly, but also for open-mindedness, and open-mindedness requires open-heartedness. So another of our hopes for you is that you always remain attentive to your hearts. Your hearts have been touched often this year.

This surely is what is especially distinctive of the 2003 Year 12s: you are men whose hearts have been touched by sorrow and joy, and have learnt much from this. Familiarity with what goes on in our hearts and the ability to make wise judgments about ourselves, others, and the world is summed up in the Ignatian tradition by the word 'discernment'.

For St Ignatius we have to be discerning to know what to do, how to act, so that God is glorified. Please God, you will have discerning hearts and be wise men.

Finally, remember that Ricci had a dream. It was his heart's desire to take the power and message of the gospel to the heart of China/Cathay – to the hearts of the Chinese people and to the core of Chinese culture.

It is one of the great dreams in Christian history, and, with Ricci as our example, the Society of Jesus has never let go of it. Many of you have met Fr Jeremy Clarke, Captain of the School in 1987, who began his lifelong engagement of China here at Riverview.

Our hope is that you, too, while at this school have begun to dream, and that the dream will shape your lives and take you far; that it is a dream powerful enough to call on all your energies, and enthusiasm and learning, and wit and wisdom, and that it will shape your lifelong journey, and please God turn it into a pilgrimage.

We pray that you too, like Matteo Ricci, will reach at last your heart's Cathay.

Fr Andrew Bullen SJ
Rector
September 26, 2003



Guest of honour, Mr Justin Fleming congratulates his nephew, Justin Fleming, captain of boarders, at the Valete Speech Day

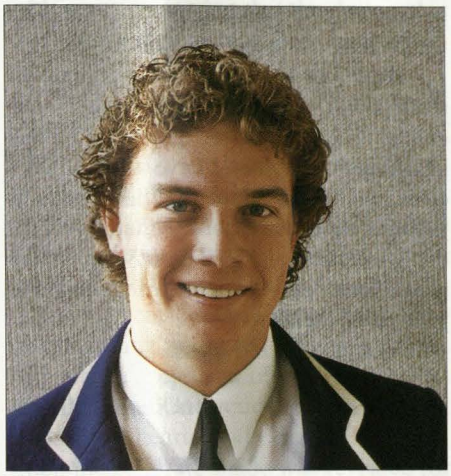
valete speech day - mr shane hogan

Gentlemen of Year 12, today is a very significant day in your life. This will be the last time you will sit amongst your peers; sit in this great hall which holds so much of our history through the honour boards surrounding you. This is a most significant day.

Earlier this morning every student was acknowledged by his Housemaster, Tutor or fellow students in his House meeting. And soon, we will acknowledge those who have achieved prizes in academic excellence, community service and school spirit.

This morning's assembly starts a series of ceremonies that say congratulations, goodbye, and thank you. Saint Ignatius' College celebrates occasions well: the first day at Riverview or the last day at Riverview, days of great celebration and days of great sadness.

These special days are milestones in your growing relationship with people who will now forever be part of your life



Sam Watson

journey. In some ways our time in Harden and Yass earlier this year, short though it was, farewelling Billy and Sam will long be the glue that gives this Year 12 and their parents a very special bond in our journey.

For 450 years, Jesuit education has sought to educate 'the whole person,' intellectually, psychologically, morally and spiritually; an education of the heart, the mind and the spirit. When the heart is touched by direct experience, the mind may be challenged to change and one would hope and expect that when the mind is challenged it will also filter into the heart and spirit.

Students, in the course of their formation, must let the gritty reality of this world into their lives, so they can learn to feel it, think about it critically, respond to its suffering and engage in it constructively. Few graduating classes, in their formation, have had the gritty reality of this world put before them the way in which the Class of 2003 has this past 12 months. While we have experienced great sadness we also have much to celebrate and today is a day of celebration. Celebration of what has been achieved, in our hearts, minds, bodies and spirit.

Our College motto calls our boys to courage, to be daring. To move beyond one's self, but always knowing one's self better. Our motto is a dynamic calling, from imperfection to perfection, from ignorance to wisdom, from selfishness to generosity, from vague desires to passionate love. To dare, to be brave is to admit vulnerability, to allow the chance of being wounded. True daring is humbly striving for the right while knowing that we cannot conquer all our fears alone. Fr John Ramsay SJ a man for whom our motto meant much always prayed each morning "Lord help me to remember that nothing is going to happen to me today that You and I can't handle together."



Will Sheehy

I would like to focus on a few aspects that for me epitomise the spirit of the Class of 2003. While their achievements in co-curricular activities have been hailed in school assemblies, and will be again later in this gathering, what will long remain in College folklore was the 1st XVs win at St Joseph's just three weeks ago.

Adding to this we are the first GPS School to win the 1st Rugby, 1st Soccer, and 1st Debating competitions in the same year, all undefeated teams. This year we also had World champions in Debating and Rowing, our GPS Athletics teams won the Senior and Junior championships in the last event of the day, our GPS Under 16 Cross Country, 2nds Tennis and 4th IV, 3rd IV, and 2nd IV as well as the GPS Swimming team all won premierships.

Other outstanding performances include the 1st VIII, 1st and 2nd XI Cricket, 2nds Basketball, 2nds Debating and 2nd XI Soccer and 2nd XV Rugby who all finished runners up in their respective competitions. In the co-curricular sphere one must also pay recognition to the exceptional talent in the fields of Drama and Music with performances by outstanding musicians and actors in productions like El Cid, West Side Story and Murdering Ministers. Put all this together and you have the making of a legendary year.

While there is always a danger that some may be offended by drawing attention to some and not others, there is also the danger of not giving credit where credit is due. It is also important for younger students to see how good role models go about their work.

At the very top, the leadership offered by Tom van Beek has been outstanding. His ease at the lectern and command of those assembled will long be remembered. His Insignis Award is a tribute to



Will Magnus

his sense of service and he follows in his brother Peter's footsteps in winning our highest honour. His parents Harris and Jane should be proud and pleased that their example of generosity has been so evident in both their sons' (and daughter's) character.

Tom has been superbly supported by Justin and Sean, two men who have given their all to the College in a most demanding year. They have formed an outstanding leadership team for their peers as well as the College and its wider family.

Michael Roche has also offered great leadership as Captain of Boats and Captain of the 1st XV. Part of the success of our Rugby this year can undoubtedly be attributed to a leader who gave his all in every game. Michael has led from the front and has never asked of his players what he was not prepared to do himself.

In service one cannot forget the endless hours of pleasure Pascal Herington has



Andrew Cahill



Tom van Beek



Jung Ma

brought to so many in and outside the Riverview community with his musical talents and as a model to younger gifted students.

Andrew Cahill has been a student of enormous generosity and has always done so with a smile. Other quiet achievers who offered wonderful Ignatian service and role modelled the notion of 'giving and not counting the cost and toiling and not seeking reward', include Will Magnus, Jung Ma, Sam Watson, Will Sheehy and Pat Bodimeade.

The Class of 2003 has had many new experiences and have led the way in establishing so many of the things we now take for granted. They were first to use the mobile Middle School, affectionately known as the 'trailer park' to the students and 'chalets' to the staff. They were the first year to take part in our City/Bush experience and we were the first Dads to have to trim down to attempt the caving experience.

They have been the driving forces in our very successful Kairos retreat program where the leadership and retreats are directed by students from within Year 12 for their peers.

They are the first year to embrace the community service program and in doing so they have been role models in terms of recognising our privileged standing and acknowledging those in our society not blessed with our social status and its trappings.

This year has also seen more students come and go than any year in the history of the college. There have been 55 new students since Year 7 and the year group is only three larger than when it started in Year 7.

Given the talent and life experiences of the Class of 2003 it is now up to our students to learn to perceive, think, judge, choose and act for the rights of others. It would be unIgnatian if the debating skills, intellectual might and leadership potential of these young men were to be wasted on self-interest or self-gratification, or in not fighting the divisions that cause inequality and oppression.

Fr Arrupe SJ set a new direction for Jesuit education in 1973 when he challenged all Jesuit educational institutions. He said:

"Today our prime educational objective must be to form men for others; men who will live not for themselves but for God; men who cannot even conceive of love of God which does not include love for the least of their neighbours; men completely convinced that love of God which does not issue in justice for men is a farce."

Today is a significant day. It is hard to believe that so much talent will go with the passing of one group of students.

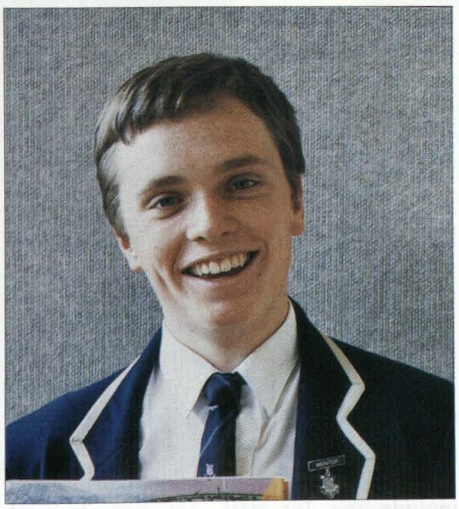
I hope and pray that every individual student will long remember this day – the end of one part of the journey and the beginning of another. I have always had a close and vested interest in this particular year for obvious reasons. I thank you for the memories along the way and very much look forward to hearing news of your new journeys.

Goodbye and God bless.

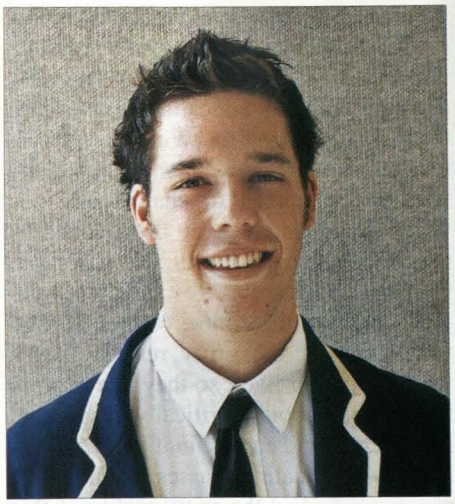
Mr Shane P Hogan
Headmaster
September 26, 2003



Michael Roche



Ed Farrell



Henry Shepherd

valete speech day - mr justin fleming

Guest of honour at the Valete Speech Day was Mr Justin Fleming, who graduated from Riverview in 1970. Mr Fleming has degrees in Law from the University of Sydney and from Dublin University and a Master of Laws from University College, London.

A noted writer and author, Justin was described by the Chairman of the College Council, Mr Neville Harpham as a man who has 'a passion for justice' and a 'distinguished Ignatian'.

In his speech, Mr Fleming spoke about the importance of having a positive mental attitude.

"We humans have been blessed with a tremendous gift – the power of positive thinking. At times it may be the greatest power of earth," Mr Fleming said. Illustrating this with interesting anecdotes, Mr Fleming said that initiatives taken by people who thought positively, contained "within them a powerful aspect of vision.

"Vision is knowing that the dream plus the action amounts to a formidable equation.

"The Sydney Morning Herald this week published moments from 30 years ago of the Sydney Opera House. It referred to the excitement experienced among young architects working on Joern Utzon's extraordinary, perhaps even Utopian design for the Opera House.

"Excitement because they knew they were working at the edge of the possible. Almost every element of the building was experimental. One young architect cannot forget the 'heart-in -the mouth' moment when the concrete shape was revealed for the first time in a form of perfection they had not experienced.

"The edges were pure, the surfaces clear of any blemishes,' the shells arching into the sunlight in pearly perfection.

"All those present, including the tough and hardened concreters, were in tears, embracing each other as 'in those few moments, they were all transported to the realm of joy'."

Mr Fleming then read brief excerpts from the diary of a soldier, James Lynch who was a prisoner of war in Burma during World War II. In his diary, Lynch wrote: 'Hundreds of our men are down with dysentery. Already four or five of them have died. Inadequate food, bad conditions. They haven't a chance...

'Wealth means nothing here. We're a world of our own now. Burma. There was a film called Moon over Burma – it certainly was written of a Burmese June.'

"One of Lynch's final diary entries before he died read:

'I've finished my nightly cigar, the mosquitoes are biting my bare body, my light is a tiny bare oil flame and yet I'm alive, I'm well and in a strange way I'm happy. I feel that I'm learning to live, that I now know what life is, I know what life can be ... I'm full of new hope, new resolutions – I can and I will be in the future what before I only dreamed to be.'



Mr Justin Fleming with Year 5 students, William and James Hanrahan

"James died on November 26, 1943 , the cause of death recorded as cerebral malaria. The life of this soldier will not appear in history books . But his life is extraordinary. He suffered because he cared about liberty. But, he didn't only care. Sitting there with a cigar and being bitten by the mosquitoes which killed him, he dreamed of a wonderful future. And you young men today are that future he dreamed of.

"The story doesn't end there. Because we all know that life is full of dreams and joys, fantastic challenges and radiant hopes. There is excitement like the final moments of the match against Joeys, and the moments when the vision of the Opera House was revealed and there is the moon over Burma.

"But sorrow balances our experiences. This year, the Riverview community lost, in particular, two of its dearest mates, Sam Turner and Billy O'Connor.

"I'd like to remember them and to celebrate them in this, assembly. I thank my wonderful nephew, Justin Fleming, of whom I am so proud - he himself is not untested in the crucible of life – for providing me with these various references which form but a small part of an immense outpouring of sorrow, praise, admiration and love for Billy and Sam. These are remarks made both before and after the loss of the boys' lives.

"Billy O'Connor: 'Bill was and always will be to us a laid back, easy going, friendly guy. He could be relied upon for anything whether it involved any kind of responsibility or just to put a smile on your face. Bill touched so many lives in so many different ways. Regardless of whether you had met him once or a hundred times you couldn't help but be influenced by his weird and outgoing sense of humour, his cheeky laugh, not to mention that smile.'

"Sam Turner: 'His quiet but authoritative leadership has had a great impact on the boarding house. Nothing is too much trouble for him, he certainly goes the extra mile. His dry sense of humour is greatly appreciated. He is a very conscientious lad, if you ask him to do something, it gets done ... He uses few words and has a wonderful smile.'

"Peter O'Connor said: 'I would like to thank the Riverview community for their wonderful support since losing Billy and Sam. The strength and depth of this community is extraordinary and reinforces the reasons we sent our sons to school here.'

'And so by way of conclusion, let's apply that positive thinking.What a gift Sam and Billy gave to us. What an inspiring legacy. They proved to us that the length of a person's life is not the critical measure. What matters is the manner of its living. They have taught us a mighty lesson: That success does not reside in the ascension of some vertical ladder, rung by rung. Success resides in the infectious smile, success resides in the giving and receiving of love, success resides in relationships.

"Goethe wrote: 'Seize this very minute. Boldness has genius, power and magic in it. What you can do, or dream you can, begin it now.'

"As you end the College days that have shaped so much of your sense of moral responsibility, adorned with gifts and talents, with generous families and friends, , for each one of you, I wish that at the centre of every exciting challenge, in every one of life's joys and triumphs, there will be the radiant success of enduring relationships.

"So, have the courage of your vision. Make the world better."

Mr Justin Fleming
September 26, 2003

YEAR 12 ACADEMIC PRIZES

APPLICATION

Simon Angove [1]
John-Paul Beaumont [2]
Terence McNamee [2]
William O'Loughlin [2]
Matthew Whelan [2]
Edward Farrell [3]
Dominic Hogan [3]
Nicholas Johnston [3]
Luke O'Sullivan [3]
Thomas van Beek [3]

STUDIES OF RELIGION 2 UNIT

Samuel Watson
Harry Windsor
Andrew Cahill
Sean Carroll
Brian Cheng
Mark Scott
Jack Dixon

STUDIES OF RELIGION 1 UNIT

Sean Williams
Andrew Ford
Charles Passmore
Luke Edwards
Douglas Marshall
Anthony Vumbaca
Gregory Ainsworth
Christopher Happell
Noel Brennan = 9
Christopher Broadhurst = 9
Harrison Wiche = 9

ESSAY

Daniel Gregory [4]
Charles Passmore [4, 5]
Thomas Dicker [6] *= 3*
Michael Forsyth [6] *= 3*
Alexander Harris [6] *= 5*
Jung Ma [6] *= 5*
Harry Windsor [6] *= 5*
Christopher Croke [6]
Andrew Ford [6] *= 9*
Jon Frazer [6] *= 9*
Sean Williams [6]

ENGLISH ADVANCED

Sean Williams [7]
Daniel Gregory
Harry Windsor
Christopher Croke
Charles Passmore
Andrew Lazzaro
Anthony Vumbaca
Thomas Dicker
Michael Reardon
Thomas van Beek

ENGLISH EXTENSION 1

Harry Windsor [5, 8]
Jon Frazer = 2
Alexander Harris = 2
Charles Passmore = 2
Michael Reardon = 2
Christopher Croke = 6
Andrew Ford = 6
Daniel Gregory = 6

ENGLISH EXTENSION 2

Jung Ma = 1
Michael Reardon = 1
Charles Passmore
Matthew Whelan
Jon Frazer
Alexander Harris
Jeremy Moore

ENGLISH STANDARD

Michael Rolfe
James FitzGerald
Joseph Natoli
Mark Longhurst
Nicholas Frame
Patrick OíHalloran
Simon Moloney
Hugh Koh
Mitchell Quigley
William Schiller

PHYSICS

Thomas Clement [9]
William OíLoughlin
Daniel Gunn
Gregory Ainsworth = 4
Edward King = 4

CHEMISTRY

Rhys Tame [10]
Wystan Wu
Pascal Herington
Thomas Clement
William OíLoughlin

BIOLOGY

Edward King [11]
Matthew McDonald
Mark Flower
Sean Mason

SENIOR SCIENCE

Michael Rolfe
Alexander Cassegrain

MATHEMATICS

Charles Passmore
Michael Forsyth = 2
Jon Frazer = 2
Brian Cheng = 4
Christopher Croke = 4
Thomas Crasti
Stephen Gillespie = 7
Nicholas Johnston = 7
James Higgins = 9
Edward Tighe = 9
Warwick Williams = 9

MATHEMATICS EXTENSION 1

Justin Merlino
Sean Killham
Patrick Roberts
Mark Flower
Geoffrey Storr
David Fisher = 6
Michael McLean = 6

MATHEMATICS EXTENSION 2

Thomas Clement [12]
William OíLoughlin
Luke Edwards = 3
Patrick Ho = 3
Mark Beck = 5
Edward King = 5

MATHEMATICS GENERAL

Andrew Ford
Christopher McGregor
Mark Longhurst
Lachlan Fergus
Joseph Milazzo
Luke OíSullivan
Rohan Keys
Justin Fleming
Grayden Kenney = 9
Christopher Law = 9
John McKeon = 9

YEAR 12 ACADEMIC PRIZES

FRENCH CONTINUERS

Geoffrey Clarke (Year 10) [13]
James Harvey (Year 10)
Geoffrey Storr

FRENCH EXTENSION

Geoffrey Storr
Luke Edwards

ITALIAN CONTINUERS

Adrian Fiorito

LATIN CONTINUERS

Daniel Gregory [14]
Christopher Croke

LATIN EXTENSION

Christopher Croke
Daniel Gregory

CHINESE CONTINUERS

Daniel Gunn [16]
Patrick Ho

CHINESE EXTENSION

Patrick Ho
Brian Cheng

MODERN HISTORY

Daniel Gregory
Andrew Ford
Harry Windsor
Michael Reardon
Declan Walsh
Anthony Brown = 6
Jeremy Moore = 6

ANCIENT HISTORY

Daniel Gregory [17]
Charles Passmore
Justin Merlino
Sean Carroll
Michael Forsyth

HISTORY EXTENSION

Christopher Croke [18]
Daniel Gregory
Alexander Mazzoni
Bradley Howard

ABORIGINAL STUDIES

Joshua Passaro [19]
Aaron Lind
Matthew Hudson

BUSINESS STUDIES

Andrew Slattery
Nicholas Johnston
Thomas Crasti
Noel Brennan =4
Michael Forsyth = 4
Mark Beck = 6
John Hartman = 6
Samuel Watson
Patrick Barrett = 9
Edward Tighe = 9

ECONOMICS

Andrew Ford [20]
Charles Passmore
Michael Forsyth = 3
John Hartman = 3
Wystan Wu = 3
Andrew Lazzaro
Mark Beck = 7
Nicholas Johnston = 7
Samuel Watson = 7
Matthew Whelan = 7

GEOGRAPHY

Andrew Slattery [21]
Nicholas Johnston = 2
Will Magnus = 2
Thomas Prichard
Thomas Robertson
John Hartman
Christopher Broadhurst = 7
Edward Tighe = 7
Alexander Harris
William Sheehy

PDHPE

Justin Merlino
Scott Turner
Thomas Flynn

YEAR 12 ACADEMIC PRIZES

INFORMATION PROCESSES & TECHNOLOGY

Mitchell Gorman (Year 11)
Douglas Marshall
Benjamin Warnes (Year 11)
David Mair (Year 11)
James Bannister (Year 11)

SOFTWARE DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT

Sean Killham [22]
Thomas Dicker
Christopher Broadhurst

VISUAL ARTS

William Sheehy [23]
Sean Williams
Andrew Cutcliffe
James FitzGerald

AGRICULTURE

Patrick Barrett [24]
Samuel Montgomery
Justin Fleming

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

Simon Jenkins
Oliver Curtis
Michael Francis

INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY

Michael OíBrien
Mark Longhurst
Matthew Hudson

MUSIC COURSE 1

Marc Malouf
Matthew McDonald = 2
Adam Rixon = 2

MUSIC COURSE 2

Andrew Cahill
Douglas Marshall

MUSIC COURSE 2 EXTENSION

Pascal Herington
Andrew Cahill = 2
Andrew McDonald-Hughes = 2

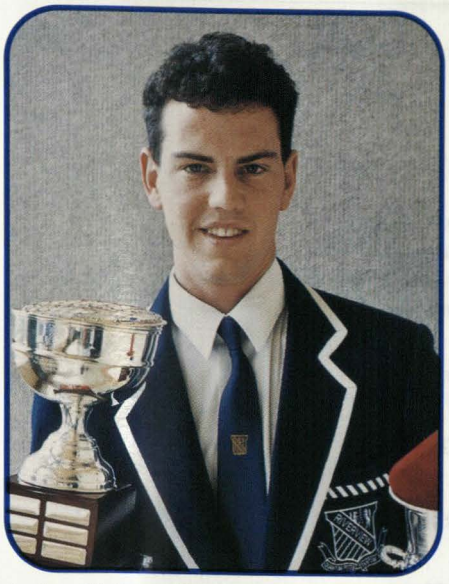
DRAMA

Harry Windsor
Travis Brooks-Garrett
Andrew Cutcliffe

1. *Winner of the Prize for Persistent Application in Studies*
2. *Winner of a Prize for Constant Application in Studies.*
3. *Commended for Application in Studies.*
4. *Winner of the Headmaster's Prize for Essay.*
5. *Winner of the Brendan Lane-Mullins Prize for English Composition.*
6. *Commendation for the Rectoris Prize Essay Competition. Names are listed in order of merit.*
7. *Winner of the Stanley Ricketts Prize for English.*
8. *Winner of the Kelly Memorial Prize for English Literature.*
9. *Winner of the Old Ignatians' Union Prize for Higher School Certificate Science - Physics.*
10. *Winner of the Old Ignatians' Union Prize for Higher School Certificate Science - Chemistry.*
11. *Winner of the Old Ignatians' Union Prize for Higher School Certificate Science - Biology.*
12. *Winner of the Doctor Murray Curtis Memorial Prize for Higher School Certificate Mathematics.*
13. *Winner of the Father T. J. McLoughlin, S.J., Memorial Prize for Higher School Certificate French.*
14. *Winner of the Father Noel Hehir, SJ, Memorial Prize for Higher School Certificate Latin.*
15. *Winner of the Roger Forrest Hughes Prize for Ancient Classics*
16. *Winner of the Patrick Ryan Prize for a Senior Student of Mandarin Chinese.*
17. *Winner of the Tacitus Prize for Ancient History*
18. *Winner of the Paul Meagher Prize for Higher School Certificate History.*
19. *Winner of the B. & V. Toomey Prize for Aboriginal Studies.*
20. *Winner of the Anson Mak Prize for Excellent Achievement in HSC Economics.*
21. *Winner of the Daniel Henry Deniehy Memorial Prize for Geography.*
22. *Winner of the David Brennan Memorial Prize for Software Design and Development.*
23. *Winner of the Paul Family Prize for Outstanding Achievement and Application in Visual Arts.*
24. *Winner of the Old Ignatians' Union Prize for Agriculture.*

Year 12 Academic Prizes

Riverview Academic Medals



Andrew Slattery - the Social Sciences medal



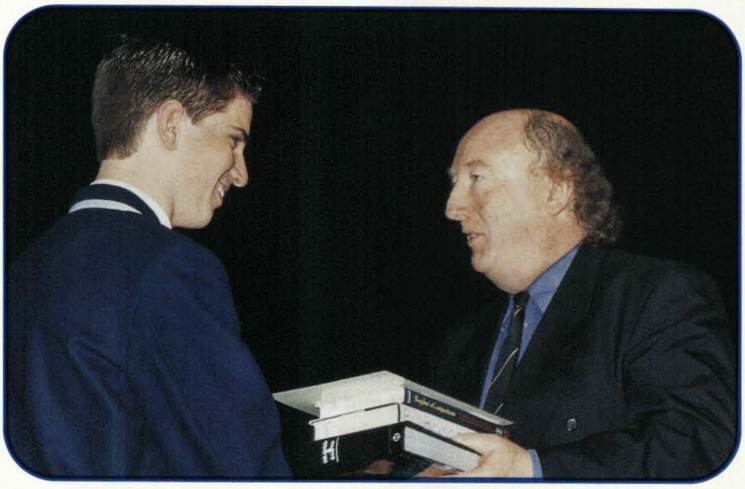
Sean Williams - Religious Studies medal



Harry Windsor - the English medal



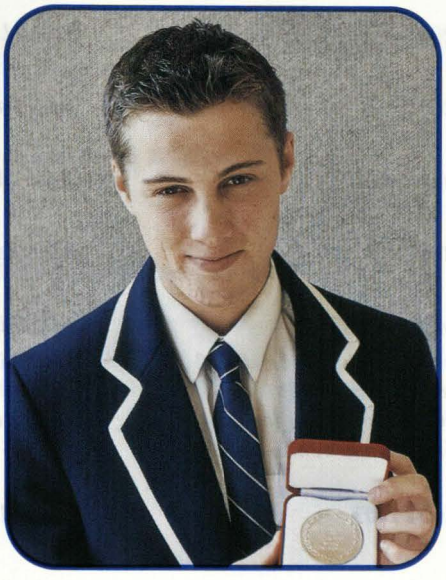
Daniel Gregory receives the Languages and History medals from Mr Justin Fleming



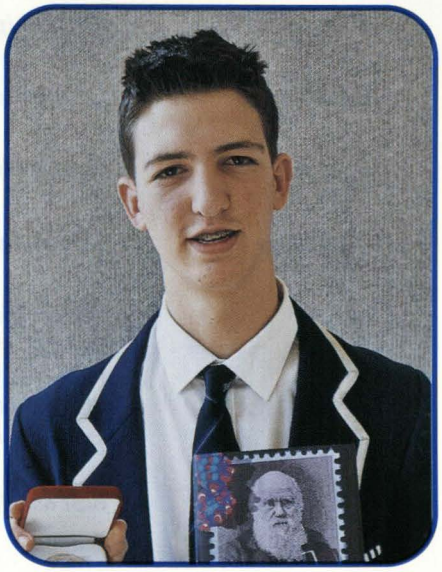
Thomas Clement receives the Mathematics medal from Mr Justin Fleming



Pascal Herington - the Arts medal



Mark Longhurst - the Technology medal



Ed King - the Sciences medal

SENIOR CO-CURRICULUM PRIZES

The Ian Tucker Trophy for Outstanding Sportsman of the Year: Timothy Harrington

The Caltex All round Sportsman of the Year: Michael Roche

Association Football (Soccer)	*The Robert Stuart Trophy for 1st XI Best and Fairest 2003*	*Nicholas Guglielmino*
	Runner Up to Best and Fairest	*Noel Brennan and Joshua Passaro*
	Byrne Trophy (Playersí Player)	*Nicholas Guglielmino and Noel Brennan*
Athletics	*Champion Athlete 2003*	*Justin Merlino*
Basketball	*Best Player 2003*	*Michael Ternes*
Chess	*College Champion*	*Matthew Whelan*
Cricket	*1st XI Batting Average 2003*	*Timothy Harrington*
	1st XI Bowling Average 2003	*Timothy Harrington*
Mountain Bike / Cycling	*Leadership*	*Gregory Ainsworth Adrian Smith*
Cross Country Running	*College Champion 2003*	*Thomas Crasti*
Fencing	*College Champion 2003*	*Jordan Down (Yr 10)*
Rowing	*Best Clubman 2003*	*Michael Roche*
Rugby Football	*The Arnold Tancred Trophy for 1st XV Best and Fairest 2003*	*Timothy Corcoran*
	Dempsey Trophy (Playersí Player)	*Michael Roche*
	Best Forward (J E Hayes Trophy)	*William Lenehan*
	Best Back (J E Hayes Trophy)	*Timothy Harrington*
Rugby League	*Best and Fairest 2003*	*Thomas Cullen*
Sailing	*Leadership 2003*	*Daniel Gregory*
Surf Lifesaving	*Leadership 2003*	*Sam Farrell*
Swimming	*College Champion 2003*	*Sean Mason*
Tae Kwon Do	*Leadership 2003*	*Michael Lowe (Yr 11)*
Tennis	*College Champion 2003*	*Matthieson Hor (Yr11)*
	The Sam Turner Trophy for Best and Fairest in Firsts Tennis 2003	*Matthieson Hor (Yr11)*
	The Billy OíConnor Trophy for Best and Fairest in Seconds Tennis 2003	*Andrew Slattery*
Water Polo	*Best and Fairest 2003*	*Luke Hannan*

SPECIAL YEAR 12 AWARDS

The Peter Wright Memorial Prize for Excellence and Leadership in Technology and Applied Studies: ***Julian Braund***

The Jude Bunbury Memorial Award for Outstanding Service, Leadership and Achievement in Music: ***Pascal Herington***

The Award for All Round Excellence in Music: ***Adam Rixon***

The Award for All Round Endeavour in Music: ***Marc Malouf***

The Joseph and Madeleine Donnelly Prize for the Best Contribution to the College Musical Production: ***Pascal Herington***

The Roland Rixon Memorial Award for Excellence and Leadership in Band Music: ***Michael McLean***

The David Ell Prize for Senior Dramatics: ***Andrew Cutcliffe***

The Father Charles McDonald S.J. Medal for Senior Debate: ***Christopher Croke***

The R. H. North Perpetual Trophy for Senior Debate and Public Speaking: ***Travis Brooks-Garrett***

The Father Francis Douglas Prize for Perseverance: ***Ryan Macalyk***

The Father Francis Douglas Prize for Perseverance: ***Ross Walsh***

The Colin Campbell Memorial Prize for Outstanding Influence in the Cultural Life of the School: ***Pascal Herington***

Stonyhurst Gap Exchange: ***Carl Giammarco and Harry Windsor***

Clongowes Wood Gap Exchanges: ***Justin Fleming and Michael Roche***

The Father John Ramsay S.J. Bond University Scholarship for 2003: ***James McDougall***

SPECIAL YEAR 12 AWARDS

The College Blue for Association Football (Soccer): ***Nicholas Guglielmino***

The College Blue for Cricket: ***Timothy Harrington***

The College Blue for Debating: ***Christopher Croke***

The College Blue for Drama: ***Andrew Cutcliffe***

The College Blue for Music: ***Pascal Herington***

The College Blue for Rowing: ***Angus Campbell***

The College Blue for Track and Field: ***Justin Merlino***

The College Blue for Trampolining and Tumbling: ***Adam Rixon***

The College Blue for Waterpolo: ***Luke Hannan***

The Dr James L'Estrange Prize for Community Service: ***Andrew Cahill***

The Rita Wilson Prize for Service in Boarding over the Years: ***William Sheehy***

The Archbishop of Sydney Award for Student Excellence: ***William Sheehy***

The Jesuit Community Awards for Consistently Acting in the Spirit of the College:

Luke Edwards
Edward Farrell
Thomas Flynn
Will Magnus
James McDougall
Simon Moloney
Jack O'Brien
Thomas Robertson
Patrick Sheehan

The Richard Herlihy Prizes for Strength of Character and Involvement:

Noel Brennan
Jon Frazer
Mark Gallagher
Timothy Harrington
Jung Ma
Andrew McDonald-Hughes
Justin Merlino
Jacob Molkentin
Henry Shepherd
Andrew Slattery

SENIOR PRIZES 2003

The Mark Robinson Prizes for All Round Endeavour and Service:

Andrew Cahill (Campion)
Christopher Croke (Cheshire)
David Fisher (MacKillop)
Pascal Herington (Chisholm)
Dominic Hogan (Campion)
Michael Roche (Cheshire)
Patrick Tait (Ricci)
Declan Walsh (Xavier)
Samuel Watson (Claver)
Harry Windsor (Campion)

The Gordon Oxenham Memorial Prize for First Division Boarders in Rhetoric Year: ***Justin Fleming (Campion)***

The Shore School Centenary Prize for a Senior Day Student: ***Sean Williams (Southwell)***

The Michael Cunich Memorial Prize for Excellence of Character: ***Justin Fleming (Campion)***

PRIZES FOR OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT:

Thomas Clement (More)

Christopher Croke (Cheshire)

Daniel Gregory (Campion)

THE INSIGNIS - 2003

(The Riverview Gold Medal)

Thomas van Beek
(Claver)

PRIZES DONATED TO THE COLLEGE

John King Branagan *(OR.1939-42): died 1945, aged 19, from a football injury while a student in Engineering at Sydney University. Outstanding Mathematics scholar, sportsman and Catholic. Prize established in 1947.*

David John Lincoln Brennan *(OR.1975-80): died in 1999 at the age of 36 from a heart attack. An avid computer specialist involved in finance. Prize established by his parents and three brothers in 2002.*

Alan Bridge *(OR.1921-26): died 1966, aged 57. A barrister, who succeeded in his studies by dint of hard work. Appointed to the Bench 1961. Prize established in 1969.*

Michael Joseph Bryant *(OR.1950-53) died 1999. Grazier at Greenethorpe, member of a family long represented at Riverview. Zealous Catholic and stalwart defender of rural interests. Prize established by his widow, Maryan, in 1999.*

Jude Bunbury *(OR.1976-81): accidentally killed 1984, aged 20, while a student in Engineering at Sydney University. Excellent all-round student while at school. Undergraduate member of University Senate, stalwart Catholic leader. Prize established in 1984.*

Colin Campbell *(OR.1966-69): killed in a motor accident, 1970, aged 17. Prize established in 1974.*

Dr Ann Clark *who died in 1997 was a founding member of the Riverview College Council established in 1993. She taught in secondary schools in Australia and New Zealand and was the Founding Director of the Parramatta Catholic Education Office when it was set up in 1987. In that role she was instrumental in the approval of the establishment of Loyola College, Mt. Druitt.*

The Riverview College Foundation established this prize in 1997 as part of their funding of the Ann Clark Artist in Residence programme at Riverview.

D'Arcy Cobcroft *(OR.1915-17): died while at school 1917, aged 17. Clever and industrious student; fine athlete. Prize established in 1918.*

Michael Cunich *(OR.1952-58): accidentally killed 1966, aged 25. Noted for strength of character, religious conviction and perseverance. Prize established in 1967.*

Dr Murray Curtis *(OR.1901-05): died 1966, aged 78. School doctor 1915-47. Prize established in 1933.*

Andrew Dawson *(OR.1986): Happy, friendly and courageous Year 5 boy, who died of cancer at the age of 10. Prize established in 1989 for award to a boy in the Junior School, who, like Andrew, has shown perseverance in his studies and maintained his involvement in co-curricular activities.*

Daniel Henry Deniehy *(1828-65). Politician and writer in colonial New South Wales. Prize established in 1997 by an admirer who wishes to remain anonymous.*

Joseph and Madeleine Donnelly, *grandparents of Nicholas Brennan, one of the principals in 'The Pirates of Penzance', which, in 1976, signalled the revival of Gilbert and Sullivan productions. Prize established in 1976 to encourage musicals in the College.*

Father Francis Douglas *(OR.1930-31): died 1984, aged 70. Quietly efficient and a very successful administrator, Secretary to the Archbishop of Brisbane and Chancellor of the Archdiocese; laboured at his tasks despite the loss of voice. Prize established in 1986 by Miss Susan Douglas to be awarded to those who have persevered against difficulties.*

George E. Flannery *(OR.1886-88): died 1945, aged 73. Barrister, famous for his clear and orderly mind. Prize established in 1933.*

Esmond Gilhooley *(OR.1932-34): killed in action 1942, aged 26. Idealist, patriot and devout Catholic. Prize established in 1942.*

Father Noel Hehir, S.J. *Rector 1940-45: died 1947, aged 48. Dedicated priest, teacher and coach. Prize established in 1948.*

William John Henderson *(OR.1930-38): a Sub-Lieutenant, R.A.N., died on active service 1942, aged 21. Popular as a boy at school for his honesty, cheerfulness and readiness to assist others. Prize established in 1979.*

Richard Herlihy *(OR. 1938): died while at school 1939, aged 16. Noted for gentlemanliness, great ability and good humour. Prize established in 1940.*

Bryan Hughes *(OR.1900-04): killed in action 1918, aged 30. Admired for his unselfishness, courage and amiability. Prize established in 1918.*

Thomas F. Kelly *(OR.1881-85): died 1901. Solicitor, noted for absolute integrity. Principal founder and first President of the Old Ignatians' Union. Formerly called the* ***Keating*** *prize, this award was established in 1902 and is the oldest prize in the College.*

James K. Kinkead *(OR.1902-05): died 1950, aged 62. Prominent barrister. Zealous participant in many academic, musical and sporting activities while at school. President of the Old Ignatians' Union in 1932. Prize established in 1951.*

John Ferris Kirkpatrick *(OR.1940-47). From Cleveland, Mungindi, he was Dux of the College in 1947. Prize established in 1946 by John Ferris Kirkpatrick Snr to encourage achievement.*

Brendan Lane-Mullins *(OR.1907-08): killed in action on the Somme 1917, aged 22. Model of a refined and purposeful gentleman. Prize established in 1917.*

James J. Leahy *Prominent grazier whose sons attended Riverview. Prize established 1941 and continued by his family after his death in 1959.*

Doctor James LíEstrange *(OR.1938). Died 1990 after some thirty years of service as College doctor 1962 - 1990. Papal knight, noted for his service to the community and the medical profession. Prize established in 1995 by the family.*

Lou Loneragan *(OR.1893-97): died 1950, aged 68. Grazier and businessman, active in charitable interests. Prize established in 1951.*

Anson Mak *(OR.1992-97): Prize established 1999 in recognition of his outstanding achievement in Economics.*

Father Charles McDonald, S.J. *(OR.1938-45): died 1982, aged 54. Master at Riverview 1962-80, celebrated as an English teacher and especially as Debating master. Prize established in 1982.*

John McGlinchey *(OR.1977-81): died while at school, 1981, aged 16. Leukaemia victim whose patience and fortitude inspired the school. Prize established in 1981.*

Father Thomas J. McLoughlin, S.J. *Master at Riverview 1911-1916, 1921-1925 and 1936-1963, in which year he died, aged 76. Legendary as a French teacher but most of all for his deep interest in current pupils and old boys. Prize established in 1970.*

Paul Meagher *(OR.1913-20): died 1948, aged 45. Active Catholic layman and popular figure in all Riverview affairs. Prize established in 1948.*

R. Graham Mitchell. *In 1987, while teaching at Riverview on exchange from Stonyhurst, Lancashire, Mr Mitchell founded this prize to encourage a deeper interest in Geography.*

Anthony Nowland *(OR.1978-79): accidentally killed in a farm accident in 1979, aged 13. Prize established in 1980.*

Billy O'Connor *(OR 1988-03) was a committed and dedicated tennis player, who was a member of the Premiership winning College 2nds Tennis Team in 2003. This prize was established in his memory by his family.*

E. D. O'Connor. *Established in 1968 and first awarded in 1970; prizes donated by Mr E.D. O'Connor whose three sons attended the College 1964-70.*

Cecil O'Dea *(OR.1917-22): died 1988. Talented solicitor and a great supporter of the Old Ignatians' Union and the Indian Bazaar. Prize established in 1990.*

Gordon Oxenham *(OR.1906-09). Flight Lieutenant, Army Flying Corps, killed in action during the Palestine Campaign in 1918, aged 25. Prize established in 1918.*

Paul Family. *Prize established in 1997, specifically for a boy who has shown outstanding development in the area of Visual Arts, both in achievement and in application.*

Stanley Ricketts *(OR.1932-34). Pilot Officer, RAAF, lost in action over the Irish Sea, 1943, aged 26. Prize established in 1963.*

Roland Rixon. *Prize established in 1996 by Mr Bruce Rixon, Director of Music and Creative Arts at the College, in memory of his father who had a great fondness for band music.*

Mark Robinson. *(OR.1969-76): died 1978, aged 21. Prize established in 1979, specifically for a boy 'who has given his whole heart to the school'.*

Bill Roche *(OR.1988-89): died at home during vacation, July 1989, aged 13. Noted for his bright humour and amiable approach to life. Prize established in 1990.*

Patrick Ryan *(OR.1987-92): keen student of Chinese language and culture, died 1997. Prize established by his family 1999, specifically for a non-native speaker of Mandarin.*

Brian Smith *(OR.1955-58): died while at school, 1958, aged 15. Prize established in 1958.*

Jack Smyth *Prize established in 1967 by the father of a pupil, in gratitude for the care taken of his son and in the hope that others would be encouraged to trust their sons to Riverview.*

Robert Stuart *Successful Coach of 1st XI Association Football (Soccer) 1984-1999. Housemaster, teacher at the College from 1982.*

The Tacitus Ancient History Prize: *was established in 2002 by two current Ancient History teachers, Mr Michael Turner and Mr John Limbourn.*

Arnold Joseph Tancred *(1904-63). International footballer; managed 1947-48 Wallaby tour; father and grandfather of Old Ignatians; coach of senior College teams for a number of years.*

B & V. Toomey. *Prize established 1993 by Mr and Mrs Toomey (Barry and Vanessa) to foster a deeper interest in Aboriginal Studies at Riverview.*

Ian Tucker *(OR.1985-91): died playing rugby for Oxford in 1996. Ian was an inspirational role model of the highest ideals of sportsmanship. Prize established 1997.*

Sam Turner *(OR 2001-03) was a committed and dedicated tennis player, who was a member of the College 1sts Tennis Team in 2003. This prize was established in his memory by his family.*

Bryan Veech *(OR.1906-11): died 1921, aged 30. Medical practitioner at Canowindra, devoted to the care of the poor and 'had just as much time for the swagman as for the richest man'. Prize established in 1921.*

Rita Wilson *College Receptionist and Registrar 1974 - 92, died 1992. Her thoughtfulness towards the boarders was much appreciated by country parents. Prize donated by boarder parents 1992.*

George Wootten *(OR.1932-38): Sergeant Pilot, RAAF, killed in action 1943, aged 22. Prize established in 1943.*

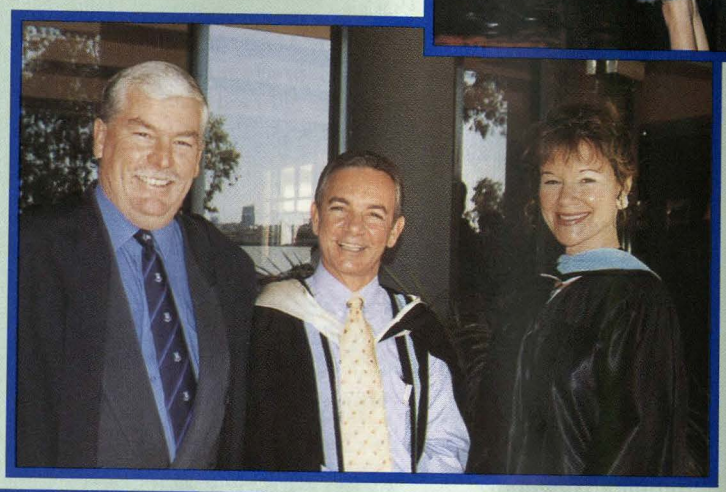
Peter Wright *was responsible for the development of technology education during his 28 years as a member of the College.*

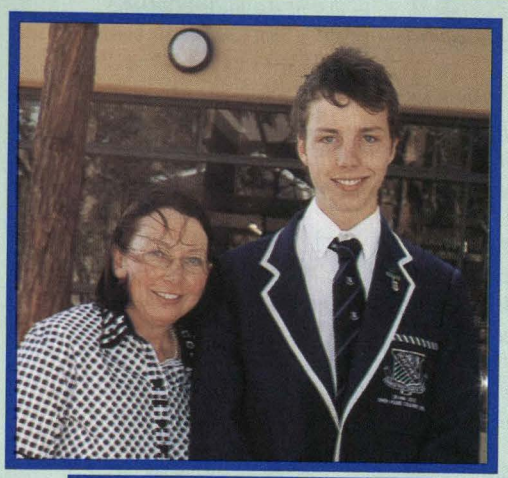






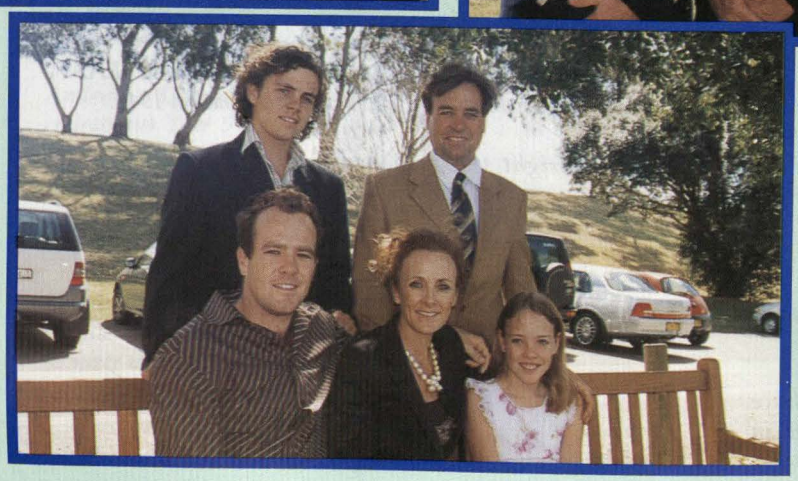














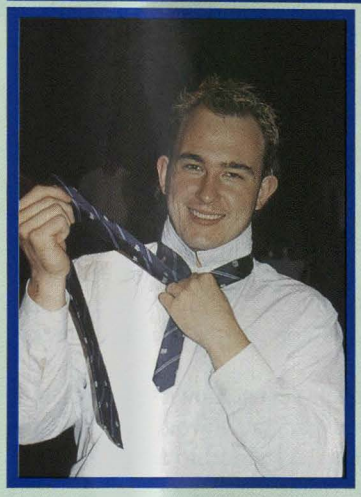


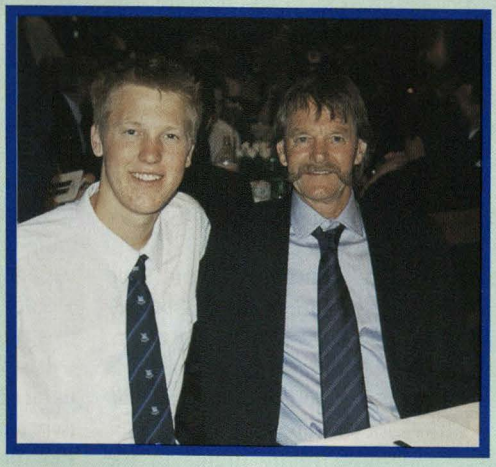


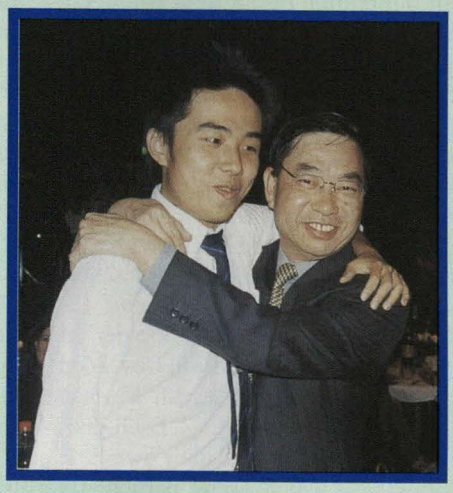
















Good evening Fr Bullen and the Jesuit community, Mr Hogan, staff, our parents, especially the O'Connors and the Turners and the fellas.

I stand before you this evening to express our thanks to the teachers and staff at Riverview. However, before I do that, something I forgot to do at Long Tables on Thursday night was to thank my fellow graduates. I think Tom (van Beek) and Sean (Williams) would agree that you have been an easy mob to lead.

As I stand here fulfiling my last formal responsibility as captain of boarders, I look back over the year and realise that in this role it was a very easy simply because anything I have put my hand up to do I've had the backing of you blokes. So thank you and it is a privilege to speak on your behalf tonight.

The prayer of St Ignatius in part says: "to give and not to count the cost". I think this could be said about our dedicated staff here at Riverview. To say that the relationship between the staff and the class of 2003 is outstanding is an absolute understatement.

All of us here tonight, especially the boarders, whether it be seven years or two years or anything in between have spent a significant portion of our lives within the Riverview gates.

An old bloke once said that school is the only way to equip yourself for the outside world. As a year we see school not only as what you learn in the classroom but the many friendships, the sport, the service, the boarding and the memories that have all been gained at Riverview. We could not be more grateful to our teachers who have played a major role in this.

Over the years, as a boarder at Riverview, you are looked after by good men and women. This year, Mr Mushan in particular was outstanding. Each division prefect, however, had their own little idiosyncrasies which were particularly challenging for the boarders.

Who will forget a certain boarding master who each night would wander the corridors after lights out shining the torch to ensure each boy was present. Now, any normal bloke would flash the torch quickly to prevent anyone from waking. This one on the other hand would hold the 2000 watt spotty on your eyes until you woke.

Andrew Ford even suggested to this boarding master that he should call security about this man "who keeps flashing a light in my eyes at 11.33 each evening". Upon being told who the culprit was – namely the boarding master himself, Fordy replied:

"Well, in that case sir, dip your old hand into the division money box and purchase the division some eye shades."

Good call, but unfortunately no luck for Fordy.

A great educator once said:

"A teacher does well to remember that your students will forget everything you ever teach them, but they will never forget the kind of person you are."

Tim Corcoran, Will Schiller and the fellas will never forget Mr and Mrs McGinnity arriving at Central station at the crack of dawn the morning after Billy and Sam were killed because they wanted to make sure everyone was alright for the trip home.

Elsewhere away from Central station all our other carers were working in the same way. To all those people, we want you to know that your attention over that period will be remembered and treasured.

Those boarders who have been crook at any stage over the years, will remember for a long time the countless hours that are put in by our matrons and infirmary staff in keeping us all healthy. It is amazing the way one's health recovers on a Friday and recurs on a Monday.

I, like I'm sure all of you, will never forget the friendships that I established with the staff here at Riverview, that on many occasions extended beyond the Riverview gates because we enjoyed each others company.

Another memory that will remain in the boarders' minds for some time is the voice of a certain Year 12 boarding master who would say to us:

"Flemo, Kennedy do some bloody work or I'll give you a demerit."

We heard this statement about five times every Tuesday night as this boarding master would wander past our room. Although, despite this boarding master's sometimes 'sour' mood, I think we can have a little spot in our hearts for blokes like him and those funny nights in the boarding house will be missed by us at least.

Sport is another big part of our lives at Riverview and I think everyone will take their own personal sporting memories with them as they leave.

For me personally it's two years in the 4ths cricket, a successful season this year in the 3rds rugby and watching Hugh Kennedy add excitement to staff v maintenance soccer game. Despite Mr Moon's 'useless' coaching techniques, which enabled us to acquire more ducks than Gorman lakes, the mateship and camaraderie present in any Riverview team inspire you to return the following season.

I think two sporting moments that stand above the rest for everyone is winning both athletic shields in 2002 when we stood all day in the rain and of course watching our boys win a Ist XV premiership this year.

When the final whistle blew at the Riverview vs Joey's Ist XV game three weeks ago and after hearing of our successful debaters and our glorious soccer team, instead of running onto the field screaming, I stood back with Angus McKay and soaked up the moment. Joofa slowly turned to me and said, "Mate how's the serenity?"

I thought to myself, after all the hardship and difficulty, here's a nice bit of glory for not only us but also our parents and teachers and I kid you not it brought a tear to my eye.

Ladies and gentlemen, my uncle and I, along with millions of Australians, have been grieving over the last few weeks after hearing of the death of Johnny Cash and more recently last Friday, the death of Slim Dusty. To keep myself going I've been playing their music constantly in my room.

An old song that I had forgotten came on. It is called "You've gotta drink the froth to get the beer." I thought to myself as I listened to these lyrics, that as a year during our time at Riverview with the guidance of our teachers, we have worked our way through plenty of froth especially this year. And at various stages, especially the last few weeks, we have also enjoyed plenty of beer. On occasion, too much beer, but Slim also sings a song called "Hangover" which offers some excellent advice. I think some people would have appreciated this at 'breaky' this morning.

It's been an up and down time for all of us at Riverview but I wouldn't trade the experience, the friendship and the memories for anything.

I could stand up here all night and name the many people who have added to that experience but I'm not going to.

So to the many Jesuits, Teachers, Directors, Coaches, Housemasters, Counsellors, Cleaners, Division Prefects. Form Masters, Tutors, Staff, Parents and Friends, and of course our Parents, thank you for your contribution to our lives.

To refer again to the prayer of St Ignatius, to all of you we say, thank you for your labour – we hope that we have given some reward.

Justin Fleming







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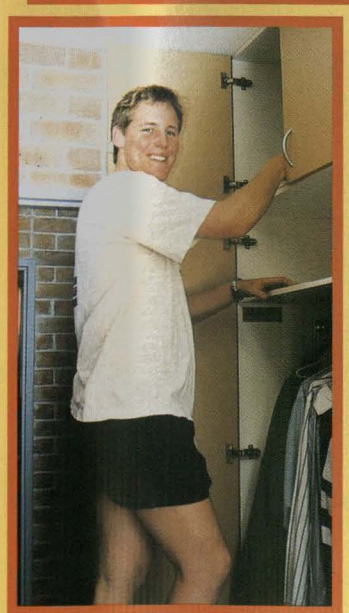














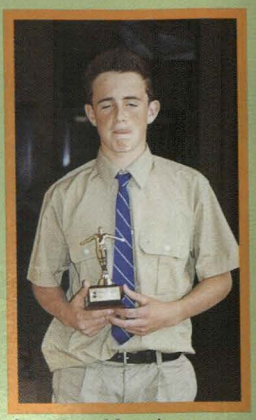




chess



debating



Jonathon Meagher - diving



Grant Clark - hockey



cross country running



golf

australian rules football





drama



music



referees - association football (soccer)



association football



fencing



Michael Zucker
rugby referee



winter tennis



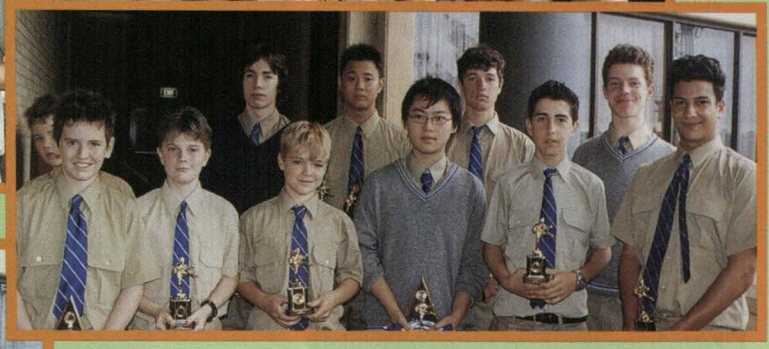
rugby referees



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Richard Salter, Patrick Cape, Ms Dale Thompson, Dominic Reardon, Tom Perry, members of the U/16 Cross Country. Absent: Glenn Stephenson and Arthur Gatt



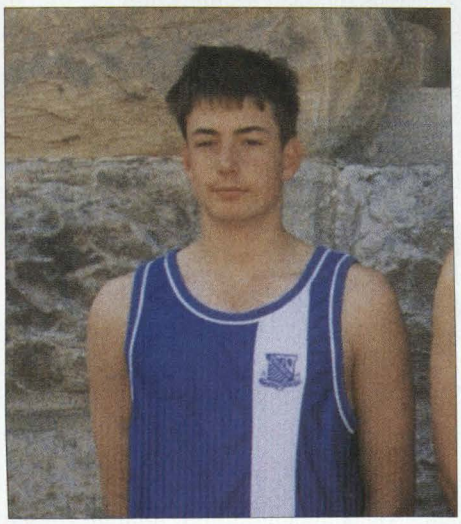
Jonathan Hew, Sean Rushton, Ms Dale Thompson, Hugh Baulderstone, Jeremy Julian, members of the U/14 Cross Country team. Absent: Dominic Stack

Following the outstanding performance by the St Ignatius' athletes in winning the GPS Athletics some boys decided to try their hands at less demanding sports. This left a small, but very dedicated band of boys to represent the school in Cross Country.

The first Cross Country event was conducted at Sydney Park and all the boys who competed were successful in gaining places in the GPS teams for the Combined Independent Schools' Cross Country. At this event Richard Salter gained a place in the CIS team for the NSW Cross Country Championships.

This year the Under 14s team consisted of Jonathan Hew, Sean Rushton, Hugh Baulderstone, Jeremy Julian and Dominic Stack. Despite suffering a number of injuries, these boys combined very well to eventually place third in the GPS Cross Country Championships.

Jonathan Hew showed a dogged determination to improve throughout the season. His consistent training saw him gain a first place in the King School Cross Country although he was at least 12 months younger than most of the other runners. Spurred on by this example, Sean Rushton also showed remarkable improvement this season, from being placed in the 30s to a final placing of 4th. Hugh Baulderstone and Jeremy Julian have another two years in this division so our prospects for the coming years are very strong.



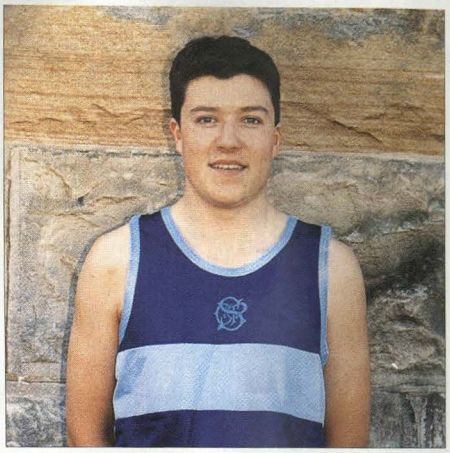
Richard Braund, member, Open Cross Country team

Our most successful team was the Under 16 boys who were placed first in the GPS Cross Country Championships. This team was very strong throughout the year even though a number of the boys had to combine Cross Country with other sports. The team members were Arthur Gatt, Patrick Cape, Richard Salter, Tom Perry, Dominic Reardon, Kimon Tellidis, Glen Stephenson and Richard Braund. Arthur Gatt improved with every run and placed second to an Australian Champion at the GPS Championships.

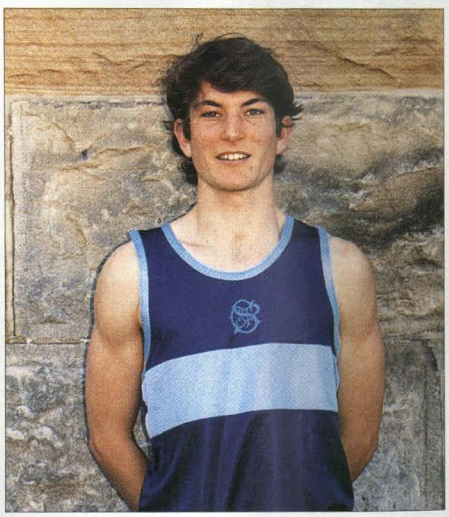
Patrick Cape showed steely determination to also place very highly in the Championships. Richard Salter was struck down early in the season with a virus but supported the team ably. Tom Perry was the fourth member of the team. He battled on in spite of painful shin splints to put the team in a winning position. Glenn Stephenson was instrumental in a number of strong placings and showed steady improvement. Most of the boys who made up this age group remain eligible in 2004.

Our senior team was depleted by the demands of the HSC. Tom Crasti and Andrew McManus gained selection in the GPS team but both boys were not at their best due to illnesses. Andrew Ford ran a strong performance with the help of Richard Braund and Kimon Tellidis from the Under 16 team. These boys placed 5th at the GPS Cross Country Championship.

All meetings were well supported by a band of very helpful parents. Special assistance was offered each week by Mr Bill Cape who made sure all boys had a cold drink at the finish of every run. This year we were not a large group, but through outstanding efforts at training under the whip hand of Ms Thompson and brave running, the boys had a very successful season.



Thomas Crasti, member Open Cross Country team, GPS representative



Andrew McManus, member Open Cross Coutnry team, GPS representative

Ms Dale Thompson

In first term the Riverview Cycling team had another successful competition against Waverley College. Our numbers grew to almost 30 members in term one and all riders proved to be exceptional in their efforts. The varied racing on the grass course at Riverview and the road at Heffron Park give the boys a good variety of skills needed to be successful on both courses.

While the road course provides high speed action which requires good drafting skills and more team work to help each other against the usual windy conditions, the grass course at home is varied in terrain and is surprisingly much more difficult to ride on than a smooth road surface. The annual trophy between the two schools was again won by the Riverview team.

In March we attended the National Interschool Mountain Bike Championships at Thredbo. Although we were not as successful as last year, due to most boys moving up an age group and the extra competition, some boys performed very well, namely Christopher Mohen and Greg Ainsworth.

Next year we should see much better results from the boys in Year 10.

This year was the first year that we have actually competed in the Woodford to Glenbrook Mountain Bike race. In the previous years we have only entered for fun after helping with the registrations. This year most boys came in the top 10 of their age group and completed the 25km in just over an hour.

This ride is held each year and raises money for the NRMA Careflight Helicopter. Each year we have helped with the registrations. The NRMA Careflight appreciates greatly the few hours help the boys give each year. Again I must thank Mr James Shevlin, father of my assistant and wonderful mechanic, Alex, for driving the bus during the Woodford to Glenbrook ride.



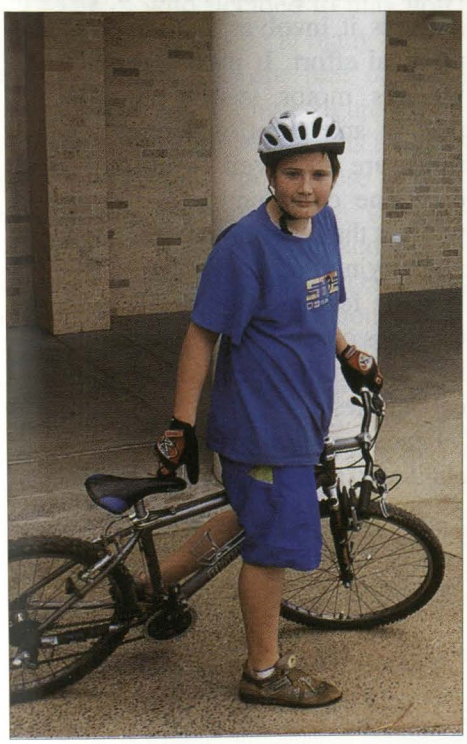
The winter teams events again were full of much enjoyment due to the great rides that are available to us. Terrey Hills, Oxford Falls and the National Park all offer great mountain bike rides that the boys enjoy.

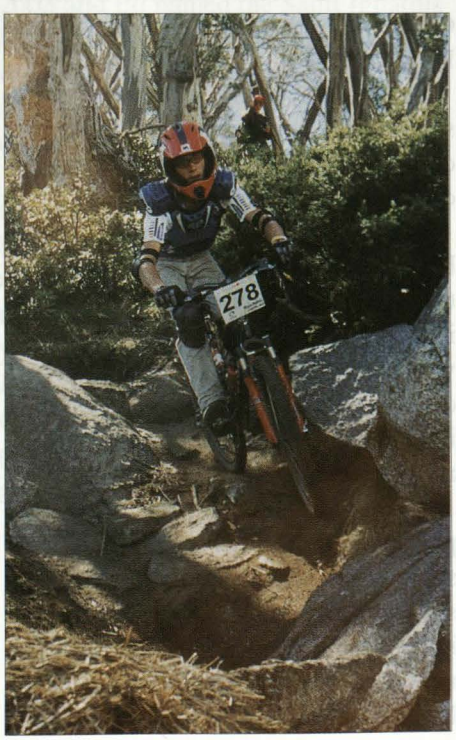
It is a great pleasure to see that some boys have gone on to become members of cycling clubs and now compete in their own time. Tyron Bicknell is a very talented cyclist, both Mountain Bike and Road Bike. Tyron shows great dedication and trains many mornings before school cycling many kilometres around Centennial Park. Chris Bowie and others have joined Tyron in his cycling club and this extra training should bring good results in Thredbo in 2004.

This year we see the departure of Greg Ainsworth (captain, 2003) and Adrian Smith (vice captain, 2003). Both boys joined the sport when in Year 8. They both will be a huge loss to the team next year. Both boys were outstanding, not only as very talented cyclists/mountain bike riders but as polite, well respected, humble and generous young men. I wish them all the best in their futures after school.

I wish to thank Dr Dennis Smith, (father of Adrian) again for his generosity, hospitality and great barbequed snags.

Mr Jeremy Bennett







Back row, from left, Shane Houwing, Nicholas Fearnley, Michael Falk, Chris Natale, George Nimmo
Middle row, from left, William Newnham, Ashley Wing, Nicholas Jamieson, Gianni Moseley, James Cola, Timothy Buckley
Seated, from left, Justin Walsh, Sean Gill, Jordan Down, Mr Andrew Szandurski, Zachary La Cava, David Finch, Stephen Dooley.
Absent: Maxim Strokon, Mitchell Rixon, Matthew Donnellan

This year was again an excellent season of fencing. The Junior School fencing Team won a bronze medal in the State Championships and the School League Competition winning third place.

The sport of Fencing has established its place in Riverview with continued improvement, great enjoyment and hard earned success. Over the past 12 years, College fencers have produced many good results, including gold medals in both State and National Championships.

In 2003, boys participated in many fencing competitions, individual and team events. The Collage was represented by these Senior and Junior Teams.

•SIC Senior A Team: Jordan Down (captain), Nicholas Fearnley, Michael Falk

•Senior B Team: George Nimmo, Timothy Buckley, Chris Natale, Mitchel Rixon

•SIC Junior A Team: Stephen Dooley, James Cola, Justin Walsh

•Junior B Team: Matthew Donellan, Shane Houwing,William Newnham, Sean Gill

•Junior C Team: Maxim Strokon, Gianni Moseley, Nicholas Jamieson, David Finch

The Senior team fought with great spirit and commitment but strong competition did not allow them to qualify for the final.

During the school holidays, several boys took part in a fencing camp at the College. Activities included an internal round robin competition where fencers had the opportunity to display their techniques on a competitive level using calculated levels of aggression and intelligence.

Apart from fencing, the boys also participated in other sports activities such as swimming and athletics. The students had many opportunities to improve their fencing techniques, fitness and stamina.The young fencers had an action-packed four days where they learned a lot about this Olympic sport.

Fencing has its origins dating back to Bronze Age.Throughout the centuries fencing has been a popular sport as it involves both mental and physical effort. It mobilizes the individual's motor system, intellectual powers and emotional energies. All three are involved simultaneously, each one complementing the others while at the same time, intensifying or multiplying their influences.

While fencing a bout, the competitor relies on a number of special qualities and abilities in addition to physical abilities.

Fencing requires more than average abilities to achieve your objective.

Mr Andrew Szandurski
Master of Arms



Back row, from left, Edward Tamsett, Benjamin Warnes, Timothy McBride, Luke O'Donnell
Seated, from left, Bryce Hay, Mr Martin Collins, Brendan Tree Absent: Jack Smallhorn

Mark Twain once wrote that, 'golf was a good walk spoiled'. I am sure that is not the view of the 15 boys who decided to take up golf when first offered by the College this year.

The popularity of golf is increasing world wide as those with pay television will attest. Many boys play regularly during holidays and some are already junior members of clubs.

The boys who decided to play golf during the winter were at many different levels. Some were real novices while others were single figure players. The beauty of the game is that all levels are catered for because of the handicapping system.

The boys were well looked after. Each week they would receive an hour lesson from a professional and on the other day they would play nine holes. This regime of practice and playing meant that the rate of improvement for many was rapid. Some boys also joined Lane Cove Golf Club and played in the Saturday competition. This enabled them to not only learn how to play the game but also the etiquette of the game.

The School Championships was played in late September. The obvious favourite was Edward Tamsett (Year 10) who has an AGU handicap of 4. His main combatant was Benjamin Warnes (Year 11) a nine marker. Ben held a 3 stroke lead after nine holes and was able to increase his lead on the back nine.

The two trophies were won by these two talented golfers with Ben crowned the Saint Ignatius Champion 2003 and Ed named the Saint Ignatius Handicap Champion 2003. A special mention goes to Jack Smallhorn who, although a beginner, played skilfully during the championships.

A new crop of golfers have enlisted for the summer season, as the sport begins to gain momentum. Perhaps the chance of inter-school competition is a possibility next year? Thank you to Mr Chris Kitching, the Director of Co-Curriculum, for introducing the sport. Those boys quite passionate about golf are extremely grateful.

Mr Marty Collins



Back row, from left, Michael St John, James McDougall, Simon Angove, Thomas Cullen, Stephen Gillespie, Sean Killham, Christopher Broadhurst
Middle row, from left, Benjamin Weber, Sam Farrell, Angus McKay, Michael McLean, Thomas Tuxworth, Simon Moloney, Mark Longhurst, Joseph Milazzo, Justin Le Brocque
Seated, from left, Luke McGilvray, Mark Scott, Patrick Sheehan (captain), Mr John Newey, Grayden Kenney, Thomas Manion, Samuel Watson

TEAM MEMBERS: Simon Angove, Mark Longhurst, Joshua Rowlison,Christopher Broadhurst, Thomas Manion, Mark Scott Thomas Cullen, James McDougall, Patrick Sheehan, Sam Farrell, Luke McGilvray, Michael St John, Stephen Gillespie, Angus McKay, TomTuxworth Grayden Kenney, Michael McLean, Sam Watson, Sean Killham, Simon Moloney

On the 1st of June 2003, the Riverview community took a great step out of its comfort zone into the world of Rugby League. Riverview had entered into a Rugby League competition that attracts teams from all over the country (from the most experienced to raw beginners like us). A lot was to be learnt on that fateful June day.

With only four weeks of preparation under their belts, most of the students had never played a game of Rugby League before. But from the word go, the try-out squad for inaugural 1st XIII were determined to make their mark on this football code in the name of St Ignatius College, Riverview.

In the weeks leading up to the game, the boys' skill level and inspiration were enhanced by our special guest coach: Steve Roach.

The front-row was made up of Sean Killham, Luke McGilvray, Chris Broadhurst, Simon Moloney and Simon Angove. Sean Killham and Chris Broadhurst will undoubtedly be remembered for their strong defence, whilst Luke McGilvray controlled the play from dummy half.

Simon Moloney and Simon Angove were the pillars of our aggression, barging through the defence on several occasions. The second-row combination of Tom Cullen, James McDougall, Stephen Gillespie and Tom Tuxworth further developed the skills of this team. Their strong runs and solid defence continually caused problems for the opposite forwards. The lock-forward, Angus McKay often broke the defence with his determined runs.

The halfback and five-eighth combination worked wonders, with captain Patrick Sheehan at half-back often making something from nothing. Tom Manion organised the backline and directed play. Inside-centre, Grayden Kenney, made some penetrating runs whilst Michael St. John would continue the play down field.

Sam Farrell was very aggressive and hard to tackle. He held his own both in the forwards and backs. The wingers finished off any backline move. Josh Rowlison was always difficult to tackle, while Michael McLean and Mark Scott could always be relied upon in both attack and defence. At fullback, Mark Longhurst and Sam Watson would chime into the backline with great skill.

From being convincingly beaten in the first game and winning the second game 20–6, the boys had to dig deep to raise all their courage to face Parramatta Marist in the consolation final.

Outgunned and outnumbered through injury, patriots of Riverview stormed the battlefield at Campbelltown against the well drilled and match-fit Parramatta Marist College team. They fought like warrior poets and won the respect of all who looked on.

They narrowly lost that final, but came away very proud representatives of Riverview.

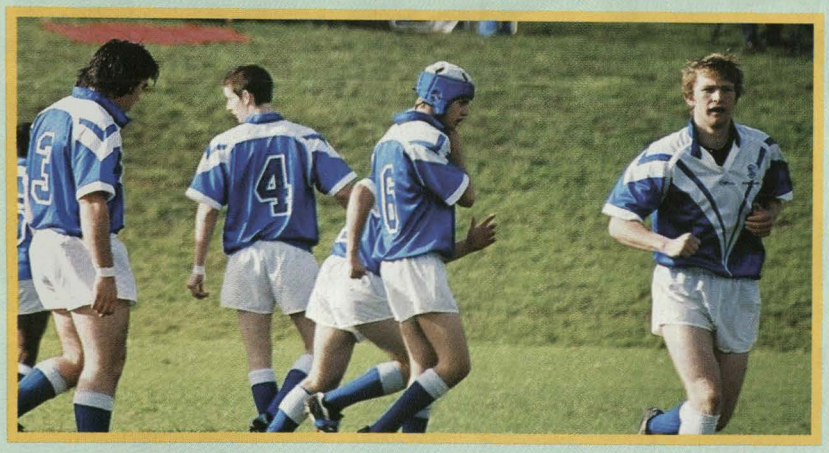
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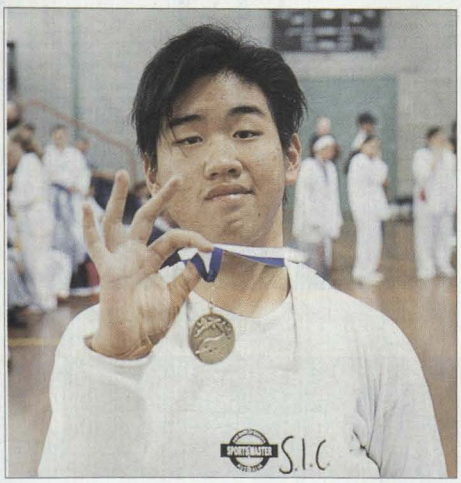








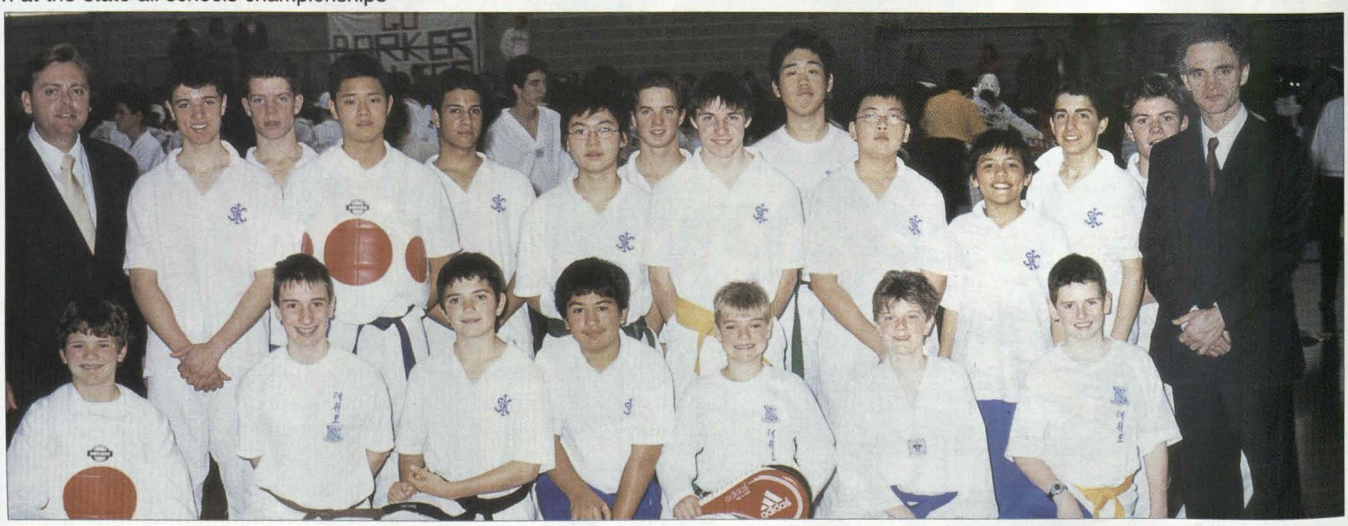
Back row, from left, William Tse, Daniel Laoh, Dominic Holles, Thomas Retter, Andrew Wong, Timothy Graham
Seated, from left, Justin Lloyd, Sean Law, Mr Gregory Wyllie, Michael Lowe (captain), Darren Leung, Benjamin Moore, Charles Lee



Andrew Wong, displays the gold medal he won at the state all schools championships



Andrew Wong in action at the all schools championships, watched by fellow Riverview students



Riverview medal winners and others at the all schools championships with local MP and old boy Anthony Roberts (left) and Mr Greg Wyllie

The Riverview Ski team had a wonderful year, with on and off conditions. The interschools competiton was held at Thredbo and Perisher from July 10-19. The snow wasn't great but the boys made the most of it with a few good wins. The results were:

Moguls, Divison 2

St Ignatius Riverview A Placed in the top five making it to state:

Robbie Lamond, Henry Meagher,
Dominic Sood

Division 3

St Ignatius, Riverview A: Came second, making it to state:

Jake Cumbers, Aaron Bicknell, Jesse Martin



Back row, Patrick Mayoh, Liam Back, Thomas Clement, Stephen Clement, Philippe Oei, Dominic Taylor
Seated, Luke Mildred, Aaron Bicknell, Robert Lamond, Henry Meagher, Jack Needham,Tyron Bicknell, Jesse Martin

Cross Country, Division 3

St Ignatius, Riverview A:
Jake Cumbers, Sven von Sperl, John Bleasel

Alpine,Division 1,

St Ignatius, Riverview A:
Came second, making it to state:

Robbie Lamond
Dominic Sood
Liam Back
Henry Meagher

State Interschools Championships

These were held at Perisher Blue on August 22-24 under extremely good conditions. The results were:

Moguls, Division 2

St Ignatius, Riverview A: came sixth:
Robbie Lamond, Henry Meagher,
Dominic Sood

Division 3

St Ignatius, Riverview A: came sixth:
Jake Cumbers, Aaron Bicknell
Jesse Martin

Cross Country, Australian Championships

Division 3

Jake Cumbers, Sven von Sperl, Jon Bleasel

Alpine

St Ignatius, Riverview A: came sixth:
Robbie Lamond and Dominic Sood
Liam Back and Henry Meagher

Congratulations to Jake Cumbers, Sven von Sperl and John Bleasel who made it to the Australian Championships.

Many thanks to Mr Chris Kitching for his assistance and making many of these events possible for us. Thanks also to Mrs Niki Lamond for all her help with the skiing. Also thanks to the parents who helped out with the events. We hope to see all the boys next year.

Jack Needham, Troy Helmich



Back row, from left, Alexander Walker, Jake Cumbers, Troy Helmich, Jack Needham
Seated, from left, Jonathan Bleasel, Hugh Baulderstone, Sven von Sperl



Jonathan Bleasel, Jake Cumbers and Sven von Sperl, representatives at the inter-schools, state and national championships



australian rules

The Riverview 2003 Australian Rules Football season was again one of growth and further establishment of Australian Rules Football as a well recognised code of sport at the College.

Four teams comprising the U/12s, 14s, 15s and 16s were entered in the Northside Junior AFL competition held over 16 rounds on Saturday mornings. As well, a Senior team of Year 11 and 12 students competed in the Brennan Cup, a competition open to all schools in Sydney.

The number of players enlisted to play at the start of the season was typically low though it increased steadily as the season progressed. One of the problems faced is the early start to the season when many students are still involved with their summer sports.

The club welcomed many new players, some new to the school and others switching codes to play Australian Rules. Most pleasing is that by the end of the season, all teams had a full complement of players.

There were many memorable occasions and achievements this year including:

• A new lightweight playing strip was introduced replacing the old woollen style jumpers. The players welcomed this change as the new strip is far better suited to the warm winters of Sydney.

• The first time an Under 12s team has been formed

• The first time we have been able to enter four teams in the local junior competition

• The playing of two games on First Field with its flat and wide open spaces well suited to Australian Rules Football.

• A visit from the Swans' Leo Barry and Jarryd Crouch who conducted a lunch time clinic with boys from the Therry Campus.

• The under 16 Blues team winning the minor premiership and being awarded the best new team in the Northside JAFL.

• The retaining of the Brennan Cup after defeating Macarthur Anglican College in the Grand Final

The school is blessed with many talented players whose skills and ability were recognised in their selections in representative teams. In 2003 the following players achieved representative selection:

•U/13 Northshore JAFL Representative Team: Matthew Ahern and William Sierakowski

•U/14 Northshore JAFL Representative Team: Samuel Carruthers and Edward Carroll

•U/15 Northside Junior JAFL Representative Team: Tim Ley, Adam Ahern, David Conway, Malcolm Lynch, Patrick Noonan, Brenden Brown.



Jesse Martin has his eye on the goals as he is well shepherded by Matthew Burns

•Sydney Redbacks: Campbell Duncan, Benjamin Fitzpatrick, James Fitzpatrick and David Conway.

•NSW All Schools Under 15 Australian Rules: Joshua Flanagan, Malcolm Lynch and David Conway

Riverview Australian Rules owes much to the many parents who help with the running of the club and its teams. Thank you to all parents who helped with goal umpiring, running the boundary, acting as team runner, serving in the canteen and for all the general assistance provided. Special thanks must go to:

• Robyn Wilmot and her husband Tom for all their hard work in operating the canteen every Saturday morning. They provided invaluable service for which the club is truly grateful. Not only did they supply refreshments but the canteen also provided a meeting place where everyone was welcome and from which grew the warm friendly and family atmosphere.

• Terry Ahern for his work as Club Registrar

• Ian Horton as the Riverview Representative on the Independent Schools AFL Committee

• The team managers, Angela Burns, Edwina MacArthur, Hung Ying and William Gill, Vicky and David Roper and Simon Perrott for all the behind the scenes work. Not only did they administer the teams in a very efficient manner but they also provided genuine care for the boys.

• The coaches, Fr Robert Davoren, Jeff Carruthers and George McLaren, Chris Gordon and Martin Dulke for all the hard work in developing the players skills and building such wonderful team spirit.

• Mr Phillip Nelson who after three years as Club President is passing on the baton. Over the years, Phillip has built a solid foundation for Australian Rules at Riverview, setting the standard for other clubs and creating a wonderful family atmosphere among all teams. He has made a great contribution to the College through this work and we appreciate everything he has done.

Next year the College will enter an Under 18s team in the Sydney competition which is a significant development. This will allow students to play Australian Rules throughout their time at the college and will also provide many new country boarders who commence in Year 11 the opportunity to continue playing Australian Rules.

This team will be called the 1st XVIII and will further assist in establishing Australian Rules at the college. As the only Independent school with teams entered in a Sydney metropolitan competition, the future looks very promising. The College is well on its way as becoming the powerhouse school of Australian Rules Football in NSW.

Mr Alex Damo



Back row, from left, Jesse Martin, Jonathan Scardino, Simon Parsons, Nathan Aranha, James Dooley, Alexander Scardino, Guy Marchand
Middle row, from left, Mrs Angela Burns, Mr John Dooley, Gordon MacArthur, Sean Gill, David Cain, Stephen Dooley, Aaron Bicknell, Patrick Dempsey, Conor McCraith, James Warne, Fr Robert Davoren SJ
Seated, from left, Andrew Bigg, Albert Hyde, Henry Hyde, Matthew Burns, James L'Huede, Thomas Roper, Benjamin Coffey

The U/12s have had an outstanding season considering that all except a handful had no idea about the game! Head coach Fr Davoren knew that this year would be full of surprises and challenges and Father was up to the challenge.

With a solid 16 players we knew it would be tough. Auxiliary players played when they could to try to make up the numbers. Injuries did not help the side with three injuries resulting in missed games.

The Riverview side of improvers should well be congratulated for their efforts starting the season with a loss ending it with a win.

Finishing with a solid 8/8 record and narrowly missing out on the finals this is a team to look out for in the future.

During the season Riverview also co-hosted our inaugural Winter Sports Carnival along with St Aloysius College. It was a fun experience for all players who participated and a great opportunity to establish friends with boys from other states.

All the players will fondly remember our games together and our season war cry. Before every quarter, which made even the most tentative player dig deeper our runner would shout: "What are we here for, netball or footy", to which we bellowed in our loudest voices, "Footy".

Special thanks to Fr Davoren (coach), John Dooley (trainer) and Shane Martin (sideline help), Paul Burns (runner), Tim Griffin (honorary umpire) and Angela Burns (manager).

Congratulations to Jesse Martin for winning the Northside AFL award for Riverview U/12 team.

Mrs Angela Burns

australian rules football u/14 team



Back row, from left, Ashton Clarke, Jayden Bedford, Edward Carroll, James Metcalfe, Alexander Batten, William Sierakowski, William MacArthur
Middle row, from left, Pierce Cooper, Sven von Sperl, Anders Sangkuhl, John Tucker, Bart Glasheen, William Roberts
Seated, from left, Joseph La Cava, Daniel Baskett, Thomas McMahon, Mrs Edwina MacArthur (manager), Sam Carruthers, Matthew Ahern, Christopher Bull. Absent: Mr Jeff Carruthers, Brendan Cameron, Diarmuid Ryan

The Under 14 AFL side was a mixture of first season players and those who have played a couple of years. The competition consisted of nine teams who were (in rank of their finishing positions) Westbrook, Baulkham Hills, Willoughby, Forest, St Ives, Pennant Hills, Riverview, Bombers and Hornsby. As shown Riverview finished 7 out of 9, two places up from last year.

Riverview finished with 5 wins and 9 losses an improvement of 5 wins from last year. The defence was an important part of the 5 wins and was well led by Alex Batten, Will MacArthur, Anders Sangkuhl, Will Roberts and the instrumental centre half back Will Sierakowski. We could guarantee that whenever Will got the ball he would hit the opposition on the chest with his pin point accurate kicks. Add Tom McMahon, Ashton Clarke, Matt Ahern, Jayden Bedford and Bart Glasheen you knew that the opposition would find it hard to score.

On the wings throughout the entire season were Daniel Baskett and Chris Bull who constantly had the ball rolling in Riverview's direction. The centre position switched between Matt Ahern and Jayden Bedford, both doing a fantastic job plunging the ball deep into our forward line.

The forwards scored 491 points throughout the year. On the half forward flanks for much of the year were Pierce Cooper (back man turned into goal kicker) and Sven von Sperl, our greatest find for the year, who constantly kicked goals. Our centre half forward for the year was James Metcalfe. He never stopped trying and always kicked some entertaining goals showcased by the last kick of the season when he managed to kick a marvellous goal from the boundary.

The forward pockets of Brendan Cameron, Bart Glasheen and Joe La Cava always provided creative opportunities for goals. They constantly tried their hardest to keep the ball in Riverview's forward 50. The big bustling full forward of John Tucker was a sight to see every match. His tackling was tough and provided many goal scoring opportunities for Riverview. Whenever Diarmuid Ryan was able to play he was a huge help in the forward line consistently kicking goals.

The on-ballers for Riverview provided some of the highlights of the season with tremendous tackling, kicking, handpassing and bumping. The ruckman, Ed Carroll put in a tremendous effort every match, taking some spectacular marks. Ashton Clarke and Tom McMahon shared the ruck rover position every match. They were hard at the ball, with their tackling and attack on the man and ball always a highlight. The second best player in the Northside Competition was lucky enough to be our rover, Sam Carruthers. Sam showed his ball skills, tackling skills and his hardness at the ball every match.

The team was well led by the two captains Tom McMahon and Sam Carruthers but the real help came from non-players. These included our training coach, our match coach and amazing manager. The father-son duo of Peter and George McLaren always ensured that our skills were improving at our training session.

Our match day coach Mr Jeff Carruthers ensured that our positions and tactics were taken care of for each game. Mrs Edwina MacArthur was an important part in the team's success organising the boys and the parents into getting the jobs done for the team. If it wasn't for these four people our team would never have been able to achieve the success it did in the 2003 season.

Tom McMahon



Back row, from left, Hugo Kuan, Christopher Larkin, Damien Morton, Patrick Noonan
Middle row, from left, Tyron Bicknell, Malcolm Lynch, Matthew Herborn, Philippe Oei, James Jedlin, Adam Ahern
Seated, from left, Andrew Meade, Hamish McKay, Mrs Hung-Ying Gill (manager), Timothy Ley (captain), Mr Alex Damo, David Conway, Nicholas O'Loughlin
Absent: Jack Cuddigan, Ciarin Gill, Jack Graham, Kieran Grieves, James Harnett, Aaron Moore, Matteo Villani, Sam Young

It was always going to be hard to begin a new season after the team won the Grand Final the year before. This year as there were not enough Under 15's teams to compete with, we had to play an age group up.

This was the biggest challenge for our team throughout the year. During the first half of the season, the mercy rules were applied several times. Our boys were obviously upset by the losses, but this did not make them lose heart or stop trying their best. It was not easy for their manager or coach to try to tell a group of keen AFL players to look at defeats as opportunities in gaining experience.

Half way through the season, our captain, very popular and much admired Josh Flanagan left the school due to family reasons. Then we had quite a few players, such as Pat Noonan, off the field because of injuries.

However, the boys showed courage and tremendous sportsmanship in the face of bigger and stronger opposition teams. Many of them showed much dedication in training week after week. They tried hard and there were sensational individual performances each week with many members making indispensable contributions. Players such as Philippe Oei, Andrew Meade and James Harnett were solid across our back line, while Sam Young and Hamish McKay performed well to stop opposing attacks in their tracks with great marks and running skills.

Chris Larkin and Kieran Grieves both rucked unfazed under immense pressure. Nick O'Loughlin, the ever-fearless one who would tackle an opposition player twice his size. Malcolm Lynch, sped through the field like a gazelle. He, Adam Ahern, Tim Ley, David Conway and Ciaran Gill contributed to some spectacular goals.

Damien Morton as always, was the rock of the team. Tyron Bicknell, Jack Cuddigan, Matthew Herborn, Jack Graham, James Jedlin, Matt Villani and Hugo Kuan were essential contributors to the team effort, week in, week out. Most important is the vast improvement of all our players, particularly for those less experienced players, in terms of their skills and their teamwork

Many parents contributed their time and energy to make every match possible. They travelled far and wide to take their boys to matches on time and take up duties without complaints. To those who took up certain duties almost on a permanent basis: three cheers and a huge thank you from us.

The team coach, Mr Alex Damo was ever generous in his encouragement and was always appreciative of the contribution of each and every player. The boys benefited much from his positive inputs and genuine care for them.

Mrs Hung-Ying Gill

australian rules football u/16 blue team



Back row, from left, Christopher Mohen, Patrick O'Mahoney, Daniel Ahern, Austen Simpson, Benjamin Hunter, Thomas Metzner, Nicholas Nelson
Middle row, from left, James Fitzpatrick, Campbell Duncan, Mitchell Cook, Mitchell Perrott, Lewis Roper, Brenden Brown, Shane Willoughby, Thomas Kirkham
Seated, from left, Christopher Clarebrough, Anthony L'Huede, Patrick Hull, Mrs Vicky Roper (manager), Lachlan Wilmot, Mr Martin Dulke, Benjamin Fitzpatrick, Michael Patterson, Daniel Horton Absent: Jack Friels, Timothy Pall

Charged with the Riverview motto, 'Dare to do your best', the 2003 Riverview Blue AFL team stretched the creed, did their best and:

• Won 15 games in a row and in most cases by the mercy rule;

• Won the Northside Junior AFL U16 minor premiership;

• Was named 'Best New Team' in the Northside Junior AFL competition for 2003.

No other team in the U16 competition, including the eventual winners of the grand final, Pennant Hills, can lessen these achievements.

On an individual level, Lachlan Wilmot (captain) was placed third in the U16 Best and Fairest for the Northside competition, while Campbell Duncan, Ben Fitzpatrick and James Fitzpatrick all played in the Redbacks representative team throughout the season.

Riverview Blue's success can be attributed not only to the absolute commitment of their coach Martin Dulke, who pushed the boys to new-found limits, but also to the cohesiveness of the team spirit he engendered. The level to which all players took pride in and supported each other was in the best of Riverview traditions. It is a credit to both Martin and these young gentlemen. Martin, thank you for your time, patience, commitment and belief in Riverview Blue.

To highlight the strength of the Riverview Blue team spirit, each player has been asked to contribute to this report by writing about the attributes and achievements of a fellow player:

• Dan Ahern – reliability sums up this young man. Whenever the ball was graced with those glue like fingers of his, you could always count on Dan to either create an opportunity, or to kick a miracle goal, as he showed on countless occasions this season. His efforts in the month of June where he kicked a phenomenal 33 goals in five matches plus his match winning goals against Baulkham Hills were just a few of the highlights which he produced. Dan was first runner up best and fairest.

• Brenden Brown – one of the strengths of the back line. He constantly turned defence into attack with dashing runs from halfback through the centre line into the forward line. Strong overhead and precision kicking showed his football class. Brenden was recipient of the Coaches Award 2003.

• Chris Clarebrough joined the squad this season after making the trip up from Melbourne. A gifted athlete with phenomenal speed and long raking kicks, Chris added a much-needed spark to the midfield. Chris' contribution to the team helped us get to where we did. H was second runner up, best and fairest.

• Mitchell Cook had a fantastic season spending most of his time on the wing driving the ball to the forward line. He developed a high level of skills as the season went on and he always seemed to have a little surprise up his sleeve too!

• Campbell Duncan one of Riverview's finest players. Cam was always determined to do his best for his mates on and off the field. An inspirational team member who, when unable to play due to Redback commitments, willingly acted as runner.

• Ben Fitzpatrick – one half of the magical Wagga double, Ben showed his true class as a footballer on a consistent basis throughout the season. Setback by an early season injury and Redback rep commitments, Ben's ability to always turn up wherever the ball went was a hallmark of not only his fitness and agility, but his determination to succeed and push himself to reach a higher level each time. Ben was winner of the best and fairest award.

• James Fitzpatrick was a great attrib-

ute to the team's success during the year. He was very hard and tough in the packs and one of the best contributors throughout the year.

• Jack Friels missed much of the season through injury and illness. For the last few weeks of the season he showed us all what he is capable of doing and adding to the team. His aggression and attack on the ball were commendable. He is an asset to the team and it was unfortunate that he could not have played more games.

• Daniel Horton played a good solid season despite a painful knee injury. He was lightning quick along the wing picking up the loose ball and running circles around his slower opponents. Dan is extremely fit and did an excellent job around the centre and wings.

• Patrick Hull – the hot spot's best friend. A keen goal sneak with agility and hunger for the ball, Pat added a touch of class to our forward line.

• Ben Hunter – throughout the season, Ben's reliable kick and mark combination saw him as a vital member of the team lineup. His tireless and controlled ruck work gave us much needed drive and possession from the centre and round the ground. He gave his all every match and never gave up. After suffering an ankle injury late in the season, he was still as committed as ever with his encouragement and cries of "fire up boys" from the sideline.

• Tom Kirkham enjoyed a magnificent season and is one of the reasons why Riverview has stunned virtually every football pundit by reaching the preliminary final this season. He was equally damaging running out of defense, in the mid field or as forward.

• Anthony L'Huede is a versatile player, who is willing to play in any position and happy to do so, gives his all.

• Thomas Metzner is just the person you need to make a team like ours. He is a utility who knew how to sink the slipper in toward goal.

• Chris Mohen was the 'General' in the best back line of the U16 competition. He read the play, showed leadership, held great contested marks, saved goals with rushed behinds, spoiled, gave quick disposals and could kick to the center square.

• Nicholas Nelson held together the best half back line throughout the competition, shutting down many of his taller centre half forward opponents. Throughout the season he showed undisputed guts and determination, none greater than in round 16 when he broke his arm against Drummoyne.

• Patrick O'Mahoney was an integral part of the team when available. His determination to overcome a serious illness during the season and return, albeit without much match preparation or fitness, showed his true colours in the finals, taking numerous marks and kicking goals when needed. This was a true testament to his determination and love of the sport.

• Tim Pall – a very valuable member and consistent contributor to team success. Often repelling opposition attacks by creating the loose man and running hard off the half back line. Tim's commitment was evidenced by the distance he had to travel to and from games and home from training. He was one of only a small number of players to participate in every match this season.

• Michael Patterson grew as a player over the season to become one of the best centre players in the side. He finished with a 'solid' season and can be congratulated for some great teamwork. Michael was recipient of the manager's award .

• Mitchell Perrott was an amazing improvement throughout the year. He was fearless when attacking the ball, something that helped inspire his teammates. Yet Mitchell's best feature was his versatility. During the season he played in every position. At least he seemed to. He was always near the ball, which made him seem like he played in every position, where he always excelled in.

• Lewis Roper – a key position player who dominated in the goal square. A hard leading forward, Lewis was able to finish the team's work with a long and accurate kick.

• Austen Simpson – improved his kicking greatly in the second half of the season and always went into every game with a positive attitude.

• Shane Willoughby wore no 27 proudly and played consistently at the highest level throughout the year. After suffering fractured shins, Shane came back a better and more determined player and was a key figure in the team achieving the minor premiership.

• Lachlan Wilmot was our fearless captain and ruckman. Every game you could see this young man lead the charge up the field.

• Sam Carruthers a member of the U14' team who helped the team out in the preliminary semi final. This young man never gave up even though he was playing against players who were at least 2 years older than him and much bigger. He was undoubtedly the best player on the field during his debut with Riverview Blue.

We had a great season and were the best defensive side in the competition. We kept it tight for the whole season, there was plenty of pressure on us toward the end but we managed.

Mrs Vicki Roper


GILBERT
rugby

The year 2003 will long be remembered for an historic season of rugby. Forty three teams represented the College each week recording our highest ever number of boys playing rugby and our 1st XV recorded the College's 6th premiership in extraordinary circumstances in the final round of the GPS competition in front of 18 000 spectators. Approximately 800 students are now involved in Riverview Rugby as players, coaches, managers and referees.

The pre-season was an important time as it prepared our players for competition. The Mentor Program enabled our senior players the opportunity to combine weights and conditioning with skills development. This created greater depth in our player ranks in the Opens age group and had a direct impact on the success of these teams.

The senior team toured New Zealand and prepared for the GPS competition at the International Rugby Academy while an emerging players team consisting of boys from Years 10 and 11 toured Queensland and participated in the Gold Coast Rugby Carnival. Many thanks must be extended to the coaches involved in this preparation: Mr D Hargreaves, Mr M Egger, Mr A Connellan, Mr B Piper, Mr M McGinnity and Mr C Jeffery.

Finding games for all 43 teams throughout the season proved a difficult task. Some schools we played against provided competition for only a small percentage of our teams while others matched us more evenly. Although some mis-match results were recorded, there were many close and exciting games. At the start of the season it was my aim to match all teams as evenly as possible.

The first three pre-season trial games were played against the Associated Schools. These games proved good preparation as coaches attempted to give all boys the opportunity to impress for selection. Conditions were varied and we encountered rain, wind, sunshine and mud. Each trial game brought the coaches closer to finalising team lists in preparation for the GPS matches.

The Opens age-group enjoyed much success. The 1st XV coaches, Mr Dean Hargreaves and Mr Mark Egger coaching their first season at this level are to be congratulated on preparing their players comprehensively and competitively. The players played above themselves and undertook a 'never say die' attitude which enable them to play an entertaining style of rugby and their commitment in defence which left them with an outstanding for and against record.

Their composure under pressure paved way for their historic premiership win. They represented the College with enormous pride and dignity. Twelve of the players were selected into the GPS teams.

Mr Anthony Connellan and Mr Brian Piper combined well to establish the 2nd XV as one of the strongest and most successful sides in the competition. Playing with aggression, style and passion, these boys dominated most opposition on their way to being Runners Up in the Second fifteen Competition. All other Open's teams played strongly and had much success throughout the season in particular the following teams who finished their respective seasons undefeated: 17A, 5th XV and 6th XV.

The U16 age-group enjoyed much success throughout the season despite the lack of depth in this age group. The 16A played some inspirational rugby and will be remembered for their magnificent victory in the final round against St Josephs. The 16B had a tough season but gradual improvement throughout the season saw them record some fine wins. The 16C will be remembered for their passionate style of play and their great win against Kings after two previous losses.

The 16D finished the entire season strongly and played each game with determination. Particular thanks to the coaches of these sides, Mr Duncan Warlters and Mr A Kelly(16A), Mr M Plumley and Mr D Lowe (16B), Mr D O'Donoghue(16C) and Miss C Kenny(16D).

The U15 age group was the largest representing the College. The 15A combination of Mr Jame Rodgers and Mr H Burke was successful as this team played most consistently and well throughout the entire season. The 15B finished their season with excellent wins against the strongest teams in their respective competition while the 15C completed their season undefeated and played an entertaining style of running rugby. Dr Haines drew the battle lines for the 15D as his team fought each game with precision and clear execution.

The 15E and 15F teams both finished their seasons undefeated under the guidance of coaches Mr D Hyde, Miss V Protas and Mr D Spratt. The 15G enjoyed a great season under senior student coaches James Dodd, Kip Koenig and Sam Hartman and the 15H managed to field a team most weeks under the guidance of Mr B Bastin.

The U14 age group enjoyed much success throughout the season. The 14A played each game with focus and determination and dominated most opposition with their aggressive and relentless style. The 14B improved with each match as did the 14C team. The 14D lost only one game late in the season and should be very proud of their outstanding efforts. The 14E enjoyed much success with the influence of Irish gap students Sam Nolan and Paddy Walsh and the 14F and 14G sides had many fine victories.

The U13 teams were once again organised and trained exceptionally well under the guidance of Mr Phil Amata and the coaching staff. It is a remarkable effort on the coach's part that they are able to organise, grade and coach such a large number of players in limited time. Their results indicate that selections were performed with much consideration and consistency. The 13A enjoyed an outstanding undefeated season playing with ball in hand and scoring many entertaining tries.

The 13B improved as the season progressed and only lost one game in the entire season and the 13C will remember their wonderful win against Shore having lost the previous encounter. The 13D played above themselves and finished undefeated while the 13E and 13F sides displayed many fine skills during the season. Congratulations to the 13G and 13H teams whose determination and dedication to learn rugby and improve each week were commendable.

The Primary teams were well organised and enjoyed tremendous success with the coaching panel of Mr David Johnson, Mr B Hovey, Miss G Smith, Mr Michael Noud, Mr Chris Marshall and Miss Tina Bryan. Special congratulations to the mighty 12C who enjoyed an undefeated season.

The standard of refereeing continues to improve under the guidance of Mr Andrew Szabo. Thirty more players completed their NSW Referee Certificate this season. Thanks are extended to Andrew, the staff, parents, old boys and students for the refereeing throughout the season.

A solid foundation has been laid for the continual development and improvement of Rugby at Riverview. The future is promising and programs are in place for the talent to evolve. I look forward to 2004.

Mr Paul O'Sullivan

Baggage collection. Suitcases. Sniffer dog. "Open your bag sir". Banana peel. Red faced coach. Twenty two laughing players. However the smiles quickly disappeared as half the touring party were stopped by New Zealand customs officers after landing at Wellington airport on 8 July.

No one had mentioned that your boots had to be spotless to enter the country and three wet weeks in Sydney meant that most of the players had inadvertently and definitely contravened agricultural regulations. Off to the boot cleaning room where some boots were scrubbed and polished for the first time in their lives. Welcome to New Zealand – Eh!

By dusk we were comfortably ensconced in the salubrious dormitories of the Royal New Zealand Police Academy and had met in the gymnasium for a session of passing skills with guest coach David Campese. During the next 10 days the team was to benefit from some of the best coaches and players in the world– all involved with Murray Mexted's International Rugby Academy.

Not only were players instructed and drilled in all facets of the game they were also fortunate to witness the exploits of an elite player fifteen coached by such luminaries as Jeff Wilson, Sean Fitzpatrick, Ian Jones, Allan Hewson, Mark Shaw, Bull Allen and David Loveridge.

After spending a couple of days developing our skills the team was tested by St Patrick's College, Silverstream in typical wet and windy conditions. A grinding win warmed the heart, but video analysis of the game meant that there was a significant amount of work to be done during the last half of the camp at the Institute of Rugby at Massey University in Palmerston North.

The eyes of all players lit up as they arrived at this silver fern shaped building where rugby is omnipresent, from the intimidating figure of Buck Shelford at the door, to the ball shaped door handles.



Back row, Bryce O'Brien, Ross Walsh, Carl Giammarco, Michael Delaney
Third row, Ed Tighe, Brendan Homer, Chris Needham, Tom Flynn, Mitchell Quigley, Michael Roche, Tim Harrington, Jonathon Jenkins
Second Row, Dan Kelly, Mark Gallagher, Pat Barrett, Ed Hiscox, Mr Dean Hargreaves, Mr Dave Rennie
Seated, Bill Lenehan, Bryce Gearin, Toby Anderson, Tim Corcoran, Hugh Kennedy, Mr Mark Egger. Absent: Mr Bradley Moar

The All Blacks had vacated the centre for us the day before, and we were grateful that the spa that had been provided for them had not yet been picked up. Coach Hargreaves was also seen trying to work out how to switch on the lights on the three billiard table surfaced fields.

Two days of remedial work on our set pieces and back line moves and then a chance to put new knowledge into practice against the Massey University Under 19 side. We were apprehensive preparing for this game, but everything clicked for us and our backline was able to put on some outstanding counter attacks to build a 66-0 scoreline.

All that then remained was a return to Wellington to watch the elite squad play against Wellington colts, a fancy team dinner at the Mungavin Blues restaurant and a spirited viewing of the State of Origin match at the unseemly time of 10pm.

The benefits of this tour were highly developed skills, a greater sense of unity and purpose and an increased awareness of the role of mental toughness in becoming the best player possible. Much thanks must go to Dave Rennie who guided our team for much of the time over there.

The tour itself would not have been possible without the extraordinary support and vision of MIC Rugby Mr Paul O'Sullivan and team manager Mr Mark McGinnity. The players would also like to thank their parents, Catering Industries and Morrison's Motors for their assistance in getting the tour up and running.

Mr Mark Egger



Michael Roche, Mark Gallagher and Toby Anderson in practice



Ross Walsh leaps high against Massey University.



Tim Corcoran leading the team out of the dressing rooms at the Institute of Rugby.



Back row, from left, Edward Jenkins, Tom Flynn, Patrick Barrett, Mr Mark McGinnity (manager), Ross Walsh, Bill Lenehan, Jonathon Jenkins
Middle row, from left, Simon Walsh (manager), Mark Gallagher, Tim Harrington, Sam Raresea, Chris Needham, Michael Delaney, Daniel Kelly, Michael Zucker (manager)
Seated, from left, Bryce O'Brien, Tim Corcoran (vice captain), Mr Dean Hargreaves, Michael Roche (captain), Mr Mark Egger, Paddy Pearse, Bryce Gearin

TEAM MEMBERS: Michael Roche (captain), Patrick Barrett, Bryce O'Brien, Tim Corcoran, Michael Delaney, Tom Flynn, Mark Gallagher, Bryce Gearin, Tim Harrington, Edward Jenkins, Jonathon Jenkins, Daniel Kelly, Bill Lenehan, Christopher Needham, Paddy Pearse, Sam Rarasea, Ross Walsh

The year 2003 was always going to be a special one for Riverview Rugby. With the prospect of an overseas tour, an evenly balanced competition and the excitement of a World Cup at home the expectations of all involved in the game they play in heaven were high. As this is being written supporters are anxiously monitoring the first footsteps of the Wallabies in their World Cup Campaign.

Fortunately our work is done and we can proudly record that not only did we enjoy a challenging, inspiring and integrating experience in New Zealand, we were able to build upon it and achieve success in all our competition games, deservedly earning the title of GPS champions.

Like this year's Wallaby team our journey was not always a smooth one. Injuries, unavailability of players and tragic circumstances meant that the trial games saw a number of different combinations tested, as the strengths of players were identified, and areas for improvement detected.

The team learned hard lessons about celebrating a lead too early and of allowing distractions to impinge upon their focus and preparation prior to a mid-week game. They also learned that they could come back into a game by concentrating on the process rather than the result. Wins against Oakhill and Aloysius were tempered with narrow losses to Barker and Shore and a frustrating mid-week draw with eventual CAS premiers Knox.

Despite this slow start to the season we still managed to have 10 players selected in the GPS teams for the NSW selection trials, with Paddy Pearse being chosen in NSW 2nds at half back.

It was the trip to New Zealand that saw the team begin to gel together and develop the traits that would serve them so well in the GPS season. This included a dedication to defence, a commitment to each other, a belief in our ability to counter attack, a desire to dominate in the set pieces and to play fast, entertaining rugby. Most importantly the players became aware of the importance of mental toughness and goal setting in their preparation.

On tour, the depth of leadership became evident: Michael Roche in his courageous and loyal manner, Michael Delaney in his inspiring and spirited speeches, Tim Corcoran in his positive talk and confident attack and Tim Harrington in his relaxed actions on the paddock.

The team sought to improve its performance each week, with each player prepared to train hard to rectify any problems that were identified. An obvious sign of a great team is its commitment to training and there was no session during the season where these lads shirked their responsibilities.

Perhaps the most fun the players had all season was training in torrential rain before our run against Oakhill. It certainly prepared us for our time in Wellington.

The quality of our players was evident in the selection of 12 players in the Combined GPS teams at the end of the season. Tim Corcoran, Michael Delaney, Bill Lenehan, Bryce Gearin and Tim Harrington played in the 1st XV, Michael

Roche captained the 2nd XV and was joined by Tom Flynn, Paddy Pearse and Sam Rarasea, whilst Dan Kelly, Ross Walsh and Bryce O'Brien were in the 3rd XV.

The camaraderie displayed by all GPS players in these teams was exemplary and I will fondly remember having to drag the Riverview boys away from a joke telling session with their recent opponents from St Joseph's at the GPS Rugby dinner.

One of the reasons this team was able to function so well was the expertise and excellence of its support staff. Our patient, good humoured managers Michael Zucker and Simon Walsh were reliable and able to anticipate needs at all times. Fitness trainer John Guiffre and weights instructor Brad Moar prepared the fittest and strongest group of footballers that this school has seen for a long time, assisting with their own considerable knowledge of the game as well.

The medical staff, Dr Malcolm Willis and physiotherapist Dan Vickers, were dedicated, professional and generous in the time they gave to the boys, as were the nurses at the infirmary. Tim Donnelly shared his considerable expertise with the backline before going on to win a premiership with Eastwood himself, and Richard Egger worked many hours with the kickers in the team.

Denis Kelliher was always available to assist in his role as Director of Coaching, giving us the benefit of his many years of experience. There were also many boys who assisted with making videos under the eye of Will Marsh, or recording statistics at the request of Tim Phelps.

Director of Rugby Paul O'Sullivan is also to be commended for the many hours of work that he puts in. It is a labour of love as he is passionate about his rugby, but the players and coaches know that they can always rely on his interest and benefit from his vision.

The 2nd XV coaches Anthony Connellan and Brian Piper provided support, honest advice and well coached reserves. Their side was thoroughly and professionally prepared for each game and it was cruel that they went so close to achieving an unbeaten record for the season.

This year Mark McGinnity assumed the position of manager for the 1st XV. An experienced coach himself, he worked tirelessly to make sure that things ran smoothly for the team and its coaches. His attention to detail and patience ensured that no loose ends were ever left untied. Without Mark's efforts the overseas tour would not have gone ahead and the boys would not have enjoyed the benefits of that experience.

I would also like to take this opportunity to recognise the unceasing efforts of Head Coach, Dean Hargreaves. He is dedicated, thoroughly prepared and innovative in his approach to the game. His enthusiasm and commitment are infectious and enough to carry his players through the most arduous training session. His ability to encourage individuals to seek excellence is exceptional. It has been an honour working with him.

As always the Riverview parents have been a source of great support and encouragement. This was especially evident in the week leading up to our big final game where it was reported that whilst most of the players were sleeping fitfully, their dads were becoming insomniacs.

The generous assistance of the parents at the afternoon teas and the end of season dinner was most appreciated. The tremendous support of the student body must also be acknowledged, ably led by Matty Shields and his doppelganger Toby Anderson.

Time will tell whether the Wallabies will mirror our success in the World Cup this year. The opportunity to work with such an exceptional group of young men has been a reward in itself, the premiership just the icing on the cake.

In the words of Henry Ford, "success is not rare – it is common. It is a matter of adjusting one's efforts to obstacles and one's ability to a service needed by others. There is no other possible success. Most people think of it in terms of getting. Success, however, begins in giving."

Mr Mark Egger

Round 1 vs The Scots College At Bellevue Hill, 26th July

After solid performances by Riverview boys in games all day, it was 3.15pm, the bagpipes were playing, and the large group of supporters were eagerly awaiting the arrival of the blue and white jerseys from the sheds.

The whistle signalled the start of the match over the sound of 'Jerusalem' in the background. Straight away the Scot's boys were to put on the pressure and get first points on the board. Our boys were patient; absorbing the pressure with solid defence, led by Michael Delaney and local lad Mark Gallagher. Riverview were waiting for their chance.

This patience was rewarded after 20 minutes when Ed Jenkins flashed over in the corner following strong work at the breakdown by Michael Roche. Tim Harrington opened his account for the season with a relaxed conversion.

Despite solid rucking and mauling by Scots, Riverview managed to put together some good platforms late in the first half. With clean ball from Paddy Pearse the backs had a chance to show what they could do. The quick hands of Daniel Kelly saw Chris Needham given the chance to slice through the Scot's backline, leaving the score line sitting at 14-0 on half time.

A third try came in the opening minutes of the second half when Tim Corcoran scored as a result of nothing other than a really strong run. Scot's number five, Richard Stanford was effective in the lineout, but Riverview were able to secure most of their own throws enabling Kelly to pressure Scots with his creative kicks.

Scots scored after 20 minutes through a strong driving maul. Our boys sought to do the same at the other end of the field, but they were unable to crack a rejuvenated Scots defence.

Minutes from the end the best try of the game was scored when Tim Harrington and Chris Needham combined to slice up the middle of the paddock before slipping the ball to Corcoran. Harrington's only missed kick of the day saw the final score line read 26-5. A solid first half performance, but room for improvement in the second.

St Ignatius 26 (Ed Jenkins, Chris Needham, Tim Corcoran 2 tries, Tim Harrington 3 conversions). The Scots College, 5

Justin Fleming

Round 2 vs The King's School At Gowan Brae, 2nd August

On a perfect weather day the College went to Gowan Brae and the home of the current GPS champions. This round was vital for both teams and we had to overcome a very determined home team and fine home ground record built up over the last six seasons.

However, the knowledge of our last visit in 2001 and that win being the first visiting team to do so in five years bought forward much optimism to accompany the excellent performance of the previous week.

From the start a very determined Riverview were determined to stand up against the highly fancied opponents. Strong running by the forwards with relentless tackling and excellent control of the breakdown enabled possession to be secured deep in the King's half.



gps representatives

Back row, from left, Daniel Kelly, Bryce O'Brien, Michael Roche, Ross Walsh, Sam Rarasea, Tom Flynn, Paddy Pearse
Seated, from left, Mr Dean Hargreaves, Bill Lenehan, Tim Corcoran, Tim Harrington, Michael Delaney, Bryce Gearin, Mr Mark Egger

Persistent build up and control resulted in a number of phases setting up our backs and the speed of Patrick Barrett finally saw SIC with an early try and a 5-0 lead.

The speed and deception of the backline play was a strong feature of the first half. The interruption to the flow came from a consistent stream of penalties to the hosts and perhaps some over enthusiasm and ill-discipline would need to be tempered if SIC were to secure control of this game.

The high defensive rate of King's and excellent tackling denied attacking moves and it was their forward pack that secured good field position into the SIC half. However, handling errors and penalties frustrated their efforts and returned the visitors into the attacking zone throughout the half.

Both teams kicking game aimed to turn around each other's defence, however the visitors proved up to the running backline of TKS. The change in tactic to a blindside move by the halfback to set the winger S Campbell down the line for 40 metres and side stepping Tim Harrington resulted in a King's try and conversion for a 7-5 half time lead.

The second half started with a King's lineout infringement providing us with the opportunity to return to their 22m line. However, first phase possession was forfeited with another infringement and the relieving penalty set the tempo for the half. It was this manner of play that characterised much of the half. SIC attacked consistently only to be met by equally desperate and effective defence.

Greater possession for us and powerful forwards set up opportunities to be inside the TKS 22m to only see a number of scoring chances missed. Patience and being mindful of the powerful forward strength took us to within metres of the line on a number of occasions before an offside penalty was awarded in front of the posts.

Tim Harrington kicked the goal to take an 8-7 lead with full time in sight. The final whistle gave us our second win and importantly would be seen as of the most significant victories and singly great team performances for the season.

St Ignatius' 8 (Chris Needham try, Tim Harrington penalty goal). The King's School 7 (S Campbell try, conversion)

Mr Chris Kitching

Round 3 vs Newington At Riverview, 9th August

Newington has been a tough stumbling block for a succession of Riverview 1st XV sides. Their defence is usually uncompromising; their pride and passion enable them to play effectively against more highly rated opponents. For this game and for their style, however, this time Riverview seemed well prepared.

We played with the assistance of an increasingly icy southerly in the first half and had much the better of the game. We capitalised on Newington's errors at the breakdown, driving them off the ball, pilfering their possession and forcing them into indiscretions.

Michael Roche led by example, Mark Gallagher's tackles were bruising, Ross Walsh worked effectively in the line outs and Bryce Gearin's elusive running was electrifying.

Tim Harrington used the breeze admirably to pin Newington in their half and to kick three penalty goals within the first 30 minutes. In the shadows of half time Tim timed his entry into the backline with precision, as the gap opened to accommodate our decoy runners elsewhere, and scored under the cross bar. His conversion took us to the security of a 16-0 lead at half time.

It must be said that our second half performance was not as precise and sharp. Playing into the wind did nullify some options but penalties to Newington enabled them to rhythm and purpose. We were never in danger: Harrington's fourth penalty goal took us to 19-0.

Newington's final try came in the last minute when the score had been 22-5. Three injuries meant that three replacements had to fit in during the game, consequently our play was disjointed and lost its decisive, commanding edge.

For all that, other GPS results on the day meant that we retained our joint competition lead with St Joseph's. Tim Harrington's 22 points represented an afternoon of significant endeavour: the highest number of points by a Riverview player in scoring all the points for his side, in our proud GPS history.

St Ignatius' 22 (Harrington try, conversion, 5 penalties). Newington 12 (Rist 2 tries, Turner conversion)

Mr James Rodgers

Round 4 vs Sydney Boys High School At Centennial Park, 16th August

After a lacklustre warm-up the Riverview team took the field looking a little bemused at an early start of 2:45pm. After kick off the Riverview team looked controlled and confident, building good phases which eventually lead to an easy try for outside centre Chris Needham in the corner.

The High team's spirit was awoken by this and after some messy play around the ruck by Riverview, High received a penalty, and a good kick put them in a position that threatened Riverview's line considerably. The belief that Riverview only had to attend to beat High was soon shattered as High's hooker, Tom Andrews, crashed over for a well deserved try.

A lack of eagerness was noticeable for the remainder of the half until Ed Jenkins scooted towards the posts for a good five pointer with a few minutes to go. Riverview just seemed to be hitting their straps again.

A half-time agreement to boost the 12-7 lead was honoured after the break with well executed phase play and strong, confident running from the backs. Good work from the forwards continued throughout the second half with Riverview's turnovers being outweighed by High.

The forwards also dominated in the scrums and the line outs, playing safe to secure ball for a backline that turned up its intensity in the second period. Tim Corcoran picked up a hat trick of tries and showed his rival redheaded inside centre how to light up the pitch.

Ed Jenkins made the tryline again; earning a double by backing himself down the sideline. Bryce Gearin showed his lethal yet unorthodox style of running after some great work by the gliding Tim Harrington.

In the second half Riverview showed that they could put the points when needed to. Special mention must also go to Jeremy Chapman, Sam Rarasea, Martin Plotskys, Tom Joseph and Anton Joris who all made an appearance in the fat stripes during the game.

St Ignatius' 41 (Needham, E Jenkins 2, Corcoran 3, Gearin tries, Lenehan conversion, Harrington 2 conversions) Sydney Boys High School 7 (Andrews try, Mitchell conversion)

Patrick Barrett

Round 5 vs Sydney Grammar School At Riverview, 23rd August

With four straight victories in a row and the GPS premiership getting closer every week, Riverview looked relaxed but sharp and eager to beat Sydney Grammar. Three minutes after the kick off, Tim Harrington placed Riverview in the lead with a penalty goal. However, within moments, Riverview encountered a very physical and committed Grammar who kicked two of their own penalty goals to take the lead at 6 -3.

Riverview continued to dominate possession of the ball and the backs demonstrated their flair and confidence. Although Grammar's forward defence was strong, the Riverview attack proved too dominant when vice captain, Tim Corcoran scored the first try and Tim Harrington converted it, placing Riverview in front 10 – 6.

Riverview continued to enjoy plenty of possession highlighting the speed and skill of Captain, Michael Roche, Daniel Kelly and Edward Jenkins who ran into a huge gap to score, securing Riverview's lead to 15 -6. The fine kicking skills of Tim Harrington lifted the score to 17 – 6. Another penalty goal for Grammar tightened the score to 17 -9, however Riverview's forceful attack and consistent defence kept Grammar from scoring a try.

There was no time wasted by Riverview in the second half and within moments their already fine score was continuing to rise. Although the referee was rather technical, Riverview utilised every opportunity and Paddy Pearse scored an impressive try from a five metre scrum lifting the score to 24- 9. Grammar too was steadily increasing their score with another penalty goal which brought the total to 24-12.

Riverview continued to dominate the play with outstanding defence from Timothy Corcoran and as a result a succession of tries was scored. Bryce Gearin demonstrated agility and skill with another two fine tries and Edward Jenkins scored an impressive try in the corner to bring Riverview home to win 45 to 15.

It was a strong performance from the Riverview team and their 45 - 15 victory over Grammar displayed fine teamwork and excellent attacking skills. Fullback, Tim Harrington, demonstrated pinpoint accuracy converting all six tries and kicking a penalty goal. Although Riverview kept Grammar from scoring a try, Grammar put up a strong defence and maintained composure and team spirit.

St Ignatius', 45 (Pearse, Gearin 2, Corcoran, E Jenkins 2 tries, Harrington 1 penalty goal and six conversions). Grammar 15 (Atkins 5 penalties)

Ms Jenny Hoare

Round 6 vs Shore, At Riverview, 29th August

This was the game which this team had been threatening to play all season. Whilst it had always played well for at least a half, it had struggled to maintain its focus for a whole game. On a cloudy and windy afternoon the boys finally showed that they had the composure and skill to go all the way in the GPS competition.

The first half saw Shore dominating possession as a result of several penalties at the breakdown. Pleasingly they did not look like cracking the motivated Riverview defence forcing them to try something different. A long pass was intercepted by Tim Harrington, who showed real speed in running ninety metres to score under the posts.

His conversion made it 7-0 and shortly afterwards good ball from a driving line out maul gave Corcoran the opportunity to hit the line hard and straight; through for a try under the posts.

14-0 at half time was hardly a comfortable score given that Shore would have the support of a huge wind for the last thirty five minutes. Bryce Gearin provided the much needed buffer early on when he ran around his opposite number. This proved to be the catalyst for a flood of

tries as Shore decided to kick for field position and the Riverview boys counter-attacked confidently. Michael Delaney backed up magnificently to take a well timed pass from Sam Rarasea at the end of a spectacular line break.

Daniel Kelly decided that it was time for him to score for a change, stepping inside his man to score just to the left of the posts. Sam Rarasea shone again in the final moments of the game, intercepting the ball in his own twenty two and out-pacing a couple of eager locks who were chasing him across the field.

Shore did manage to interrupt this run of tries with one of their own in the middle of the half; the result of a well won line out and driving maul. Their forwards contested strongly throughout the game, led capably by outstanding flanker Chris Ching.

This fine performance was well timed by the team leaving them with a record of 187 points for and only 51 against as they prepared for their last game.

St Ignatius' 45 (Harrington, Corcoran 2, Gearin, Delaney, Kelly, Rarasea tries, Harrington 5 conversions) Shore 5 (McCarthy try)

Mr Denis Kelliher

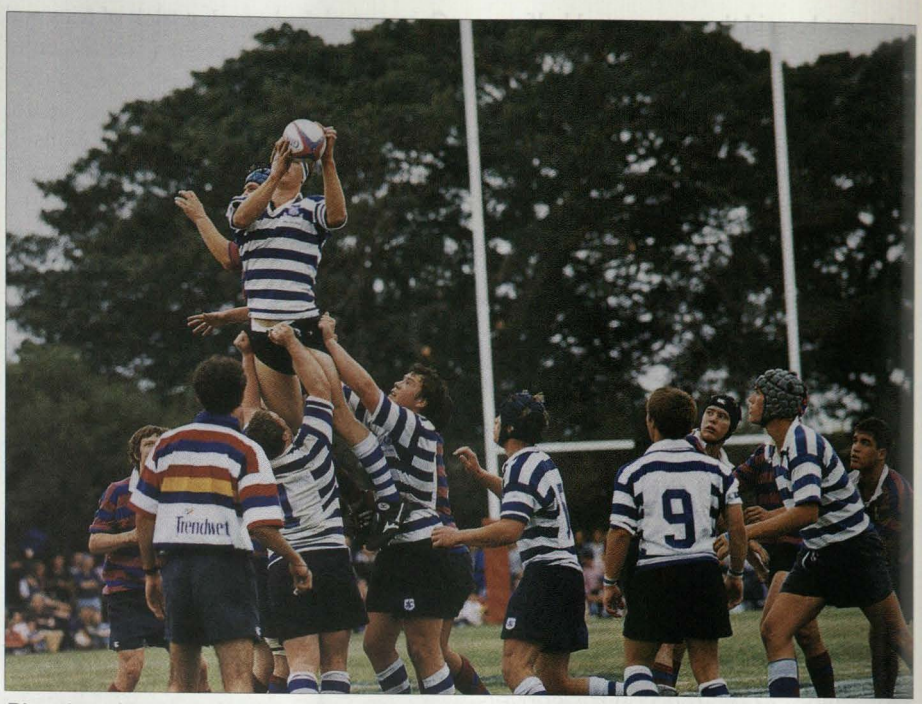
Round 7 vs St Joseph's College At Hunters Hill, 6th September

The vagary of a seven match competition is that every game is a grand final, thus when undefeated teams meet there is always a heavy air of expectation. Add to this the opportunity for a team to become the first champions from SIC to win by defeating their main rivals away and the atmosphere becomes suffocating.

Yet if you were to have seen this Riverview team on the morning of their final match you would have marked them for their relaxed, happy behaviour. They enjoyed the build up; the waves from old boys on the way to the ground, the applause from the stands as they moved to the dressing sheds and the powerful words of Tony Dempsey as he presented their jerseys just prior to the match.

Once on the field they knew that they were involved in what was likely to become a legendary match as the game became an arm wrestle between two very strong defensive outfits. Joey's were quick to move up in defence and seemed to be well aware of the threat posed by our backline.

The Riverview boys found it difficult to maintain continuity in the face of such an onslaught, but they did demonstrate that they would make the most of any counter attacking opportunity. This was to prove crucial in the second half.



Riverview vs St Joseph's College

photograph by Chris Fitzgerald

Both sides were also balanced in the set pieces, with neither being able to pinch any opposition put ins. Thus whilst both sides were able to kick a penalty goal early in the game it was not until the last five minutes of the half that St Joseph's were able to create an overlap and send their captain Duncan Hardy over in the corner for a decisive lead.

Fortunately our skipper was up to the challenge and it was only moments later that Michael Roche took the ball from a line out and crashed over to reduce the deficit to 10-13 at the break.

The second half consisted of four defining moments. The first was Bryce Gearin tearing away for a try after Sam Rarasea scooped up a ball that two Joeys players dropped in a mid-field collision, taking us into the lead for the second time in the match, 15-13.

The second involved winger Ed Jenkins chasing a counter- attacking kick, courageously diving in front of a rampaging cerise and blue number eight; putting his body on the line until the cavalry arrived seconds later to thwart a certain try.

The third moment, or more properly five minutes, occurred when St Joseph's were given a series of penalties close to the line and opted for line outs with a driving maul in mind. We determinedly repelled the first two and it was only the power of Joey's prop Laurie Weeks that saw St Joseph's once again ahead by three points after the third.

The fourth moment will be etched in the minds of the 18,000 strong crowd forever. Noting that the defence was marking up strongly on Tim Corcoran, Dan Kelly astutely slipped the ball inside to Sam Rarasea who firstly stepped infield then sliced back to the left as he approached St Joseph's custodian. A perfect pass gave Bryce Gearin a head start over his opposite in a diagonal sprint to the line. 20 -18!!!

Mission accomplished. Job well done. Last three steps taken… Matty kisses the ground… school goes crazy…men on shoulders… singing… sweating… some tears.

Our opponents were magnanimous in defeat and one must applaud the boys of St Joseph's for waiting until the celebrations on the field were complete so that they could applaud our team as it went into the dressing room. They had witnessed a rare and inspiring spectacle and it is certain that the memories of this game will bring a smile to the face of anyone who was there.

St Ignatius 20 (Roche, Gearin 2 tries, Harrington conversion, penalty goal). St Joseph's 18 (Weeks, Hardy tries, Holt goal, penalty goal, D'Arcy penalty goal)

Mr Mark Egger

rugby 2nd xv team



Back row, from left, Michael Boyle, James Englebrecht, Martin Plokstys, Edward Hiscox, James Fitzgerald, Angus Campbell, Edward Tighe
Middle row, from left, Tom Joseph, Jeremy Chapman, Anton Joris, Carl Giammarco, Sean Williams, Alistair Clifton (manager)
Seated, from left, Michael Ryan, Mitchell Quigley (vice captain), Mr Anthony Connellan, Hugh Kennedy (captain), Mr Brian Piper, Brendan Homer, Toby Anderson Absent: Jack Bird, Tim Ireson (managers)

The 2003 rugby season proved to be a very successful one for the 2nd XV. With many great memories, the highlights were an outstanding victory over a strong King's side, the gutsy defensive effort over Shore and of course the fantastic match at Hunter's Hill. This teams impressive record included 8 wins from 10 games, 295 points for 76 points against and 46 tries for and only 8 against.

Results – Trial Season

vs Waverley	Lost 20 – 23
vs Knox	Won 28 – 7
vs Barker	Won 50 – 5
vs Shore	Won 22 – 7

GPS Competition

vs Scots	Won 25 -10
vs Kings	Won 26 – 0
vs Newington	Won 33 – 3
vs Grammar	Won 65 – 3
vs Shore	Won 10 – 0
vs St Joseph's	Lost 16 – 18

After a shaky start to the trial phase with an ordinary loss to Waverley the side began to take shape and grow in confidence. The game plan started to fall into place and after placing a kicking ban on about three quarters of the team the boys enjoyed playing an attacking, ball in hand game which became very successful as well as extremely attractive to watch.

The next three weeks saw the team train and play with great enthusiasm, determination and the 'No Regrets!' attitude that they developed as their team motto. Comprehensive victories over Knox, Barker and Shore had set a very high standard and the expectation and hype of being a genuine premiership contender came on board.

The July holidays were a little disruptive with half the team going to New Zealand with the 1st grade and the other half on the development tour to the Gold Coast, along with a couple of changes during the New Zealand trip. The boys regrouped quickly and set their sights for Scots at a two day camp before returning to school.

The performance at Scots reflected the disjointed preparation and the team took 20 minutes to settle into the match. Good field position and a mountain of possession led to the first two tries to Bryce Gearin. The first came from a Toby Anderson crash ball and powerfully staying on his feet long enough to pop a great ball to Gearin who streaked the defence to score 15 metres in from touch. The second was from quick phase ball to Sam Rarasea who threw a beautiful pass to Gearin crossing untouched out wide. Riverview continued the domination in the second half with Hugh Kennedy orchestrating a brilliant driving lineout for big Martin Plokstys to crash over.

The centre pairing of Michael Boyle and Ed Tighe toiled hard all match keeping the Scots backline very busy. Carl Giammarco found some space after a quick tap by Rarasea and carried a couple over the line to score Riverview's fourth. A pleasing start to the competition however, the habit of switching off in the last couple of minutes continued which allowed Scots to cross our line on the bell.

There was great anticipation for the Kings match. The preparation during the week and the feeling in the warm up were outstanding. We felt very confident that the hard work over the past two weeks would come together today and the boys didn't disappoint. Kings were outclassed in every facet of the game. The front row of Anderson, Kennedy and Plokstys dominated the scrums, James Fitzgerald and Anton Joris were unstoppable in the lineout, Jeremy Chapman, Giammarco, Ed Hiscox and Michael Ryan were very effective at the breakdown and Rarasea,

Mitchell Quigley and Boyle belted them every time their backs touched the ball.

This enabled Sam Rarasea to control the game in attack with some clever kicking and great passes to Tom Joseph who scored on debut; Bryce Gearin another double with plenty of individual brilliance and Ed Tighe hitting many holes. This was a fantastic team effort and set the scene for the rest of the season.

Newington turned up to play in the round three clash at Riverview, with a very tight first half. Their defence was very keen and gave our backs little space to move. Despite not hitting top gear Riverview controlled the game well and did not panic at any stage. Martin Plokstys got the only try for the half with a clever pick and drive after continual pressure on the Newington line.

Anton Joris ignited the second half with a bone crushing hit from the kick off. Riverview quickly secured the turnover ball and sent it wide for Michael Boyle to score 30seconds into the half. This lifted our side and sunk theirs, the flood gates well and truly opening.

Tom Joseph received a great ball from Mitch Quigley to run 40 metres to the try line, Sam Rarasea chipped and regathered off loading to Michael Boyle who beat three defenders and Carl Giammarco picked up a loose ball quickly passing to Joris who swerved, side stepped, palmed and goose stepped to cross in the corner for a memorable 50 metre effort.

Sydney Grammar realised they were in for a long afternoon after Anderson ran over the top an opponent in the first couple of minutes, Brendan Homer cleared quickly to Mitch Quigley who sent the ball wide to Joseph breaking three tackles on the way to the try line. Tom Joseph went on to get a hat trick, Angus Campbell the super sub crossed for a double, with Mitch Quigley, Brendan Homer, Carl Giammarco, Michael Boyle, Anton Joris and Ed Hiscox all crossing for impressive five pointers. An entertaining performance characterised by excellent recycling of the ball, great speed out wide and very good support play.

The side suffered a major setback on the Thursday before Shore with Quigley being ruled out with a sprained ankle. Homer moved to five eighth and the very capable Ryan came back in for his third game. After winning the toss and deciding to run with the very strong wind the Riverview side camped in the Shore quarter for most of the first half. Shore's defence was excellent and absorbed a mountain of pressure to keep the score nil all at half time. Once again Riverview showed they had plenty of heart and refused to give in. Shore with the wind at their backs continually attacked the Riverview line and the defence led by Homer in the midfield was outstanding.

The aggressive tackling by our side forced a number of errors from Shore and with about 15 minutes to go Anderson swooped on a loose ball deep in his own half giving the ball to Tighe who took the ball to the line and drew the Shore winger passing to Sean Williams. It seemed an eternity as Williams out sprinted the cover defence, saluting the Shore crowd as he crossed under the posts for one of the most important tries of the season.

It was not over yet. Shore continued to pressure the Riverview line and the closer they got the more tenacious our tackling got. Shore were unable to cross the Riverview line and although it wasn't the most entertaining game it was an excellent win.

Round 7 saw the much anticipated clash between Riverview and Joey's at Hunter's Hill. A well scripted finale with two undefeated teams and a massive crowd to witness such a battle. Joey's started strongly and quickly got on the score board with a well constructed try. Riverview were the next to score, the ball coming off the top from a lineout on the Joey's 22 metre line.

Boyle's crash ball got over the advantage line and released for Homer to pick up Anderson off the side of the ruck, Quigley saw that the defence was stretching wide, so hit back blind finding Joseph who crossed in the corner to level the score at five all. The rest of the first half was dominated by outstanding defence from both sides, the only points coming from a penalty goal each to go to the break at eight points all.

The second half saw a similar start, with Joey's dominating possession and field position; a penalty goal saw them take the lead again. Riverview worked hard after the kick off and secured the ball on the Joey's quarter line, unfortunately a dropped ball saw Joey's capitalize and spread the ball wide to score a 70 metre converted try against the run of play. Kennedy regrouped the team and if any side was capable of coming back from the 10 point deficit it was this one. Riverview received a penalty after a great attacking raid and edged three points closer.

Riverview continued to put pressure on Joey's and from a lineout 10 metres out the reliable driving lineout didn't let us down with Kennedy getting the five pointer. With eight minutes to go and Joey's in front by two the intensity of both sides lifted, Riverview continued to attack, however the Joey's defence was outstanding. The full time whistle went and although deflated the Riverview team could proudly walk with their heads high knowing they had given their best.

Brian and I would like to thank a number of people who have a great influence on our team. Firstly the 1st XV coaches Dean Hargreaves and Mark Egger for sharing your knowledge and experience. We also congratulate them and the players of the 1st XV for their undefeated premiership. Thank you to Paul O'Sullivan and Mark McGinnity for their tireless efforts with the organisation of tours, weekly BBQs, jerseys, equipment etc, without your contribution the season would not run so smoothly.

Thanks also to John Giuffre and Brad Moar the Strength and Conditioning coaches, your assistance in preparing the boys has made a big difference. To Dan Vickers and Dr Malcolm Willis your love of rugby and your talent for getting fifteen healthy players on the field each week was much appreciated. Thanks to our managers, Jack Bird, Tim Ireson and Alistair Clifton your help with equipment, water and many sideline tips throughout the season has been of great help to coaches and players. A very big thank you to the parents, your support of the boys, coaches and rugby as a whole at Riverview is outstanding. Where would we be without having you to share our highs and lows and the afternoon tea you prepare so well every Saturday afternoon.

Finally to the players, your efforts both on and off the field have brought great credit to yourselves, your family and your school. We would like to thank you for such a successful and enjoyable season. You have achieved much and should take many great memories from your success this season.

Mr Anthony Connellan
Mr Brian Piper



vs Scots College



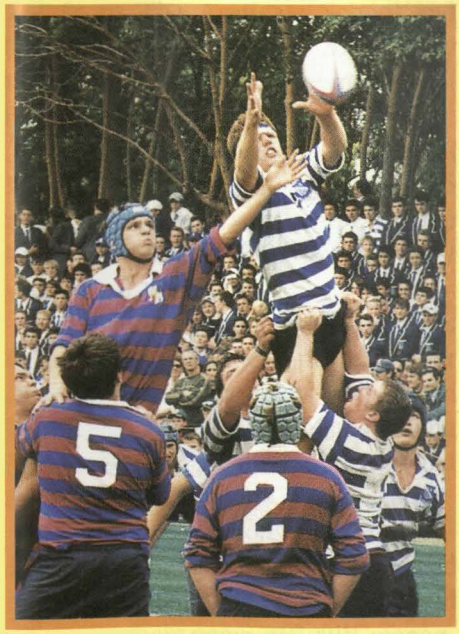
Michael Boyle vs Newington



Anton Joris vs Scots



Sam Raresea and Ed Tighe vs Newington



James Fitzgerald vs St Joseph's College



Martin Plokstys, Hugh Kennedy, Toby Anderson vs Shore



Back row, from left, Justin Fleming, Thomas Manion, Oliver Curtis
Middle row, from left, Sam Farrell, Grayden Kenney, James McDougall, Jack Meagher, Simon Moloney, James Englebrecht
Seated, from left, John Ryan, Angus McKay, Thomas Cullen (captain), Mr Chris Hayes, Patrick Sheehan (vice captain), Dominic Cuschieri, Mark Longhurst. Absent: Johnathan Russo, Phillip Mahony

The 3rd XV had a very enjoyable and successful season. The team was lead well by captain Tom Cullen who brought much vigour and focus to the team.

The front row of Dom Cuschieri, Sam Farrell and Simon Moloney provided a rock solid platform for the scrum and excelled in the tight work. Second rowers James McDougall and Tom Cullen dominated in the lineout, ruck and maul.

The backrow combination of Oliver Curtis, Angus McKay, John Ryan and Justin Fleming were the vanguard of a fierce, ruthless and committed defensive unit. Many an opposition player felt the full brunt from one or more of these players.

The backline, apart from being tenacious defenders, also provided many attacking highlights throughout the season. The half combination of Patrick Sheehan and Tom Manion were innovative, determined and elusive in both attack and defence.

The centre combination of Jono Russo, Grayden Kenney and Josh Rowlison were powerful in controlling the mid-field whilst Jack Meagher and Mark Longhurst provided the attacking flair and speed in putting the finishing touches on many an electrifying backline raid.

Our best games for the season were two games we lost on the scoreboard, against very talented 17As and the 3rd XV of Saint Joseph's College. On both weekends we played top class rugby against two very good sides. In the end it was the bounce of the ball that separated the two teams, on both occasions!

I thank all members of the team for a truly rewarding and memorable season. Whilst we won games against Barker, Shore, Grammar and Newington the highlight of the year was working together for the fun and enjoyment of playing the game well and with commitment.

Mr Christopher Hayes

rugby 17A xv team



Back row, from left, William Hotson, Samuel Phillips, Simon Hegarty, Robert Bennett, Jack Walker
Middle row, from left, John Andrews, Rowen McDermott, Phillip Lulic, Angus Rankin, Nicholas Jones, Temujin Barr
Seated, from left, James Healey, Matthew Cock, Michael Ryan (captain), Mr Craig Jeffery, Benjamin Tickner, Matthew Lancaster, David L'Estrange
Absent: Christopher Valenti, Alexander White, Timothy Ireson

The 17As of 2003 have had a remarkable season. We were undefeated in the trials and GPS season. All of our victories were special in their own way, however, four games deserve mention: the two international touring teams, our victory over the 1st XV from The Armidale School and the icing on the cake, our 20-0 victory over St joseph's Colelge in the last round.

Our statistics speak for themselves 10 wins, 265 points for and 25 agains.t These results earnt us the Riverview Teams Cup for the most successful team.

The best thing about the season was the spirit and attitude of the team. Our success was not the focus of the team but rather a result of 15 mates having fun, believing in their abilities and trusting in each others.

Our training sessions were methodical and intense. The boys trained with the same attitude that they would take into their game, yet still managing to remain light hearted and not take themselves too seriously. Our Thursday 'crash and bash, touch and run, stand and watch, where's the light, let us win the line out sessions', whilst tedious, did develop our defensive skills.

All 15 players and the many reserves who played throughout the season deserve mention. Of particular note was our best forward Simon Hegarty who in the line out did not miss a ball all year and his work rate around the paddock was second to none.

Our best back was Angus Rankin who went about his business of scoring tries without fuss or fan fare. As a result Angus was our leading point scorer on 45. Significantly our Players player was a tie between our captain Mic Ryan and vice captain Ben Tickner, proving that these fine young men lead their team by example week in and week out.

I believe that when someone close to you passes away that you'll always have a friend keeping an extra eye on you. Billy O'Conner and Sam Turner RIP were both members of the 17A rugby team in 2002. They both worked hard to become members of that team. Once they secured their position through hard work and consistency they enjoyed the game and their mates.

As I have mentioned the 200317As consisted of a fine group of committed young men who enjoyed success and friendship, I would like to thank Billy and Sam for watching over us.

Mr Craig Jeffery



Back row, from left, Michael St John, Thomas Stalley, Simon Angove, Henry Harding, Jack Walker
Middle row, from left, Christopher Broadhurst, Timothy French, Sean Killham, Thomas Tuxworth, Michael O'Brien, Johsua Rowlison, Peter Doran
Seated, from left, Jacob Molkentin, Christopher Loth, Mark Scott (captain), Mr John Newey, Samuel Montgomery, Samuel Watson, Matthew Miles
Absent, David L'Estrange, Tom Norris, Patrick O'Halloran

The 2003 Rugby season saw the 5th XV enjoy a tremendous amount of success. The team was renowned for its fiery and aggressive nature, and was often compared to grades above them. Our prosperity on the field was largely due to the individual brilliance each player contributed.

The front-row was made up of Sean Killham, Jake Molkentin, Simon Angove and Tom Stalley. Sean will undoubtedly be remembered for his bruising defence, whilst Jake often burrowed his way through the opposition gaining valuable metres. Simon and Tom were the pillars of our aggression, barging through the defence on several occasions.

The second-row combination of Henry Harding and Tom Tuxworth further developed the skill of this team. Henry's consistent line-out jumping continually caused problems for the opposite jumpers, whilst Tom regularly potted goals from the sideline.

The back-row got around the paddock with unbelievable ease. Chris Loth was always solid at the rucks, while Tom Norris was constantly causing trouble for the opposition. Jack Walker often broke the defence with his determined runs and Mark Scott led by example.

With the forwards stampeding their way down field, the backs were required to finish the job, which they did with class. The halfback and five-eighth combination worked wonders, with David L'Estrange weaving his magic, often making something from nothing. Matt Miles was the brains of the backline directing play and using his size to break the line.

Inside centre Michael St. John regularly dodged his way through traffic, and must be commended on standing his ground, especially in our only disappointing loss to Joey's 17Bs. Peter Doran's late inclusion to the 5ths added even more flair to the backline, with his ability to manoeuvre his way through any situation.

The wingers finished off any backline move with elegance, and each one had at least one highlight in the season. Sam Montgomery was the top try-scorer, dancing his way through defence. Tim French could outrun any opponent and Josh Rowlison was the most elusive player I've ever come across.

The fullback, Sam Watson was the foundation at the back, with his pinpoint kicking game getting us out of trouble in many occasions.

Special mention must go out to those who couldn't complete the season. Paddy O'Halloran and Chris Broadhurst both finished up early due to injury. And finally, the dedicated coaching of Mr Newey led this team to become a formidable force. I wish to thank all involved for what was really a great season.

Mark Scott (captain)

rugby 6th xv team



Back row, from left, William Schiller, George Skuthorp, George Flannery, Andrew Hamilton, Aaron Lind
Seated, from left, Luke McGilvray, Lachlan Fergus, Nicholas Porta, Mr Bernie Winters, James Ryan, Liam Walsh, Andrew Baber
Absent: Xavier Hancock, Simon Jones, Dominic Pascoe, Samuel McElvenny, Michael Parmeter, Michael O'Brien

This year, the 6th XV which consisted of Year 11 and Year 12 students, was determined to win all its games. Our journey through the GPS competiton began with Scots whom we defeated, 24-14.

George Skuthorp led the forward pack with much fire and determination, whilst Nicholas Porta and Michael O'Brien led the backs through willpower and hard work. In the following week, we defeated Kings 26-0. Luke McGilvray and Aaron Lind showed dominance in the forwards in this game, whilst Michael Parmeter played strong attack in the backs.

The week after, we faced Newington where we achieved a 44-0 victory at half time. The following week, our team was offered a bye which gave us a chance to re-schedule our game plans, and hence improve overall.

Following our break, we played against the Waverly College 5th XV team. Consistent determination from William Schiller and Dominic Pascoe saw us win 17-10. This was assisted through Lachlan Fergus and his kicking ability.

Our journey was 80% complete for an undefeated season, yet we faced two more challenges, Shore and St Joseph's College. We played Shore at home on first field. After a tight win to Shore in the trials, we knew we had a hard game ahead. Everyone played well and we defeated Shore, 28-5. Samuel McElvenny, Dominic Pascoe, Andrew Hamilton and Liam Walsh used their strength and determination to play an amazing game in the back line. Our forwards, Xavier Hancock, Andrew Baber and George Flannery helped to overcome the Shore defence.

In the final game, we played St Joseph's at Hunters Hill. We all worked together and our team played like a dream, especially Simon Jones who gave 100%. Every member put their heart and soul into this game, which ended with us winning 19-14. We had finished the season undefeated.

Special mention must go to our coach Mr Bernie Winters, who put his time and effort into making our team what it was. We were a team that had lots of fun, skills, power and consistent laughs.

Nicholas Porta

Congratulations must go to the 7ths on an excellent season of rugby. This team was led from the front by Jack Mann, who was the bread winner in the line-outs and won the best forward award. he was supported in the front row by Michael Johnson, Oscar Peppitt and William Brennan who was awarded the best and fairest player for 2003.

Mention must go to former AFL star, Ben Weber, who alternated between front row and second row. Ben scored his only try against Shore, which was brilliantly converted by John Harpham to snatch victory away from Shore in the dying minutes of an exciting game, played on our 1st Field.

The success of this team was in no small part due to the strength and speed of its back row. Players such as Justin Le Brocque, William Hosie, Mat Hudson, Charles Luxton, Richard Buttenshaw and Sean Carroll, displayed great versatility and agility, many of these lads played in three or four different positions throughout the season.

Our backline, fed by John Harpham, was led by fly half Ben Turner, who should be mentioned here for his play-making ability. Ben had a fantastic game against High 4ths on their first field, Centennial Park.

This was perhaps the best I have seen of this back-line, which certainly made for great entertainment for the sizeable crowd of supporters.

Also waiting in the wings of the back-line were speed merchants Sean O'Connor (best back for 2003), Michael Prodinger, Joe Simpson and Anthony Brown. These players demonstrated a great ability to find gaps in the opposition back-line and make their way to the tryline.

Our last line of defence was shared between Andre Maddocks and late comer Luke Doyle, who certainly proved to be a valuable asset to this great team.

Once again, my congratulations to the 7ths, who won all but one of their matches. It was an enjoyable season with a great group of lads.

Mr Paul McCarthy



8th XV team

Back row, from left, Tom McGuire, Tim Brogan, Trent Backhouse, Doug McNamee, Matthew McDonald, Mr Laurie Byrne, Dom Woolrych, Pat Giblin, Kip Koenig, Andrew Giannasca
front row, from left, Alex Auzou, Adam Rixon, Andrew Bray, Dan McCulloch, David Fisher (captain), Sam Lloyd, Matt Carter

TEAM MEMBERS: Alex Auzou, Trent Backhouse, Andrew Bray, Tim Brogan, John Carney, Matt Carter, Rob Dawes, James Ferguson, David Fisher, Andrew Giannasca, Pat Giblin, Kip Koenig, Sam Lloyd, Tim Locke, Dan McCulloch, Matthew McDonald, Tom McGuire, Doug McNamee, Adam Rixon, Dom Woolrych.

The highlight of this season for the coach was to watch these talented players develop in their skills through their own dedication and perseverance at training, and then to use these skills in playing attractive and exciting football.

Our season started slowly with a fluctuating team membership and several very close losses. However, as we settled into a stable combination, determination grew at training and we continued to have close scores, only now some were in our favour.

Overall, the team was always entertaining and always played the game for enjoyment, supporting each other in a continual display of unselfish and fair play.

The backline was set in operation by Andrew Bray as an efficient halfback and captain Dave Fisher as the dictator of play at flyhalf and our best back. Centres Locke and McCulloch were fearless in attack and defence, while wingers Woolrych, Lloyd, Rixon and Dawes were determined runners.

Fullback Matt Carter joined the team late in the season but made a significant impact and was equal top try-scorer. The forwards were our real strength, with the front row of Brogan, Koenig and Auzou providing a solid platform. The two locks were outstanding, with newcomer Trent Backhouse a tireless worker in general play and Tom McGuire winning our best and fairest award for his lineout and general play.

Pat Giblin was our rampaging No.8 while Giannasca, Carney, Ferguson and McNamee shared the back row duties and were all tenacious in their play. I thank all the players for their commitment and for the enjoyable season.

Mr Laurie Byrne

rugby 9th xv team



Back row, from left, James Bannister, David Mair, Sam Hartman, Lachlan Bollen, Matthew Meagher, James Friend
Middle row, from left, Jonathon Wenman, Jason d'Apice, Jack Dwyer, Ben King, Grant Percy, James Fox
Seated, from left, Matthew Lewis, Scott Lynch, Thomas Howes, Mrs Dominique Marturia, Hugh Koh, Conor Burke, James Mattiussi
Absent: Tom Farrell, Julian Braund, Will Mead, David Dickson-Battye, Andrew Rockall, Damien Rockall, Alex Herlihy

The 9ths were a team that showed much spirit on and off the field. Our somewhat irregular training regime made for some interesting moves and a lot of fun along the way.

Round 1 against Joey's 8ths saw some 'killer' tackles from Tim Locke and James Mattiussi and some beautiful runs from David Mair at fullback. These were matched by intelligent play from Jack Dwyer at half back and a strong back line throughout.

Round 2 dawned on another sunny winter's morning and the team quickly took control. The King's School 8ths were quite surprised by the boys' impressive play.

Round 3 against SIC 10ths – this loss hurt in it's figures (26/7), but remained a favourite as we came face to face with a team of social players with considerable skill and a point to make!

Despite great runs from Lachlan Bollen and Hugh Koh, and Jason D'Apice putting his body on the line, we remained scoreless against Joey's 9ths, and made the most of our Bye the following week – Knox had heard what a force we were!

In Round 6 we defeated Shore's 8ths and our enthusiasm was most apparent, with 23 players ready to take the field including five flankers (Fox, Friend, Bannister, Hartman and Farrell) – and no referee. Once we started, the game saw an excellent first half try by James Mattiussi, great runs from Tom Farrell and courage in isolation from our No. 8, Jonathon Wenman.

We were narrowly defeated by SIV 8ths in Round 7 as our injury tally grew throughout this friendly game. Both James O'Neill and Tom Howes came off second best, while Jason D'Apice got to experience the comfort of the new infirmary mobile cart first hand.

Luckily, no injuries were serious and all players were able to recover to play our last game against Joeys 8ths at SIC, followed by a combined 8ths and 9ths team victorious at Joeys in the final round.

All players made the most of the season and camaraderie developed as the weeks passed. We would like to thank our helpful and encouraging team manager, Josh Lau and our very supportive parents who added so much to the game – even if it was from the sideline.

Our Year 12 players were proud to play their last games of Rugby for Riverview amongst some equally committed Year 11 students and we wish Julian Braund, Hugh Koh and Tom Farrell all the best. And the rest of us, will look forward to playing … another day.

Mrs Dominique Marturia

An outstanding team effort culminated in a tenacious, persistent and patient win to complete a successful season. As a team, the 16A's developed as the year progressed.

Eight players were part of the Development Tour to Queensland during the holidays and this experience paid great dividends for the boys and team.

As a result, these boys were more confident and skilful and carried a greater responsibility within the team.

Standout performers were Nick Ward, Will Kennedy and Adam Fitzgerald. Their dedication, attitude and resolve were essential to the team. These boys should be pressing for positions in the senior teams next year. Alex Fraunfelter, Daniel Roach and Will Hiscox showed great improvement throughout the season. In particular, Roach will make an impact in the senior squads in 2004.



Back row, Timothy May, Edward Callanan, Daniel Roach
Middle row, Nicholas Baulderstone, Matt McDougall, William Hiscox, Sebastian Beilby, Daniel Hulme, Simon Oxenham
Seated, Will Kennedy, Adam Fitzgerald, Nicholas Ward, Mr Duncan Warlters, Nikolai Pavlovic, Jacob Cakarnis, Alex McCullagh Absent: Alexander Fraunfelter, Christopher Bateman, Sam Burrow

A disappointing start to the season against Scots resulted in a 5-3 loss. The next two games indicated the type of rugby the boys were capable of. A good win against Kings and a 30-point victory over Newington, signalled a winning formula. James McCullagh, Ed Callanan and Chris Bateman demonstrated commitment and improving skill in the early games. By season's end, they had proven their worth and justification for weekly selection.

A polished St Joseph's College team inflicted our second loss for the season, 15-0. However, the score was not an indication of the game and we were confident of a victory at our next meeting. An improved kicking game from Sebastian Beilby and the development of a combination with Simon Oxenham was starting to come to fruition and give the team penetration.

It would be our three-point win against Grammar that showed the determination and patience of the team. Sam Barrow was persistent and toiled hard at the breakdown, while Richard Cahill was given an opportunity at fullback and he took it with both hands. He was safe and calm under pressure and helped fill a hole after Will Hiscox moved to outside centre.

This proved a revelation and instant success as he added another dimension to our attack. Will developed a fantastic combination with Adam Fitzgerald, the highlight being their brutal defence.

A fired up Shore team put 24 points on us in 10 minutes. It was a big ask to come back, but the boys almost pulled it off. The 27 – 21 loss was an important learning experience and indicated to the boys the need for concentration and preparation.

Nick Baulderstone had a big game in attack and defence.His constant talk, good change of speed and 'terrier' like work at the breakdown were big assests and essential to turning over opposition ball. Matt McDougall's speed and acceleration were critical to helping finish set pieces. His support work and returning of the ball in broken play helped secure important metres.

An outstanding team win against Joey's 5-0 capped off an enjoyable season. Careful execution of set pieces, speed to and effectiveness at the breakdown were critical to the victory. The tight five were awesome, while the loose forwards were absolutely sensational.

The backs 'clicked' and had an outstanding combination. Their defence was organised and ruthless and shutdown many attacking raids from Joeys. The back three defused many dangerous kicks and scoring opportunities.

It was a victory that indicated the true potential and capability of each boy. They were totally focused on their individual roles and executed them to the best of their ability. It was a win for the boys to be very proud of.

Vital to the 16A season was the support of the parents. Their barracking and guidance of the boys were essential to the end product. Daniel Hulme, Jacob Cakarnis and Timothy May were injured at various parts of the season but helped mould a winning attitude and feeling to the team.

Adam Kelly, as assistant coach, was invaluable. His knowledge, insight and experience were fundamental to the success of the team.

Finally, a big thank you to the boys of the 16As who persevered, toiled and dedicated themselves to improving and being the best players they could.

Mr Duncan Warlters

rugby 16B xv team

The 16B team dramatically improved throughout the season, whilst achieving a variety of results. It is clear that throughout the season tremendous spirit was present in the team.

The 16Bs played with great pride and enthusiasm. Unsettled by team changes and numerous season ending injuries, it is understandable that at times the team experienced some difficulty.

However, under the leadership of both Sam Conrick and Dan Millar the team remained competitive. Sam Barrow, Alex Vrisakis, Chris Galvin, Tom O'Connor and Alex Smith were all instrumental at the breakdown, dominating broken play and working tirelessly during the game.



Back row, Christopher Galvin, Matthew Flynn, Damien O'Brien, Benjamin Long, Alexander Smith, James McCullagh, Alexander Vrisakis, Samuel Barrow
Seated, Thomas O'Connor, Richard Cahill, Samuel Conrick, Mr Michael Plumley, James Evans, Matthew Conlon, Daniel Jones Absent: Nicolas Millett, Daniel Millar

Matthew Flynn notably improved during the season, providing terrific support play and having a brilliant work rate. Damien O'Brien was a superb impact player, along with Mathew Conlon. Both were tremendous ball runners. Sam Conrick was an inspirational leader making big runs and tackles, while Dan Millar provided consistently good service and directed play well. James Evans displayed good vision at fly half, whilst tackling proficiently. The centre combination of Daniel Jones and Alex McCullagh always seemed to break through the line of defence with commendable footwork and pace. Nic Millett, Ben Long, Richard Cahill and Ben Forbes were all particularly useful attacking assets out wide.

Ultimately, the 16Bs were a team greatly aided by the coaching of Mr Plumley and the assistance of David Low (from West Harbour) and Adam Peek (from the Parramatta Eels), who helped the team realize their full potential.

Sam Conrick (captain)



16C XV team

Back row, Kieran McCaffrey, Sam Chaffey, Sam Jurd
Middle row, Tod Montgomery, Vaughan Hay, Matthew Barham, Sam Purcell, Mitchell Wall, Daniel Aquilina
Seated, Thomas Kent, James Harvey, Richard Colvin (captain), Mr Declan O'Donoghue, Paul Dunstan, Richard Salter, Will Gray
Absent: Anthony Herborn, Adrian Bott

A promising start to pre-season games ensured that the 16Cs would endure a roller coaster ride throughout their season, kicking off with a loss to Waverley B 24-5 and a nil all draw with Knox.

Early signs of a strong defence were confirmed by a convincing win over Barker 21-5 with Rob Dempsey and Will Grey, and Richard Salter particularly impressive. Taking on a strong forward pack against Shore we went down 22-0. This game certainly showed us the benchmark that we had to achieve in order to be competitive for the coming season.

Our first game of the season was against Scots and unfortunately this game was abandoned at half time, on a score line of 0-0. Once again our defence was particularly impressive but our attacking play lacked originality.

The first Saturday of August pitted us against Kings.We were chasing this game right from the start and played much of the game in our half. Paul Dunstan, Matt Barham, Eamonn Ryan and Richard Colvin were strong and defiant in defence.

I think that it is fair to say that the final scoreline of 17-0 to Kings was not reflective of a very competitive game. Anthony Herborn and Kieran McCaffrey were also unlucky not to score in the corner.

Our game against Newington was cancelled due to a mix up in times so we played a 7 a side game against each other. Following numerous training sessions working on our 'cleaning out' and 'latching' with our forwards and attacking play with our backs, a marked improvement was noted in our performance against Joey's.

Much of the team played their match of the season during this big performance game, despite going down on a score line of 21-0. Our front row of Dan Aqualina, Todd Montgomery and James Harvey were magnificent. Our locks Sam Jurd and Sam Chaffey also put in big games along with flankers Sam Purcell and Vaughan Hay.

Our best performance of the season was against Kings, a team that had defeated us just two weeks earlier. We took the game to Kings right from the onset and showed that we could match them man for man in the forwards, despite their size and weight advantage.

Our backs were at full strength for the first time of the season and this was reflected by our innovative play. Pat Cape at full back was particularly impressive, scoring an excellent try followed by his own conversion. Adrian Bott, Anthony Herborn, Tom Kent and Will Gray all had great games with particularly impressive tackling. We only scored one try, however, we won the game 7-3 and remained undefeated at home.

Our penultimate game of the season against Shore was marred by injury. Once again we never gave up in our very impressive defence. Our forwards put in big games with Sam Jurd impressing before picking up injury. Rob Dempsey and Dan Aqualina were our try scorers however, we went down 14-12 with Shore scoring late in the game to take the honours.

Our last game of the season was also a good defensive display against Joeys. We lost this 10-5 but once again our fighting spirit shone through. Jake McKay played well as blindside flanker while on the other side Vaughan Hay made two try saving tackles. Once again our centres of Dunstan and Barham were solid, while Richard Colvin scored our only try.

A special thanks to all the boys and supportive parents throughout the 2003 season. I really enjoyed training with the boys and showing them my silky ball skills, and have many good memories of our 'Kermit' and 'Reg Regan' balls.

Mr Declan O'Donoghue

16D xv team

From the very start of the season the team showed an amazing talent and determination as it posted a huge win over Barker. An admirable team spirit and a genuine passion for the game were two reasons for some of the exciting Rugby played by this team.

The team enjoyed a most successful term, losing only two games to Shore and St Joseph's on the last game of the season. They excelled in all games played during a most remarkable season.

The back line experienced numerous changes due to injuries sustained by higher teams but they always attacked with speed and intensity. A skilful back line led by the captain, were always solid in defence and swift in attack.

The forwards dominated most of the games ensuring good quality ball was won for the backs to work their magic. The most dominant forward performances came against teams from higher grades such as Scots and also the game against King's.

The development of the team as the season progressed was wonderful to watch. The aggressive running and rugged defence, together with punishing rucking and mauling often intimidated sides and always forced mistakes. Each week would bring about new challenges and tasks, but it was the way in which the team rose to meet them that made the 16Ds what it was.

I thoroughly enjoyed the season, which was one of great improvement, courage and team work. I thank the supportive band of parents for both their company and assistance on Saturday mornings.

Ms Carol Kenny



3rd row, from left, Lachlan O'Kane, Alain Guglielmino
Middle row, from left, Mathew Morrow, Jacob McKay, Sam Rush, Nathan Linforth, Andrew Mair, Paul Chidrawi
Seated, from left, Angus Wirth, Robert Warmoll, Adrian Bott, Ms Carol Kenny, Robert Dempsey, Campbell Dalton, Jack Fitzgerald



Back row, from left, Sam Julian, Tom Gorman, Tim Fitzgerald, John Grant, Sam Egan, Alistair Clifton, Tom Needham Kimon Tellidis
Seated, from left, Mark St John, Tom Coolican, Jeremy Neville (captain), Mr James Rodgers, Alex Miles (vice captain), Geoff Goddard, Ben Lloyd
Absent: Mr Henry Burke (assistant coach), Patrick McCabe, Rafael del Rosario, Sam Ridley

Two losses, both by a point; over 300 points for and 70 against; a team that knew how to attack with confidence and purpose; a team that believed in itself; a group of young men who were responsive to coaching and who were delightful to coach.

This is a strong age group and the players should be able to carry their proud records and skills into the senior teams. The team's strengths were right across the field. The forwards gained in confidence and aggression at the break down and set pieces.

They benefited immeasurably from the expert coaching of Henry Burke whom I had the pleasure of coaching in the 1999 1st XV. Henry took them to another level of ability and appreciation of tactics. His own uncompromising style had its direct influence on these young men.

The front row was strong – Ben Lloyd, Sam Egan, Tom Needham – all had their best season. Tim Fitzgerald worked tirelessly in the second row and our back row – Patrick McCabe, Alistair Clifton and Tom Coolican – was consistently dominant, damaging in defence and expert in correct angles to run in attack.

They benefited also from the specific skills coaching of James King, last season's 1st XV captain.

Our backs were electric and exciting. They had confidence to run the ball to spaces and to execute daring moves. They finished off their attacking raids in impressive style. Of the 48 tries that the team scored in 11 games, our backs scored 35.

Mark St John at half played more strongly with every game as his pass was sure and accurate. Centres Sam Ridley and Tom Gorman defended almost faultlessly and invariably chose the right angles to run to set up our wingers, Geoff Goddard (10 tries) and John Grant.

Both GPS runners, they left opposition backs behind for pace and with their keen appreciation of angles. Kimon Tellidis was an outstanding full back – a mercurial runner, an accurate goal kicker and a fine tactical player. Prospects for higher honours are bright.

The team leaders were inspirational. Jeremy Neville led by example from the second row. He was never beaten, jumping at number two in the lineout, and his reading of each game was impressive. Others naturally followed his positive example and spirit.

Alex Miles at five eighth and as vice captain was a compelling tactician. He set the outside backs free with deft running and precise delivery.

The team was loyally served by its replacements, in particular Michael Bailey, Sam Julian and, early in the season, Matthew Gallagher.

The team is indebted to numbers of people who supported us graciously and generously: our manager, Rafael del Rosario was exemplary and cheerful in his duties; our parents were unhesitating in their encouragement and praise.

We are particularly grateful to the Egans who hosted a most enjoyable end of season party. And we are especially aware of the support for this team from within Riverview.

Mr Peter Kovacs was in charge of the age group and was a successful coach of the 15Bs and Mr Paul O'Sullivan, Master in Charge of Rugby, despite all his other onerous duties, took a special and much valued interest in this side.

All should be proud of the 15A's memorable season.

Mr James Rodgers

The 15B team experienced a relatively successful season, producing an exciting brand of rugby both to watch and be involved in.

Early on an unsettled line-up meant we were a little rough around the edges and close losses to Waverley and Shore in the trials were balanced by good wins against Knox and Barker.

Injuries and movement of players meant the Bs was a large squad, but this had its pluses and minuses. A close, hard fought but goal-less loss to the Chevalier A team was followed up a by a much improved victory over Kings where our front row, James, Ed and Henry really started to display their ability. Number 8 James Cush always a tireless worker, showed his dominance which lasted throughout the season.



Back row, Michael McDermott, Michael Bailey, Matthew May, Tom Phillips
Middle row, George Locke, Sam Julian, James Cush, Henry Curtin, Edward Fernon, Brenton Montgomery
Seated, Patrick Mayoh, James Sheehan, Tom Shannon, Mr Peter Kovacs, James Hunt, Matthew Gallagher, Nicholas O'Connor. Absent: Edward Woolrych, Dominic Ryan, Mark Jeppesen, Kerry Lane

Others to use this match as a boost to improved performances were half Tom Shannon who directed play, Dom Ryan with his fearless running and tackling, Matty May who was dominant in the line-out and Sam Julian who found plenty of holes in the opposition backlines.

Another encounter with Shore, in place of Newington, saw a close loss but it uncovered a real find in Nick O'Connor who was forced to play out of position at breakaway. Nick was a sensation, before he broke a cheekbone a few weeks later.

The arrival of Nick Smith to help coach and real confidence amongst the team saw the Bs line up for the scedhuyled round against Shore, believing they could win. In a memorable display Shore were kept scoreless while we ran in three tries. for a fitting victory which set us up for our final match against St Joseph's College.

In a great matach covering every aspect of the field a half time lead of 8-5 was fiercely defended for a memorable victory. Highlights of the season were the continued improvement of Brenton Montgomery and Kerry Lane; George Locke's incisive running; Tom Phillip's strength in all aspects; James Sheehan's growing confidence in setting up his outside backs.

Then there was Mark Jeppesen's successful return from injury as well as Dom Ryan's ferocity in general play and Ed Fernon's cool play under pressure. Matt Gallagher often covered a number of positions while Pat Mayoh was most enthusiastic and encouraging.

Mr Peter Kovacs

15C xv team

It was a fantastic season for the boys this year, capped off with a heroic 7-0 victory over Joey's to complete their undefeated season. The seeds for this triumph were sown months earlier with dedicated training, hard work and spirited performances in the early rounds.

A solid performance over Kings, 38-5 and three tough encounters against Shore gave the platform for the Joey's win. The season also brought out the brilliance of full back Ryan Sivior as well as centers Richard Walsh and Sam Diacos. Not to forget the undeniable courage, strength and ability of the forward pack, inparticularly rising star Geoff Ternes and the second row combination of Chris Rolleston and Matt 'powerhouse' Benjamin.

Brilliantly led by Tim Clifford, the team showed great fight and determination, especially in defence, conceding only 22 points all year as apposed to the 233 they scored in attack.

The fact that the forwards scored more tries than the backs must be a result of the coaching. Congratulations on a fantastic season.

Michael Lusher

When these now boys are men, will they sing of their days in the 15Ds Rugby as all Europe once sung the Song of Roland, remembering his fierce and fatal halting of invading hordes in Pyrenean fastness?

Perhaps not, after all. But they will remember moments of exultation and moments of disappointment. The joy, in the final match, hanging on to beat the traditional enemy in a tough, close match.

The disappointment of succumbing – just – to Shore in another memorable encounter. One thing they may not remember in later years is the growing which took place.

Individually and in a team whose composition seemed destined by the fates ever to be changing, they improved in attack and defence, in support play and in set play as in the loose. They may not always remember, as well, the support from their parents.

But that bonding will have its hidden legacy over the years. And while they deservedly will not long remember their hoary coach, they will recall those who helped form them into the fine team they became, David Spratt, Timothy Martin and Christopher Cottee. Overall it was a season worth revisiting every once in a while.



Back row, Dr Greg Haines, Ian Williams, Jack Smyth, Christian Grant, Philip Matthews, Patrick Martin, Aaron Moore, Matthew Cook, Jack Turner, Jarred Bambridge, Tim Dodd, Dominic Barnes
Front row, Andrew D'Ambrosio, Nicholas Lancaster, Michael Brogan, Michael Everest, Martin Whybourne, Nicholas Cottee, Tim Buttenshaw, Peter Spratt

Dr Gregory Haines

15E xv team

The 15Es had a very successful and enjoyable season, finishing the year undefeated. Throughout the trial matches the team was changed around a lot, as selectors were placing players in appropriate teams. There were many people coming and going from the team, yet even though we had different players each week in the trials, we still did not lose a game.

In the GPS season we started off with a convincing win over Waverley College with star performances by Spencer Palfreeman and Daniel Costa in the backs, and good hard work done by Ben Egan and Jono Kennedy in the forwards. The next few games were against Kings and Newington We had a hard fought win against Kings, 6-0, two penalty goals to Tom Peattie, and the game against Newington we lost, by a few points, but to our credit we played very well, against a Newington Cs team, so we continued our title as undefeated.

During this game James Rogge broke his collar bone and the team missed his defensive skills for the rest of the season. In the previous weeks at training, Mr Kelliher took the forwards, and taught them valuable moves and techniques, while the backs went with Mr Hyde and came up with several great moves which were used in games with great effect.



Back row, Ben Egan, Tom Anderson, Andrew Cullen, Jonathan Kennedy, Nathan Conaghan, James Rogge
Seated, Liam Back, Tom Peattie, Brett Constantine (captain), Mr Daniel Hyde, Hamish Mckay, Jared Arnott, Richard McKeon. Absent: Daniel Costa, Tom Fekete, William Robertson, Spencer Palfreeman, Chris Radford, Tom Radford, Joshua Coulthurst

The next few games were our most memorable, against St Pats winning 75-0 with great performances all round. Everything came together for this match. In the forwards Liam Back, Tom Fekete, Tom Anderson and Will Robertson were excellent in scrimmaging and mauls.

The backs performed well. 12 tries were scored that day, and 11 of them were to the backs. Special mentions were Josh Coulthurst, Jared Arnott, Hamish McKay and Daniel Costa. The game against Shore was very interesting. We came out in the first half and really challenged the opposition, with great forward runs and great back movements.

The last game of the season was a beauty aagainst St Joseph's College as we had had fine-tuned our game. There was great service from the halfback, Rick McKeon who gave great ball to the five-eight Brett Constantine who in turn gave it out to the backs. In the forwards, Nathan Conaghan, the Radford twins andAndrew Cullen worked tirelessly. The Es put on a score of 38-0 and a great end of year result.

It was a great season and very enjoyable. The results show the hard work and effort put in at training. Not only the boys but Mr Hyde as well.

Brett Constantine (captain)



Back row, from left, Christopher Ryan, Nicholas Morgan, Charles Hemmings, Ben Daley, Michael Preiss
Middle row, from left, Mark Joseph, Oliver Clarke, Patrick McGushin, Joel Di Bella, Robert Hogan, Henry Grogan
Seated, from left, Bruce Gaddin, Richard Malouf, Ms Venta Protas, Andrew Galvin (captain), Mr David Spratt, Darius Navidzadeh, John Nigem
Absent: Alexander Morrison, Patrick Noonan, Brendan Roche, Matthew McManus, James Caillard

The season finished with an impressive record of 9 wins and 2 draws. The team played an expansive form of running rugby using quick recycle ball and explosive back line play.

Andrew Galvin as captain and fly half was an excellent leader exhibiting relentless defence, elusive running and tactical kicking.

The front row of Joel Di Bella , Mark Joseph and Richard Malouf always played with determination whether it be in the scrums, lineouts or ruck and maul. Even against bigger front rows, their determination and ability made them the dominant front row of the competition.

We would also like to thank Chris Kok for filling in when we were short in the front row.

The locks, Charlie Hemmings, Ben Daley, James Caillard and Richard Hughes were formidable combinations, providing reliability in defence, intensity when taking the ball forward and security of possession at the breakdowns.

The back row combinations of Nick Morgan, Matt McManus, Pat McGushin, Brendan Roche and Henry Grogan with their punishing running, defence and scavanging at the breakdown were a constant threat to all opposition backs and forwards.

Chris Ryan at halfback provided the essential links between the backs and forwards by continually delivering quality ball to the fly half and outside backs. Whenever gaps appeared around the rucks, Chris would never miss the opportunity to make significant penetrating runs.

The centres, Pat Noonan, Darius Navidzadeh, Alex Morrison and Michael Preiss were all explosive, robust centres who made continual in-roads in attack and were damaging in defence. The centre combinations of these lads were the strongest in opposition.

The wingers, Oliver Clarke and Bruce Gaddin were all talented players with excellent finishing abilities and great defensive capabilities. These lads could always be relied upon to convert the lead up work of the forwards and outside backs into points.

Rob Hogan was one of our most versatile players, filling in, in any position in the back line. This proved to be a great asset to the team.

At fullback position was the ever reliable and steady John Nigem. His running skills and linking into the backline from the set pieces and in broken play always created opportunities for the team.

Thank you to all the players for making the 15F season a very successful and memorable experience. Above all, these boys worked as a team, showed great sportsmanship and had a 'give your best at all times' attitude.

This allowed the team to be as successful as they were. Well done.

Mr David Spratt
Ms Venta Protas

rugby 15G xv team



Back row, from left, Matthew Herborn, Harry Peppitt, David Hickey, Ryan Gall
Middle row, from left, Sturart Whiteway, Stuart Robinson, Christopher Kok, Will Grounds, James Reoch, Ben McGahey
Seated, from left, Tom Gillespie, Liam Gleeson (captain), Kip Koenig, Sam Hartman, James Dodd, Robert Manna, Benjamin Marshall

The highly talented and capable group of rugby players, known as the 15Gs, had to put up this year with cancelled matches, continual player swapping and general poor coaching, but they always seemed to come out of it with a sanguine and positive attitude.

It was this attitude that prevailed for the team throughout the season, and only two very close matches destroyed the hopes of an undefeated pennant. The group was committed at training, and continuingly on time and prepared for the matches.

Our front row consisted of Will Grounds, Ryan Gall and Chris Kok and they were persistently the powerhouse of the team. Their consistent pressure on the field overpowered the opposition and special mention must be made of their improvements in rucking and mauling.

Locks Harry Peppitt and Robert Manna and No 8 James Reoch worked constantly on the field. They were highly versatile in their positions and provided much momentum in pack play. Flanker Stuart Robinson was a vital part of the lineout in throwing and lifting. The other flanker Stuart Whiteway was a dominating force on the field, always getting into the action.

Halfback duties were shared between Alex Young and Ben Marshall, who unfortunately usually only got half a game each. However they both seemed to be able to impact on the game with their own skills – Marshall in his communication with the forwards and backs, and Alex in his passing and running game.

Five-eight, goal kicker and captain of the side was Liam Gleeson, a very positive player who improved significantly over the season. In particular his defence and backline play in the second half of the season showed great progress, and this was reflected in the play of the entire backline.

Our team was blessed with a great number of utility backs including Matt Herborn, who surprised other sides with his attack and big tackle; Sam Green, who was the leading try scorer; Matt Hickey, who always impressed with his speed and attack; Ben McGahey who always seemed to be able to run around the other team; Tom Rae played consistently throughout the season and Dane Bollen was always a presence on the field. Playing fullback was Tom Gillespie, awesome in both attack and defence.

Many other players also played for us on a constant basis: Will Atkinson, who improved greatly over the year; Michael Brogan, an excellent player early in the season who deservedly got the call-up to the Ds; and Jarrod Doyle, who reserved on many occasions to play in the backs.

Mention should also be made of Mr Neil Peppitt, who was a tremendous help to the coaches and always at games to help out.

The players should come out of this season feeling happy with their results and proud of their many improvements. The rucking and mauling of the forwards was something that impressed the coaches throughout the season, and the introduction of the phrase 'rolling maul' into their vocabulary will certainly help them in the future. The backs also improved greatly in their defence and developed together to be able to execute some great moves.

Overall, the players should be quite impressed with their season and results. The 'never-give-up' attitude was present and prevailed through many games, most of which were against higher teams. The coaches Kip Koenig, Sam Hartman and James Dodd all enjoyed the season immensely and hope to see the team again next year.

James Dodd, Sam Hartman, Kip Koenig



Back row, from left, Michael De Silva, Jack Smyth, Christopher Lynch, Dane Bollen, Alex Young
Seated, from left, William Kalyk, Sean Wood, Mr Brett Bastin, James Walsh, Jarrod Doyle
Absent: Andrew Samaan, Tim Jude, Will Atkinson

This was a short season for the newly formed 15H Team, in which the team played four out of the six rounds.

We had one loss to St Joseph's College 15-10 in what was a very close game, that resulted in a few injuries, most notably the leg injury to Sean Wood after tackling a much larger Joey's player and then getting stuck on the bottom of the pack.

The biggest win of the season was the home game against the Kings School's 15Fs at home; this was a great victory with the team scoring 96-0.

To say it was a momentous victory would be an understatement. It allowed the whole team to end the season on a high note.

During this game the backline showed some impressive moves with Gywlim Johnstone and Chris Lynch getting their well deserved first tries of the season.

The team is to be congratulated on their efforts in both training and on the field; they developed significantly over the season allowing for the great final victory.

I enjoyed coaching this team immensely over the season and was greatly satisfied to see their efforts rewarded.

Mr Brett Bastin

rugby 14A xv team



Back row, Mr Barry Smith
3rd row, William Callanan, Samuel Irwin, Alex Walker, Ben Williams, James Watson, Joseph Payten
2nd row, Liam Meagher, Luke Prodinger, Paddy McNamara, Alistair McFarland, Mitchell Davies, David McDuling
Seated, Liam Roach, Ed Murray (vice captain), Adam Campbell (captain), Harry O'Neill, Luke Sheehan
Absent: Bryan Coleman, Robert Carter, Mr Rod Loneragan

"A life lived in fear, is a life half lived." This saying could in no way be applied to the 14As of 2003. In fact, the clothing label slogan of "No Fear" is far more appropriate when providing a sustaining metaphor which encapsulates the manner and mental approach adopted by this team throughout the entire season.

Seven seconds remaining on the clock; a defensive scrum on the 'View try line; slick passes from the Joey's backs; and, a mind-numbing try in the corner on the bell. Yet, in my mind, and the players, they were not defeated; the opposition just managed to score more points on the day.

The team lost only one match all season, and only after the game had been extended for 10 minutes to cater for a Joey's injured player. Sportsmanship was supreme on the day; school-boy rugby providing 'lessons' and experiences which transcend the everyday. A collection of brilliant individual players learnt to become a 'team' and, moreover, how to play as a team.

Indeed, the most commented upon observation of the season was how the players came together cohesively as a 'team' based around mateship and a thorough enjoyment of the game of rugby.

Adam Campbell led the side in a most able manner, and he was supported at various times by Liam Roach and Bryan Coleman. Ed Murray was an outstanding vice captain, who moved from inside centre to fly half and back again with ease, skill and aggressive defence. David McDuling, voted 'best and fairest', was simply awesome to watch. He often turned defence into attack, and his coach watched him run through opposition teams on several occasions.

David was supported by a fine and physical bunch of forwards, from the tenacious backrowers, to the uncompromising props. Each forward was a ball player, runner and solid defender. Opposition teams faced many challengese when encountering the 14A forwards at the ruck or maul situations.

The backs, given direction by the sniping half back Harry O'Neill, continued to improve as the season continued. Indeed, the GPS games marked their 'breakout', and they often scored tries after a dozen phases, and from any place on the field.

Here Ed Murray and Sam Irwin were superb, and were supported by the fast finishing Ben Williams, or the solid James Watson or Alex Walker. Special mention must be made of Alistair McFarland. Beginning at tight head prop, in a flash of inspiration by the coach, he was 're-birthed' into the backline at inside centre, and finally completed the last games of the season at second row. At either position he was simply dominant, and can literally play anywhere on the field.

Thanks to Liam Meagher, Mitchell Davies and Rob Carter who were critical member of the team; in fact, Mitchell and Liam played more games for the As during the season than in any other side. This indicates the depth of talent available in this age group.

Finally, thanks to Rod Loneragan for his outstanding work as the backs coach. The team always had you in mind when they ran out Rod, and like myself, you would have been so proud of their efforts. We couldn't quite get you the 'prize', but none of the players will ever go through life wondering what a 'half-lived life' is like in rugby.

Mr Barry Smith



Back row, from left, Robert Heyer-Wright, Christian Arkell, Mitchell Davies
Middle row, from left, Stephen Higgins, Patrick Bell, Damian Mair, Ben Diserens, David Loneragan, Lachlan Biancardi
Seated, from left, Mallory Barnes, Patrick Effeney, James Corcoran, Mr Bradley Moar, Michael Kennedy, Nicholas Tuxworth, Henry Norris
Absent: Toby Meagher, Joe Payten, Liam Meagher, Robert Carter, Nicholas Baistow

The talented but unlucky 14Bs had a fantastic season. Led by coach Mr Moar, the team strongly defeated Waverley 24-0, Shore 29-0, Scots 36-0, Newington 24-0, Shore 17-10 and Grammar 36-0.

The team had strong hard hitting forwards including Nick Baistow, Rob Carter, Michael Kennedy, Christian Arkell, Mitchell Davies, Liam Meagher, Pat Bell, Nick Tuxworth and Toby Meagher.

Our big front row including Nick Baistow, Rob Carter and Michael Kennedy dominated scrums. Big hitters such as Liam Meagher, Toby Meagher, Christian Arkell and Mitchell Davies made big hits off the rucks and Nick Tuxworth and Paddy Bell always played in support.

The 14Bs also had a strong and quick backline with many moves turning into tries. James Corcoran lead the backs well nipping and following the balls

Henry Norris could weave some magic through the defence setting up yet another try for Rob Heyer-Wright who scored 15 for the season. Joe Payten continuously stepped and outran the defence while David Loneragan often added the extra points with his great conversions.

Damian Mair made some huge tackles and darting runs up the sideline with pat Effeney chipping and chasing causing the defence to think twice.

Mallory Barnes had a fantastic season at fullback saving many tries and setting them up. Stephen Higgins made some big runs all year from the wing position. Unfortunately Lachlan Biancardi broke his arm at the beginning of the season but was always there in support of the team.

The 14Bs played determined, quick flowing and fast rugby that was enjoyed by both spectators and players.

The team would like to thank the parents for their assistance and support and Mr Moar their coach for an enjoyable and rewarding season.

James Corcoran, Michael Kennedy

rugby 14C xv team



Back row, from left, Matthew Corcoran, James Quirk, Cameron Smith, Joshua Heazelwood, Thomas Neal, Andrew Dickson
Middle row, from left, Mitchell Teudt, Alexander Colvin, Andrew Thomas, James Lee, Edward Godbold, Gabriel Navidzadeh
Seated, from left, Stephen Manna, Nicholas Burt, Joshua Tatham, Mr Robert Gough, James May, James Vaughan, Thomas Fernon

The 14C Rugby team had a successful and enjoyable season with a record of 6 wins, 4 losses and a remarkable 'come from behind' draw against St Joseph's College.

The team was capably led by Joshua Tatham, who was inspirational at No. 8. The 'rocks' of the scrum were the tough James Lee and the mobile Alexander Colvin.

Mitchell Teudt was instrumental in winning our fair share of lineout ball due to his accurate throws. The second row pairing of Matthew Corcoran and James Quirk provided strong support in the scrums and around the field.

The lightweights, Edward Godbold and Thomas Fernon won countless lineout balls and were most valuable at the breakdowns. Andrew Dickson proved to be a valuable utility player, playing every forward position except hooker.

Vice-captain and five-eighth was James May who set many a backline play up through deft passing, searching kicks and deceptive running.

Setting these plays in motion was Stephen Manna having his first year at half back. He grew in confidence and ability every game.

The ever-reliable James Vaughan never missed a tackle at inside centre. Andrew Thomas was a valuable link in the chain often feeding the ball to the pacey Gabriel Navidzadeh on the wing who left his opposing backs standing with his blistering speed.

Cameron Smith combined his brute strength with speed to cause headaches for the opposition whenever he touched the ball. Joshua Heazelwood played both flanker and outside centre with flair and was rewarded with a few games in the Bs.

Thomas Neal was solid in defence on the wing and provided good support for fullback, Nicholas Burt who fielded anything thrown or kicked at him bringing the ball back strongly every time.

The boys deserve to be congratulated for the top effort they put into training and games. It made my job as coach so much easier and more enjoyable.

Mr Robert Gough



Back row, from left, Nicholas McInerney, Myles Docker, Diarmuid Ryan, Edward Quartley, James Nicholson
Middle row, from left, Thomas Lowden, Patrick Murton, Ray Mainsbridge, Matthew Kirkwood, Dean Curnow, Nicholas Baistow
Seated, from left, Patrick McNamee, Chris Kramer, Edward Rowe, Mr Steven Aquilina, Ben Aquilina, Teak Curran, Tim Murray
Absent: Mr Bill Hovey, Tom Hovey

The 14 Ds had a very successful season both in terms of results and the development of the team members.

During the year we scored 412 points with only 64 against from 68 tries and 36 conversions. Our wingers and fullback scored 38 of our 68 tries showing that our style of play involved every player on the field.

The team was strongly lead by Ed Rowe whose never say die attitude inspired the team As a result he was awarded best forward.

Our tight five of Myles Docker, Dean Curnow, Chris Kramer Tom Hovey, Ed Quartley and number 8 Diarmuid Ryan often created, through dominant defence, hard running and strong pick and drive.

Matt Kirkwood at open side breakaway continually played havoc at the break down stealing opposition ball.

Ben Aquilina at halfback created space for the backs with his long consistent passes.

Our best back Teak Curran was a menace to the opposition in both attack and defence. In the centres Tom Lowden, James Nicholson and Patrick McNamee not only ran strongly but learnt when to make the pass or run decision.

The back three of Ray Mainsbridge, Patrick Murton and Nick McInerney were our try scoring machines with great running and support of the inside players.

Nick earned our best and fairest award because of his tremendous all round game not only in attack and defence but also through his kicking game that got us out of trouble when needed.

Tim Murray played in many positions throughout the team in both the forwards and backs.

His contribution as 'Mr Versatile' cannot be underestimated, as there were many late changes through sickness.

Thanks to Bill Hovey for his assistance throughout the year and thanks to the boys who gave us many moments of enjoyment through their 15-man style of play.

Mr Steven Aquilina

rugby 14E xv team



Back row, from left, Sam Williams, John McNicholl, Seb Wirth, Huw Farrell, Justin Manevski, Edward Corcoran
Middle row, Kennard Wong, Jake Cumbers, Patrick Lang, Ben Fessey, Michael Murphy, Nick McElhone
Seated, from left, Tom O'Brien,Damien Kean, Patrick Walsh, Adam Quigley (captain), Sam Nolan, Bill Radford, James Daly
Absent: Patrick Harrowsmith, Steven Mesa, James Metcalfe

"Nil Ceart go cur le cheile"

The 14E's welcomed their new coaches, 'The Irish Gappies' Sam and Paddy in late July just in time for the kick off of the GPS rugby season. They said farewell to Ollie, the outgoing gap student

Our first game was against Scots College. Although we had such little time to prepare, the boys were all clearly out to impress their new coaches, and impress they did. Immediately we realised that there was terrific potential in the team that we had taken over. We managed to win, 22-5. We were off to a great start.

Next on the list were Kings and we were on a roll. Defence played a huge role in our performance in this game, with Captain Adam Quigley leading the way with some big hits. Eventually we came away with a neat victory of 35-7

Barker College fielded their 14D'S in our next game. This was by far the biggest side we were to come against all season, we knew it would be a tough one.

Nevertheless, the boys stood up to the challenge, their work rate and commitment were unquestionable. The most memorable moments of the match were when Damo answered queries on his defensive capabilities by cutting down his opposite number, three or four times with surprising bravery and ferocity.

We lost by a narrow margin but the boys took comfort in the fact that we could still remain undefeated as they were a 'D' standard team.

As the season continued, our set pieces, moves and ball handling skills started to improve. Reward for our hard work in training came through in our games.

We showed our true abilities in great performances against Shore, Grammar and of course Joey's. Late in the season we also welcomed a 'converted' AFL player, James Metcalfe who proved useful in our own '22', as he had a great kick.

Then came the Joey's game, the big one, the one we had all been waiting for. Our game began at 1pm so we had time to witness some big hits and great tries from the other games. We were very proud to see that it was by far the best game of rugby we had played all season.

We pulled off some excellent moves and there were some wonderful individual performances. In the end we were very unlucky to lose by one try,

As is customary at the end of the season we selected our best back and best forward. Seb Wirth won the honour in the backs. Himself and Kenny Wong were rock-steady constants in a team that 'chopped and changed' a lot. His powerful running often broke the gain line.

For this and his incredible defence he deserves this award. Jake Cumbers stole the award in the forward pack. He led not through words but through example, and it was his sheer hard work, honesty and discipline that have earned him this award. Ben Fessey was chosen as our 'best and fairest' player of the year. His contagious optimism, unfaltering punctuality and general demeanor won him this award.

We congratulate the boys on a terrific season. Although we were not undefeated we saw a massive improvement in the team. We were very impressed with the terrific spirit that the boys maintained in the face of both victory and defeat. This spirit was clearly derived form their unity

"Nil Ceart go cur le cheile", as they say in Irish, which means that 'there is no strength without unity'. We cannot highlight this attribute enough as the boys proceed along their rugby careers.

This season has been really enjoyable for us. We have learnt so much from working with these lads and really appreciate the opportunity to coach them. Our only regret is that we could not coach them from the start of the season.

Sam Nolan, Paddy Walsh



Back row, from left, Hamish Armstrong, Christopher Malouf, Brendan Donovan, Anthony Russo, Max Joseph, Benjamin Retter
Middle row, from left, Byron Wilson, Timothy Leung, Thomas McNamara, James Gregg, Jack Clinton, Daniel Venuti
Seated, from left, Thomas Forrest, Joshua Hung, Mrs Joanne Schuster, Thomas Crandles, James King, Christopher Rooney, Oliver Oxenham
Absent: John Towey (co-coach), Jackson Mark, Harrison Gorman, Lachlan Biancardi

The 14 Fs had an undoubtedly great season. With 5 out of 6 games won, we had a very enjoyable time together. In all games we played well and never lost hope.

Even being down 15-12 to a home side Joeys, we tried our best to come back at the opposition but they held us back in the final minutes.

At the start of the season our team was looking forward to success.With great coaches and a determined group of boys, we were off to a good start.

Our first game was against Scots Ds where we won 22-10, with Anthony Russo playing strongly making some great runs and try saving tackles.

In the following game we soon found we had a dominating forward pack, including Hamish Armstrong who had a great season in the 2nd row and James Gregg (best forward) who was always present at the breakdowns was a try scoring machine at No. 8.

The game against King's was a close game, and we were able to win 32-17, with Jackson Mark scoring a well earned try. Also against Newington we had a strong game with Tom Forrest as captain and G's player Jack Smallhorn and Konrad Wehinger scoring some great intercept tries.

In training, we always had a determined backline ready to learn new moves and a ready made forward pack geared up to practise breakdowns and lineouts. Our hooker, Timothy Leung always had great line outs and calls that stumped our opposition, as well as Daniel Venuti who had a consistent season.

Furthermore, the powerhouses of our forwards were Chris Malouf, Chris Rooney and Byron Wilson, who was wonderful at driving our scrums. Max Joseph was also a driving machine who gave 100% effort in every game.

Our game against Knox was a difficult game, with Tom Forrest pulling off a bone-crunching tackle, Joshua Hung scoring a great try and Brendan Donovan making a spectacular run and try to help us win 24-5. The following week we had an easier game against Shore, winning 59-0, with James Gregg scoring four tries.

Our last game against St Joseph's College was the most difficult game. We tried hard but unfortunately lost by a mere penalty. Lachlan Biancardi came back from injury to get 2 tries and played with exceptional strength and skill.

Oliver Oxenham showed skill under pressure and ability at scrum half, along with Jack Clinton who had a great kick at fly-half assisting our strong backline. Joshua Hung always ran strong and hard and Tom Crandles, Harry Gorman, Ben Retter (our best back) and our superb fullback Tom McNamara (our best and fairest) worked very well as backs together.

We had a lot of help from our coaches Mrs Joanne Schuster, John Towey and James King, who helped and guided us in all aspects of the game.

Thank you all for a great season.

Tom Forrest (Year 8)

rugby 14G xv team



Back row, from left, Charles Broad, Carl McEncroe, Patrick Levins
Middle row, from left, Jack Sutherland, Dugald McInness, Konrad Wehinger, Michael Wells, Max Joseph, D'Arcy Cridland
Seated, from left, Peter Perry, Jack Smallhorn, Andrew Cahill, Patrick Bodimeade, Tim Whybourne, Cael O'Leary, Matthew Ingram

While the team was always on the receiving end of strong opposition from higher teams, the coaches, parents, and spectators of the 14Gs were consistently impressed by their improvement throughout the season.

The team employed strong determination which usually was a deterrent for many teams and a driving force behind their success.

The dictum: receive a little, give a lot, appeared to resound both at training and on Saturdays. The advice that the coaches gave was always welcomed by a team willing to place it into immediate practice: this is not only a compliment, but also a credit to the players.

Fortunately, due to a fluctuation in numbers, the 14Gs also became quite amicable with the rugby 7s game, although the excessive fitness that was required was usually a turn off for most of the players.

The season showed the authority of forwards, Patrick Levins, D'Arcy Cridland, Matthew Ingram, Charles Broad, Michael Wells and Jack Sutherland. The leadership was well renowned by the Kale-Carl-Jack leadership threesome and was a source of inspiration for players and coaches.

As a team we celebrated a great year. This was epitomised by the final GPS game against Newington where we ran away with a 55-0 win. It was a satisfying completion to an overly successful season, both statistically and for the players.

The season was simultaneously an honour, pleasure and a privilege.

Andrew Cahill, Patrick Bodimeade,
Tim Whybourne

The 13A rugby team enjoyed the ultimate season playing four trial games and seven GPS games without being beaten. Our closest game was a 5-5 away result against Kings when we missed a penalty in front.

In the 11 games played the team amassed a total of 315 points for and only 32 against. In GPS games only two tries were scored against us, one from a chargedown.

Right from the first training session the boys bonded together into a very tight unit even though the team was a mixture of both Year 7 and Year 8 boys. By season's end they were not only team mates but close friends.



Back row, from left, Nick Harrington, Michael Meagher, Michael King, Jack Hunter, Henry Renshaw, Lawrance Hunting, Laurence Parker
Middle row, from left, Angus Roberts, Jack Masi, Nick Mallett, Kurtis Bellemore, Charlie Evans, David Gray
Seated, from left, Nick Hill, Mark Watson, James Dossor, Lachlan McCaffrey (captain), Mr Phillip Amata, Jack Freeman, Douglas Joseph. Absent: Nick Crampton

This was a team that was prepared to listen and to work very hard to eliminate any obvious weaknesses. The defensive pattern the team employed was one of the tightest, most effective that I have encountered in many years of coaching Rugby teams.

James Dossor (Riverview old boy) was a major part of the team's success. He availed the team with his time, knowledge and skills and helped shape the forward pack into a fearsome eight who were never intimidated or took a backward step.

Awards are always difficult however the 2003 player awards are as follows: best forward: Lawrance Hunting, best back: Henry Renshaw, best and fairest: Lachlan McCaffrey

I wish the boys every success in future rugby teams that they are selected in and leave them with the final message we used as a mantra throughout the season "Great effort must first be employed before success can be attained".

This team certainly followed this to the letter and thoroughly deserved the success that came their way. ***Mr Phillip Amata***



Relaxing at the end of the season: Back row, from left, Lawrance Hunting, Mr Phil Amata, Michael Meagher, Jack Hunter, Nick Harrington, Charlie Evans
Middle row, Mark Watson, Lachlan McCaffrey, Henry Renshaw, Angus Roberts, Jack Freeman, Nick Mallett, Nick Hill, Kurtis Bellemore
Seated, Nick Crampton, Michael King, Jack Masi, Doug Joseph

rugby 13B xv team



Back row, from left, Matthew Barry, Michael King, Xavier McCoy, John Noonan,
Middle row, from left, Patrick Everest, Aidan Roach, Laurence Parker, William Murray, William McPhee, Jonathon Meagher
Seated, from left, Logan Mead, Remington Tonkin, Timothy L'Estrange (captain), Mr Paul Adams, Samuel Lloyd, Bartholomew Hardy, Douglas Joseph Absent: Patrick Curtin

The 13Bs had a great season finishing up joint premiers with Kings and Shore.

There was a certain period of settling in during the trials, where we obtained valuable experience from very strong teams in Waverly College and Sydney Church of England Grammar School in addition to having good games against Knox College and Barker College.

Our first game in the GPS competition was against Scots College and we won 26 to 5 on a very small field with a gale blowing throughout.

Our next game was against The Kings School which was to be our only loss. We lost 0 to 17 to a very well drilled side. It was not one of our better games, but it was very close. We were right in the match until the final few minutes, when a couple of unlucky breaks went against us. We put the Kings match behind us and went on to beat Newington College 24 to 5 in the next game.

Our match against Sydney High resulted in a 51 to 0 victory. In the match against Sydney Grammar, we won 56 -0. However, this did not reflect the early pressure Sydney Grammar applied in the first half.

The match against Shore was always going to be the big test. When we crossed their line mid-way through the first half, our hopes were high, we scored again to make the score 12 to 0. Just before half-time Shore scored a try, but the conversion attempt was unsuccessful.

After half-time Shore crossed in the corner, this was to be a close match. With about 2 minutes remaining the score was 12 to 10 in our favour, a long line out throw saw Henry Broad cross the line. The conversion was successful and we had won 19 to 10.

The final match against St Joseph's College was also a heart stopper. We were down by 14 points to 5 going into the second half and it was still 14 to 10 with not much time remaining on the clock. A try in the corner got us into the lead with only minutes remaining, then 2 more tries in the last minute or so sealed the match 25 to 14.

A good team relies on every player performing to the best of their ability. William McPhee, Bartholomew Hardy (BJ) and Samuel Lloyd were all strong up front in both scrums and defence. Our second rowers, Aidan Roach, William Murray and John Noonan were all extremely good defenders and had the speed to get to the breakdowns early.

Flankers, Jonathon Meagher and Patrick Everest were great in the line outs, as well as getting the ball back cleanly to the backs. The No. 8 Pat Curtin made some awesome hit ups creating a great platform for the backs. Our halfback and captain Tim L'Estrange showed great leadership throughout the season and gave excellent service to Remington Tonkin our fly half who had the best boot in the competition and made many breaks for the backs.

Douglas Joseph at inside centre was always reliable in defence and always made an impact with his strong hit ups. Logan Mead showed good positioning and capitalised on other players breaks by backing up and scoring.

Matthew Barry, Lawrence Parker and Henry Broad all had great speed together with the strength necessary to break the first tackle, which was evident from the number of tries they scored.

Our full back Xavier McCoy had good hands, excellent defence and was our very consistent goal kicker, landing them from everywhere.

Overall the players aren't all that makes up a good team. The amount of time the coach and parents put in gave us tremendous support and we hope to see all the players and parents again next year.

Logan Mead



Back row, from left, Nick Dunn, Nick Kennedy, Tom Ryan, Andrew Frawley, Pat Menary, Anthony Hayes, Will Shirvington, Damian Bryant
Seated, from left, Nick Marshall, Jack Harris, Joe Fleming (captain), Mr Peter Colledge, Matt Bennett, Will Story, Oscar Tatham
Absent: Joe Zakaras, John Fennel, Tom Gillespie, Henry Broad.

The 13Cs had a very strong season this year. Though it took some time to get the right combinations of players with the inevitable juggling due to pre season trials and injuries the players settled down during the main season to play some very good rugby.

A strong cohesive forward pack emerged over the season with the solid front row combination of Matt Bennett, Jack Harris and Pat Menary, the hard running locks Nick Kennedy and Andrew Frawley and the back row consisting of Oscar Tatham, Will Story and captain Joe Fleming.

When the forwards were able to drive ahead often from incisive runs by Matt Bennett, Oscar Tatham, Will Story or Joe Fleming the platform was set for quick distribution from Nick Marshall through Will Shirvington to the smart outside backs.

Most of the season tries came from penetrating runs by centres Anthony Hayes, Joe Zakaras and John Fennel, fullback Tom Ryan or wings Damian Bryant, Tom Gillespie and Nick Dunn. Henry Broad was invaluable as a utility player in either the forwards or backs.

An excellent game against Kings demonstrated the determination and commitment of the players to come from behind to record a memorable victory.

However, the last two games against Shore and Joeys produced the best football of the season. Having been beaten convincingly by Shore twice before in the season the team produced a courageous display of determined creative rugby to win 36-0.

In the Joeys game we fought back from a substantial halftime deficit to be just beaten 12-10. That second half of football showed the team at its very best and was a great note on which to finish the season with the boys proving to be very gracious in defeat.

The boys are to be congratulated on their efforts at training and their attitude to playing.This resulted in a season where we continually pushed the boundaries in striving for excellence. Congratulations must also be extended to the team. Best forward: Matt Bennett, best back: John Fennel and the team captain Joe Fleming who was also selected as the best and fairest for the season.

Thanks also go to assistant coach Jung Ma whose commitment, expertise and invaluable assistance to the team was much appreciated by all.

Mr Peter Colledge

rugby 13 D xv team



Back row, from left, James Scobie, James Donohoe, Patrick Curtin, Harrison Bethwaite, James Aitchison
Middle row, from left, Joseph Lenehan, Mitchell Dale, Adam Bowers, Matthew Stenmark, Geoffrey Wells, Mathew McKay
Seated, from left, Steven Kalyk, Matthew Hundt, Wiliam Tickner (captain), Fr Joe Dooleyn SJ, Gregory MacKen (vice captain), Ben McLean, Nicholas Bannister

In 2003 the 13Ds enjoyed a very successful season. They were always committed at training and at the game they always put in 110%.

We had a shaky start going down to Aloysius Bs, but we bounced back and next week and played Knox beating them 39-0.

We then lost to Barker Cs in a close game but the following week we played a very good Shore side and happily beat them 7-5.This gave us confidence as we played tough games getting us ready for the GPS competition.

In the first round of the GPS season at the start of term 3 we met Scots and started the game strongly never looking back and winning convincingly 55-0. Our second game against King's was much more competitive.

We got a converted try early in the game, but King's replied with two quick tries putting them in the lead, 10-7 at the half time break. In the second half we scored early and converted the try and for the rest of the game kept out a very determined King's side.

The conversion, off the boot of Joe Lenehan, gave us the four valuable points to win by 14-10. In our third game we came up against our biggest opposition, the Shore 13C team. Shore scored early putting them in the lead, but we answered back with two quick tries by putting a lot pf pressure on the fullback.

After that it was try for try, but in the end Ben McLean scored the winning try making the margin 24-19.

In the 4th week we had a bye and were ready for our next game against King's – the same team we played in the second game. The score showed our improvement during the year. We emerged 31-0 winners.

In our game against Shore's 13 D's for the second time we came up against our strongest competition. They were totally committed to rectifying the earlier loss to us.

They overpowered us in every shape and form in the first half and were leading 0-3 at half time. In the second half Joe Lenehan was able to nicely strike the ball, drawing us level. The 60 metres dash by Steve Kalyk to score in the corner sealed the game winNing won 8-3.

It was the last game of the season and the 13D's had not lost a game in the whole of the GPS competition. We faced St Joseph's, our great rival, over at Hunters Hill, but were every ready for the encounter. We lifted for the occasion and led 29-0 at half time. St Joseph's improved in the second half and put enormous pressure on the defence, but it was not enough, we won 36-0.

To end the season undefeated is a great feeling. It was nice to look back on the statistic of the season: the team scored 168 points for and 32 against.

Gregory MacKen, Ben McLean Year 7



Back row, from left, Thomas Gillespie, John Paul Daneel, Thomas Lowrey, Troy Helmich
Middle row, from left, Matthew Malloy, Brendan Petersen, Jack Needham, Matthew Wyllie, Joseph Howard, Ben Kelly
Seated, from left, Matthew Emmett, John Fennel, Mr Bill Howard, Oscar Lewis, Ms Jenny Hoare, Curtis Dwyer, Matthew Wyndham
Absent: Michael Malouf, Joseph Neely, Edward Morgan

It was a successful season for the 13Es due to the enthusiasm and determination from each member of the team. After the trials were over, the team worked together and their outstanding improvement each week resulted in an impressive win over St Joseph's College in the last round of the GPS. The expertise and enthusiasm from Mr Bill Howard and Mr John Kelly, enabled the boys to fine tune their skills and learn specific moves which improved their team work.

Although the 13Es suffered a number of losses in the season, their game results were extremely close and do not reflect the capabilities of the team. The first game was against St Pius where they were up against their B side. Although they lost 25-10, the team played extremely well against this higher grade and managed to keep an even score with them until the last 10 minutes of the second half where Pius took the lead to win the game.

The forwards, including Ben Kelly, Matthew Malouf and Tom Lowrey showed tremendous defence and attacking skills. The following week against Kings was a very close game where they lost only 5 nil. This loss highlighted the team's excellent ability to defend but also emphasised the work that was needed in keeping possession of the ball. Curtis Dwyer and Joseph Howard played an outstanding kicking game along with Troy Helmich, Jack Needham and John-Paul Daneel who were strong in the forwards.

During the trials in term 2, the team came up against Shore where both teams won a game against each other. It was almost like a grand final when we faced them in the decider in the GPS competition in term 3, however, although very close, Shore managed to be too strong for the 13Es and dominated both games winning 12 -5 and 17 -5.

These losses did not deter the team at all and the beauty of this group of boys was their enthusiasm and desire to win. Their first and strongest victory was against St Andrew's B Team where they defeated them 54 nil. This game was a relaxed and positive one as it provided numerous opportunities for individual team players to shine.

In the backs, Matthew Malloy, Joseph Howard and Curtis Dwyer were an electric combination where they set up countless tries for the centre, Edward Morgan and wingers Matthew Emmett and Matthew Wyndham to score. Fullback, Matthew Wyllie and John-Paul Daneel had an impressive game and scored two tries each. This victory not only was a great joy for the team but gave them tremendous confidence in their abilities.

The final game against St Joseph's College was by far the biggest highlight of the season, winning 29-12. Forwards, Matthew Malouf, Joseph Neely and Brendan Petersen were an impressive front row. The locks, Tom Lowrey and Ben Kelly, along with flankers, Jack Needham and Troy Helmich were a strong support and played an outstanding game in the line outs and scrums.

Half back, Matthew Malloy was a key player in this victory providing a reliable and strong pass from the scrum but also sharp in setting up the back line play. Wingers, Nick Ryan, Matthew Emmett and Matthew Wyndham were fast and agile and displayed flair and confidence in their positions. Special mention goes to Oscar Lewis who unfortunately broke his arm half way through the season. Oscar's skills and leadership were missed greatly.

I thank all team members for their positive commitment and enthusiasm. Without the help and dedication of Mr Bill Howard and Mr John Kelly the season would not have been so successful. Their time and help are greatly appreciated.

Ms Jenny Hoare

rugby 13 F xv team



Back row, from left, Oscar Videan, Robert Guzowski, Andrew Hill, James Cahill
Middle row, from left, Sam Buttel, Blake Priestley, Nicholas Martinez, Henry McKay, Jonathon Bleasel, Adam Herborn
Seated, from left, Adam Cogar, Christian O'Brien, James McManus (captain), Ms Jenny Chalker, Thomas Mort (vice captain), Sam Barrow, Michael Howden. Absent: Tim Diacos, Jock Mort

The members of the 13F team should be very proud of their achievements and the spirit in which they played each game. Teamwork, commitment and cooperation were displayed by all the boys and throughout the season they developed into a cohesive team.

The boys had a successful season tasting a mixture of victories and some narrow defeats that only enhanced their team spirit. They were led by two fantastic student coaches Sam Barrow and Christian O'Brien who organised challenging but enjoyable training sessions and supported the boys at the weekend games.

The back line was superb in each game. Tom Mort provided clean service to the backs with James Cahill leading and organising the quick hands of Henry McKay and Nic Martinez who often got the ball out to the speedy wingers Tim Diacos and Oscar Videan who scored some fantastic tries during the season. Sam Buttel was a safe player at fullback and was also successful kicking many conversions.

The forward pack led by the enthusiasm of Rob Guzowski and including John Bleasel, James McManus, Andy Hill, Adam Herborn, Michael Howden, Blake Priestley, Adam Cogar and Jock Mort, developed their skills during the season and provided some displays of solid defence and worked hard to support the backs.

Late in the season Jesse Martin and Chris Bull joined the team and used their versatility to play in various positions.

I thoroughly enjoyed the season. I thank the support of parents, in particular Mr Geoff Hill who offered his support and knowledge during the games

Ms Jenny Chalker



Back row, from left, Harry Best, Sean Law, Alex Unmack, Michael Power, Jesse Martin, Tom Hopkins
Seated, from left, Martin Corcoran, Haydn Brown, Hugh Dalton, John Wills, James O'Neill, Frank Pacetta
Absent: Mr Ross Whitfeld,Tim Ludeke, Billy Dent

The 13G rugby team had a very successful year. The team was made up of a solid group of core players who played specifically for the team, as well as a selection of specialists who also played for the 13Hs.

Player availability and match location meant that some players often had to play out of position or only play half a game, but all boys who were subjected to these adversities took upon the challenge like true professionals and were a credit to the school and the code.

For most games the front row was made up of Tom Hopkins, Sean Law and James O'Neill. The second row Alex Unmack and Michael Power and the back row was usually Tim Ludeke, Martin Corcoran, Harry Best, Hugh Dalton and Gabriel Crowley-Gray.

A formidable pack that dominated most opposition packs with mobility, toughness and Wallaby style delivery to the backs.

The halfback was Billy Dent who delivered quick accurate ball to the team's best and fairest and most talented player, John Wills. The back line included Haydn Brown, Matthew Taylor, Frank Pacetta, Luke Martin and other specialist wingers such as Ashley Wing, Chris Mulcare and Louis Russell.

Coaching this team was an absolute pleasure. Most trainings were conducted with the 13Hs and the capable hands of Mrs Herborn whose willingness to learn and enthusiasm made for a great season.

Special thanks to the referees, Mr Amata, Mr Kelliher and Mr O'Sullivan for their assistance. Furthermore, on behalf of the players, I would like to thank the parents for supporting their boys and often making trips across half of Sydney to support us.

The 2003 13Gs will go down in the history books as one of the school's best. Well done boys and may your rugby careers move from strength to strength. I look forward to 2008 when I see you packing down in the First and Second XV.

Mr Ross Whitfeld

rugby 13H xv team

There were only two trials, one huge win against Barker and a loss to Shore. We learnt a lot from the trials and completed six games for six sensational wins. The statistics were:

- 227 points for
- 28 points against
- 37 tries



Back row, from left, William Doyle, Louis Russell, James Wainwright, Jacob Stevens
Middle row, from left, James Hunt, Max Dixon, Thomas Hopkins, Chris McClay, Michael Wilenski, Felix Auzou
Seated, from left, Matthew Keefe, Ashley Wing, John Wills (captain), Mrs Therese Herborn, Chris Mulcare, Martin Corcoran, Laurence Polfanders.

The team consisted of:

•Felix Auzou (Halfback): got right into the rucks and mauls to get the ball out every time.

•Martin Corcoran (Utility): one of those players who you can put in almost any position and he will play superbly.

•Max Dixon (Prop): always got right into the mauls and broke through the defence on many occasions.

•Gabriel Crowley-Gray (Utility): made a spectacular return from injury and whenever he got the ball you'd know about it.

•Will Doyle (Forwards):always played strong in attack and defence and always got involved.

•Tom Hopkins (Forwards): always applied great power and was able to score a number of tries.

•James Hunt (Forwards): showed great enthusiasm and always put in 110% for the team.

•Matthew Keefe (Hooker): threw in line-out passes and improved all throughout the season.

•Chris McClay (Forwards): always seemed to be around the ball, in every ruck and maul.

•Chris Mulcare (Wing, Centre): showed good hands and always looked for opportunities.

Laurence Polfanders (Five-eighth): 'Golden Boots' converted many tries from difficult angles and made many fantastic tackles and tries.

•Louis Russell (Flanker, Wing): made so many strong tackles and scored many tries from his hard, fast runs.

•Jacob Stevens (Centre): his passes were great, his runs excellent and his tackles fantastic.

•James Wainwright (Wing): tackled excellently, great runs up the field and scored a handful of tries.

•Michael Wilenski (Forwards): tackled, ran and drove with all the force he had, always putting in full effort.

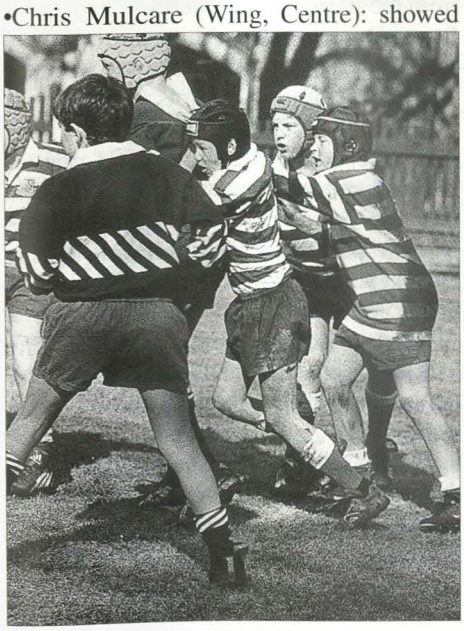
•John Wills (Centre, Wing and Fullback) : the Captain who did a great job all around, scoring plenty of tries.

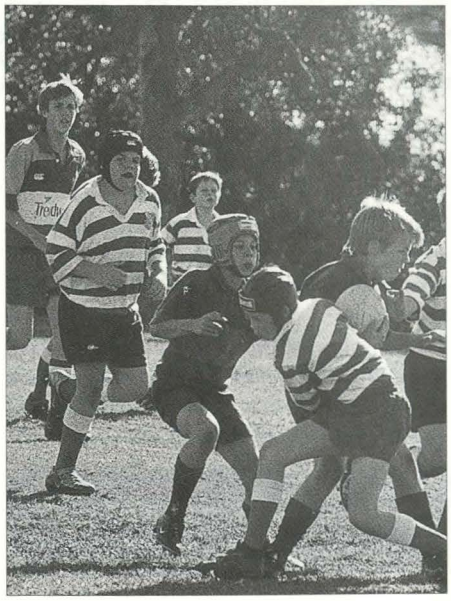
•Ashley Wing (Wing, Fullback): made countless tackles and runs and played fabulously.

Mrs Herborn was inspirational in her pre match and half time pep talks. A special thank you to Mr Whitfield for his great support of the team, especially for the players in their first year of rugby. We also want to thank the players from 13G who supported the team and provided players when we were short.

The games were well supported by parents and a special thanks to the parents helping the coaching staff.

Overall a very enjoyable season played with typical Riverview spirit – good sportsmanship and a lot of fun. We look forward to consolidating our team and adding new skills and moves for 2004.





Opposition	Date	Score	Tries
Shore H	26 July	42-18	6
Kings H	2 August	56-0	9
Newington F	9 August	37-0	7
Shore I	16 August	56-0	9
Shore I	23 August	24-0	4
Shore H	30 August	12-10	2

Chris Mulcare, Ashley Wing



Back row, from left, Maximillian Cordony, Joseph Welch, Thomas Mangan
Middle row, from left, Jeffrey Gatt, Iain Salteri, William Flitcroft, Luke White, Michael O'Neill, Samuel Cox
Seated, from left, Joseph McElhone, James Dooley, Matthew Skilbeck, Jarryd Timm, Christopher Moore, Henry Cook, Kyle Mathieson

When weighing the success of any team it is essential to look at the manner in which they play the game each time they take the field and the way in which they treat their opposition, win, lose or draw. In light of this, the season completed by each player in the 12 A squad was one of the finest they have played.

Knowing the opposition would be determined and precise in their play, we focussed on controlling the games in the forwards and delivering clean ball to let the backs run with it.

Our first game was against Scots at home. Playing a tough and sometimes scrappy game filled with emotion and passion, the whole team fought to the last second to keep out a determined opposition resulting in a drawn match The final score was 10 all.

Our next match against Cranbrook built on the strengths of the previous week and allowed a number of players to show their extensive skills in a fantastic team performance.

Excellent play from Maximillian Cordony, Michael O'Neill, Tom Mangan and James Dooley helped secure a well played victory at 29 to 5. Strong forward play helped Joseph Welch, Luke White and Christopher Moore to score a try each and clean ball from the breakdowns and lineouts through Jarryd Timm's steady hands allowed James Dooley to cross the line twice. Matthew Skilbeck showed a steady boot to convert twice.

Travelling to Moss Vale to play Tudor House was an experience. A smaller pack showed how a well-drilled squad can outplay a larger pack and Tudor House exemplified great team play to make a game that was exciting and far closer than the final score, 27 to 5 in favour of Riverview, may indicate.

The forwards showed how constant driving towards the line pays off with great tries to Joseph Welch, Christopher Moore and 2 excellent individual runs from Luke White to score. James Dooley displayed excellent speed on the wing to score again and Matthew Skilbeck converted once.

Iain Salteri showed how his quick strike at hooker can get clean ball out the back of the scrum and Kyle Mathieson proved an integral link at fly half.

Going to play Shore at their ground gave us a 24 to 10 win on a hard and uncertain surface. Great team play in the middle of the field and some excellent work in the lineouts with Joseph Welch and Luke White lifting Thomas Mangan high over the lines to secure all the ball from our throws, and theirs. Again the scrum proved a strength as they drove the Shore pack to win against the head.

Christopher Moore showed speed out of the number 8 position and William Flitcroft and Joseph McElhone were quick to shut down the Shore advance from the flanker spots. Matthew Skilbeck, James Dooley, Luke White and William Flitcroft each scored tries and Matthew converted 2 from 4 attempts.

Maximillian Cordony took on a new role at outside centre and proved that his size and strength were a definite asset in that role. Samuel Cox was quick to support the player with the ball and Jeffrey Gatt kept the back lot free with steady hands at fullback.

After the holiday break we met Trinity at Bressington Park and were outplayed by a well drilled opposition fresh from a tour of New Zealand.

Thomas Mangan proved himself once again to be a very natural second rower, especially in his attempts to win clean ball in very windy conditions in poorly controlled lineouts.

Joseph Welch made an excellent bursting run to score a try and Matthew Skilbeck converted. Experience and stronger team play won out in the end though and the team suffered their first loss at 7 to 10.

The next game against Scots proved the spirit of the entire team and showed them to be true sportsmen. Whilst the score line was a loss, 0 to 5, the true victory came in the way the players held themselves up both during the game and at the end of the match.

Travelling east again to play Cranbrook gave the team a 19 to 7 win. In this match, the efforts of every single player helped secure a well won victory soured only by the injury to Iain Salteri who was taken to hospital for a check-up after a hard fall in general play towards the end of the game.

The support of the Cranbrook Headmaster and parents as well as players at this time was outstanding and demonstrated the true spirit of school rugby. The game against Tudor House at Riverview was a fantastic effort on both sides. Riverview managed to run in a single try which went unconverted to leave the final score line at 5 to 0. Key players were Henry Cook, who had an excellent first half, and Jeffrey Gatt who showed his versatility in a variety of roles on the field.

In the game against Shore, clean and precise ball delivered from the forwards through Jarryd Timm and Kyle Mathieson, who once again proved a very effective combination at scrum and fly half, led to a 31 to 7 victory for us. Matthew Skilbeck made two excellent runs across half the field to score twice and converted 3 from 5. Christopher Moore and Luke White each scored and Henry Cook showed terrific pace as he stepped past his marker to run in a well earned try.

The last game of the season was a home match against Trinity. Samuel Cox had a standout game in the second row as did Thomas Mangan again proving himself to be a natural in the role. Iain Salteri scored our only try while overall the team showed lots of strength and determination. One highlight of the season was the selection of William Flitcroft to the CIS and then NSW squads. All in all it was an excellent season that showed the true measure of each and every boy in the squad.

Mr David Johnson



12B xv team

Back row, from left, Simon Parsons, Llewellyn Cross, Timothy Pascoe, Edward Davidson, Nicholas Hovey
Middle row, from left, Mr Bill Hovey, Sam Tyrrell, William Dempsey, Liam Hogan, Thomas Corrigan, Nicholas Pembroke
Front row, from left, Nicholas Dye, Stefan Smoleniec, Lachlan Gorman, Alexander Crampton, Andrew Watson, Dominic Hayson, William Kelly

Season 2003 was very successful for the 12B XV. As a team we established a number of goals at the beginning of the season. We set out to learn more about the game; improve our skills; play as a team; and enjoy ourselves!

With a squad of 19, players were rotated throughout most positions with the exception of specialist roles such as the front row where we had only two front-rowers. The team achieved its goals and recorded an undefeated record – which came as a real bonus and as a result of the commitment of the boys to achieving everything we had planned.

The boys quickly learned to apply themselves to a successful pattern of play which relied on our 5 Ps: Position, Possession, Pace, Power, and Passion. The improvement in skills and 'execution' from week to week was just fantastic to see.

Thanks and congratulations, boys.I would like to thank the other Under 12 coaches (Mr Johnson and Ms Smith) for their assistance throughout the season. Phil Cordony and Michael Pascoe were also generous in the time and expertise they were able to give to me and to the team on Thursday afternoons.

Thanks also to the team's parents who gave wonderful support each week. The current structure of rugby coaching at Riverview led by Mr Paul O'Sullivan and Mr Denis Kelliher provided a very supportive and positive framework for us to work within.

Mr Bill Hovey

Scots	Cranbrook	Tudor House	Shore	Trinity
Won, 28-12	Won, 22-0	Won, 10-0	Draw, 0-0	Won, 31-5
Won, 19-0	Won, 28-0	Won, 30-5	Won, 15-5	Won, 12-0



Back row, from left, Ms Georgia Smith, Alexander Saxon, Damien Giblin, William Powell, Thomas Cohen, William Bonnefin, William Myler
Seated, from left, Joseph Welsh, Adam Smallhorn, Michael O'Donoghue, Harrison Wall, Alexander Bennett, Christopher McNamara, Jordan Navybox Absent: George Wilcox, Rhys Gleecher, Anthony Sullivan

The 12Cs had a particularly successful season and, being the first ever 12C's Rugby team, have set the bar rather high. Although half the team had never before played rugby, the boys overcame this to finish the competition undefeated. All games were played with enormous spirit and dedication despite plaster cast injuries, concussions, bleeding noses and chipped bones.

A strong and reasonably experienced front row ensured that the forward pack was well led. Alexander Bennett's dependable playing style saw him supporting his man, ready to commit to any maul. An excellent role model, he worked in tandem with hooker Daniel Welsh to frustrate the opposition. Daniel Welsh – (best forward) proved to be expert at ripping the ball and as speedy as the opposing backs in defence.

When paired with Thomas Cohen, the result was an immense gain in territory. Thomas would often make ground with three or four of the opposition hanging off his jersey before passing the ball out. William Powell assisted with some excellent runs during the season. His natural tendency to run straight at the opposition put off many would-be tacklers and was an effective strategy.

William Myler played all season with heart and skill. He had the ability to rally the team and was responsible for many of the positive talks and encouragement on field that was so characteristic of this team. His punishing defence was inspiring.

Harrison Wall, a beginner at the commencement of the season picked up the intricacies of tackling and rucking almost immediately – a born second rower.

Our most versatile player, Adam Smallhorn was aggressive in defence and attack, often raising the standard of play mid-game. Supported by our highest point scorer William Bonnefin, the two worked well together, with Adam capturing loose ball and William ensuring a game of running rugby.

Another essential partnership this season existed between half back Jordan Navybox and five-eight Michael O'Donoghue. The two communicated well and read each others' game, backing up when needed. Michael's ability to organise the backs on field is suggestive of captaincy potential.

Best back, Rhys Gleecher brought enthusiasm and an ability to read the game exceedingly well despite his inexperience. His strong and accurate kicking style saw many conversions and successful high-pressure kicks.

Damien Giblin excelled on the wing. The continuity of the backline ensured that his fast bursts were rewarded with a swift pass and often a try. Quiet support was often offered by George Wilcox in this instance, who ran with his man until the try line had been reached. Safe hands and good positioning meant George was a reliable option in high-pressure situations.

Alexander Saxon (best and fairest)was fast and capitalised on every opportunity. Although capable of precision passing, Alexander was often too quick for the opposition to warrant passing the ball. The team was confident in leaving Alexander as the last line of defence.

Anthony Sullivan played only a short season for the 12Cs due to injury. However, his contribution to the team came at a time when the team needed strength in the backs. Anthony demonstrated that a back can run the opposition down and keep going, which opened up enormous possibilities for our backline.

Dominic Hayson and William Dempsey our 'honorary' players were only to happy to assist when the team was short of numbers.

Coaching the 12Cs rugby this year has been both enjoyable and rewarding. The boys have demonstrated exceptional sportsmanship is both close and substantial victories and have always worn the school colours with pride. Well done gentlemen! Thanks must go to all the parents, especially Mr Frank O' Donoghue for their support and assistance throughout the season.

Miss Georgia Smith

rugby 11A xv team



Back row, from left, Jack McElhone, William Bigelow, Alec Preece, James Watt, Lachlan Hay, Liam Carmody
Middle row, from left, Dean Rando, John Barry, Sebastian MacGoughan, Patrick Coolican, Jack Flood, Ryan Jones
Seated, from left, Jack Donnan, Harry Flitcroft, Henry Graham, Mr Michael Noud, Tobias Hunt, Jordan Heyer-Wright, Michael Ippolito
Absent: Michael Hunt, Jack Fernon

The 11A team commenced season 2003 as a new age group for Riverview at a new campus (Regis). The 11 year teams played a modified U/19 law competition with 12 players a side.

Nineteen enthusiastic boys were selected to play in a 10 rounds in Division B of the JSHAA competition. It was a mixed season with five wins and five losses. Many of the losses were situations but for the bounce of the ball results could have been reversed, with only a point or three difference.

The highlights of the season included strong wins against Shore in round 4, 30-5 with the team combining brilliantly in attack and defence. Also, reversing a 7 - 10 loss against Cranbrook in round 2 to an emphatic 32 -5 win against this term in round 7, was an indication of the improvement and skill development throughout the season.

Two strong wins against Trinity in round 6, 39 -10 and round 10, 35-7 highlighted great attack and defence at the breakdown.

The team travelled an hour and a half to Moss Vale to play Tudor House in round 3, playing in bitterly cold conditions to record a narrow loss 7-10; we played Tudor House again in round 8 and recorded an excellent draw 10-10, unluckily missing a goal kick to win the match. Scots proved to be our nemesis, beating us on both occasions 24-10 in round 1 and in a very physical match 15-5 in round 6.

Generally the competition proved to be very equal with no easy matches and all opposition schools equal in ability.

All the team members enjoyed their season for the school with most boys new to the school, and many having their first season of Rugby.

Our intensity varied from week to week with some inspired attack and defence. On other weekends we did not play to potential, possibly due to the large numbers in the squad.

We were well served by strong forward play led by Dean Rando, Sebastian McGoughan,William Bigelow and Michael Wells who combined well in the rucks and mauls with James Watt, Jack McElhone, Lachlan Hay and Alec Preece.

Our backs developed strong combinations late in the season with Tobias Hunt proving to be a match winner and try scoring machine. Michael Ippolito, Jack Flood, Jordan Heyer-Wright and Jack Fernon proved to be strong in attack and defence along with Ryan Jones and Liam Carmody.

Strong performances were also recorded by Jack Donnan, Harry Flitcroft, John Barry and Henry Graham.

Many of the boys in this Squad will still be aged 11 next year, which is a positive for the team in 2004. Special thanks to Mr Stewart Wright a parent, who was the assistant coach for this team, thanks for his efforts and skills in guiding the team.

Mr Michael Noud



Back row, from left, William Newnham, Alexander Still, Matthew Robinson, Thomas Aitchison, Nicholas Kirkwood, Lintyn Basha
Middle row, from left, Thomas Sutherland, Thomas Barkl, Samuel Masi, Andrew Taylor, Alexander Hawtin, Joseph Hamer
Seated, from left, Stephen Marshall, Michael Salvador, Jonathan Roel, Mr Chris Marshall, Timothy Donlan, James L'Estrange, Alex McManus

The 2003 11B team were about to wear the blue and white proudly. Compare our first game to where we finished, the season and we have two very different teams without a change to the members of the squad.

We finished the season scoring 73 tries, scoring 423 points and having 49 points scored against us. An effort worthy of high praise and evidence that solid training sessions, team support and commitment work.

Ball control and running rugby were our plans for attack and ruthless committed tackling our strategy for defence. The results showed our strategy worked and the team quickly learned the beauty of keeping the ball in hand.

Congratulations to Scots College who were our nemesis, defeating us in the last seconds of a very tight game, but a game where the team's character showed through.

Disappointment in loss was used as a motivation for victory in the remaining games. After a dysfunctional start against Scots,0-20, our game plan kicked in: Cranbrook 56-5,Tudor House 32-0, Shore 22-0, Trinity 65-5, Scots 5-12, Cranbrook 104-0, Tudor House 57-0, Shore 12-7, Trinity 70-0. Other than the Scots last second defeat, the match against Shore would be recorded as the game where we played a high quality game against a determined opponent and where each of the boys played to exhaustion, one game they will never forget.

As we played to the new 12 a-side rules and having 20 members in the squad, we had a rostered off system each week and this meant each player had to play out of his natural position occasionally. Our tight forwards of Nicholas Kirkwood, Tom Aitchison, William Newnham, Thomas Barkl, Matthew Robinson, Alexander Still and periodically Alexander McManus and Samuel Masi led from the front and ensured we received more than our fair share of possession.

We were served most ably by Jonathan Roel, Michael Salvador and Thomas Sutherland and number 8 - a back row who would work tirelessly and enabled our game plan to start to work.

Our halves of James L'Estrange, Patrick Long and occasionally Alexander McManus served inside backs Stephen Marshall and Timothy Donlan excellently who in turn set up our outside backs and speedsters to gain ground on many occasions and score most of our tries through Joseph Hamer, Alexander Hawtin, Lintyn Basha, Hugo Gotterson and Andrew Taylor and Samuel Masi. Good clean ball, quick hands and clean breaks often saw our outside backs in full flight heading for the corners or enabling secondary play to be established.

This was a successful season as the team learnt a lot about themselves, each other, about rugby and being committed to hard work and team work.

It is always difficult to make awards to such a successful team and each member is justified for being proud of his efforts this year. But our best and fairest was Jonathan Roel, best forward was William Newnham, best back, Tim Donlan, most improved forward, Michael Salvador and most improved back, Alexander McManus in his first season.

I congratulate these boys on their awards but more importantly congratulate and thank all other members of the team who put the effort in to enable these boys to perform so well. After all this is a team.

It has been an honour and a delight to coach this team. To our loyal devoted parents and supporters many thanks for all your encouragement and taxi services. Without your time, effort or interest we would not have been able to get through the season. Your camaraderie and support made the cold Saturday starts all the more enjoyable.

Mr Chris Marshall

rugby 11C xv team



Back row, from left, Ms Tina Brayan, Andrew Clune, Matthew Donnellan, Hugh Delaney, Alexander Martinez, Nicholas Biscoe
Middle row, from left, Jack Bundey, Charles Ower, Daniel Guihot, Michael Anthony, Angus McKay
Seated, from left, James Wilson, Christopher Brassil, Hamish Conroy, Robert McClay, Joshua Navybox, Samuel Glissan, Conor Riordan
Absent: Sean Shanahan, Samuel Prior

The boys in this team played with confidence in the ability of their team members and always with determination and a sense of fun.

Much time was spent on the development of fitness, skills and the love of the game, and by the end of the season, both boys and coaches left the field with strong feelings of achievement and satisfaction.

Our forward pack of Michael Anthony, Nicholas Biscoe, Hamish Conroy, Hugh Delaney, Matthew Donnellan, Samuel Glissan, Alexander Martinez, Charles Ower, Samuel Prior and Sean Shanahan developed as a team, always hunting as a pack and getting to the break down of play quicker and quicker each week.

Each player was committed to their position but also willing to change positions at the last moment to fill in for another team member.

Congratulations must go to Samuel Glissan who played every game at hooker without many rests throughout the season. Thanks also to Daniel Guihot and Conor Riordan who played in the forwards when we were short of players.

The backs consisted of Joshua Navybox, Robert McClay, Christopher Brassil, Andrew Clune, Angus McKay, James Wilson, Jack Bundey, Daniel Guihot and Conor Riordan.

Each training session these boys put in a lot of hard work developing passing skills and working on their backline moves. This was evident towards the end of the season when the boys really 'gelled' together and put on a fine display of rugby.

Congratulations to all the boys who had never played rugby before - the development of their skills throughout the season was outstanding.

Special mention must be made of our captain Robert McClay for being a great leader who always led from the front. He also remembered to thank each opposition coach and referee each week.

It was a very enjoyable season and every boy improved considerably.

Ms Tina Brayan



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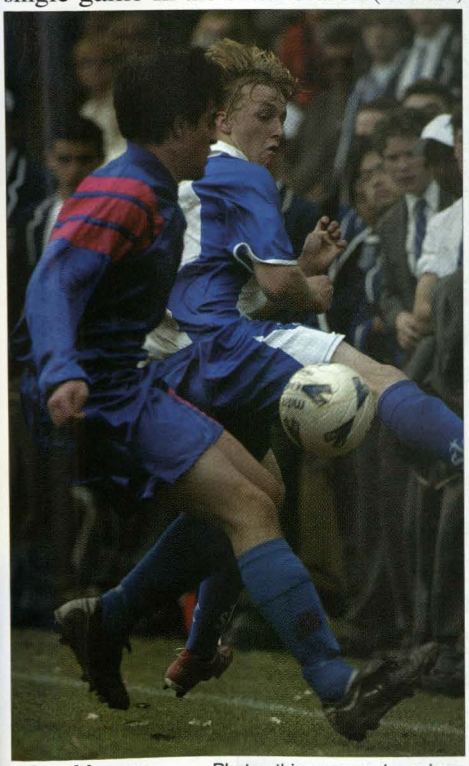
In 2003 the College fielded 28 soccer teams in the senior/middle schools, which equalled the total number of teams last season, and 6 Regis Campus teams. This brought the total number of teams to a new high in the short history of the sport at the College.

In the Open Age group this year we extended to an 8th XI. There were 5 teams in the Under 16 and Under 15, 4 teams in the Under 14 age group, and six in the Under 13s. There were 3 teams in the Under 12 and Under 11 age groups. GPS Soccer embarked on its 16th season with Riverview again at the forefront as one of the leading schools in terms of participation and recent success.

Our Regis Campus teams entered a new era with double the teams of previous seasons and entry into a new association.

This year we were able to boast four completely undefeated teams: the 1st, 4th and 6th XIs as well as the 13D team. These teams were coached by Mr Sebastian Trovato, the College's Year 8 co-ordinator; Mr Stephen Brown, Year 8 Homeroom teacher, and Mr Christopher Diener, from the College Maintenance Department; Mr Andrew Felton, an old boy and member of a premiership winning 1st XI; and Jason Wong, Peter Sherrah, David Rohl and Jake Horne, current Year 11 students, all of whom played in the Open Age group themselves.

In addition, five teams remained undefeated through term 3 (8th XI, 15C, 14C, 13B and 13C) and four teams only lost a single game in the entire season (2nd XI, 5th XI, 7th XI and 15B). Mr John Limbourn and Henry Russell-Blackburn, Graeme Scott, Nathan Orie and Toby Tait, Mr Brad Cooper, Will Harrington and Mark Simpson and Mr Joe La Cava, Mr Shane Hogan, Mr Don Gock and Peter Twomey, coached these teams.



Tom Murray

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In addition, Mr Richard Hart, Mr Ralph Guthrie, Mr Peter Wakeling, Mr Declan Donnelly, John Amodeo, Michael Vumbaca, Simon Nola, Mr Rob Stuart, Mr Andrew Moon, Uliano Polatos, Ashton Johnson, Mr Paul Brown, Mr Mark White, Mr George Tsolakides, Damien Wright, Mr Cheik Kone, Mr Terry Shore, Miss Stella Ianni, Mr Nuno Picas, Adam Hitchings and Daniel Brungs also coached teams in the GPS association. Regis Campus teams were coached by Mr Peter Rizzardini, Ms. Erica Reading and Ben Hunt, Mr George Cassar and Mr Chris Marshall, Mr Peter Burke and Mrs Margaret Cullen.

While there were some difficulties with training, due to limited space, failures of communication and the crowded Riverview schedule, the effort, skill and tolerance shown by these coaches were remarkable. In order to accommodate all the teams an increased number of old boy coaches were pressed into service this season, and they did very well in fulfilling their roles.

Our 1st XI, had seven players returning from the previous season, some stepping up from the Under 16s and a couple of players new to he College. The combination of experience and new blood proved a potent one, securing the College's fifth 1st XI GPS premiership in succession and contributing 10 players to the combined GPS teams at the end of the season. Patrick Tree was selected in GPS 3rds, Tom van Beek (as vice-captain), Tom Murray, Jason Bertacco, Mathieson Hor and Harrison Wiche were named in GPS 2nds, and Noel Brennan, Joshua Passaro, Brad Clark and Nick Guglielmino (as captain) were selected in the GPS 1sts.

This followed the selection in the NSW CIS team of Nick Guglielmino. Jackson England, while not being selected to represent the GPS, is only in Year 10 and has good prospects of representative honours in coming seasons.

The 2nd XI won 6 of 7 GPS matches but failed to win their premiership by a single point, finishing behind the team from Newington College. The fact that 6 wins (18 points) was not enough to win the competition is remarkable, especially in view of the fact that 14 points won our 2nds the premiership in the previous season.

This year the College sent a team to Mt Druitt for the Jesuit Schools' Soccer tournament during the July holidays, hoping to regain the trophy lost to Loyola College the previous year in Melbourne. Another squad contested the tournament hosted by St Andrews Cathedral School at the end of the July holidays.

The College also participated in the Independent Schools' Cup. The team played Sydney Boys High at home and lost the match in a penalty shoot out in fading light after the score had reached 4-4 at the conclusion of regular time.

This year Miss Jennifer Richardson undertook the role of manager for the 1st and 2nd XIs and the Jesuit Cup Squad. Her work in attending to BBQs, paperwork, gear and equipment, and team logistics was carried out with extreme efficiency and relaxed good humour.

Mr Kurt Bartelme has continued in his roles as goal keeper coach across all age groups and assistant to the 1st and 2nd XI coaches and the Jesuit Cup Squad. His expertise, enthusiasm and relentless work, especially with the senior goal keepers, have been integral features of the College's program in this sport in recent years.

The Open age group generally performed very well, competing strongly, as has been the case in recent years. In 11 rounds the 8 Open teams lost only 8 matches to outside opponents. Throughout the younger age groups results were mixed, although most teams achieved more than an equal share of victories.



Alex Hassall

The season was largely unaffected by the weather, with clear skies greeting most Saturday mornings, and if they didn't start out fine they finished up that way.

The involvement of a range of people was necessary to the successful completion of the recent season. The participation of parents as supporters, morning and afternoon tea makers and as coaches is most appreciated.

Referees are an essential ingredient in our matches. This year Michael Menitti, Graham Clark, Dale Thompson, Paul Langtry, Graeme Scott, Andrew Felton, Andrew Clark, Toby Tait, Andrew Terrell, Adam Hitchings, Michael Vumbaca and Chris Silver made up the ranks of our senior referees. Matt Green, Ben Terrell and Jon Frazer also assisted with refereeing. Numerous other students helped by assisting on the sidelines, flag in hand. Thanks also to the referees supplied by the Sydney Schools' Referees Branch for 1st and 2nd XI matches and the Schools' Cup.

Special thanks to all who have assisted in this year's activities: external coaches co-ordinator Mr Matt Guildea, with James Magill who assisted with senior teams, and Tony Harrison who helped across a range of age groups; the Director of Cocurriculum, and GPS Association Football (Soccer) Convenor, Mr Chris Kitching; as well as groundsman Mr Jim Cameron and his staff, maintenance foreman Mr Ron Hanby and his staff; Independent Schools Cup Convenor, Mr Michael Gordon and Jesuit Schools Soccer Coaches and Masters-in-Charge, in particular Mr Martin Stein from Loyola Campus of Christ Catholic College who hosted this year's Loyola Cup Competition.

Finally, it would be remiss not to again recognise the efforts of the teachers, parents, players and other interested parties, who have been named in earlier Our Alma Maters, who have worked to build Association Football (Soccer) at Riverview to its current level of success and recognition.

Mr Peter Steffan

Soccer Result Sheet 2003

	TSC 26/7	TKS 2/8	NC 9/8	SHS 16/8	SGS 23/8	Shore 30/8	SJC 6/9
1st XI	6-1	3-2	2-0	1-1	3-2	7-1	2-1
2nd X I	3-2	2-0	2-3	6-2	3-1	1-0	1-0
3rd XI	4-0	4-1	0-2	1-2	3-0	2-0	2-2
4th XI	4-0	5-0	2-0	2-1	4-0	4-0	3-0
5th XI	2-2	7-0	5-1	3-1	1-0	3-1	0-1
6th XI	2-0	Bye	5-1	2-0	1-0	1-1	2-0
7th XI	5-0	2-2	1-8*	2-0	Bye	5-1	4-1
8th XI	5-1	1-1	1-0	2-1	2-1	5-1	0-0
16A	5-0	2-2	0-3	0-0	2-2	0-3	1-0
16B	4-0	0-0	0-3	3-2	0-2	1-2	2-0
16C	3-1	2-0	2-0	0-4	0-4	1-2	2-1
16D	0-4	0-0	1-0	2-3	0-3	3-1	3-0
16E	5-1	1-3	2-1	1-2	bye	1-5	0-3*
15A	2-0	1-3	1-0	1-0	0-1	1-2	2-0
15B	4-0	12-0	3-1	1-2	2-1	1-1	5-1
15C	2-0	4-0	1-1	1-1	1-0	3-1	2-1
15D	5-0	5-0	2-1	1-2	1-1	6-0	Bye
15E	1-1	1-0	1-0	4-0	1-0	1-0	0-1*
14A	3-0	0-4	1-3	2-4	1-0	0-2	4-1
14B	2-2	1-1	1-3	2-0	4-1	0-1	1-2*
14C	3-0	5-1	3-0	2-2	2-1	1-1	1-0
14D	0-2	0-2	0-2	tba	1-2	2-0	3-1
13A	1-4	1-2	1-2	3-2	4-0	0-0	3-1
13B	2-1	6-0	8-1	2-0	3-0	2-1	9-0
13C	1-0	4-0	2-2	2-1	1-0	6-0	4-2
13D	3-0	6-0	3-2	6-0	2-2	6-2	2-4*
13E	3-3	13-0	1-5	1-1	0-0	2-0	12-0
13F	0-3	0-2	0-3*	0-1	1-3	0-3	0-0

* Played a Higher Graded team.



Back row, from left, Thomas O'Dell, Ruari Maginn, Matthieson Hor, Harrison Wiche, Jason Bertacco, Joshua Passaro, Thomas Murray, Patrick Tait, Patrick Tree
Seated, from left, William Passas, Tom van Beek, Nicholas Guglielmino, Mr Sebastian Trovato, Noel Brennan, Jackson England, Bradley Clark

During the July holidays, the College sent a squad to the 15th Annual Jesuit Schools' Soccer Tournament. The College team was eager to regain the Loyola Cup, having lost it in the final against Loyola Campus of Christ College, Mt Druitt, the previous year in Melbourne.

Riverview and our neighbours from St Aloysius' College, Loyola, this year's hosts, Xavier College, Melbourne, and St Ignatius College, Athlestone in Adelaide gathered to press their claims for the Cup.

The Riverview Squad comprised Matthieson Hor, Bradley Clark, Tom Van Beek, Joshua Passaro, Harrison Wiche and Noel Brennan, returning from last year, Jackson England, Jason Bertacco, Pat Tree, Patrick Tait, Ruari Maginn, Thomas Murray, Tom O'Dell, Will Passas and captain, Nick Guglielmino.

Accompanying the team were coach, Mr Sebastian Trovato, assistant coach, Mr Kurt Bartelme, and Mr Tony Harrison, manager: Ms Jennifer Richardson and MIC, Mr Peter Steffan, in addition to a group of enthusiastic parents and well wishers.

The first match of the tournament between Riverview and St Aloysius started on Monday, July 7th, under leaden skies, which belied the sparkling weather that would be enjoyed before the conclusion of the Tournament.

In a dour struggle, which did not reach any great heights as a spectacle, Riverview established camping rights in the Aloysius half but could not find the net. Aloys went ahead 1-0 and then 2-0 before Riverview pulled back a goal.

The 1-2 loss gave the Riverview team the opportunity to reflect for a time before facing Xavier College in a match that had taken on greater significance for the blue and white team.

The urgency of the situation brought a response, which resulted in a 4-1 victory to the Riverview team. By the end of the day, Loyola had accounted for Adelaide, and Aloysius had served notice that they would be a force to be reckoned with in the competition by defeating the hosts.

SAC had two wins from as many games: Riverview and Loyola a win each and Adelaide and Xavier were yet to win a match.

Tuesday's game between Loyola and Riverview loomed as a semi final for both. The loser would struggle to make the final, which early form suggested would include St Aloysius College.

The Riverview team turned on a spectacular performance to win the match 9-0. In the early game Xavier and Adelaide played a 1-1 draw and in the late game Xavier backed up to challenge St Aloysius before going down 2-1. At the end of the second day St Aloysius evidenced an efficient use of goals, having won 3 games by a goal each and were leading the tournament. Riverview had scored 14 goals to win 2 matches, Loyola had one win and Xavier and Adelaide a draw each.

The following morning, Riverview faced Adelaide in the knowledge that a draw would be enough to ensure a place in the final, and in fact a loss could still be enough so long as goals for and against remained favourable.

The game commenced uncertainly for Riverview and a goal to Adelaide shocked the team into action, with 4 goals being scored before Adelaide staged a rally, which ended at 4-3 to Riverview.

The finalists were now settled and the remaining games would sort out the placings for the play off for third. Loyola overcame Xavier to confirm their place in the play off and then Adelaide fought back from 1-3 to draw with St. Aloysius (3-3) and earn their place in the play off.

Finals day on Thursday began with Xavier defeating a second Loyola team. Then the play off for third saw Loyola defeat Adelaide, before Riverview and St. Aloysius took the field for the final. In a match worthy of a final, the Riverview team was able to shut down the St Aloysius attack to achieve a 2-0 victory and

win the Loyola Cup for the 6th time in 15 tournaments, and the 4th time in six years.

Results

Finals: Riverview defeated SAC;
Loyola defeated Adelaide;
Xavier defeated Loyola Reserves

Mr Sebastian Trovato and his players deserve congratulations on their performance in bringing the Cup back to Riverview. Mr Trovato's skill in analysing the playing style of opposing teams and developing strategies and devising assignments for his players to achieve the best result has again brought success in this tournament.

The role of Mr Kurt Bartelme as assistant coach should not be overlooked. He provided immense practical and moral support during the tournament in a range of roles, which he undertook with passion and enthusiasm.

This year Mr Tony Harrison assisted with team preparation and strategic considerations and Ms Jennifer Richardson's stewardship of equipment and attention to practical details was of great assistance in the smooth execution of the campaign.

The Player of the Tournament for 2003 was Luke Marshall (St Aloysius), and the golden boot award was won by Jason Bertacco (Riverview). Tom Murray (Riverview) was named player of the final.

The Jesuit Colleges' Representative Squad:

Alex Cavarra (Xav), Anthony Marafioti (Ade), Carlos Lira (Loy), Daniel Cassar (Loy), David Girolamo (Ade), James Laskie (Xav), Jason Bertacco (SIC), Joseph-Paul Rossi (Ade), Joshua Saumatua (Loy), Luke Marshall (SAC), Nick Guglielmino (SIC), Paul Dietz (GK) (SAC), Peter King (Xav), Phillip O'Byrne (SAC), Tom Van Beek (SIC). Congratulations to all these players.

Tournaments such as this one do not just happen. Thanks are due to tournament organiser Mr Martin Stein, whose serene efficiency in the face of the day to day crises, which accompany an event such as this, was remarkable.

All those who fed and accommodated the visitors, assisted with ground preparation, the vast range of organisational matters and contributed in any way to the staging of the event are also deserving of the thanks of the participants.

Ms Jenny Richardson

Team	Won	Lost	Drew	For	Against	Points
Xavier	0	3	1	4	9	1
Athlestone	0	2	2	8	12	2
Loyola	2	2	0	6	12	6
SIC	3	1	0	18	6	9
SAC	3	0	1	8	5	10

44 goals scored in 10 matches.

St Andrew's Cup

On the last Thursday and Friday of the July holidays the College sent a squad of players to contest the St Andrew's Cup Soccer Competition. Mr Richard Hart, a senior coach at the College, led the squad, which included Will Sheehy, Dominic Hogan, John McKeon (captain) and Michael Forsyth, returning from last year, as well as Henry Shepherd, Tom Armitage, Alexander Hassall, David Gaddin, Damian Raper, Jon Frazer, Joseph Natoli, Declan Walsh, Joe Milazzo, Peter Doran, Byron Fay and George Sullivan.

This competition is used as a final trial by a number of Independent Schools and the teams sent are the strongest available. Riverview's team is selected from the Open players excluding the Loyola Cup Squad, which, this year played at Mt. Druitt.

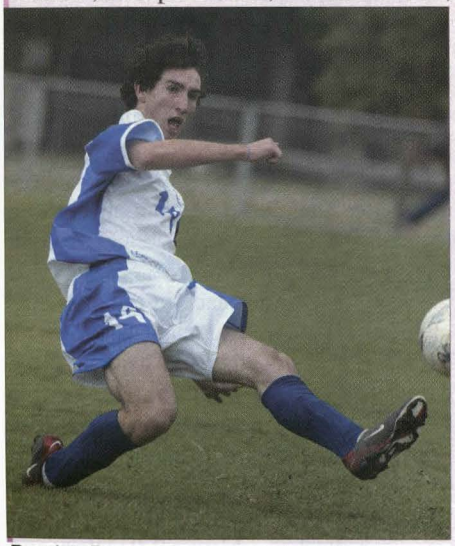
The Riverview team had a very competitive group to play in, which contained St Patrick's College, Sydney Boys' High School and Trinity Grammar 2nds. There were two matches played on the Thursday, with the Riverview team being beaten in tough encounters with St Patrick's and Sydney High.

The next morning saw Riverview pitted against Trinity Grammar 2nds. This match resulted in a 0-0 draw. This result was sufficient to see the team into the semi-final for the Plate Final against Shore. The game finished at 3-1 and saw the end of the Riverview campaign.

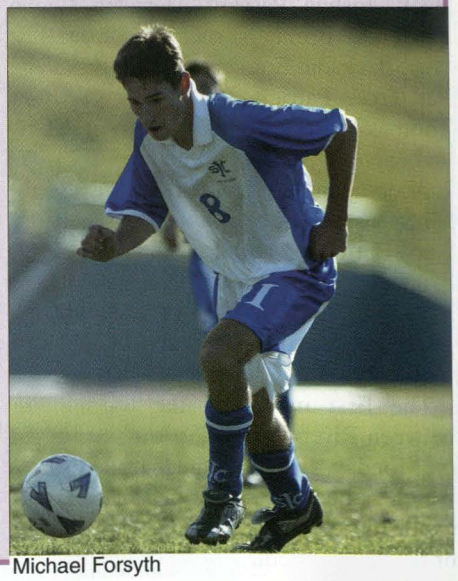
The Riverview players competed gamely and can be satisfied in their ability to match it with the best players from a number of the schools with which we compare ourselves. While it is a difficult assignment, the tournament provides the players who attend with excellent preparation for the GPS rounds, which begin with the commencement of Term 3.

Congratulations to the players who participated and thanks to Mr. Hart, without whom the team could not have been entered into the competition.

Ms Jennifer Richardson



Damian Raper photos by Don Arnold



Michael Forsyth



Back row, from left, Eugene Joseph, Patrick Tree, Brodie Stewart
Middle row, Matthieson Hor, Harrison Wiche, Jason Bertacco, Bradley Clark, Joshua Passaro, Thomas Murray
Seated, Thomas van Beek, Mr Kurt Bartelme, Nicholas Guglielmino, Mr Sebastian Trovato, Noel Brennan, Ms Jennifer Richardson, Jackson England

1st XI, 2003

Coach	Sab Trovato
Assistant Coach and Goal Keeper Coach	Kurt Bartelme
Assistant Coaches	Matt Guldea Jimmy Magill Tony Harrison

Rnd	Vs	Score	Goal Scorers
1	TSC	6-1	J. Bertacco (3), N. Brennan (2), T. O'Dell (1)
2	TKS	3-2	N. Brennan (2), N. Guglielmino (1)
3	NC	2-0	N. Guglielmino (1),N. Brennan (1)
4	SHS	1-1	N. Brennan
5	SGS	3-2	N. Guglielmino (2), N. Brennan (1)
6	Shore	7-1	N. Brennan (3), N. Guglielmino (2), J. Bertacco (1), J. England (1)
7	SJC	2-1	N. Guglielmino (1), N. Brennan (1)

Best Player	Nick Guglielmino
Runner Up	Noel Brennan
Most Improved	Josh Passaro

GPS Representatives 2003

1st XI	2nd XI	3rd XI
Nick Guglielmino (c)	Tom van Beek (vc)	Pat Tree
Brad Clark	Matthieson Hor	
Josh Passaro	Tom Murray	
Noel Brennan	Harrison Wiche	
Jason Bertacco		

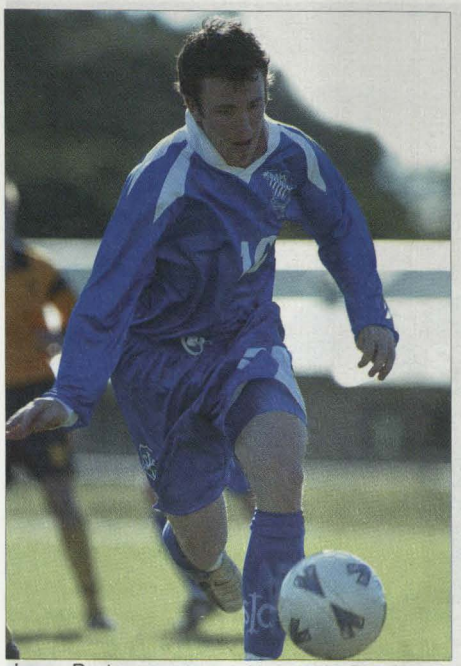
Round 1 vs Scots
July 26th at SM Marks

The first game of the 1st XI season took place at SM Marks, on a dry, dusty, hard ground which, due to the rough surface, made the ball unpredictable. The first half saw the Riverview boys take control of the match early with Brad Clark working well in the left channel and Harrison Wiche playing both a solid attacking and defensive game.

Although Riverview controlled the game for the first half they were unable to convert any of the scoring opportunities until the 21st minute when Jason Bertacco found the back of the net. The defensive line up of Josh Passaro, Matthieson Hor and Tom van Beek looked solid, and Will Passas slotted into van Beek came off due to injury.

The boys continued to dominate and were rewarded with two great goals in the dying minutes of the half from Noel Brennan and Tom O'Dell.

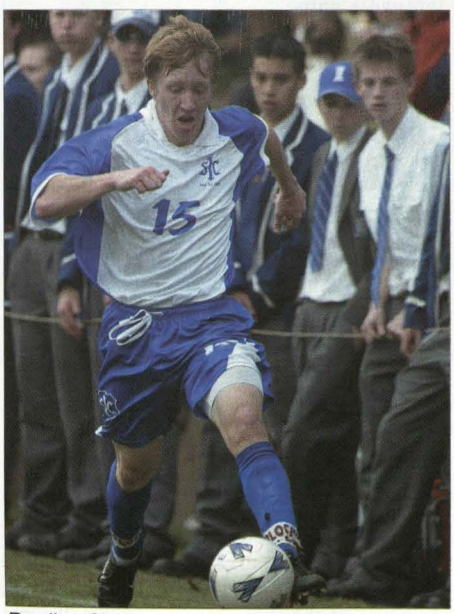
The second half started with Scots dominating for the first five minutes however, the Riverview boys began working better as a team and regained control of the game soon after. Tom van Beek returned to the field, however, he was still



Jason Bertacco photos this page by Don Arnold



Harrison Wiche



Bradley Clark

plagued by injury and was unable to run out the second half. Tom Murray worked hard in the midfield, directing the play and linking well with the strikers.

At the 12th minute Noel Brennan scored his second goal for the game, which was closely followed by Jason Bertacco's second goal in the 18th minute. Before the Scots boys had the chance to regain their composure Bertacco slotted his third goal in the 20th minute to take Riverview to a 6-0 lead. Unfortunately, not long after this, Jason was carried off the field with an injury caused by a poor tackle and was unable to return for the rest of the match.

Scots managed to score a goal in the few minutes after this incident, but were unable to repeat the performance. Pat Tait and Ruari Maginn came on to the field late in the second half and played a solid game, linking in well with the strikers and helping to create more scoring opportunities. In the end, Riverview came away with a 6-1 victory, a strong start to the GPS season.

Jenny Richardson

Round 2 vs Kings
August 2nd at Kings

There were any number of reasons why Riverview might not have won this game:

1. After 20 minutes, Kings had scored two goals by enterprising play and had enjoyed much of the territory and possession. They looked sharp and imaginative.
2. Injury reduced one of the most potent forces, Bertacco, to the role of spectator.
3. For the whole match, the temperature hovered over 20 Celsius. This sapped energy and made dramatic comebacks unlikely.
4. The pitch was uncompromisingly hard and dusty. The ball was hard to control and quite often hit the ground and ran more quickly than the supports could control it effectively.

There were, eventually, good reasons for Riverview's dramatic and exciting last minute victory.

1. A character and evident belief in each player that they had to play with patience, composure, focus, trusting in their skills and in the team's skills.
2. Younger players, England, O'Dell, Passas (who came on in the last gripping five minutes), Tree and Murray all lifted themselves to contest at this standard. Experienced players such as Guglielmino and Brennan brought calm maturity and sure footed striking to the second half.
3. Riverview's comeback gradually whittled away King's lead to 1-2 by half time, 2-2, 15 minutes into the second half and then Brennan's memorable shot only seconds from the end to steal the match 3-2. Heat, conditions, pressure, tension were all overcome be confidence and belief.

This was a game that will live in the memory; a story that bears retelling as a stirring example of how composure and talent, in the face of a formidable opposition, can bring triumph.

James Rodgers

Round 3 vs Newington
August 9th at Riverview

In the match against The Kings School the St Ignatius' Ist XI found themselves down by two goals after a short period and spent the rest of the game clawing their way to the lead. This week was to be a completely different start. The boys began the game against Newington with a sense of purpose that was clear for all to see.

Both sides probed forward early but the blue and white looked the more dangerous. An awkward challenge by Tom van Beek which saw the Newington striker felled brought a groan from the crowd and a wail from Tom. Fortunately, an unsighted referee seemed puzzled by the fuss and let the game proceed.

Newington did put a couple of nice raids together with midfielders running confidently and Pat Tree was called upon to deflect a lovely shot wide. The game settled into a good flow with skilful play by both sides being met by solid and unyielding defence.

About midway through the half, the skipper (Nick Guglielmino) took matters into his own hands and produced a powerful shot from a distance that caught everyone by surprise. Riverview was in the lead and Newington was keen to redress the situation. The chess game continued with both sides moving forward only to be pushed back by the opposition.

The crowd enjoyed the display but could feel that Riverview was getting the upper hand with pressure mounting on the Newington box. Finally, that pressure resulted in an error from the Newington keeper that allowed Noel Brennan to swoop and put Riverview further ahead.

The score remained unchanged at the break with Riverview leaving the field confident that they had the measure of the boys from Newington.

The second half saw the entertainment continue and the pressure applied by Riverview. They were keen to put an end

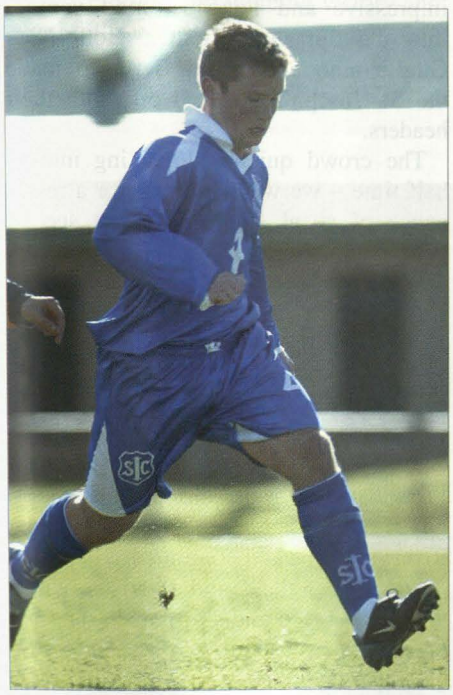
to the Newington challenge and a lovely through ball saw Jason Bertacco hit the post. The Ignatian raids kept coming and the keeper from Newington made up for his earlier error with some memorable work in the goal mouth.

Newington, too, had their chances but they were few and never looked truly threatening with Matt Hor and his defensive colleagues repelling all attacking charges.

In the final minutes it was Tom van Beek who nearly stole the show. He had roamed forward and let go with a shot that looked to be heading for goal when a defenders boot popped out of the ground to deny Tom his prize.

Although the second half remained scoreless Riverview gave Newington no rest and only their desperate defence and meritorious work by the keeper held the score at a respectable 2 – 0.

Neil Mushan



Tom van Beek photos this page by Don Arnold

Round 4 vs Sydney Boys High
August 16th at Sydney Boy's High

Early signs were good for the View boys, as the midfield and strikers quickly put the High defence under pressure with some well-constructed attacking play. An early corner provided the first scoring opportunity, however, the first-time shot went over the bar.

Two further shots on goal by Jason Bertacco and Noel Brennan brought good saves from the High keeper. Unfortunately, the small field meant that the ball was 'pinballing' from end to end and gave neither side the chance to assert territorial dominance.

A shot on goal from a High striker brought a tremendous save from Patrick Tree. However, soon after Tree's great save, High scored an excellent goal off a cross from the right wing. The High striker dummied a shot and the Riverview defence failed to pick up the trailing High player who finished off a well worked move with a precision strike.

Despite being a goal down, Riverview remained calm and settled, and methodically worked the ball around to create several half-chances. An outstanding run by Jason Bertacco created a scoring opportunity for Noel Brennan, however, once more the High goalkeeper pulled off a fine save to thwart the equaliser.

After words of encouragement at half-time from the coach, the second half saw the blue and whites dominate early with several chances, including a tremendous left-foot shot on goal from Nicholas Guglielmino.

Shortly after, defender Tom van Beek headed just over the crossbar from a well-taken corner kick. When Jason Bertacco beat the High keeper soon after, only to see the ball run just wide of the post, some in the crowd were wondering whether this was one of those days when despite all efforts, a goal would never come.

With time slowly ticking away, the Riverview team increased the tempo of their play and placed the High defence and goalkeeper under concerted pressure. Desperate defence from High conceded several corners. From those corners, two real opportunities to convert from headers just went astray.

Into the last 10 minutes of the game, and Riverview peppered the High goal with shot after shot. Guglielmino, in particular, menaced the High goal and after one memorable attacking thrust, hit a powerful shot over the bar from just inside the penalty box. An anxious Riverview coach was heard to say at one point, "If we score one we'll score five!" At this late stage, just the one would have sufficed!

With only a matter of minutes left, an attack down the right hand side of the field brought a low cross into the penalty box that managed to beat the High keeper, who had performed magnificently throughout the match.

That was all the invitation Noel Brennan needed to first time the ball into the back of the High net. The Riverview crowd let out a deafening roar in celebration of a richly deserved equaliser.

The drama was not over, as High immediately put the ball into the Riverview 'red zone' and forced a great last minute save from Pat Tree.

The referee blew time and Riverview remained undefeated and on course for the championship.

This 1st X1 is a side blessed not only with talented football players but also with such firm and resolute self-belief that they will never contemplate defeat while ever there is a minute to play.

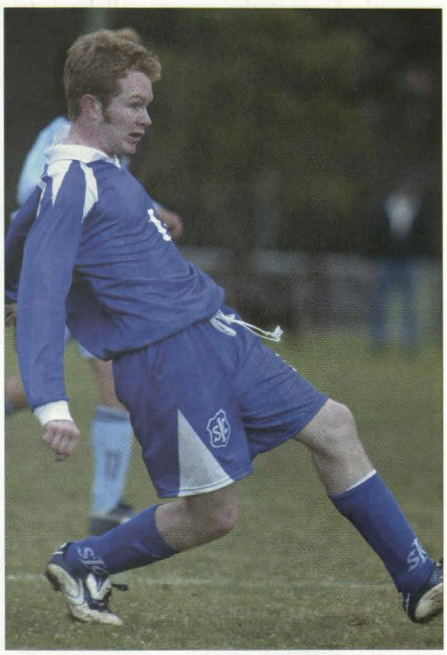
Paul Brown

Round 5 vs Grammar
August 23rd at Riverview

Prior to this game, Riverview had placed themselves into a comfortable position on the G.P.S ladder. With three wins behind them and a draw with Sydney Boy's High School, the First XI was considered the favourite to win the premiership.

However, Grammar too was in a prime position and a loss to Grammar would destroy Riverview's chances of achieving their 5th successive premiership.

It was an aggressive start from the kick off with Tom Murray and Nick Guglielmino showing strong defence and



Noel Brennan

force. Seven minutes into the game Joshua Passaro and Jason Bertacco set the play enabling Noel Brennan to score the first goal placing Riverview in the lead, 1-nil. Riverview looked focused and controlled with Brad Clark and Matthieson Hor demonstrating exceptional defence.

There were some unlucky attempts at goals but Riverview dominated the play due to the speed of Brad Clark and the

strong attacking skills of Nicholas Guglielmino and Tom Murray. At half time it was still 1-nil to Riverview.

Riverview had many opportunities in the second half but failed to take control. Grammar quickly utlilised their chances and 10 minutes into the half they gained momentum and scored. Within minutes, a handball by Riverview gave Grammar a penalty goal and Grammar was now in the lead 2–1.

The pressure was on for Riverview and both teams were looking tense and exhausted. Time was ticking by and it looked as if Riverview's hopes of winning were lost. A free kick to Riverview meant a last minute opportunity for a draw but an unlucky miss kept the crowd restless in their seats.

Within moments, Riverview's comeback came when Nick Guglielmino scored a goal and locked the scores to 2-2. The spectators were looking at their watches and the coaches were pacing the line. No one was sure if there was time for another chance at goal.

There were only seconds to go when Nick Guglielmino scored yet another spectacular goal giving victory to Riverview, 3 goals to 2. The crowd erupted and the relief and excitement on every person's face at the game will be a triumphant memory in all our minds.

Jenny Hoare

Round 6 vs Shore
August 30th at Riverview

Riverview came into the game quietly confident after a thrilling 3-2 victory over Grammar, and with the knowledge that they had beaten Shore 6-0 in a trial game earlier in Term 2.

The boys took control of the game early and put the Shore defence under pressure from the first whistle. Jason Bertacco, Harrison Wiche and Noel Brennan, who had worked well together all season, continued their lethal combination in attack. Nick Guglielmino and Tom Murray consistently won the ball in the middle field and provided the strikers with many scoring opportunities.

The first goal of the game came from Noel Brennan, and from this point on Shore was unable to stop the onslaught. Jackson England and Jason Bertacco each scored soon after, and Noel added to his season's tally with another 2 goals for the half.

In the second half the Shore team, who had nothing to lose, came out with determination and began attacking the ball. Unfortunately for them Riverview's defensive team of Josh Passaro, Matt Hor and Tom van Beek proved to strong for them, and Pat Tree in goals had a great game saving any shots that came his way.

Brad Clark and Jackson England dominated the left and right channels, respectively, and sent some good balls to the midfielders and strikers. A lapse in concentration by the 'View boys combined with a good build up by Shore saw them score their first and only goal for the game.

Nick Guglielmino controlled the play throughout the second half and went on to score two fantastic goals to take the final score to 7-1.

Ms Jenny Richardson

Round 7 vs St Joseph's



Matthieson Hor Photo by Don Arnold

September 6th at St Joseph's

One Saturday at Kings, I wandered past the 1st XI game and found myself enthralled in an exciting close encounter. The game was fast and competitive and the players appeared to enjoy giving both parents and coaches heart failure with a last minute victory.

So, maybe this was a sport well worth a return visit. And what a season it has been for soccer enthusiats as each Saturday seems to bring more heart stopping finishes. I have felt the tension, camaraderie and the excitement during the games and noticed the collective sigh of relief as the final whistle sounded. So we come to this final game of the season, the match against St Joseph's College,will it be another cliff hanger? ?

The stage was set by the Second XI superb goal in the last five minutes to clinch victory. The crowd buoyed by the win warmly cheered the First XI as they took the field. After a final huddle and a glance by Noel Brennan to the supporters, perhaps looking for that Irish luck, the game began.

The game was fiercely contested right from the start. An early foray by St.Joseph's into our half was quickly offset by Tom van Beek and Matt Hor. A shot across the goal by Jason Bertacco did everything but go in. Riverview certainly dominated the play and time after time Tom Murray and Brad Clark brought the ball down the left side of the field to challenge the skills of the St Joseph's goalie.

Jackson England on the right put in a number of accurate passes that had the St Joseph's defence in a panic. Pat Tree was largely untroubled in the first half and started to look a little lonely though his expert skills were called on ten minutes into the game.

With solid defending, Josh Passaro and Matt Hor ensured the play stayed in Joey's half and Tom van Beek made an impressive and unaccustomed venture into the opposition half. Both Nick Guglielmino and Jason Bertacco made the St .Joseph's goalie work with their headers.

The crowd quietened leading into to half time – we were looking for a resurgence of vocal support for the second half. First half points to Riverview and now we wanted a knock out in the second half.

Words of wisdom from Mr Trovato at half time and with a demonstration of moves with a few water bottles the boys were on again. St Joseph's began the chanting competition strongly with 'You'll never walk alone', the Joey's goalie was certainly not left alone and the Riverview attacked continued.

Jackson England and Harrison Wiche with their speed and skill, made sure that the ball was brought into the opposition half and stayed there

The attempt to sandwich Jason Bertacco drew a free kick outside the box which was deflected for a corner then Nick Guglielmino doing what he does so well, headed the ball for a goal (Grammar revisited) and the score was 1-0. Then what I had been waiting for, the boy's line up for one of their specialty corner moves, 'the team photo', but it was not the picture we were hoping for as a quick hand by the Joey's keeper saved yet another goal. Yet it wasn't long before Noel Brennan worked his magic with a high, powerful drive into the net beyond the reach of the goalie. 2-0.

The tension and frustration was perhaps

beginning to show for the opposition as one of their players thought Jason Bertacco needed a closer look at the state of the turf which saw the referee reach for his yellow card and Mr Bartelme for the magic bottle of water. Undeterred, St Joseph's scored a quick goal making the score 2-1 although that was to be their only joy for the day.

Ruari Maginn in lucky number 13 entered the game and continued the attack with his fast, determined style. In the final minutes Riverview's commitment did not falter: attack after attack, Brennan, Bertacco, Maginn and Guglielmino and then the final whistle.

The team and coaches rejoice, parents give that sigh of relief and smile broadly, handshakes for the St Joseph's team as worthy competitors, embraces and congratulations all round.

I will certainly be looking for the first game of the next soccer season. Congratulations to Mr Travato, Mr Bartelme, Miss Richardson and the 1st XI on their Premiership winning victory and record fifth successive soccer premiership

Sharon McLean

Captain's Report

After a victorious round in the Jesuit Cup, the defending premiers knew the upcoming GPS competition would bring some very challenging and exciting fixtures our way.

Indeed it did, with numerous physical and close encounters throughout. A solid conditioning process throughout term 2 left us in an elite state before hitting off the season in great style.

The Riverview crew was a very diverse squad, with a large proportion coming from Years 11 and 12. If it were not for Jackson England a Year 10 lad, the opposition may have felt intimidated in competing against such a mature side,

The team from day one, got along well and developed into more than just team mates, friendships were formed between players and teachers: it was without a doubt a season to remember.

Nick Guglielmino



Nick Guglielmino - NSW CIS Soccerr team and captain, GPS 1st team



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Back row, from left, Matthieson Hor, Thomas Murray, Patrick Tree, Jason Bertacco, Harrison Wiche, Bradley Clark
Seated, from left, Joshua Passaro, Nicholas Guglielmino (captain), Mr Sebastian Trovato, Thomas van Beek, Noel Brennan



Back row, from left, Gino Joseph, Ruari Maginn, Alex Hassel, Will Passas, Michael Forsyth, Tom O'Dell, Chris Allison
Seated, from left, James Riordan, Mr Kurt Bartelme, Patrick Tait, Mr Shane Hogan, Dominic Hogan, Ms Jenny Richardson, Jon Frazer
Inset: Henry Shepherd

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Best Player	Michael Forsyth
Runner up	Pat Tait
Most Improved	Henry Shepherd

Round ivs Scots
July 26th at SM Marks

Riverview came out onto the ground ready for a new GPS season, eager for a first round win. They dominated play for the first half, creating plenty of scoring opportunities. Within the first 10 minutes James Riordan had converted one of the scoring opportunities to take Riverview to a 1-0 lead.

The boys kept firing shots at the goal keeper, who did well to save many of them. In the 17th minute Jon Frazer claimed Riverview's second goal after a fantastic build up by Pat Tait and Michael Forsyth.

Jackson England was devastating in the left hand channel and won his position on the park early. Riverview's defensive team of Dom Hogan and Will Passas worked well to spoil any attack made by Scots and cleared the ball out of defence strongly.

Within the first five minutes of the second half Pat Tait scored Riverview's 3rd goal with a fantastic first time shot that sped past the keeper.

With a 3-0 lead Riverview became complacent and let Scots work their way back into the game.

Our defence was placed under constant pressure and Scots scored their first goal at the 10 minute mark after a goal kick up the field saw a one on one situation with Dom Hogan. Scots continued to pressure the Riverview boys and scored their second goal at the 30 minute mark to take the score to 3-2.

Riverview managed to hold out any attacking moves made by Scots to finish with a 3-2 victory.

Round 2 vs Kings
August 2nd at Kings

The Riverview boys showed their dominance from the moment they walked onto the ground at Kings. A strong week of training and a solid warm up had prepared them for what would be a physical, skilful game on a large field.

The first goal came in the 4th minute when Ruari Maginn converted a beautiful cross from Michael Forsyth. Tom O'Dell worked hard in the midfield and created many scoring opportunities for Riverview. Jon Frazer looked damaging, beating his opponent and controlling the play up forward.

The second goal of the half came from John McKeon in the 15th minute after a strong build up from the midfield. After the second goal Kings began to gain control and managed to get the ball into their attack. They were held out for the remainder of the half by Riverview's strong defensive team of Will Passas, Dominic Hogan and Henry Shepherd.

Riverview went into the second half with a 2-0 lead and worked hard to defend the score line. Kings created many opportunities however, they were unable to convert. Alex Hassall played a good defensive game and prevented any successful attack by Kings.

Damian Raper came on and looked dangerous with a few shots early in the half and linked up well with Chris Allison and Ruari Maginn. Unfortunately they were unable to convert and Riverview came away with a 2-0 victory.

Henry Shepherd provided the Riverview team with vocal support and defended the goals with confidence and aggression. Pat Tait worked consistently throughout the game, controlling the play from the midfield.

Jenny Richardson

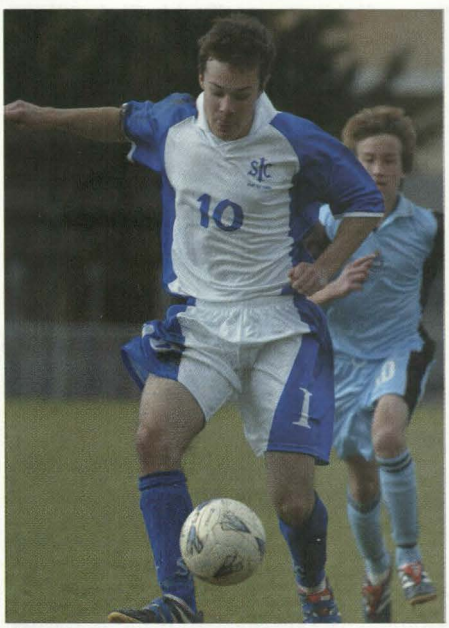
Round 3 vs Newington
August 9th at Riverview

A fine but windy day greeted the players as the match began at St Ignatius and that wind would play havoc with any high ball throughout the game. Both teams sensed the importance of the match with nervous touches highlighting the opening minutes. Newington tried the long ball approach but between Will Passas and Henry Shepherd all raids were snuffed out with relative ease.

As is often the case a goal is needed to settle play into a rhythm and that goal came with an unexpected drive from a Newington player 15 minutes into the match. This goal came against the run of play but the reply from Riverview was swift and devastating with James Riordan nodding home to bring smiles to the Riverview supporters.

The remainder of the half saw both sides create chances with Pat Tait coming very close without scoring and Henry Shepherd pulling off a lovely save to deny the Newington striker. I think both teams went to the break satisfied with a goal but knowing that chances would present themselves in the half to come.

The final stanza began poorly for Riverview with sloppy marking and scratchy defence giving Newington the opportunity to take the lead - and take it they did. The blue and whites were down a goal and had some work to do. After this setback the midfield put their heads down and worked tirelessly to maintain pressure on Newington with Ruari Maginn, Chris Allison and Tom O'Dell being given opportunities to score. Some neat footwork and stylish tumbling saw



Jon Frazer photo by Don Arnold

Riverview rewarded with a penalty that Ruari netted with precision to bring the score back to even at 2 – 2.

Unfortunately, a little luck enters every match and today that luck went to the young men from Stanmore. A deflection onto the post and then into the net was to decide the match. Newington ecstatic and Riverview disappointed.

Thank you to the boys from all who watched the match. We saw an entertaining and skilful display where one could argue that the stronger side was not rewarded with the points. Mr Hogan and his players can go away pleased with their efforts and confident that the next few weeks will see fortune smile on the men from Riverview.

Neil Mushan

Round 4 vs Sydney Boys High
August 16th at Sydney Boys High

To resort to journalistic cliché, it was a "must win game" for the Seconds after having been narrowly beaten by Newington the previous week. To retain any chance of finishing on top of the GPS table, the team needed an emphatic win against the High boys.

On an undersized field, Riverview took the early initiative with shots on goal from Pat Tait, Ruari Maginn and Alex Hassall. The High goalkeeper managed to bravely resist the raids on goal until Damian Raper found free space down the right hand side of the field and slotted home a screamer.

With Tom O'Dell controlling play from the midfield, the Seconds gradually started to control the flow of the game.

Despite this domination, High managed to score an opportunistic goal against the run of play, following a scrappy goal mouth scramble after a low cross came into the penalty box from the right wing.

High's goal proved to be a very temporary setback for the 'View boys, who were on the attack immediately thereafter when a fine Tom O'Dell header from a corner just shaved the crossbar. It was apparent to all spectators that the Riverview boys had found their groove when Michael Forsyth strolled unchallenged upfield to cross to Chris Allison who tapped in to restore Riverview's lead.

A short time later Pat Tait gave the Riverview faithful more reason to cheer when he put another into the back of the net despite the best attempts of the goalkeeper to thwart Tait's shot from the edge of the box.

Less than a minute after Tait's heroics, a High defensive error allowed Ruari Maginn to drive low to make it 4-1 at the half-time break. Riverview were playing superbly on a day when everything was proceeding to plan and chances were being taken with professional surety.

It was soon evident that the half-time break had brought little relief to the home team as Riverview created a chance immediately following the resumption of play, when a cross from the right went achingly close to registering Riverview's fifth goal of the match.

Skilful passing among the blue and whites opened up further opportunities for the Riverview eleven until a moment of indecision and lack of intensity among the View backs, allowed High to strike back in a way reminiscent of events in the first half. High had one further chance to narrow the gap soon after when a free header in front of goal was missed.

From that moment on, however, Riverview wrested back control of the game and scored two further goals, one to Tom O'Dell and another to Damian Raper, who caught the High goalkeeper off his line with a fine long-range effort.

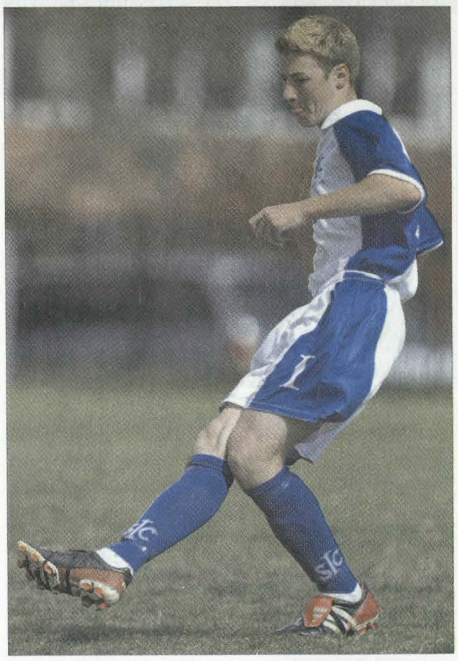
The final score line of 6–2 was a true reflection of the dominance of the Riverview boys, who could now look forward to an exciting series of games to decide the championship.

Paul Brown

ROUND 5 VS GRAMMAR
AUGUST 23RD AT RIVERVIEW

The game against Grammar was always going to be a tough one. In previous years Grammar has been one of the more dangerous teams and has given Riverview a run for their money. When the game began Tom O'Dell left the opposition stunned when he converted in the first two minutes to take Riverview to a 1-0 lead.

Tom continued to play well in the first half and covered the midfield well. Alex Hassall helped to create many scoring opportunities and Pat Tait was unlucky to convert after a great shot around the 12 minute mark of the half.



Will Passas Photo by Don Arnold

Grammar kept the pressure on Riverview in the second half and continued to attack. Riverview's defence lapsed momentarily which was enough to allow Grammar to score the first and only goal.

Jon Frazer played a great game, looking strong in attack setting up many opportunities. Early in the second half, Chris Allison's persistence and perseverance paid off and he scored Riverview's second goal. Ruari Maginn held strong over the ball all game and read the play well.

The play remained a tussle between Riverview's piercing attack and Grammar's strong defence until Pat Tait sealed the game with a goal in the 25th minute of the half. The final score saw Riverview victorious over Grammar 3-1.

Jenny Richardson

ROUND 6 VS SHORE
AUGUST 30TH AT RIVERVIEW

The Riverview boys came into the game against Shore confident after the recent victory against Grammar. From the first whistle neither team were able to take control of the play. The first goal of the game came in the 4th minute of the half when Tom O'Dell converted from a free kick. After this goal Riverview found some form and placed the Shore defence under pressure with some firm shots on goal.

Tom O'Dell continued to play a strong game, linking up well with Chris Allison and Jon Frazer, and looking dangerous in attack on occasions. Shore put together some great passages of play, however, they were held out by the defensive team of Michael Forsyth, Dominic Hogan and Alex Hassall. Both teams had their chances but were unable to convert, going to the half time break with a 1-0 score line to Riverview.

Riverview knew that 1-0 was not enough and tried desperately to find the form that graced them last week against Grammar. In the goals Henry Shepherd kept the team communicating and never let his concentration lapse as the Shore players tried their best to score.

Will Passas and Dom Hogan looked strong in defence and delivered well placed passes up the field to the strikers. Dominic Sood came in to the defensive team late in the half and held his position well with some strong tackles. Ruari Maginn tried his best to make the most of the opportunities created from our defensive work, however, he was held out admirably by the Shore defence.

Neither team seemed able to grab hold of the game and get the break through goal which would surely have given them momentum to finish the match. In the end Riverview managed to withstand the Shore attempts and came away with the 1-0 victory.

Jenny Richardson

ROUND 7 VS ST JOSEPH'S
SEPTEMBER 6TH AT ST JOSEPH'S

The tension leading up to this game had been felt all week prior to the game itself. It was the last round of the season, the last game for the Year 12 students. It was the round that would decide who won the premiership. To win, Riverview had to beat Joey's. However, that was not the only factor. If Newington defeated Grammar, they would win the competition.

The first half of the game was intensely fought, with both teams creating opportunities in attack. Jonn Frazer worked the ball well out wide and set the play up for James Riordan and Ruari Maginn up front. Riverview's defence held strong under the Joey's attack and were controlled well by the consistent communication of Henry Shepherd in goals. Both teams had shots on goal but were unable to convert.

Dominic Hogan was solid in defence and worked well with Will Passas who cleared the ball consistently. A niggling injury to Dom Hogan saw Dominic Sood come on to the field, who was strong over the ball and slotted in easily to the defensive team. As the half progressed the intensity increased and a strong crowd, mainly Riverview supporters, began to form.

The second half was no different It was a tight match with both teams determined to change the score board first. The atmosphere around the ground was electric, with the Riverview supporters becoming vocal and inspiring the players to lift even further. The coaches on the bench managed to receive information on the other games as they were in progress, but it was to close to call. A draw or loss would not be good enough for Riverview and they knew it. Dom Sood, in defence, and Damian Raper, in attack, came on in the second half and had an impact immediately.

Finally, the breakthrough came late in the second half with an amazing goal from James Riordan. His solo effort was too good for the Joey's defence. To their credit the Joey's team did not give up, but Riverview held them out until the final whistle to take the game 1-0.

However, Newington came out victorious over Grammar which meant that they finished one point ahead of Riverview on the premiership table. It was a fantastic game to watch and the spirit of the players and the supporters was inspirational.

Jenny Richardson

Captain's Report

The talent shown by all of our squad is reflected through the results that we have obtained during the season both in the trials and the actual GPS season.

The trials proved to be a good learning curve for our team and provided us the opportunity to get to know one another. Despite some chopping and changing, the team remained quite the same, as it finished up. We got our season off to a very healthy start with a 3-1 win against St Aloysius, a team who are always hard to beat. Victory at Knox (another 3-1) and solid draws with Barker and Shore, 1-1 and 0-0 respectively saw us shaping into a well spread team with strength in both defence and offence.

Over the holidays, the team was split up, with some attending the Jesuit Schools' Cup and the rest going to the St Andrew's Cup. These competitions were great fun and enjoyed by all who were present. In addition, they helped to keep the players fit and assisted in maintaining their ball skills at a high level.

After the holidays the real fun began. Our first match was against Scots and we knew it was going to be a tough start. However, we also knew that with the help of our coaching staff and a new addition, Jackson England, we had the skill and ability to mix it with whatever the Scots boys threw at us.

Initially, James Riordan got us on the scoreboard with a close range volley - this was a serious game. Our defence, led by the ever-present Willy Passas, and backed up by Dom Hogan, Jackson England and Alex Hassall were almost unbeatable and it was only a short time after Riordan's goal that we were celebrating another goal by Jon Frazer. The game went on and we had the edge – another goal saw us go up three -nil.

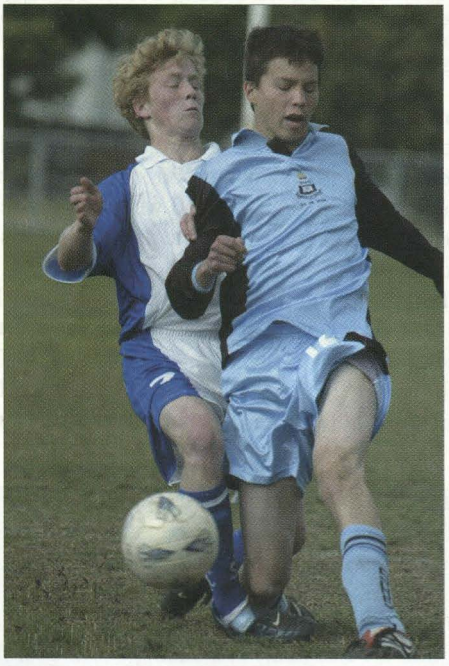
We then dropped off our game slightly and were made to pay with Scots pulling back two late ones, but it was the case of too little too late and we walked off with the first win of the season.

The next week, we were away to Kings, always a tough opposition. We'd lost Jackson England, but were graced with the presence of Tommy O'Dell. The big Kings' field allowed us to try out some of the new moves that we had learnt from Mr Jimmy Magill.

We played hard against Kings from the beginning and ran out 2-0 victors. Standouts from the Kings' game were Mike Forsyth, whose strength at the back and bounding runs really challenged the opposition; and Ruari Maginn, whose perseverance and will to win saw him emerge as a very passionate player. Henry Shepherd, our goalie, inspired us all to achieve new heights with his unceasing shouts and miraculous saves and full credit must go to him.

The Newington game, was one that I'd much like to forget. Coming off two solid wins and some good training runs we were very much looking forward to our first home game, but some lucky goals by the opposition saw them win a hard fought match, 3-2, after we'd come back twice.

On the other hand, the game against High was one that I'll remember for a long time. Coming off a loss, everyone wanted to show how good we really were We won 6-2 and at one stage scored 3 goals in one minute. Players to mention would have to be Damian Raper who from the bench pulled out two absolute screamers and Chris Allison, who scored the goal that really got us moving.



Pat Tait photo by Don Arnold

Our next match was against Grammar, who'd only conceded 1 goal in their previous four matches. However, our determination to show that we could play decent football shone through and we defeated Grammar, 3-1.

It was now becoming clear that we had put the unfortunate defeat at the hands of Newington behind us and were really getting on with it. Tommy O'Dell had a memorable game against Grammar, and we were finally able to see some of the magic that he could wield. Jonny Frazer also showed what he could do, pulling off some very clever moves and proving to be a terrier when on the attack. Ruari also stood out as a strong on the ball player as well as someone who really knew how to read football, always being in the right place at the right time.

We went into the Shore game with a positive attitude, but we were not on song and could only manage a 1-0 victory, we missed a few shots, but full credit must go to our defenceand the support given by Forsyth, Hogan and Hassall. Mention again must go to Tommy O'Dell whose ripper-free kick early on in the game ended up being the match winner.

The Joey's game, was a hard fought game. To us it seemed that Joey's were very passionate about beating us, and because of this we were held scoreless for a very long time, something that no other team in the comp could claim. Then comes James Riordan whose brilliant solo effort easily beat the keeper. Henry Shepherd who was once again invincible in goals, pulled off some brilliant saves to keep the game ours. Special mention must go to Shep, whose determination made him one of the best keepers going round with help from the amazing Mr Kurt Bartelme.

Unfortunately, the victory against Joey's was soured somewhat by the news that Newington had defeated Grammar, and in doing so, had won the premiership, beating us by one point on 19 points. To have come so far and done so well, 6 wins 1 loss, and not win the title is very sad, but I'm sure the boys will agree that we had a really good time, made some good friends and have now lots of great memories.

Special thanks to our excellent coach, Mr Shane Hogan, whose many words of wisdom helped us through the season. His positivity and joyfulness was only matched by the always happy Mr Jimmy Magill and Mr Matty Guildea, as well as Mr Sab Trovato who shared many insights with our team.

Also we say a very big thank you to Miss Jenny Richardson, who kept us organised through the whole season and whose work as manager was greatly appreciated by all. Thanks to all the parents and crowds who came and supported us all season – without them, I don't know where we'd have ended up!

Pat Tait

The Riverview 3rd XI have enjoyed another strong season of soccer. They played well all season but without much luck in many games. In several matches, they were the dominant team, but have let in some easy goals that may have cost them dearly in the end.

This year we found that the standard of 3rd teams has lifted in the other schools, and for the first time in many seasons, there were no really 'easy' matches. However, this made the season even more exciting, as from week to week we played with a slightly different team and we never knew really what to expect from our opposition.

I can safely say that this year the 3rd XI played an attractive and skilful brand of soccer. All boys in the team have had strong seasons, and despite missing practise and games due to exams, the Year 12s have been good leaders within the team. The Year 11's on the other hand, have trained very well. Many of these lads will be key GPS players for the College next year.

With gained a lot from these games throughout the season. For instance,we learned at Knox, with only half the squad there at starting time, the real value of a team warm up. Against Barker, we rued the early missed opportunities to score. Likewise, the losses to Newington and High were in games where we were clearly the better team technically, but lost them on the grounds of lost opportunities in their half.



Back row, James Gray, Byron Fay, Will Sheehy, George Sullivan
Middlle row, Daniel Lenehan, Alex Cassegrain, James Brettell, Joel Stillone, Josh Andriolo, Matt Kenny
Seated, Mr Richard Hart (3rds coach), Sam Cincinnato, Matthew Greene, Declan Walsh, Dominic Clark, Ben Terrrell, Mr Chris Deiner (4ths coach)

The 2003 3rd XI remained a good team in every sense of the word. The boys had respect for each other and they played with good sportsmanship at all times. We wish our Year 12s the best and we thank particularly John, Will, Geoff, Declan, Joe, Dave, Pete and Blain for several years of sterling soccer service at the College.

The players and I would like to thank the devoted group of parents who supported us strongly in all types of weather and no matter the score. MVP was Damian Raper (Yr 11); runners-up (joint) were John McKeon and Blain Kershaw (Yr12 and top goal scorer was Dom Clark (Yr 11)

Mr Richard Hart

DATE	VERSUS	SCORE	SUMMARY
trials	St Aloysius	4-1	Our first game of the season, a game in which we ran 17 players on and off the pitch. We dominated the match in mid-field.
trials	Knox	0-2	Due to transport difficulties, we had only 6 players at the start of the game. Although we came back strongly, we were always on the back-foot.
trials	Barker	0-2	A game with a ridiculously misleading score-line. We dominated the game until the last 2 minutes. However, Barker was the most skilful team we played all season.
21/6	Shore	1-0	We always struggle to beat Shore. Again, we dominated the match, but failed to capitalise on many good chances. James Riordon scored a great individual goal in the second half to get us up 1-0
26/7	Scots	4-0	A game I missed unfortunately due to moving house. But from all reports the boys played well.
2/8	Kings	3-0	Dom Clark's 3 well taken goals helped us get on top of a much improved Kings side. Probably our best performance for the season.
9/8	Newington	0-2	Our opposition were able to take only 3 shots for the whole game, but scored twice. We had nine clear scoring opportunities, but failed to score from any. Our most disap pointing result for 2003
16/8	High	1-2	Another game where we completely dominated against a gutsy High team. Byron scored a goal for us, but an unlucky own goal in the final minute cost us the game.
23/8	Grammar	3-0	2 goals from Dom Clark and one from captain John Mckeon, were enough to secure the win against a talented Grammar side
30/8	Shore	2-0	One of our better games. We were always in complete control of the ball. 2 good opportunistic goals by Byron Fay
6/9	St Josephs	2-2	We showed good spirit to come back from behind to hit the lead. However, in the last minute we gave them a soft goal off the final kick of the match.

soccer 5th XI team

So close but yet so far, this really summed up a season that was spectacular for the 5ths this winter. The team was made up of primarily Year12 students and two Year11 boys, James Dwyer and Martin Silk.

The team only had one loss all season, and this was in the very last game against St Joseph's College. We had our chances and after a first half where Joeys had the better run of play we regrouped and changed our tactics to fight back early in the second half and nearly scored but for a thin coat of white paint.

Our season's statistics included:

• 29 goals for and 10 against.



Back row, from left, Jack Dixon, Christopher Law, Christopher Partington, Martin Silk, Carl O'Sullivan, James Dwyer
Seated, from left, Patrick Ho, Luke O'Sullivan, Rohan Keys (captain), Mr Don Gock, Brian Cheng (vice captain), Thomas Dicker, Rhys Tame
Absent: Alexander Jahshan, Guy Wall, Anthony Vumbaca, Alex Cassegrain (manager), Stefan Pavlovic

• In the trial season we had 4 wins and a draw

• In the winter season we had 5 wins, one draw and a loss.

Goal scorers for the season were:

James Dwyer 7 – these include two hat tricks; Jack Dixon 6; Pat Ho 3; Anthony Vumbaca 3; Chris Law 2; Alex Jahshan 2; Rhys Tame 1;Stefan Pavlovic 1; Luke O'Sullivan 1.

We had convincing wins against Newington College 5-1 and Kings 7-1. The game against Kings was made more remarkable as James Dwyer scored 3 goals and Anthony Vumbaca playing as goalkeeper scored a goal. He ran the ball out from his own goal towards all of the Kings right flank and was fouled in their 25. A free kick was taken by Alex Jahshan and placed expertly at Anthony's feet to the left of the King's goal.

Anthony took the opportunity to kick the goal decisively into the back of the net. This brought the house down as the entire team, spectators, mums and dads as well as the 4ths began cheering hysterically.

It was perhaps our win against our own 6ths that typified our team spirit. We were challenged in the 3rd round of the trials to play off for the right to be the undisputed 5ths. The 6ths were made up of entirely Year 11 boys who were trying out for the 3rds and 4ths. They did have a claim to be the 5ths by default.

The game was played on a Tuesday afternoon and was attended by the entire team, as was the 6ths. A spirited match where we scored in the first few minutes and this added impetus to our claim. We played confidently and were able to score again in the later part of the first half. A penalty and another goal brought the game to an end at 4-1. It was a game that was played with great spirit and sportsmanship and a credit to all.

The boys had tough matches against Shore in the trial season, 2-2, and against Scots, also 2-2, as well as Sydney Grammar, 1-0.

Generally speaking we all played as team and to instructions. We had 16 players throughout the season. Rohan missed most of the trail season through illness Anthony Vumbaca took over his goal keeping duties admirably until the 3rd round of the winter season.

The forwards included Jack Dixon on the left wing, which he dominated, making many breaks and opening up the opposing team's defensive line as well as Chris Law, Luke O'Sullivan and Stefan Pavlovic at centre forward and Martin Silk at right wing. Eight of our goals came from this forward combination.

The midfield was comprised of Chris Partington who possessed lighting speed ; Pat Ho at centre mid who was a pivotal member – his skills and modesty spoke for him as he dominated the midfield in all games; and James Dwyer who had a never give up attitude. His 100% commitment allowed him to score 7 goals.

The backs included Tom Dicker, Guy Wall and Alex Jahshan at centre back, Carl O'Sullivan, Anthony Vumbaca and Rhys Tame. The ever reliable Brian Cheng was our sweeper. Guy and Alex had different playing styles at centre back. Guy would be everywhere on the field, supporting his wings, Tom and Carl, while Alex would use a minimum of movement to control the ball and get it away from his goal line. Together with Brian as sweeper they were seldom left exposed to attack as each player would cover for the other.

Rhys had a time in the forwards where he was fortunate to take a goal against Shore. Rhys always played at full pace according to instructions. Tom and Carl were always there in defence and holding up the opposing forwards.

Our goalies were Rohan and Anthony Vumbaca, both extremely skilful players who possessed great intuition and touch saving many goals.

Finally a mention should be made of Alex Cassegrain, our team manager who stood in for me when I was HSC marking. He made sure that the team was organised and made substitutions when necessary. Alex also played occasionally.

We were always at the top end of the Teams Cup competition and only faulted at the end. However, overall, we only had one loss while all other opposing teams had losses against them.

Parents and players alike had a great time and I would like to thank everyone for their spirit and comradeship throughout the season. Best forward was Jack Dixon best mid fielder: James Dwyer and best back was Brian Cheng.

Mr Don Gock



Standing, from left, Mr Peter Steffan, Robert Balkin, Dom Felton, David McMonnies, James Guion, Chris Gallagher, Jeremy Byrne, David De Candia

The team was made up of:
Ben Turner, Hugh Cashmore
Jason Wong, David McMonnies
Glenn O'Sullivan, Jeremy Byrne
Richard Manevski, Robert Balkin,
David De Candia, Dominic Felton,
James Guion, Adam Hreszczuk
Alex Graham, James O'Donnell
Robert Power, David Rohl
Chris Gallagher

It is safe to say that the mighty 6th XI had an exceptional season. Overcoming their opponents became second nature for this triumphant team as skills flourished and team work shone.

The array of talent was outstanding, with a fearless backline led by Chris Gallagher, an awesome mid field commanded by James Guion and the elite goal scoring front line.

The mighty 6th XI went through the season undefeated. Each game gave the players more confidence and reinforced their will to win. In their first match they defeated Scots, 2-0 and then experienced a bye against The Kings School.

The following week saw a 5-1 win against Newington College. We were both focussed in attack and defence and continued to play in top form throughout the season. In the final match against St Joseph's College, Robert Balkin showed his true colours and scored both goals to cap off the season with a 2-0 victory.

This 'never say die' attitude was the core belief and practice of the 6th XI team. Every game became a challenge, not only to win, but to win by the largest possible margin. It would be an understatement to say that the mighty 6th XI was largely self-sufficient.

However, credit must be given to Mr Andrew Felton for his coaching and dedication to the team during the season.

It is hard to sum up the simply unbeatable year that the mighty 6th XI had in one word. But, if necessary to do so, the one word that best gives light to the season and the team, that is the mighty 6th XI would be untouchable.

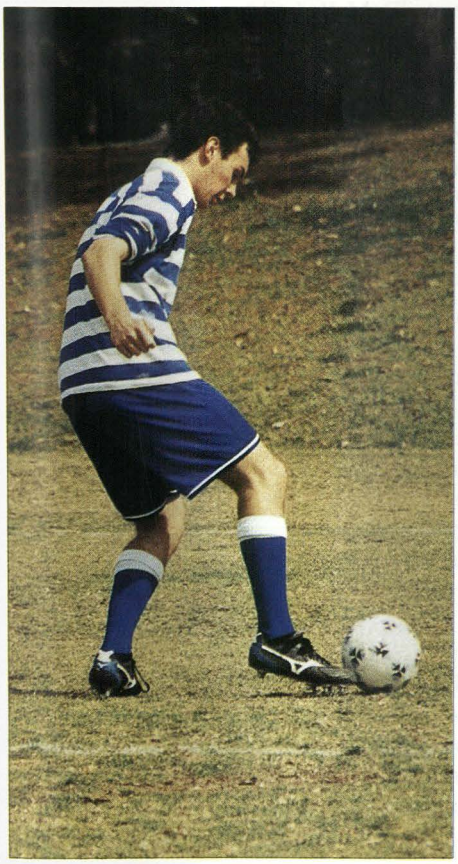
Dominic Felton

	TSC	TKS	NC	SHS	SGS	Shore	SJC
	26/7	2/8	9/8	16/8	23/8	30/8	6/9
6th XI	2-0	Bye	5-1	2-0	1-0	1-1	2-0

soccer 7th XI team



Back row, from left, Jeremy Moore, Charles Passmore, Daniel Gunn (co-captain), Thomas Clear, Mr John Limbourn, Myles Rogerson, Patrick Roberts (co-captain), Thomas Clement
Front row, from left, Daniel Gregory, Nicholas Prior, Douglas Marshall, Andrew Lazzaro, Andrew Walter
Absent: Andrew McDonald-Hughes, Michael McLean



Typical of half time during a 7th soccer match.

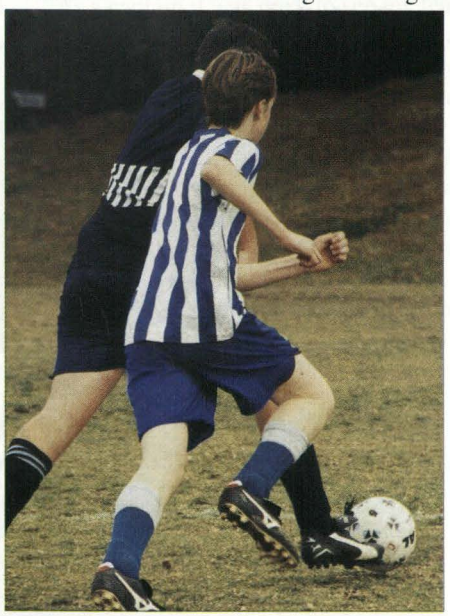
"The time has come, the coach did say to talk of many things,
Of what we did on Friday night and sometimes -Soccer things ...
But wait a bit, the team did say, before we have our chat,
For all of us are out of breath, and some of us unfit.
No worries said the coach to them, they thanked him much for that."

This year, 2003, there was a much more stable and cohesive group of players in the 7thXI soccer team.

Douglas Marshall started out as manager (due to an not so old war wound) but ended up playing most of the Term 3 matches – starting in goals and ending up in the back line.

Self-appointed co-captains for the team were Daniel Gunn and Patrick Roberts - they were often more concerned with public relations than aggressive leadership. The star of the team was, without doubt, Myles Rogerson. Myles was a forceful attacking player constantly scoring goals. He was an inspiration to all on the team. Other hard playing, hard hitting players were Andrew Lazzaro, Daniel Gregory and Andrew Walter, always giving their all for the glory of sport: "Citius, altius, fortius".

Andrew McDonald-Hughes began





Back row, from left, Dean Dal Broi, David Rohl, Simon Anderson, Nicholas Janu, Peter Sherrah
seated, Matthew Meagher, James Mattiussi, Laurence Bye, Mr John Limbourn, Marcus Bortolotti, Michael Noetel, Patrick Westhoff
Absent: Arman Soetanto, Christian Allen, Christopher Gallagher, David Ellis, Jamie Driscoll, Michael Lowe, Jake Horne

well, but had to retire from active duty due to ill health. Thomas Clement joined the team as a much needed goalie and was able to alternate this activity with Jeremy Moore who managed to talk the ball away from the goal mouth.

Charles Passmore rendered valuable assistance during the season and Nicholas Prior displayed fantastic improvement throughout his matches. Michael McLean managed to fit in a quick and impressive game (if we played early) before heading off to Volleyball.

The most athletic player was undoubtedly Thomas Clear who managed to incorporate many of his Aussie Rules skills into Soccer

In all an inspiring season/year of 7th Soccer with a well deserved undefeated pennant to cap off the boys final sporting commitment with the school.

The 8th Soccer team was also undefeated scoring 5-1, 1-1, 1-0, 2-1, 5-1, 0-0. Congratulations to the young men in this team for an outstanding season.

Mr John Limbourn





soccer 16A XI team



Back row, Mr Ralph Guthrie
Middle row, from left, Jared Deguara, Thomas Silver, Anthony Farac, Alexander McEncroe
Front row, from left, Stuart McLean, Patrick Higgins, Mark Fonseka, James Montano, Dominic Taylor

This year's team was comprised of Mark Fonseka, Patrick Higgins, Anthony Farac, Jack Kennedy, Jared Deguara, James Montano, Dominic Taylor, James Stewart-Hunter, Stuart McLean, Thomas Silver, Toby Carroll and Alex McEncroe. Nicholas Happell, Mitchell McClintock, Matthew Hannaford and Patrick Liddy also filled valuable roles throughout the course of the season.

This season we had the services of Mr Guthrie as coach and mentor who tried many new concepts with the team and challenged the way we had played the game in previous years.

There were 12 games in the whole of the season. In all we had four wins and five draws, but from the GPS season of seven games we managed two wins and three draws.

Each member in the team always gave of his best and no matter what the outcome both captain and coach were proud of each one of them. It is always more important to give it your best effort than win in the final result: after all that is where true satisfaction comes from.

In goals we had Patrick Higgins, brought up from the 15s age group. He adjusted well into the side and was soon showing us some new tricks. The defence, Anthony Farac, Mark Fonseka and Jack Kennedy often displayed great skills and determination in the games.

Unfortunately, sometimes they would have a 'rush of blood' and do something illogical which would often would result in a goal to the opposition. However, these boys always played their best and should be proud of their efforts all season.

The centre of the midfield, and heart of the team were led by Dominic Taylor, James Montano and James Stewart-Hunter. These three boys provided the team with the creativity and at times, solid defence that are required in a modern association football team.

The wing midfield players included Jared Deguara, Stuart McLean and Thomas Silver, although Thomas missed a number of games due to injury. These boys deserve much praise for their efforts – they had never played as wing midfield before and after a short period of acclimatisation to the position they performed magnificently, often outplaying the opposition.

Perhaps the highlight of the season came from Dominic Taylor during the final game of the season, against St Joseph's College. Dom took possession of the ball in our half of the field and 'beat' five of the opposition players on his way towards goal, where he confidently slotted the ball past the keeper to score the goal of the season.

The 'main man' in the midfield was, without doubt, James Montano who displayed great skill and commitment to his team-mates and often exhausted himself during the game. He thoroughly deserved the award for best and fairest for the season.

Our strikers were Toby Carroll and Alex McEncroe, with Thomas Silver occasionally filling in. Toby proved to be the top goal scorer of the season with 8 goals. Alex started the season slowly, but used his strength and determination well and improved his ball skills and positional play during the season. Alex also scored a number of important goals during the latter part of the season.

As a captain it was great to see my team at their full potential: playing real football and playing it our way. I really enjoyed captaining the side and hope to see you all in the opens next year, good luck.

As a coach, I think the boys were the best team in the competition, when they played football the way they displayed against Saint Joseph's, with flair, skill and committed determination. I would like to thank them for their efforts, good humour and friendship during the season. I will remember the 'cream-puffs' for many years.

Mark Fonseka (captain)
Mr Ralph Guthrie

It was an eventful season for the team with all the boys endeavouring to train hard and give the best that they could. As is always the case some of the boys played hard enough throughout the trial part of the season to be rewarded with a promotion to the A side.

Being a B side also meant that many of the players had to play in positions that at times they were unfamiliar with but as is always the case those chosen to do this took it in their stride and approached this with great gusto. Wins against Scots, Joey's and High were balanced with a draw against Kings and losses to Shore, Grammar and Newington.



Back row, Tom Silver, Sam Resch, Bryan Curtin
Middle row, Patrick Liddy, Daniel Bourke, Matthew Hannaford, Mr Peter Wakeling
Front row, Gareth Carroll, Dominic Anderson, James O'Brien, Sean Carroll, Benjamin Morgan
Absent, Mitchell McClintock, Dominic Kelly

The defensive backs of Ben Morgan, Sean and Gareth Carroll, Dominic Kelly and Mitchell McClintock provided great support to our goal keeper Sam Resch. Ben Morgan made it very difficult at times for the opposition with his solid tackles and tireless running. His goal from halfway against Scots was 'a classic'. Sam's keeping also improved as the season progressed.

The midfield of Dominic Anderson, James O'Brien, Bryan Curtin, Matthew Hannaford and Michael Bradley played solidly and learnt that it is important to be the crucial link between the backs and the forwards.

Dominic Anderson never stopped running and Bryan Curtin was always asked to step up by playing on the left side. The forwards, Daniel Bourke and Nick Happell made the most of any opportunity that was given to them. It was a season of mixed results but each of the boys enjoyed the season.

Thankyou to those parents who were always there in support, especially the 8am, 7°C morning at Sydney High.

Mr Peter Wakeling

16C XI team

It was tremendous season for the mighty 16C's soccer. The team worked well but the crucial players were John Hilton, Will Miller, Ed Benecke and Adriano Biviano.

The team was off to a great start with three impressive victories, however injuries got the better of us, and we lost three straight matches.

We finished on a high with a 2-1 victory over Joey's in a game where we had our regular goalkeeper, Pat Hartigan, back from injury. Overall it was a successful season for our team due to the strategies of coach Mr Declan Donnelly.



Back row, John Hilton, Jarryd Malouf, Mr Declan Donnelly, William Miller, Nicholas Guzowski, Adriano Biviano
Seated, James Amodeo, Andrew Sullivan, Francisco Hur, Edward McCoy, Daniel McNamara, Edward Benecke, Nicholas Lalak. Absent: Pat Hartigan

Best and fairest award went to Johnny Hilton and Will Miller (our top scorers) and most improved went to Daniel McNamara.

Special mentions must go to the rest of the team, our goalkeeper Pat, our defence Edward, Andrew, Francisco and Tom our midfield, Richard, Nick G, Tom A and our strikers Adriano, Simon, Edward and Jarryd.

John Hilton

Results

3-1 (vsTSC),	2-0 (vsTKS),
2-0 (vs NC),	0-4 (vs SHS),
0-4 (vsSGS),	1-2 (vs Shore),
2-1 (vs SJC).	

soccer 16D and 16E XI teams



An informal photograph of members of the 16D and 16E team, back row, from left, Robert Dunn, Tavis Standen, Damian Barlow, Blake McGarry, Liam Wells, Jesse Dixon (captain 16E team),Nick Lalak, Pat Lynch, Aaron Dal Broi
Front row, Andrew Samaan, Lachlan Crammond (captain 16D team), Joe Portelli, Nick Nedeljkovic, Ian Dennis, Nick Morgan, Ben von Sperl

16D XI team

The team was made up of:
Will Nathan, Patrick Pragasam, Damian Barlow
Nick Lalak, Nick Nedeljkovic, Aaron Dal Broi
William Laurantus, Lachlan Crammond (captain)
Chris Martino, Blake McGarry
Coaches: John Amodeo and Michael Vumbaca.

The 16Ds campaigned with a variety of coaches and players; at times we had few players and at other times we would have a full compliment. Nick Nedeljkovik was our strongman at the back - he was 'Mr Dependable' always there to clean up. Nick Lalak who later got moved up to the 16Cs played a vital role in setting up the midfield.

Damian Barlow gave the Ds the vital go forward that we needed with spectacular runs and set ups. Will Laurantus was the man with all the goal scoring answers. Lachlan Crammond was the all-round player who at times played extremely well; he was also the captain of this champion team.

Our season was a season of ups and downs with spectacular victories and agonising defeats. The core members of this team were Will Laurantus, Nick Nedeljkovic and Damian Barlow. These members turned up to every training session and every game.

Team members

16E XI team

The team was made up of:
Tavis Standen, Patrick Lynch(vc), Alex McIntosh,
Robert Dunn, Ian Dennis, Joe Portelli
Campbell Dalton, Jesse Dixon(captain), Anthony Power,
Joseph Greathead, Luke Fisher, Nick Morgan,
Andrew Samaan, Nick Lalak, Alex Morrison, John Hilton.
Liam Wells, Pat Hull

It was a valiant end to the season for a tremendous group … some would say, 'the elite few'. On average, only five people who would definitely show up each week, but this didn't matter; because these five carried the team. Special mentions go to Luke Fisher, Ian Dennis, Pat Lynch, Tavis Standen and Jesse Dixon. The rest of the team was made up of players from all codes of footy: Rugby, AFL and Soccer.

With our coach, Simon Nola, we were virtually unstoppable, despite losing the majority of our games. How could we ever overlook people like Liam Wells, who was always out there giving it his all? Andrew Samaan showed the most dedication, turning up to more training sessions than even those people on the team.

With all the team reluctant to throw themselves into the goalkeeping position, we would not have lasted without the joint cameo appearances of Pat Hull and John Hilton, who showed much goalkeeping prowess. The captain and vice-captain pulled their team through a tough season, and we have been publicly declared in the school yard as the best 16Es captains ever.

Team members

Editor's note: The 15A Soccer team had a very exciting, action-packed season this year and the coach's report on it was most innovative, entertaining and exceedingly detailed. However, as space is limited it is only possible to print reports on the first and final round of the GPS season.



Back row, Tim Butcher, Anthony Clark, Grant Clark, Lewis Westhoff, Michael Drury, Tim Veyret
Seated, David Gordon, Ed Livesey, Anthony Pizzolato, Mr Rob Stuart, Michael Williams, Michael Bliss, Tyrone Lindqvist

Round one of the GPS season was at Centennial Park against Scots on a very cold and windy day and on a hard and bumpy field. Grant Clark returned after missing the preseason through injury and added a bit of physical presence to the midfield.

Five minutes into the game Michael Williams at left back won a 50-50 ball at half way. His ball down the line to Anthony Pizzolato was made great use of as Pizzolato took it to the line and crossed to Lewis Westhoff who side footed the ball into the net from close range. Riverview was dominating play, without hitting top gear and almost made it to midway through the half.

An Anthony Clark through ball was seized upon by Lewis Westhoff who shot, only to see his shot parried by the keeper. Westhoff followed in and was first to the loose ball only to see his follow up again parried by the Scots goalie and the rebound booted to safety. Riverview continued to dominate early in the second half and Anthony Clark almost scored the goal of the season when he received the ball at halfway, beat four and sent a thundering shot just over the bar.

Inconsistency, which had been a troublesome companion for the Riverview team reared his ugly head for a five minute spell midway through the second half. The Riverview boys stopped talking, waited for somebody else to do the hard work and almost presented the Scots team with an undeserved equalizer on a number of occasions, one of which saw the ball strike the post and bounce clear. Surviving that hapless spell, the Riverview boys reasserted their superiority and almost made it 2 when Ed Livesey, one of the very few good talkers in the team, was moved into a more attacking role.

Ed made a great run down the left and crossed to an unmarked Michael Drury who hit the ball over from close range. With only a minute left, the second goal did arrive when Anthony Pizzolato ran onto a through ball, used his body well to hold off a defender and crossed to Lewis Westhoff who used the outside of his left foot to steer the ball past the Scots goalie and into the net. A 2-0 victory was a nice way to start the term but didn't disguise the fact that much need to be done.

Last game of the year was at home against St Joseph's College. Anthony Clark and Tim Veyret joined Tyrone Lindqvist on the injured list but both teams were determined to finish the year on a high. Within two minutes Riverview was almost able to open the scoring. Grant Clark broke down the left hand side and the ball went to David Power whose firm cross was snatched by the Joey's' goalkeeper just in front of the fast moving Lewis Westhoff.

Two minutes later Westhoff picked up a loose ball in the Joey's third of the field, beat his marker but was unable to beat the keeper in a one-on-one encounter. Whilst Riverview were creating the better chances, Joey's were battling with more intensity and giving themselves a considerable degree of hope of taking control of the match.

The ball was falling regularly to Lewis Westhoff who at the 15 minute mark shot wide after a nice through ball. It looked as though we were headed for a scoreless first half until, one minute before the break, Tim Butcher's long throw in bounced free to Westhoff whose right foot hook shot past tantalisingly out of reach of the Joey's goalie's left hand and into the net.

The second half was a much more commanding display by the Riverview boys who matched Joey's' enthusiasm but created many more chances. Half way through the second half a corner was not cleared by the Joey's defence and bounced free to who else but Lewis Westhoff. His sweetly struck left foot volley sailed over the keeper into the right hand side of the goal.

There were several other chances for the Riverview boys but none were converted into goals and so the score remained 2-0 to Riverview. It was a good way to finish the season. The performance was strong and confident, and many chances were made.

For a season that was beset with injury – Grant Clark in term 2, and Tyrone Lindqvist, Anthony Clark, Tim Veyret, Peter Leitner, Michael Bliss – the boys performed creditably. The injuries made it difficult to establish a regular line up, particularly as midfield was most adversely affected. In all games the boys worked hard although it did take some time before they developed a more physical side to the game.

The faithful parent supporters were encouraging during the down times and were always enthusiastic, vocal and positive. At training the boys were attentive and enthusiastic. They have all been a pleasure to coach.

Mr Robert Stuart

Editor's note: The report on the 15B XI team was also very detailed and most informative. However, as space in the Our Alma Mater is limited, it is only possible to publish some reports of the GPs matches.

In the first match in the GPS round Vs Scots, the score was 4-0. There were plenty of chances close and around the opposition's goalmouth but the elements and a defiant Scots goalkeeper kept the score from blowing out.

Riverview took control of the game from the outset with A.Clark making many a forward slicing run down the right flank. We were unlucky not to be in front come halftime.

However, after many attempts on goal A.Clark netted two in quick succession followed by a top right screamer from outside the box by L. Pittorino. Relaxing a bit after that Riverview continued to press forward but was denied the opportunity to add to their score sheet until two minutes to go when Paul Francis slipped one past the outstretched arms of the Scots goalkeeper. The final score was Riverview, 4, Scots, 0.

The game against Shore ended in a 1-1 draw. In the preseason we'd defeated Shore, 2-0 so this time we were confident of a strong win. However, this was not to be. Riverview had the ball early on and were unlucky not to capitalise on opportunities provided by Andrew Biady and Luke Pittorino.

Then in a second we were down 1-0. Eight minutes later David Power curled a magnificent shot from 5 yards outside the area into the top right hand corner to secure the draw.

During the second half we continued to set up chance after chance, however, the Shore goal in the first half seemed to dampen our spirits and the score ended up a 1-1.

In the match against St Joseph' College on 6th September, the final score was 5-1 (A. Biady 2, D. Power, L. Pittorino, E. Bailey each scoring a goal). The week leading up to the game we trained exceedingly hard and went into the game determined to win.

There was some great tackling at the back by Andrew D'Ambrosio and strong goals from A. Biady, D. Power (again), Luke Pittorino and Ed Bailey. The midfield worked hard all day with Chris Long a standout in a powerful performance.

We had a great season on and off the pitch and results showed 8 wins, 2 draws, 1 loss, scoring 40 goals and conceding a 10 in 11 games played. It was also an enthralling season with plenty of ups and downs, but thankfully more ups, and some spectacular passing and scoring shots. I'd like to thank all the boys who played in the 15Bs, from those who played every game to those who filled in when we were short a few players in the early morning games.

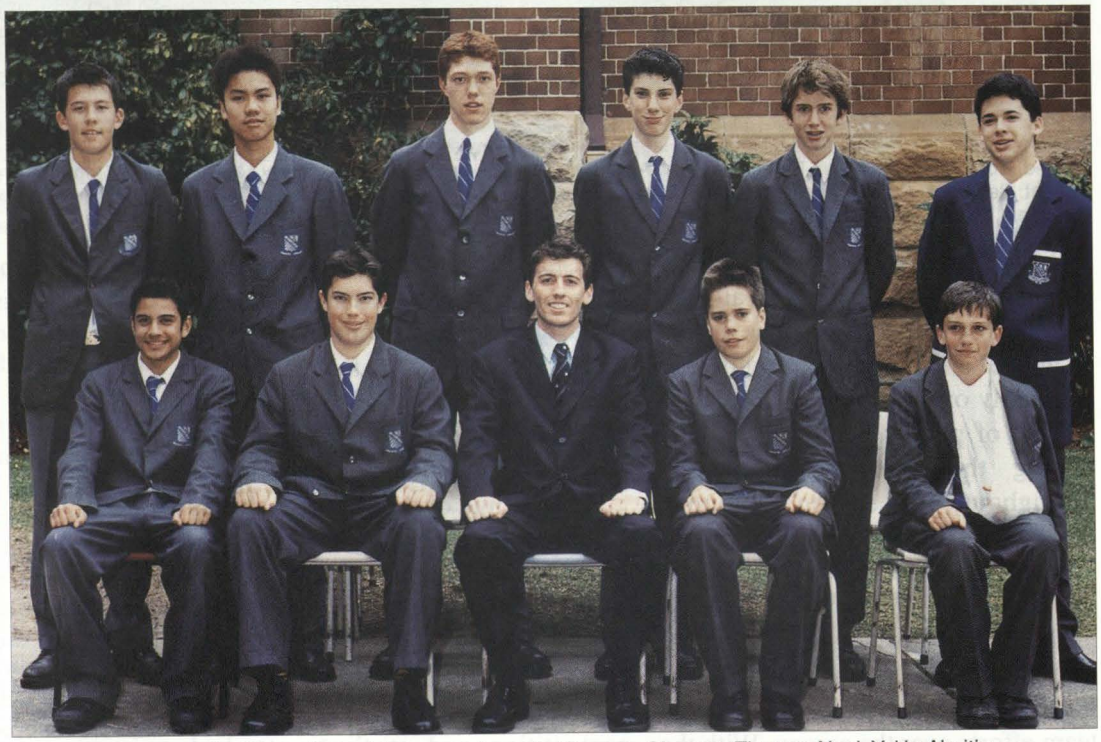
Mr P Twomey

15C XI team

The 2003 15C XI was a team which displayed a great deal of skill, commitment and sportsmanship, whilst never losing their sense of humour and enjoyment of the game.

As a result we achieved an undefeated GPS season. Solid contributions were made by every player across the park. Stephen Clement was a fortress as goal keeper, and was clearly the team's most improved player over the course of the season.

The back-line was equally formidable, led by Andrew Meade (best and fairest) who showed admirable commitment in every tackle. He was supported by Adam Wilson, Matthew Ghisla as well as Campbell Hor, who was the scorer of perhaps this season's most memorable goal.



Back row, Campbell Hor, Hugo Kwan, Thomas Rubenach, Stephen Clement, Thomas Noel, Yokin Aboitiz
Seated, Andrew Meade, Adam Wilson, Mr Graeme Scott, Mitchell Bye, Ben Gilholme
Absent, Matthew Ghisla, Tom Terrell, Paul Francis, Jeremy Johnson, Andrew Beresh

The mid-field was athletic and skilful, with well structured play constantly developing throughout the season as a result of the hard work of these boys. Tom Terrell and Paul Francis played key roles, as did Thomas Rubenach, who became somewhat of the teams' 'enforcer'. Tom Noel was the most enthusiastic of the team. He was also a developing talent with his left foot.

Up front saw the intimidating combination of Hugo Kuan and Mitch Bye. Both these boys trained hard and were rewarded by scoring goals which belied their grading. They were ably supported by Andrew Beresh, who came up from the Ds and played with such determination he could not be dropped.

During the season, Yokin Aboitiz joined the team and became arguably our most skilful player. Jeremy Johnson endured injury during the season but displayed skill and leadership when on the pitch. Ben Gilholme was injured for almost all of the entire season but continued to come to training.

This action underlined the character and commitment of this team. Every player displayed skills and sportsmanship, and with that and hard work on consistency and commitment, they will all strongly contend for higher teams in the future.

Mr Graeme Scott



Back row, from left, Digby Woods, Christian Hagan, Jonathan Forsyth, Patrick Brassil, Kim Garling
Seated, from left, Hugh Miller, Patrick Warnes, Alexander MacLean (captain), Mr Andrew Moon, Richard Condon, Christopher Bowie, Owen Miller
Absent: Bemjamin Cohen, Andrew Beresh, Thomas Smith, Matthew Storr, David De Souza, Christopher Marchand, Michael King, Thomas Saunders, Daniel Fearnley, Alexis de Vienne, James Cleary, Stephen Rohl, Mr Uliano Polatos

The 15D XI players were very impressive and competitive in all GPS and trial matches winning nine matches in total and narrowly being defeated in only one.

A lot of players had a turn at captaining the side at some stage throughout the season, although Alexander MacLean and Patrick Warnes were the official team captains.

The competitiveness and enthusiasm of the Riverview 15D XI was illustrated in many fine individual and team efforts over the season. With the skill and valuable help of Mr Uliano Polatos, the team developed within themselves an awareness of their own ability and a clear measure of what they were actually capable of producing.

Each player at some stage of the season was able to produce a fine performance in terms of scoring goals or making a courageous stand in defence when called upon.

Benjamin Cohen, Andrew Beresh, Christian Hagan, Patrick Warnes and Alexander MacLean were always prepared to attack from the front. Thomas Smith, Christopher Bowie, Matthew Storr, David De Souza and Jonathan Forsyth similarly provided strength in the middle of the field.

Our last line of defence was always solid as Kim Garling, Christopher Marchand, Michael King, Hugh Miller, Thomas Saunders and Daniel Fearnley never hesitated to put their body on the line. Alexis De Vienne was a class above most keepers in the competition and at times attacked from a forward position.

It was a pleasure to note the progress and development in all aspects of a team sport throughout the season. The attacking style of play and committed defence throughout this season clearly improved as each player gained valuable experience from week to week.

The Riverview 15D XI players should be very proud of the way they conducted themselves on and off the field throughout the season and the dedication displayed at each training session.

Mr Andrew Moon

soccer 15E XI team



Back row, from left, Chris Marchand, Gavin Windsor, Matt Storr, James Cleary, Daniel Fearnley
Seated, from left, Michael King, Daniel Condon, Mr Ashton Johnson, Hugh Miller, Owen Miller
Absent: Keppell Smith, Kim Garling

It was a dominating season for the 15E team which managed to perform creditably throughout the season and pre season, only stumbling at the last hurdle when a management snafu resulted in the team and coach being sent to two different locations. The boys therefore played without the guidance and direction that had seen them through to the previous matches against the same opposition.

A highlight of the season was the 4 goal haul by James Cleary against Grammar on the second meeting for the season. Another notable occasion was the match against Barker at Normanhurst when the locals formed a cheer squad for the Riverview team.

Danny Condon showed sheer brilliance with some of his saves while playing as custodian. Michael King was an absolute machine in defence, as was Keppell Smith up front. Matt Storr performed magically on the right wing to serve up telling crosses and scoring three times himself. Matt received the best and fairest award.

Chris Marchand, playing right back, was the Most Improved player of the season. Owen and Hugh Miller spread their talents through the backline and midfield and Daniel Fernley was a solid defender, chipping in to score a goal against Scots.

Kim Garling and Chris Bowie played in the forward line Gavin Windsor played midfield as did Lloyd Malouf.

The team often found it difficult to convert opportunities to goals but usually found a way to scramble in a decisive score in its matches. On the whole the team performed well and had an enjoyable season, with team members developing their soccer skills and fitness through the season.

Matthew Storr

Results

TSC	SGS	NC	SGS	Bkr	SGS	SGS
26/7	2/8	9/8	16/8	23/8	30/8	6/9
1-1	1-0	1-0	4-0	1-0	1-0	0-1

Gaol Scorers: J. Cleary 4, M. Storr 3, D. Fernley, K. Smith.



Back row, from left, Jonathon Chong, Anthony Sommer, Mitchell Dawson, John Took, Jason Meek
Seated, from left, Thomas Krawiec, Chris Harrington, Nicholas Parrella, Mr Paul Brown, Marcel Walsh, Chesterton Cook, Rhys Pogonoski
Absent: David Constable (captain), Tom Riley

While not quite achieving the results that the team had hoped for at the beginning of winter, the Riverview 14As did have a most enjoyable season overall. It was impossible to fault the energy and commitment of the players who competed to the best of their ability in every match.

The boys did improve as a team as the season progressed and skill levels did become sharper and more finely tuned. In what was a very strong year group, the 'View boys were competitive in every game they played and, indeed, dominated the play in most of their games.

However, as the boys came to realise as the season progressed, mistakes tend to be punished at 'A' level, and opportunities given to one's opponents are invariably seized upon.

Although the team might have dominated games for long periods of play, critical errors at crucial junctures allowed our opponents to dominate the scoreboard.

Strong wins against Scots, St Joseph's and Grammar proved that the team had the ability to compete against the best. Even in the team's worst defeat of the season, a 0-4 defeat against Kings', the boys rallied magnificently after conceding three quick goals to create numerous opportunities to score and control much of the play.

The fact that the team could not convert those opportunities demonstrated that some days it is just not meant to be.

Our defensive line of Jonathon Chong, Mitchell Dawson, Anthony Sommer and Chris Harrington, backed up by Nicholas Parella in goal, were strong and courageous throughout the season. Refinements to the team's defensive positional play is an area on which to focus in season 2004.

The midfield was controlled by Tom Riley, Tom Krawiec, John Took, Marcel Walsh, Jason Meek and Chester Cook, all of whom competed strongly, with each having special moments of brilliance during the season.

While all the team members wished our midfielder John Took well while he was in Japan representing Australia in swimming, we certainly felt his absence during the period he was unavailable. John's competitive spirit and skills were sorely missed.

Special mention must be made of our captain and prolific goal scorer, David Constable, who was outstanding up front and had a strike rate that would be the envy of any forward in any year group. Rhys Pogonoski and Marcel Walsh provided strong support for David during the season.

The boys enjoyed playing the game and the company of their team mates. They trained well on a Tuesday and Thursday, and worked at developing their skills and teamwork. In all of these areas, the 14As had a successful season.

Special thanks to our band of loyal supporters who did not get quite as many opportunities to cheer as we would have liked. However, we were grateful for their encouragement.

Finally, it was a privilege to have been associated with such a fine group of dedicated, enthusiastic and happy young men. Congratulations to the team on an enjoyable season and best wishes for 2004.

Mr Paul Brown



Back row, from left, Francois Perrin, Luke Perrott, Hayden Wall, Andrew Fraser, Sam Wall, Anatole Koteczky, Franco Bonserio
Seated, Con Costi, Andrew Collignon, Tom O'Neill (captain), Mr Mark White, Alex Cook, Ben Charlton, Laurence Young
Absent: Luke Tsolakides

The 14B team had a slow start to the season but showed quite significant improvement from week to week. Having not won a trial match, there was a significant amount of work to be done in preparation for the GPS matches.

With the generous help and expertise of Mr George Tsolakides who helped to coach the side from week to week, we gradually began to show signs of improvement.

With three losses, two draws and two victories, the boys began to learn to work as a team and understand their individual responsibilities on the field.

Our goalie, Luke Perrott was in solid form every game saving many goals and putting his body on the line on many occasions. Andrew Fraser and Con Costi were committed in defending the R/back and Sam Wall was magnificent in defending against difficult attacking players and getting the ball out of our danger area.

Anatole Koteczky's skills were evident with thoughtful passing, which assisted in setting up a number of goals. Franco Bonserio was strong in midfield with the support of Laurence Young who worked well with Tom O'Neill to create opportunities for the other forwards such as Ben Charlton whose skills were impressive setting up and scoring a few goals.

Hayden Wall's late inclusion helped to strengthen the team morale. Captain, Tom O'Neill led by example with a committed effort in every game scoring a few goals and talking positively to the team on and off the field.

Luke Tsolakides was consistent in his work up front at striker, scoring a few goals and placing consistent pressure on the opposition.

The ferocious defence of Alex Cook at C/Rback made for a solid defensive shield in protecting goalie Luke Perrott and creating a consistent barrier for opposition teams.

The 14Bs played with tremendous spirit through the season and it was a pleasure to coach them

Mr Mark White

The 14Cs had a fantastic year that saw them finish undefeated in the GPS season. Determination and willingness to work as a team was a major feature of this side. In attack, Tim Higgins and Joe Machart were dynamite in front of goal, turning slight chances into goal scoring opportunities.

This was in turn backed up by the brick wall defence of Sam Morse, Will Crowley and Andrew Collignon. Chris Haigh's electric pace saved the team more than once at the back. Chris Whealing's superb aerial ability stifled many opposition forays into our territory.



Back row, from left, Sam Morse, Will Crowley, Tomi O'Connell
Middle row, from left, Nathan Orie, Chris Haigh, Dave Herlihy, Tim Higgins, Pat Moran, Toby Tait
Seated, Joe Machart, Chris Whealing, Richard Montano, Nathan Vaz, Michael Purtell, Alex Barbara, Brendan Askey-Doran

Hard working midfielders Brendan Askey-Doran and Richard Montano ensured our team was able to control the run of the ball almost always, and it was Tomi O'Connell's mesmerising footwork and long range ability that left the sideline in awe and his opponents watching on. One of the most impressive components of this team was its passing ability, in particular that of Pat Moran, Alex Barbara and Dave Herlihy.

On more than a handful of occasions this led to brilliantly crafted goals that both delighted and excited the crowd. Nathan Vaz's determined work in between the posts ensured that this team was always on top. The 14Cs were a delightful group of boys to coach. It was a memorable season.

Toby Tait and Nathan Orie

14D XI team

After a reasonable pre-season, the season proper started very slowly as we lost the first four games without scoring a goal. Damien Wright our coach found a new job and and this restricted his ability to attend matches and training sessions.

With three games left in the season a new coach, Mr. Cheik Kone, joined the College, and stayed for the rest of the season. With his expertise and enthusiasm added to the mix, we were able to build up a strong end to the season with some wins and goals.

Having a combined training session with the 14Cs and the 1st and 2nd XIs was a notable event of third term.



Back row, Charles Duffy, Michael Barlow, Patrick Carey, Chris Gagliardi, Tim Buckley
Seated, David Watson, Michael Egan, Arwin Soetanto, Maxim Hutton, Ryan Henry, Adam Seeto, Alex Cantori
Absent: Mr Damien Wright, Mr Cheik Kone, Philip Barton, Anthony Pirrottina, Tom Ainge Row

With the team only scoring 6 goals in the season no-one had a chance to score more than two goals. The best goal in the season was scored by David Watson from long range and wasn't even aimed at the goal. The best game of the season was the first game with our new coach against Sydney Grammar. Although we lost this game 2-1, it was only by a goal in the final minutes.

With increased confidence, team work and improving individual skills, both of the last two matches were won by a margin of two goals. Overall, our season started slowly but built to a climax at the end. Michael Egan won the most improved award and Chris Gagliardi won most valuable player.

Alex Cantori and Peter Steffan

soccer 13A XI team



Back row, from left, Bede Kennedy, Conrad Hor, Kir Deng, James Kelly, Timothy Hill, Ronan O'Driscoll, Thomas Docker, Harrison Checkley
Seated, from left, Nicholas Fitzgerald, Daniel Bell, Robert Passas (captain), Mr Terry Shore, Mitchell Milicich, Christopher Millett, Benjamin Carollo

While overall results suggest a mixed GPS season of equal wins and losses, all involved with the 13As will reflect on a positive season of ever improving soccer. We began the trial season as a disjointed group of 'individuals' and a number of personnel and combinations were given a chance to impress. During this period, we faced some well drilled teams but we were rewarded for our efforts and gradual improvement with a win in our final match.

With the team getting better every game we began the GPS season with confidence. We were however, brought back to earth, well beaten by Scots. Some of our players simply appeared shell-shocked by our opponents after what had perhaps been too enjoyable a school holiday.

We trained well over the next week and produced a much improved performance against Kings but after conceding 2 goals in the final 5 minutes we lost 2-1 and our confidence seemed in tatters.

Now facing, what I feared was a long, heartbreaking GPS season, our boys fronted the next week against Newington with surprising confidence. Newington proved to be the best drilled and most skilled team we met but by no means did our boys lie down.

Newington were forced to play their best to score a couple of fantastic goals in the first half. Faced with adversity, our Riverview boys lifted the game to a higher level in the second half, scoring one goal and going close to an equalizer. Though defeated, this game was the turning point of our season with the team filled with the knowledge they could challenge any opponent. Having turned the corner we were not to lose another match.

The 13As won their first GPS match the following week, defeating the previously unbeaten Sydney High 3-2. The introduction of Kir Deng, the goal scoring machine of the 13Bs, had added spark to our attack but the win was hard fought and Tim in goals, along with our defenders James, Conrad, Ronin and Rob, had to work overtime to hold out a hard finishing High.

The boys produced some of their best football in a comfortable victory over Sydney Grammar the next week. Our midfield competed well for everything and recognised the benefit of moving the ball wide to Bede, Chris, Tom and Mitchell.

In our next match we played out an exciting goal-less draw with Shore. It was one of those games when everything hit the post but nothing went in; to be fair to Shore, it was 'heart in mouth' action as they also hit the post a couple of times. But we had again dominated the midfield.

The 13As completed an enjoyable season with another hard fought victory, this time against St joseph's College. While perhaps not our prettiest performance, the Joey's coach paid our boys a compliment by stating that while it was his team's best match we'd been their best opposition. Again our midfielders Danny, Ben and Harry were forced to work overtime to both defend and attack, but met the challenge.

Special thanks to all the parents who supported and stayed with us through the hard times!

Mr Terry Shore



Back row, from left, Patrick Clapin, Lawrence Rushton, Kir Deng, David Barclay, Thomas Kertesz, Matthew Andersen, Joshua Wilkie
Seated, from left, Matthew Garrett, Andrew Cougle, Phillip Butcher (captain), Mr Brad Cooper, Simon Hore-Thorburn, Adam Abdi, Cameron Farrell

The season started in tumult as players were moved from the As, Cs, Ds to the Bs getting an idea of a likely lineup using the pre-season games as a way of trialing us. Thanks to the great efforts from Mr Shore, Mr Cooper and Tony Harrison the final teams to begin the season were chosen, although there were many more changes as the season progressed.

In the first game we were still settling in and getting used to our positions but thanks to the great captaincy of Phil Butcher and support from the midfield and the backs, our forwards Kir and Andrew Cougle put one each past the keeper.

In the second game, we were more organised and we started to realise what a great team we made when we pulled together. Beating Kings 6-0 really boosted our confidence and team spirit. Kir provided the team with another star performance scoring three goals, the other goals went to Lawrence Rushton (1), Andrew Cougle (1), and Josh Wilkie (1).

We then were up against Newington. They were a good attacking side, but thanks to our strong defence from Garrett, Clapin, Abdi, Kertesz, Andersen and great goal keeping from Barclay, they only managed to put one away.

Just to prove that the backs were not the only focal point of the team, our tight knit midfield took the upper hand blasting a further eight goals onto the score sheet.

In our game against High, we took to the fields after watching our kin, the 13A team, win 3-2. With new members of the Bs, Nicholas Fitzgerald and James Kelly, we faced a very tall and talented team. However, the end score was 2-0.

Grammar, as usual, were a most worthy competitor, but thanks to the torpedo boot of Phil Butcher, the antics of Andrew Cougle's celebrations, the pressure was put on Grammar and soon enough they had faulted twice, giving us two penalties both of which Phil Butcher was happy to convert.

We turned up to the Shore game looking hopeful, knowing full well we had beaten then in the trial season. Unfortunately, Shore had the same thought on their minds. This game had to be the worst game played by both teams, with scrappy ball control, and numerous fouls. Having said that it was not the prettiest of games, we did take advantage of the Shore team letting Butcher and Wilkie drive the ball home.

St Joseph's do not have many soccer teams, but they put up a very tough fight committing to every tackle right down to the final whistle. This game was a great team event giving people a chance to move around the field. Even David Barclay, our goal keeper played as a mid. The final score was 9-0.

To be undefeated is an honour, but we believe this honour should be bestowed upon Mr Cooper and Tony Harrison because without them we would not be where we are today.

Thanks to Mr Cooper for his organisational pep talks and to Tony for those tough training sessions and for giving us plenty of motivation in his finest north of England accent.

On behalf of the team, I would like to thank all the teams we played, thanks for the games, the sportsmanship and the venues.

Simon Hore-Thorburn

soccer 13C XI team



Back row, from left, Tom Burns, Brendan Jacquet, Tom O'Brien, Nicholas Sood, Josh O'Neill, James Benecke, Pat Roche
Seated, from left, Ryan Chan, Cameron Farrell, Mark Simpson, Alex Ng, Joseph La Cava

A few things will come to mind when the troops of the 13Cs soccer re-cap their year at Riverview in 2003. One of the most memorable will be the season they shared together in the GPS soccer competition as they finished the season undefeated.

The high standard they achieved was accomplished through determination and by just having that something – they were all mates. The boys created a great bond throughout the season, working together to defeat the other schools.

The captain's job was made a little easier with the great group of boys he had to lead.Elliot Ford did the task of being skipper all season, the workaholic striker leading by example on and off the field.

The dynamic duo of Tom Burns, the general of the backs, and David Macalyk combined their skills with the speed demons James O'Brien, Alex Ng and Ryan Chan in defence, to challenge the strikers from the schools around Sydney . The boys, who showed this on the scoreboard, converting the options made from the backs, also deserve praise.

Cameron Farrell and Elliot Ford became the accomplished duo who became our goal sneaks. They were joined by the end of the season wildcard, the versatile Nick Sood. And who could forget the boy who was born to play the code, James Benecke.

In the middle of the field, the crowd was entertained by James Condon and Rory Grounds, who both showed sparks of brilliance. They were backed up by the mids, who could also put ball to net, namely Joe La Cava and Pat Roche. The 13Cs were very fortunate to have Brendan Jacquet as their keeper, for any defensive slip ups the boys made. Brendan was always reliable as the last line of defence, letting in only five goals for the entire season, an effort worthy of congratulations on its own.

The team has immense talent. This potential came from commitment, with all the boys never missing a training session. The group was as keen as mustard to get on the track even tiring the coaching staff. The lucky coaches of these fine young men were Mark Simpson, Will Harrington and they were assisted by the knowledgeable Ben Fitzpatrick. Mr. Joe La Cava adopted a management role, providing moral and practical support.

It was a terrific season enjoyed by all who were involved and being undefeated only capped off 2003. The players were a credit to their school, and don't be surprised if you see these boys wearing 1sts soccer jumpers in years to come.

James Fitzpatrick

The 13Ds enjoyed a most successful season, but it was not without obstacles and challenges to overcome. For many, this was the first football season that they had played together as a group. For the coaches, this was a new experience managing a team, rather than simply playing in one.

Strong trial matches in the pre-season were followed up by outstanding performances in the GPS season in Term 3. There was no shortage of entertainment for the crowd, with some excellent high scoring matches against Kings, High and Shore (with six goals a game remarkable for any team).



Back row, Michele Izzo, Ben Murphy, Joe Molloy, Nicholas Sood, Josh O'Neill, Richard Saunders, Hugh Satterthwaite, Andrew Smith
Seated, Steven Phelps, Ned Curtis, Pete Sherrah, David Rohl, Jacob Horne, Toby Wiche, Joshua Long
Absent: Nicholas Callaway

The highlight of the season was the match with Newington, certainly the team's toughest competition. A nail biting game, drawing the best from all players, came down to a precarious locked score (2-2) in the final minutes. With both teams appearing even, a lovely curling strike by Michele Izzo sealed the win for 'View.

All players proved valuable to the team, but special mentions to Michele Izzo and Andrew Smith for their awards due to their consistently strong performances throughout the season. Rick Saunders and Ben Murphy showed versatility in goal and their other positions. Josh O'Neill and Edward Curtis contributed to an excellent defence. The midfield of Joe Molloy, speedy Steve Phelps, Josh Long, led by Hugh Satterthwaite contributed well all over the field. Nick Callaway was missed with injury. Nick Sood gave strong performances up front as did Toby Wiche with his powerful strike.

Overall it was an outstanding and most successful season. It is a credit to the boys and for certain they will continue to succeed for years to come. This is just the beginning.

David Rohl

MIC's Note: The Year 11 boys who coached the team did an outstanding job. They rotated themselves to ensure that the team was never without a coach while continuing to play in Open Age teams themselves, to the point of standing down from playing if necessary – an Excellent group of young men.

13E XI team

The 13E soccer team finished the season with a fantastic victory.13-0 against Kings whom we beat thrice with the same score. It was an unbelievable match.

By the end of the season, each member of the team had scored a goal and our fantastic forwards: Tom Allen, James Dudley, Peter Grimble and our new arrival for the last three matches from AFL Patrick Dempsey had shown their awesome skills

The entire season kept us on our feet as we lost some, drew some, and won some great games. Nonetheless, we were always victorious in the Riverview spirit. Our great defence, Jacob Sperry, Christopher Ratcliffe, and Max Stevens kept the ball bouncing back onto the Riverview side of the field.

Our mid players, Christopher De Silva, Daniel MacMahon, Alex Sharpe, and Michael Jones showed great enthusiasm, effort and skill to bring the ball forward onto our strikers. Our great and energetic stopper, Christopher Moore was full of energy. He was always looking out for his team members, and often managed to score a goal for Riverview.



Back row, Daniel MacMahon, Christopher Ratcliffe, Daniel Fernandez, Hamish Johnstone
Seated, Tom Allen, James Dudley, Ms Stella Ianni, Alex Sharpe, Christopher Moore
Absent: Christopher De Silva, Max Stevens, Jacob Sperry, Michael Jones, Peter Grimble, Patrick Dempsey

Our goal keepers, Daniel Fernandez, and Hamish Johnstone were excellent in protecting the many hits that entered their area of the field. Overall, it was a fantastic effort by all team members who ended the season with a great and tasty pizza party to show the Riverview spirit had not ceased.

Ms Stella Ianni

soccer 13F XI team



Back row, from left, Claudio Santoro, Mitchell Soden, Drew Collins, Stefan Giammarco, Christopher Bonnici
Seated, from left, Giles Alley, Tim Benson, Mr Daniel Brungs, Leonard Law, Daniel Gormly
Absent: Tim Heffernan, Matthew Clune, John Conley, Joe Trotter

2003 was a very successful year for the 13F team. This was due to the depth of talent which was displayed in every member of the team.

The captain of the team, Stefan Giammarco, provided the essential focus and motivation needed by the team by his constant positive encouragement and direction.

The forward line consisted of Chris Bonnici, the first goal scorer of the season, the very skillful Joe Trotter and John Conley who could be relied upon to always put maximum effort into the game.

The midfield players, such as Leonard Law, constantly provided the forwards with plenty of goal scoring opportunities. Tim Heffernan and Daniel Gormly created exciting moments in many games with their unrivalled skill and pace.

Mitchell Soden, who was always cool under pressure, was the best goal shooter on the team. Claudio Santoro, who played a roving position, appeared wherever he was needed and used his ball skills to save many plays.

The backline was a good example of how the 13Fs perfectly combined the individual talents of each player for maximum benefit. Matthew Clune and Tim Benson provided the backbone of a very solid backline. Drew Collins' pace and determination were essential in stopping the opposition's fast breaks.

Stefan Giammarco, the last member of the backline, possessed an exceptional ability to read the play, and prevent the opposition from scoring. Giles Alley was the team's energetic goalkeeper, whose athletic talents saved many games for the 13Fs.

It was a very enjoyable season and I thank the boys for their commitment to training and excellent efforts in every game.

Mr Daniel Brungs



Back row, from left, Mr Peter Rizzardini, David Cain, Alexander Crowley, Jonathan Scardino, Alexander Scardino, Harrison Chapman
Seated, from left, William Tait, Nicholas Scougall, Conor McCraith, Jonathan Shuttleworth, James Campbell, Damian Rocca, Riley Morgan

It has been my pleasure this year to coach the 12 A soccer team. Throughout the season I was continually impressed, not only with their level of skill, but with the spirit in which they played the game.

We had a very successful season with 8 wins and only 2 losses. Even in the games we lost, we had more than our fair chances to win, being 1-0 up against Knox with ten minutes to go before allowing them back into the game. In our other loss to St Aloysius, we had the better of the game in the second half but just couldn't find the net despite numerous opportunities.

The team had a mixture of talent, speed and strength. In most games we were able to use an aggressive 3. 4.3 formation built on the strength of our keeper, Harrison Chapman and our back 3 led by Jonathan Scardino with the help of Nicholas Scougall and Damian Rocca.

Our central midfield pair of David Cain and William Tait were very creative with the ball and took control of most games. Conor McCraith, Alexander Crowley and Jonathan Shuttleworth needed to be fit and flexible, being called on to be both attacking and defensive midfielders depending on the situation.

We played with 3 men up front: Riley Morgan and James Campbell with speed out wide and Alexander Scardino playing behind the back two holding the ball up and delivering quality passes.

When the need arose, due to player injury or non-availability, the squad was further strengthened by the addition of several players from the 12 B squad, most notably Joss Hickey, Thomas Murphy, Justin Walsh, Lewis Holmes and Nathan Aranha.

These players fitted easily into the squad and on more than one occasion were called upon to play two full games.

There were many highlights from such a successful season, but the standouts were the win against a highly regarded St Pius team and a come from behind victory in the last minute over St Patricks.

During the season the team amassed 36 goals and only conceded 12. Along the way they defeated teams such as Scots, Cranbrook, St Pius, Sydney Grammar Edgecliff, St Patrick's, Barker, Trinity and Waverley.

I would like to thank the parents who were an integral part of our team this year, their help, be it in warming up the team, managing or simply cheering from the sidelines was very much appreciated.

Mr Peter Rizzardini

soccer 12B XI team

The 12B soccer team had a great season and played with true Ignatian spirit. There was a good combination of players who enjoyed winning but took the few losses with fine sportsmanship.

Many thanks to Mr Michael Hickey for his support in coaching the boys. He passed on his expertise for which I was most grateful.

Thanks also to the parents for the fun times which helped make the season so enjoyable.

Ms Erica Reading



Back row, Thomas Duffy, James Anthony, Nathan Aranha, James Livesey, Joss Hickey, Ms Erica Reading
Seated, Justin Walsh, Lewis Holmes, Thomas O'Brien, Thomas Murphy, Luke Mildren, Oliver Wilson, Thomas Ftizsimons

12C XI team

I began coaching the boys half way through their soccer season and it was important for each boy to get to know me rather quickly in order to get used to my company and ultimately gain something positive from each training session.

This task was made easy due to the amiable temperament of the group and the fact that each and every boy worked for each other and not just themselves, which is fundamental when playing a team sport such as soccer.



Back row, Tyrrell Chase, William McGushin, Joseph Scarcella, Conor O'Driscoll, Michael Costi, Alexander Dale
Seated, Jason Brooks, Maxim Strokon, Jeremy Sullivan, David Lynch, Sebastian Chan. Absent: Mr Ben Hunt

The season was thoroughly enjoyable for me as a coach, and I'm sure the same can be said for the boys. The results did not reflect the overall commitment of each boy during the games. With home losses against Grammar and St Patrick's early on in our campaign I knew thing could only improve, and they did.

Our next game was to be against the reputable St Aloysius College, away from home. I arrived at the game in a cab, as per usual, feeling confident following an intense fitness session and a very positive strategy meeting earlier in the week.

By now the boys had settled into their positions well and this was made apparent during the game. With outstanding performances from Jason Brooks taking charge down the wing with his electric pace and quick thinking. Our captain, young Joe Scarcella playing striker, showed vision and determination coming closest to scoring our first goal. There were many chances to score, created mainly by our mid-field players. Sebastian Chan, nursing an injury, proved he was a true fighter, winning the ball and finding his team mates with some impressive passing.

In defence, Alex Dale and Maxim Strokon were strong and aggressive setting an excellent standard to their team mates. Michael Costi was given the job to maintain order in the defence and he did this very well throughout the season. And where would we have been without young Jeremy Sullivan challenging players twice his size and managing to kick the ball so far up the pitch he turned defence into attack with one swing of the leg. The game was by far the most exciting and enthralling match and taking into account the match was away the boys did extremely well. Although we lost 1-0 it was a great match to be a part of.

Following that game the boys' will to win became more apparent with two consecutive draws against Barker and Trinity. The Trinity game saw Conor O'Driscoll shine early on, creating many chances for the team. Tom Beswick also performed well under pressure in goals making some super saves. He came out of goals for the second half and proved his skills as a striker.

All in all I was very impressed with the manner of each player during games and training. I feel privileged to have coached such a pleasant group of boys.

Mr Benedict Hunt

The 11A soccer squad did an outstanding job during the season with only 3 losses, 2 of which were extremely close encounters. The most outstanding feature for the season was the way the team's individual skills complimented each other. All the players need a special mention for their effort, teamwork, skill and sportsmanship.

Our gallant goalie Mitchell Cook worked consistently in the goals. He was strongly supported by the backs, Patrick Lane, Hayden Protich and James Zimbulis, who often turned the game around and returned the play to our end.



Back row, Mr Chris Baxter, Giancarlo Giacomazzi, Tomas Godlewski, Hayden Protich, Dominic Sweeney-Nash, Patrick Lane, Michael Golding, Mr George Cassar
Seated, Kade Fallins, Clark Wenborn, James Zimbulis, Mitchell Cook, Marc Rahme, Thomas Baxter, Tim Fitzgerald. Absent: Ivan Pavlovic

The magic boots of Dominic Sweeney-Nash, Giancarlo Giacomazzi, Ivan Pavlovic and Marc Rahme created numerous opportunities during the season and were a vital part of our winning combination.

Kade Fallins, Thomas Baxter and Tom Godlewski were the dynamos of the team who worked tirelessly each week running all over the field with consistently skillful effort. Tim Fitzgerald and Michael Golding spear-headed our attack with great results, consistently penetrating the opposition's strong defence.

Unfortunately, Clark Wenborn had to miss the first half of the season due to a broken arm, which spurred him on for the rest of the season, as he created excellent opportunities for the forwards.

A special thank you to Chris Baxter who coached the team. His dedication, time and effort are greatly appreciated. Thank you also to all the parents for their support and interest shown during the season.

Mr George Cassar

11B XI team

The season was a great success with many players extending their skills at vital times either to win games or to snatch a draw. Two losses during the season were against teams of much greater ability, even so the scores were very close.

At the beginning of the season it appeared that many players had many skills and it was the team's responsibility to put the skills and ability together to formulate a good team. This was achieved and the season was a happy and successful one due to the efforts and involvement of all players.



Back row, Nichols Roubicek, Thomas Powell, Mr Peter Burke
Middle row, Jonathon Hugh, Chester Salter, Liam Prosser, James Colla, James McCallum, Sebastian Henry-Jones
Seated, Jack Gracie, Joe Brown, James Hanrahan, Oliver Grumble (captain), William Hanrahan, Matthew Prior, Arthur Hayes

Oliver Grimble was a good leader and played many fine games in both attack and defence. He was assisted by a determined forward line of Chester Salter, James McCallum and Jack Gracie who scored many goals between them. Jack Gracie scored the only goal scored against St Patrick's during the entire season. Arthur Hayes and Matthew Prior worked tirelessly in the mid-field turning

many opposition attacking raids into opportunities for Riverview to score. Matthew Prior, in many games, ran from one end of the field to the other in both attack and defence. William and James Hanrahan finished the season as very strong defenders. Both developed the knack of moving forward, intercepting the ball and clearing well downfield turning the opposition around and allowing their team to attack the goal.

Jonathon Hugh was another most reliable player who was able to read the game and knew exactly when to come forward and diffuse the opposition's attack.

Sebastian Henry-Jones played in many positions from the forwards to defence and it did not matter where he played he was prominent in both attack and defence. Joe Brown was another player who at times seemed to be all over the field. Joe's positional player was a little wayward but this was to our advantage as he seemed to be in the right place whenever the extra player was needed. Thomas Powell took a little time to find his place in the team; however, he was always willing and enthusiastic and played important parts in many games as a solid defender.

During the season the team had three goal-keepers who also played in the field. James Colla, Nicholas Roubicek and Liam Prosser were all excellent in their position as custodian of our goal. When they played in the field they again proved most valuable players.

In two games, Liam Prosser was extraordinary saving many goals, turning the games in Riverview's favour. Liam won the best and fairest award for the team for his efforts, both as goalie and playing in the field.

I thank all the supporters for their enthusiastic and encouraging support of the boys. I would like to especially thank Joe Brown's father who brought the crowds alive when Riverview scored a goal by blowing loudly on a large air-horn.

The boys certainly enjoyed being acknowledged for their efforts in such an obvious and enjoyable manner. I also thank the boys for a great season of fun and enthusiasm. Although we suffered two losses on the scoreboard we did not let one another down. Each game was played out to the final bell with determination and commitment. I congratulate the team on a great season.

Mr Peter Burke



11C XI team

Back row, from left, Zachary La Cava, Thomas Powell, Michael Samaha
Middle row, from left, Mrs Margaret Cullen, Thomas Edwards, Patrick O'Neill, James Duncan, Edward McGowan, Alexander Kalyk
Seated, from left, Sean Maroney, Callum Lee, William Taylor, Michael Wewege, Domenic Cuda, Thomas Hartigan, Jeremy Ferrer

The soccer season for the 11C team was characterised by enthusiasm and development of skills. For many boys this was their first opportunity to play competition soccer. After losing their first three games, an excellent sense of teamwork developed and significant improvement in all aspects of the game emerged.

The team enjoyed a 'purple patch' in the middle of the season with three wins and a draw against some evenly matched teams. Unfortunately the two hardest games of the draw were left until the end. These were against St Patrick's, Strathfield and St Pius, Chatswood and although the boys were beaten convincingly they fought strongly and bravely throughout, with Thomas Hartigan outstanding in courage and defence at goalie after stepping into the breach.

Some excellent defensive work was carried out by Patrick O'Neill, James Duncan, Thomas Edwards and Edward McGowan, while Sean Maroney, Michael Wewege, Jeremy Ferrer, William Taylor and Michael Samaha provided flair and determination in attack. There were other fine performances and improvement shown from Domenic Cuda, Zachary La Cava, Alex Kalyk, Callum Lee and Thomas Powell.

It was pleasing to see the development of teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the season. All boys can be proud of their contributions to the game and the spirit in which they played.

Mrs Margaret Cullen

Four weeks into Term 2 the decision was made to launch the fledgeling sport of volleyball at the College with a training session. Initially many regarded this as somewhat of an inconvenience, but such was our level of incompetence that it was quickly realised training was our only hope of averting a humiliating loss in our upcoming game against Newington.

The opening game of our campaign was played on a Wednesday afternoon and most of the team only had a vague idea of the geography of Stanmore. Nevertheless, a select few managed to arrive in time for the game and a team took to the court minus bench players or coach.

To our amazement we took a commanding lead against the opposition and eventually ran out comprehensive victors. Most of our knowledge of the game had thus far been gleaned from various web sites devoted to the sport of volleyball, but this game gave us valuable first hand experience of how the game was played. The coach also gained some valuable insight into some of the basics of the game.

Throughout the weeks to come we would play some tough matches against the volleyball powerhouses of Sydney Grammar and Sydney High, and some rather unexciting matches against Newington and Scots College.

The most memorable match, however, was our surprise victory over the previously undefeated High team late in the season. In a tightly contested five set match our exuberance and fitness saw us play some of our best volleyball of the season.

Marc Malouf's serves were simply awesome, the agility of Michael McLean was something to behold, and the powerful spikes of Alex Harris and Tim Byrne were frightening. Mark Flower demonstrated some of his vastly improved skills at the net, Paul Barton never stopped shouting encouragement, and Will Magnus surprised not only the opposition with his freakish and unpredictable plays.

Andrew Cutcliffe was as positive as ever, and Benny Bryant covered the court with great speed and enthusiasm.



Standing, from left, Marc Malouf, Will Magnus, Mark Flower, Sean Mason
Seated, from left, Alexander Harris, Timothy Byrne, Mr Michael Lane, Paul Barton, Declan Walsh
Absent: Benjamin Bryant, Michael McLean, Matthew McDonald, Andrew Cutcliffe,

With such a talented and passionate team it was an easy task for the coach to oversee a successful first season.

I should also thank Declan Walsh, Sean Mason and Matthew McDonald for their contributions at various times throughout the season. The team was never short of players such was the enthusiasm of all involved.

Mr Michael Lane

House Master
Mr Melvyn Morrow

Tutors
Mr Peter Kovacs
Mrs Sharon McLean
Mr James Rodgers
Mrs Jo Schuster
Mr Damien Thompson
Ms Michael Plumley

Associates
Mrs Deidre Agnew
Mr Bruce McKay
Ms Stephanie Tita (also acting tutor)

For information of any real value, devotees or just plain addicts of this column should refer to the relevant introductions of the last twenty Almae Maters and whoop with appropriately manufactured satisfaction. Yet again, Campion remain the tug-o-war champions! Plus ça change and whatever's French for nerny, nerny, nerny!

Voting for the 2003 House leaders was characteristically strategic. What is it about the genius of this House that so shrewdly votes for a balanced ticket? Probably years of successful practice. In any case, Henry Shepherd was voted House Captain by a clear majority, Justin Fleming received the well deserved accolade of Captain of Boarders, and our Vice-Captains were Harry Windsor and Andrew Cahill.

Given the 2002 long and luminous leadership shadow (Campion rejoices in paradoxes) our 2003 team simply went elsewhere with imagination and confidence. Wisely eschewing Campion's Creek 2, they found in Tom Bromley a cinematic subject worthy of Homeric exploration, and A Day In The Life Of Tom Bromley, Boarder, established our eponymous hero as the Brad Pitt and Heath Ledger of Kevin Fagan House.

Just as art imitates life, so the reverse happened over the year with Tom at appropriate and inappropriate moments streaking across the O'Kelly Theatre stage. It provided food for thought.

Other new House Meeting segments included the occasional Daniel Gregory-Jung Ma Dogfight in which two of Riverview's most articulate thinkers argued flamboyantly over a major issue and so created heat, light and a dash of hokum. It was impossible not to take sides, or in some cases, umbrage.

Justin Fleming's Cooma Commentary saw the mountain sage challenge guests from each Year to state their views on a hot topic, stirred the while by cool Snowy Mountain irony and the odd snow job. His final cascade on the value of the Ignatian Children's Holiday Camp was nothing short of inspirational. He should become Prime Minister.

Our special guests included old boy Ben Shepherd (1993), volunteer fire fighter; Ben Korbel 1996 House Captain and DJ legend; Charles Magnus, 1999 Grummitt Scholar; Julian Morrow, old Aloysian, co-editior of The Chaser, Washington Correspondent of the ABC's CNNNN and son of MLM; and Jessica Rowe, Channel 10 newsreader.

Our opening House Prayer has never been more varied or challenging. Joe Natoli started us off as Soul Man, then Mrs Schuster's Tutor Group acted out a prayer/parable. Dominic Hogan also provided valued input. In Campion, we boast that our House Meetings highlight creative prayer. We similarly boast that when we make the sign of the cross, we do so with dignity and volume. Were that the only achievement each year, it would be worth recording.

By mid Term 1, the leadership team had moved from movie to panel mode and provided witty news headlines (well, sometimes witty!) plenty of interviews with other House members, and the odd (and I mean 'odd') daffy game. By upping the input from the House, our captains gave profile to the next generation of leaders and to boys from Years 9 and 10.

The Alma went to press last year without mention of Campion's Indian Bazaar effort. Because of space restrictions due to building construction – not to mention the ogre of public liability – we were unable to bring to a fallen world the original sinning satisfaction of the Campion Mad House. Farewell car smashing, flour bomb throwing, pillow fighting, bottle smashing and the like; hello pet rock raffle and human statues.

Unlikely as it seems, these more pastoral pastimes proved rewarding on both the crowd-pleasing and money-making fronts, and although we were unable to employ, as of old, every Tutor Group member over the day, we did provide intriguing - nay, disturbing - entertainment for bewildered chocolate wheel addicts and raise a satisfactory $650 for the Indian Mission. Special thanks are due to our heroically static human statues: Andrew Cahill (two and a quarter hours!), Henry Shepherd, Harry Windsor (and silent the while!) and Andrew Wells, whose Hamlet the world now awaits.

Our 21st House Mass was celebrated by Riverview's 1987 Captain of the School, the recently ordained Fr Jeremy Clarke SJ.

A full chapel listened attentively to Jeremy's summary of St Edmund Campion's story, and everyone took on board the message that unless we have something to die for, it's unlikely we have all that much to live for. In these comfortable times, that bracing message demands reflection.

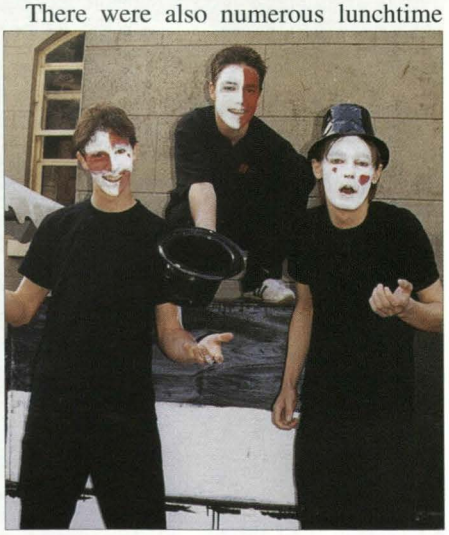
The Mass was also memorable for its touching conclusion when each of our Year 12's is called by name and, on the darkened altar, is given a black and red candle with the exhortation to let his light shine. Our graduands then process down the aisle and with their candles still alight, form a guard of honour for the exiting parents and boys. In symbolism and emotion, it's deeply moving.

Our post Mass stand-up picnic was, as always, a happy blend of business and socialising.

On the sporting front, after our triumphs of recent years, we combined league table projection with self-interest and shrewdly reverted to being sportsmen for others. 'The Happy House' came somewhere or other in Tennis, and despite signifant efforts to throw away games, for reasons unknown came second in Cricket. The new inter-House sport of Volleyball saw us thrashed in the first round – character bulding, of course, though not that strengthening as to get us past the first round of inter-House Soccer.

We shone, however, in Cross Country, where inspired by Kimon Tellidis's sensational victory, all our Year 10 and 11 competitors pushed themselves to the limit and ensured that Campion took out a handsome victory. But then again, we've always regarded Cross Country as the sport to shine in.

There were also numerous lunchtime



Byron Fay, Daniel Millar and Matthew Hickey performing at the Indian Bazaar, 2003



Back Row L to R: Liam Wells, Andrew Meade, Matthew Millar, Nicholas Nelson
Seated L to R: Matthew Hickey, Daniel Millar, Jeremy Byrne, Timothy McBride, Mrs Joanne Schuster, Andrew Wells, Patrick Ho, Andrew Cahill



Back Row L to R: Nicholas Crisci, Anthony Farac, Kim Garling
Seated L to R: William MacArthur, Brodie Stewart, Thomas Stalley, Sean Mason, Mr James Rodgers, Thomas Prichard, Dominic Cuschieri, Murray Hansen Absent: Sam Egan



Back Row L to R: Adam Ahern
Seated L to R: Mitchell McClintock, Daniel Ahern, Rohan Keys, Mr Michael Plumley, Wystan Wu, Mark Jeppesen, Matthew Martin, Anthony Baine Absent: Alex Herlihy, Harry Windsor, Robert Balkin, Byron Fay



Back Row L to R: James Rogge, Timothy Ley, Edward Livesey, Paul Chandler, James Amodeo
Seated L to R: Marcus Bortolotti, Brett Strauss, Thomas Bromley, Dominic Hogan, Mr Damien Thompson, Justin Fleming, Joseph Natoli, Dominic Felton

games of inter-House something-or-other in which Campion came somewhere or other.

Campion's fundraising is for four charities. We educate six year old Ernest Kapempe in Zambia and we help donate to the Jesuit Refugee Centre, The Asylum Seekers' Centre and Amnesty International.

This year, that venerable gourmet institution and classic fundraiser, Campion Kebab Day, took place on the Regis and Senior Campuses, though having learnt from last year, we staggered the extravangazas by a week. On the superbly organised junior site, we sold out of kebabs and ended up selling free footballs - if that makes sense, which it certainly did to us. Indeed, the Regis lads were so generous they even donated money to our worthy cause.

On the senior campus, we finally got it right and had all the kebabs cooked and kept hot by lunchtime, despite wailings from the odd teacher working under the delusion that their subject was somehow more vital to the universe than the perfection of kebab cuisine. Amazing! Our efficient Year 11s, resplendent in Campion T-shirts, worked as a team and had every kebab sold within 12 minutes. We took $1700 and made a profit of $920.

On St Ignatius' Day, each tutor group followed the school Mass by going off on community service. Mr Rodgers' group worked at the Jesuit Mission centre, Mr Kovacs' went to the James Milson Retirement Village, Mrs Schuster's to St Vincent de Paul Chatswood, Mr Thompson's (after a Tutor Group barbeque) to Macquarie Special Education Centre, Mrs Maclean's to work on land regeneration at the northern beaches, and Mr Plumley's to St Canice's at Elizabeth Bay.

The following day, our Year 11s reported on the experience to a special House Meeting. This reflection proved lively, a quite vigorous debate following each report, but there was a happy consensus that even though some of the tasks carried out were mundane, endeavour doesn't have to be spectacular or dramatic to be worthwhile, or as Milton observed, 'They also serve who only stand and wait'.

Campion rejoices in the skill, dedication and generosity of our tutors. Every tutor group knows that their tutor will be on time and welcoming. This year more than ever, post recess cakes became the fashion, and no doubt some of the incentive to hurry to tutor group was based on considerations of patisserie. We were also fortunate to have Ms Tita as a willing Associate to step into Mr Thompson's and Mr Rodgers' shoes when each Tutor went on well deserved long service leave.

At the Indian Bazaar, we once again displayed our human statues outside St Michael's, and a splendid job was done by Byron Fay, Daniel Millar, Matthew Hickey and Jonathon Wenman. A new initiative this year was our lemonade stall at which Mrs Chantal Herlihy's French lemondade - none better in the universe - refreshed hundreds as they wandered, dazed, in the IB (Indian Bazaar) 1950's time warp.

On the only squash court left, we offered $100 for anyone who could get three consecutive rugby passes through a hole in a thick door, and I'm sure that from Heaven, Peter Wright, who expertly sawed the appropriately small hole, was chuckling as hundreds of hopeful lads and lasses paid two dollars with the hope of making a $98 profit. Unsurprisingly, the banker won. Each tutor group spent an hour manning this licence to print money, and overall, Campion was able to hand over $1,125 to the Indian Mission.

To my gifted, imaginative, faithful, challenging, industrious, persevering and inspiringly professional tutor colleagues, I once again express my gratitude. It's a privilege to be in partnership with Riverview's best, and I know that our boys and parents share my admiration and echo my thanks.

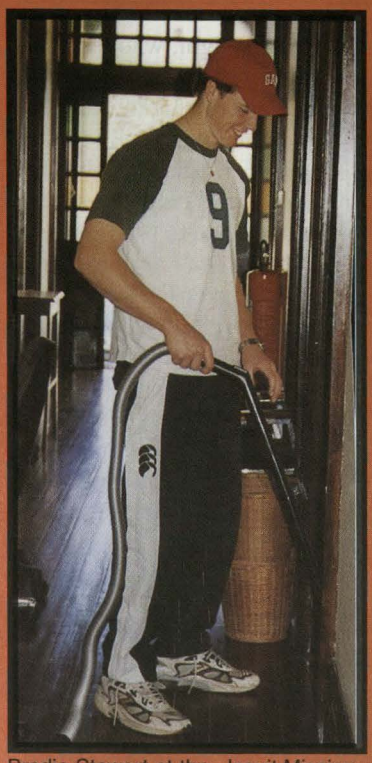
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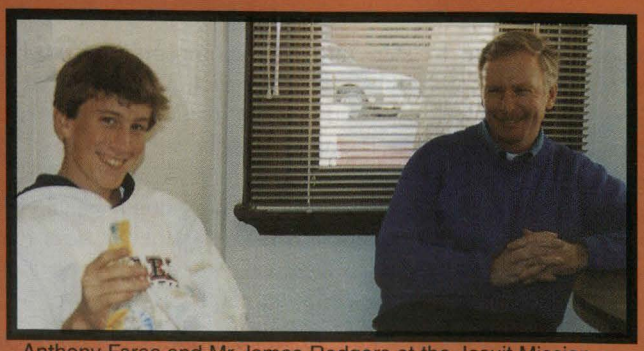
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Seated L to R: Anthony Vumbaca, Andrew Hamilton, Henry Shepherd, Jonathan Wenman, Mr Mel Morrow, Simon Anderson, Dominic Clark, Sam Chaffey Absent: Mr Peter Kovacs



Back Row L to R: Joel Di Bella, Dane Bollen, Richard Colvin, Michael King, Henry Grogan
Seated L to R: Alexander Colvin, Samuel Ridley, Anton Joris, Andrew Walter, Mrs Sharon McLean, Jung Sian Ma, Simon Oxenham, Lachlan Bollen



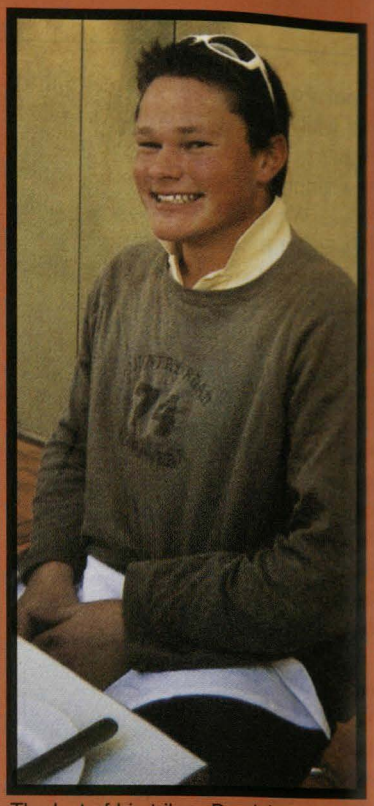
Brodie Stewart at the Jesuit Mission- St Ignatius Day



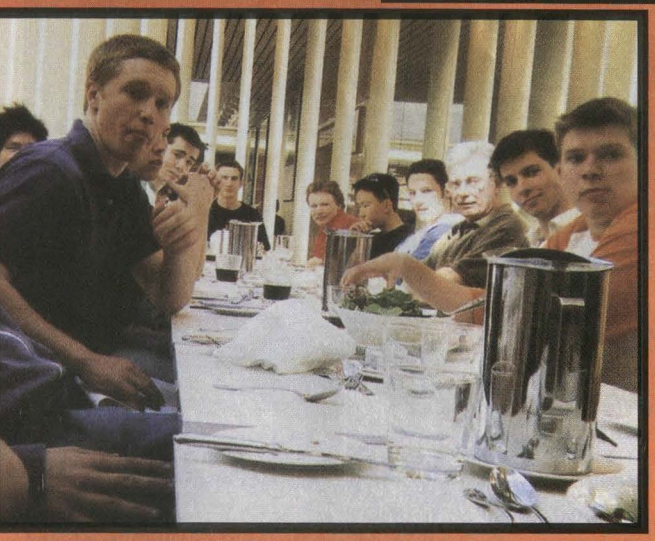
Anthony Farac and Mr James Rodgers at the Jesuit Mission - St Ignatius Day



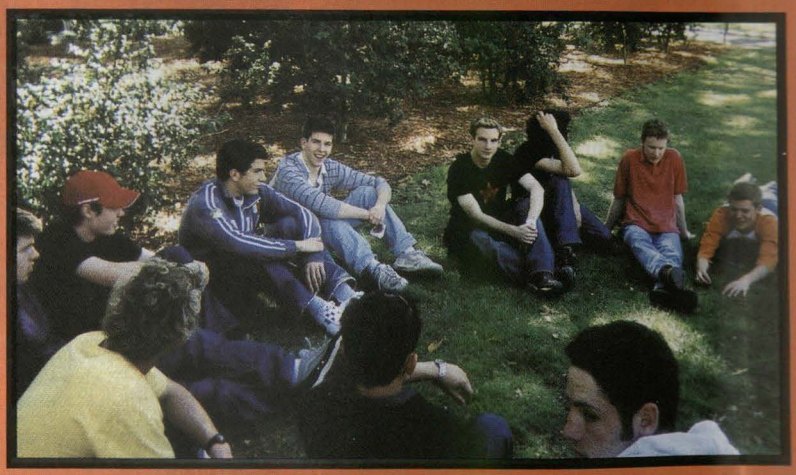
Harry Windsor with Mr Mel Morrow at the House Swimming Carnival



The last of his tribe - Dominic Cuschieri at the Year 12 lunch, State Library



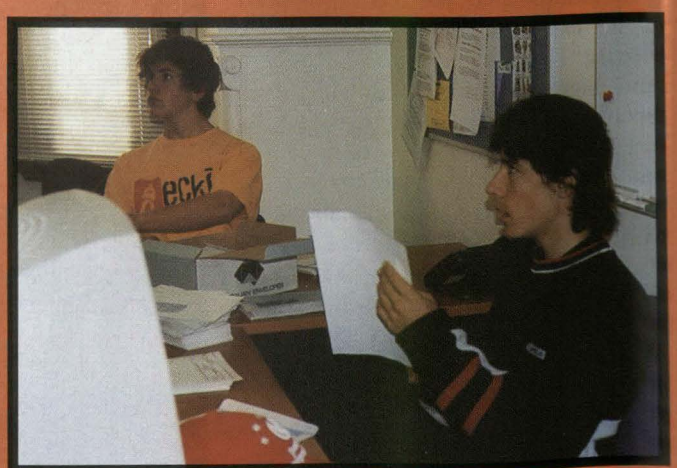
Year 12 lunch at the State Library



Year 12 retreat at the Botanical Gardens



Year 12 retreat concluding on the steps of St Mary's Cathedral



Murray Hansen and Nick Crisci on St Ignatius Day service at the Jesuit Mission office

This year has again seen the members of Cheshire House involved widely in the life of the College. The talents and gifts of our young men have ensured that they are involved in all aspects of sport, debating, drama, music, clubs, service activities and academic pursuits.

2003 has seen the young men of Cheshire live up to the House motto, 'to give is to grow' with distinction. The Year 12s have performed magnificently. Their willingness to be involved and to encourage the younger students were vital ingredients in our success throughout the year. They are a friendly, talented and gifted group who have made enormous contributions to their tutor groups as well as in the House.

Cheshire has again been blessed with exceptional leaders. House captain, Michael Roche, is a student who lives the Ignatian ideal of a well-rounded man for others. He has received solid support from vice captains, Chris Croke and Tom Manion, whose complimentary skills, interests and abilities have made for a terrific team. All three have made significant contributions to the co-curricular life of the College and have provided excellent models for the younger boys.

Charity days were an ongoing success thanks to the work of many boys and their families. Cheshire Pancake Day and the Melbourne Cup Sausage Sizzle were again organised and enthusiastically run by the boys to raise money for the Ryder-Cheshire Homes. The Indian Bazaar Car Wash was unfortunately cancelled due to water restrictions in Sydney at the time.

The House Mass and Supper provided an opportunity for boys and their families to come together to celebrate our community's spiritual beliefs. This occasion allowed parents and tutors to make and renew acquaintances. Many thanks must go to Jean Roche and Jo Manion for their organisation, as well as all parents for their contributions on the night.

The strength of the House rests with its tutors and Cheshire is indeed fortunate to have such a caring and energetic group of tutors and associates. I would like to express my gratitude for their dedication, support and enthusiasm. The tutors invariably do more than is required, and parents, boys and a most grateful Housemaster appreciate their work.

Cheshire has many fine young men and I pray they continue to develop their gifts, grow through their generosity and further become men for others.

Mr Dean Hargreaves



Standing, Damien O'Brien
Seated L to R: Digby Woods, Ben Marshall, Michael Boyle, Mr Peter Colledge, Simon Angove, Dominic Pascoe, Joshua Coulthurst, Edward Benecke Absent: Xavier Hancock



Back Row L to R: Daniel Costa, Mark Pond, Jeremy Neville
Seated L to R: Tommy Rogulj, Jamie Driscoll, Nick Aggar, Mr Declan O'Donoghue, Jeremy Moore, Tom Manion, Angus Rankin, Bryan Coleman Absent: Jokin Aboitiz



Back Row L to R: Stephen Higgins, Joshua Flanagan
Seated L to R: William Mahony, David McIntosh, Charles Passmore, Mr Michael Turner, Phillip Mahony, Mitchell Gorman, Simon Long, Nicholas Lalak



Back Row L to R: Peter Spratt, Matthew May, Michael Williams
Seated L to R: James Evans, William Brennan, Ian Murphy, Mr Brad Cooper, Michael Roche, Alex Auzou, Matthew Fernandez, Thomas Gormly



Back row L to R: James King, Edward Tamsett, Aaron Dal Broi
Seated L to R: Paul Francis, Dean Dal Broi, Luke Hannan, Mr Michael Gray, Michael Francis, Trent Backhouse, Thomas Peattie, Andrew D'Ambrosio Absent: Andrew Walsh



Back Row L to R: Oliver Curtis
Seated L to R: Sam Green, Matthew Hannaford, Sean O'Connor, Mr Peter Wakeling, Will Phillips, Michael Boyd, Tom O'Connor, Nick O'Connor Absent: Tim O'Connor



Seated L to R: Mitchell Rixon, John Hilton, Michael Parmeter, Adam Rixon, Miss Venta Protas, Samuel Farrell, Damien Morton, Philip Matthews Absent: Christopher Croke, Rowen McDermott

Housemaster
Mr Dean Hargreaves
Tutors
Mr Peter Colledge,
Mr Brad Cooper,
Mr Michael Gray,
Mr Declan O'Donoghue,
Mr Michael Turner,
Mr Peter Wakeling
Ms Venta Protas
Associate
Mrs Sue Hutchison
House Captain
Michael Roche
House Vice Captains
Christopher Croke, Thomas Manion



Cheshire House Pancake Day is always a big hit



Cheshire athletes relaxing in between events at House Athletics Day

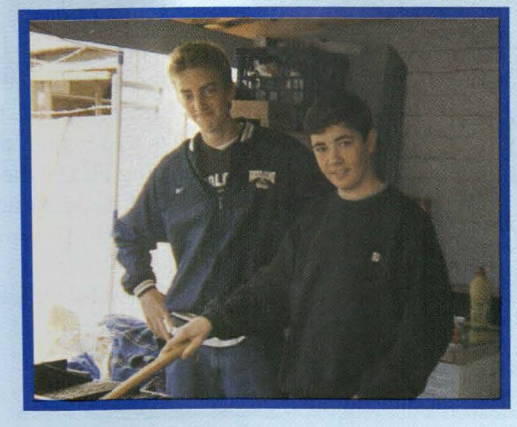


The Year 9 Cheshire Triathalon team ready to triumph





Cheshire students lending a hand on St Ignatius Day





chisholm house 2003

This year has been an interesting year for Chisholm House in that a number of changes and additions have taken place.

This year we welcomed to the House eight fine young men. Joining us in Year 11 were Ben Fitzpatrick, James Fitzpatrick and Arman Soetanto. To swell the ranks in Year 10 were Brenden Brown and Oscar Roberts. Those in Year 9 were enriched with the addition of Jarrod Doyle, Liam Gleeson and Thomas Rae.

Chisholm House has been blessed over the years with a group of outstanding Tutors. They have shown keen professional care for the boys and find no request from the boys too troublesome. This has engendered a wonderful spirit among the various groups.

There have been significant changes in the tutor ranks this year. Firstly, Mr Painter left at the end of Term 2 to do further studies. During his time with the tutor group he built up a strong relationship with the boys and he will be missed. On the positive side we welcome Mr Brett Bastin who has replaced Mr Painter. After just a few weeks he has warmed to the position and is quickly getting to know the boys. It was decided that for this year and beyond one extra tutor would be assigned to the House. Ms Stella Ianni was placed in Chisholm and she has been a wonderful addition. Her vivacious and energetic presence has won over her tutor group in record time.

This year the format and locations of the Year 9 retreat and the Year 12 Day of Reflection were slightly changed. Previously, Year 9 experienced the retreat day on a northern beach, but this year we moved to the Botanic Gardens in the city. This change was most beneficial not only in the beauty of the surroundings, but also the quiet serenity of the gardens allowed the boys to be more receptive to the input of three Year 11 speakers.

This resulted in a great openness among the boys who were willing to share their experiences. In the case of Year 12 the usual venue of St Leonard's Park North Sydney was changed to the Pedro Arrupe Chapel where they reflected on their time at school. This was followed by relaxing few hours cruising on Sydney Harbour. The boat was graciously provided by a Year 12 family.

St Ignatius Day was once again a day for House and Tutor groups to celebrate service for others. Mrs Dale Thompson accepted the difficult task of organising all the activities during the day and for this I am eternally grateful.

After the Mass celebrating the life of Ignatius, the entire House ventured out into the community Mrs Thompson's and Ms Ianni's groups went to Crowle House while the remaining groups belonging to Mr McGinnity, Ms Catling, Mr Bastin, Mr Amata, replacing Ms Stevens, and a sundry few from Fr Dooley's group went to Allambie House. In both centres there was a variety of work done, and the boys felt the day was worthwhile in that they had given service to others.

Our fund raising activities for charity this year were very successful thanks to the generosity of two sponsors. This year we continued to support St Mary's, Campsie, but in addition we gave over $700 to a school in Arusha, Tanzania. Br O'Shea, who runs this school under extraordinary pressure is always in need. This money will pay for the tuition of seven students this coming academic year.

The annual House Mass and Supper was a special occasion in that individual talents and the goodness of the Lord are given recognition in a formal and structured way. The Mass for the Year 12 students late in third term is very special and an important way of bringing to a closure their time as members of Chisholm House.

The score tally for inter-house sport is not all that impressive this year, as a host of 'injuries' kept many boys from competing. There were a number, however ,from the different years who gave of their best. This year Patrick McCabe, in Year 9, and Ben Fitzpatrick, in Year 11, were named the cross-country champions for their respective years, adding some respectability to the overall score.

I cannot finish this report without singling out Pascal Herington for his enthusiasm and energetic leadership of the House. Pascal is generous to a fault and his willingness in organising House meetings and providing a lot of good natured fun has engendered a wonderful spirit among all the boys of the House.

This year has been enriched by the marvellous young men of Chisholm and no doubt this will continue in 2004.

Fr Joe Dooley SJ



Back Row L to R: Alex MacLean, Oscar Roberts (not a member of this tutor group), Andrew Campbell, Will Laurentus, Will Passas, Andrew Galvin, Adrian Bott (not a member of this tutor group)
Seated L to R: Tom Robinson, Douglas Marshall, William Tickner, Ms Dale Thompson, Pascal Herington, Tim French, Chris Galvin, Patrick Cape



Back Row L to R: Andrew Galvin (not a member of this tutor group), Nathan Conaghan, Thomas Kelly, Anthony Pizzolato
Seated L to R: Joseph Portelli, Jason D'Apice, Matthew Kalyk, Miss Amanda Catling, Myles Rogerson, Adam Burns, William Kalyk, Thomas O'Dell Absent: Paul Chidrawi, Brenden Brown



Back Row L to R: Oscar Roberts (not a member of this tutor group), Gwylim Johnstone
Seated L to R: Ben Fitzpatrick, Mathew Fitzgerald, Matthew Cock, Miss Maria Stella Ianni, James Healey, James Fitzpatrick, Arman Soetanto, Jarrod Doyle Absent: Adrian Bott



Back Row L to R, Ben Turner, Mark St John, Jack Turner, Michael Bliss, Benjamin Gilholme, Damien Rockall
Seated, L to R, Scott Turner, Sean Killham, Michael St John, Ms Julie Stevens, Samuel Lloyd, Angus McKay, James Bannister, Andrew Rockall Absent: Jacob Mckay



Back Row L to R: Tim Harrington, Matthew McManus, Christian Ziade, Oscar Roberts (not a member of this tutor group)
Seated L to R: Ben Tickner, Matthew Cock (both not members of this tutor group) Christopher Weeks, Mr Craig Painter, James Auswild, Jeremy Chapman, Patrick McCabe, Thomas Rae



Back Row L to R: Michael Bradley, Geoffrey Ternes, Benjamin Egan, Benjamin Lloyd, Edward Brand, Liam Gleeson, Thomas Terrell
Seated L to R: Brett Thomson, Laurence Shanahan, Matthew Whelan, Mr Mark McGinnity, Richard Buttenshaw, Benjamin Terrell, Bryce O'Brien, Robert Dempsey Absent: Timothy Buttenshaw, Michael Ternes

chisholm house 2003

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Ms Stella Ianni
Mr Mark McGinnity
Mr Craig Painter/Mr Brett Bastin
Ms Julie Stevens
Mrs Dale Thompson
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Fr Robert Davoren SJ
Mrs Reggie Kidd
Ms Kaye Walker
House Captain
Pascal Herington
Vice Captains
Tim Harrington
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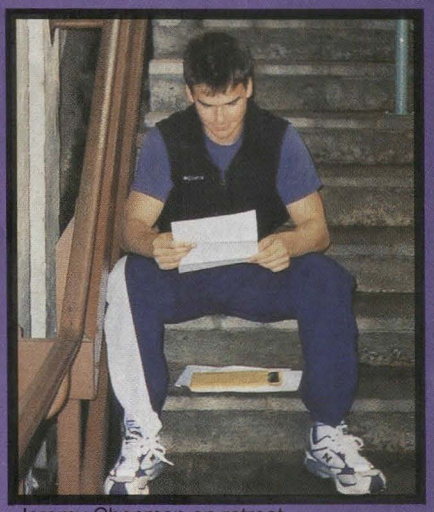


Chisholm House celebrating House Athletics Day

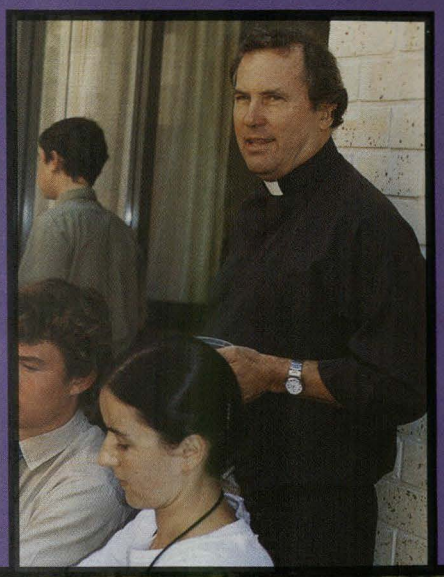
Below, Fr Joe Dooley, Ms Stella Ianni and Ben Tickner selling tickets for pizza day



Jacob McKay - selling pizzas



Jeremy Chapman on retreat

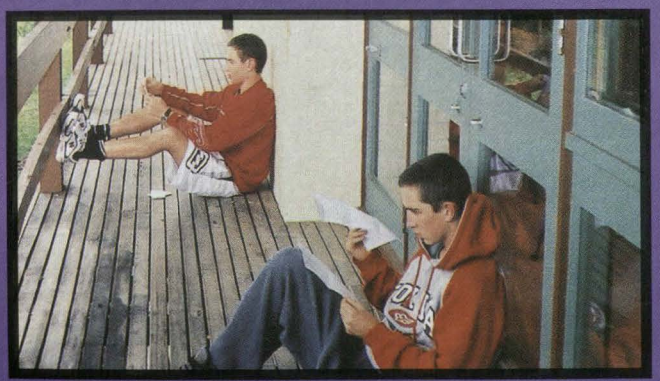




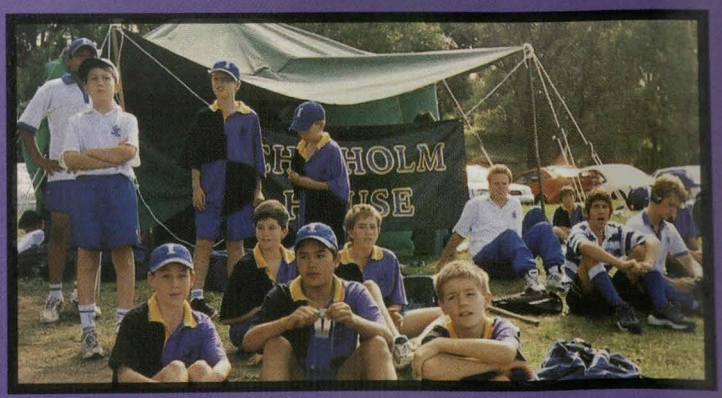
St Ignatius Day service, James Healey, James Fitzpatrick and Ms Stella Ianni



Geoff Ternes, Liam Gleeson, Jarrod Doyle and Tom Roe and others (below) on House Athletics Day



Year 11 retreat, quiet time for Matthew Cock and Ben Tickner



No peace without forgiveness

For me 2003 has been most memorable year, not for the notable sporting achievements or our academic successes, but rather for the friendship and bond with our current Year 12 students. This mateship that they have built among themselves as a year group extends to anyone whom they come across and is the glue that binds them so tightly as a group.

For the Year 12 students this year has been a roller coaster of the deepest lows and dizzying highs. The unexpected deaths of Billy O'Connor and Sam Turner brought a deep sense of loss to the whole Riverview community. However, fFrom tragedy comes strength, and for me it was inspirational to see the way the school, the Year 12s and the House system have pulled together to help and support one another through this dark hour.

This year, the College has enjoyed one of its most successful sporting years. This has been great for the spirit of the College. However, students could only talk about one thing around the water cooler at recess, and that was how could the other houses squash the dominance of Claver House in the Interhouse competition?

It has been our secret weapon of 'participation' that has seen our humble, moderately gifted Claverian's, discreetly and quietly prodding along happy to pick up the occasional second and third placing, topped up with a couple of wins to eventually come out on top as the 2003 Interhouse sports champions. Our message to the other houses (as the Claverian's already live it) is: have a go you have nothing to lose, yet if you don't have a go, you have already lost.

We have been indeed fortunate to have had such a pro-active and charismatic Claver leadership team in 2003, as well as our exception school captain. Mic O'Brien, Sam Watson, Mic Reardon and Tom Van Beek have set a high bench mark for subsequent leaders in the House. Many of their initiatives will live on in the school and the House for many years to come.

The House has once again jumped behind our House charity. The Claver House St Ignatius' Day Car wash made third yard look like a prestige car dealership. Added to the success of Sausage sizzles which saw them at the house swimming and athletics carnivals were hungry hordes were feed for profit.

The house motto is 'I was hungry and you gave' we may add 'for a modest profit'. The money raised was then passed onto L'Arche Communities to help them buy essential items for their houses. At the Indian Bazaar this year the amusement value of the wonky bike made it a hit with the crowds. Many ambitious people with the lure of a $50 prize gladly handed over $2 for the privilege of falling off a bike.

By popular demand Jared Deguara and John Towey answered the call of the angry crowds from last year and brought back the Claver House Milkshake stall. A cunning, early morning price rise ensured that the stall was a profitable success.

The generosity and the strength of character of our seniors are best exemplified by the recent news that four of our Year 11s and three of our Year 12s have been chosen for the Ignatian Children's Holiday Camp at the end of the year. Since there is a rigorous selection procedure and many excellent candidates who apply for the camp each year, this is quite an achievement and again shows the calibre of students in Claver House.

Claver House is indeed fortunate to have such a strong and capable group of Year 11 young men who put themselves forward to be potential leaders of the House. In many ways it is unfortunate that we can only appoint three to these publicly recognised positions.

We now look forward to our seniors leading the House, through their involvement and actions. The appointment of Michael Zucker as captain, Damian Raper and Simon Hegarty as vice captains, is the perfect mix for a strong and committed leadership team and ensures that Claver house is in good hands.

Over my three years as Claver House master I have encouraged 'Claverians' to push themselves to get out of their comfort zone, to try something new and look for new challenges. At the start of each year I tell the Claver House leaders that a leader will not ask someone to do something they are not willing to do themselves. With that said, it is with a heavy heart that I have decided to leave Claver House and St Ignatius' College to take up a position at St Augustine's College at Brookvale.

This decision was not an easy one, for I realise that the close bond that has developed between the members of Claver House, the tutors of Claver house and myself is special and I will miss it when I leave the College. For me as a Housemaster the reward of seeing the Year 11 students step up into their senior year and to have the opportunity to work along side them as seniors is hard to give up.

The new Claver House Master for 2004 will be announced shortly. With the support and welcome of this wonderful House I am sure he/she will be inspired, as I have been ,to be the best he/she can be for the good of the members of this great institution.

With that said, the glue that holds our house of cards together are our Tutors: Mr Warlters, Mr Sears, Mr Harper, Mrs Durst, Mr Guthrie, Ms Rodgers and Mrs Wedesweiler, each with their own talents, styles and diverse backgrounds yet all sharing a common thread, the care and concern for the members of their tutor group. It has been a privilege to work with this group of professionals and on behalf of Claver House we thank them.

In 2004, we farewell Mr Warlters and his family for 12 months. They will be involved in a teacher exchange to Canada. We wish him and his family a safe and enjoyable year and look forward to his return in 2005.

God bless and thank you.

Mr Craig Jeffery



Back Row L to R: John Grant, James Watson, James Montano, Patrick Higgins, Edward Fernon, Daniel Condon
Seated L to R: Andrew McManus, Damian Raper, Michael McGuire, Mr Ralph Guthrie, Stephen Gillespie, Jack Dixon, Ryan Bailey, Nathaniel Hardy



Back Row L to R: Christopher Elsegood, Michael Drury, Dominic Barnes, Ryan Siviour, Blake McGarry, Richard Salter
Seated L to R: Christopher Larkin, Mark Scott, Adrian Fiorito, Toby Anderson, Mitchell Quigley, George Flannery, Michael Zucker, Doug McNamee Absent: Terry McNamee, Mr Duncan Walters



Back Row L to R: Patrick Hartigan, Christopher Bowie, Daniel Aquilina, Alistair Webster, Benjamin Aquilina, Patrick Lynch
Seated L to R: Samuel Watson, James Fox, Jason Bertacco, Mr Anthony Sear, Simon Hegarty, Michael Spencer, Thomas van Beek, Christopher Law Absent: Paul Barton, Joseph Simpson

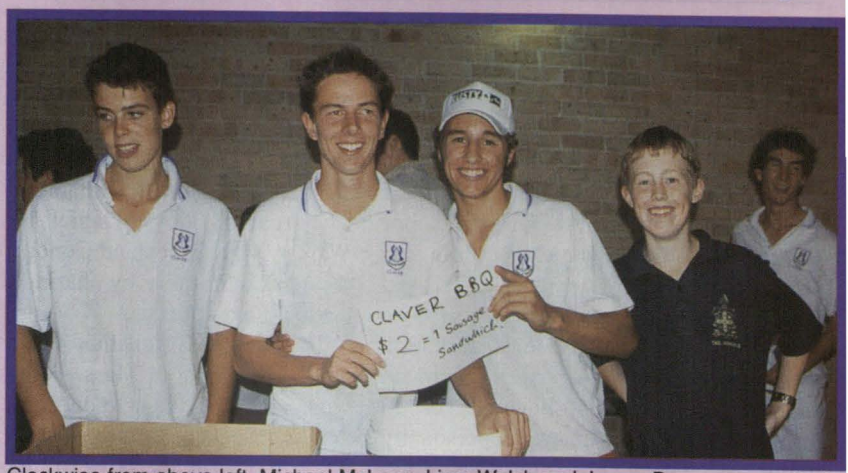


Back Row L to R: Jared Deguara, Kieran McCaffrey, John Towey, Lewis Westhoff, Stephen Rohl, Andrew D'Ambrosio, Stuart McLean
Seated L to R: Michael O'Brien, Nicholas D'Ambrosio, Jack O'Brien, Mrs Katia Durst, Michael Towey, Michael Reardon, David Rohl, Patrick Westhoff Absent: Dominic Reardon, Mr John Harper



Back Row L to R: Lachlan Crammond, Jonathan Forsyth, Tom Anderson, Patrick O'Mahoney, Andrew Kerridge, Benjamin Hunter, Vaughan Hay
Seated L to R: Luke O'Sullivan, James Dwyer, Carl O'Sullivan, Michael McLean (emulating the sartorial elegance of his housemaster), Mitchell Cook, Kevin Condell, Michael Forsyth, Tom Shannon. Absent: Ms Julie Rogers, Mrs Donna Wedesweiler

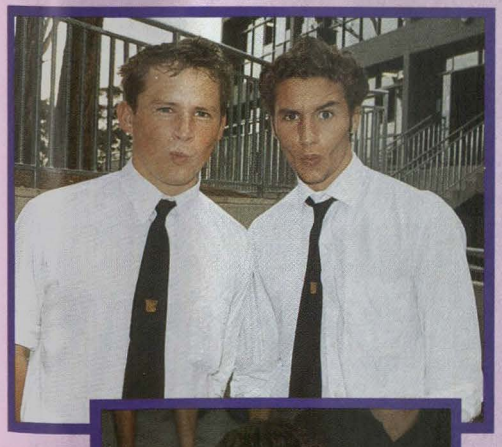




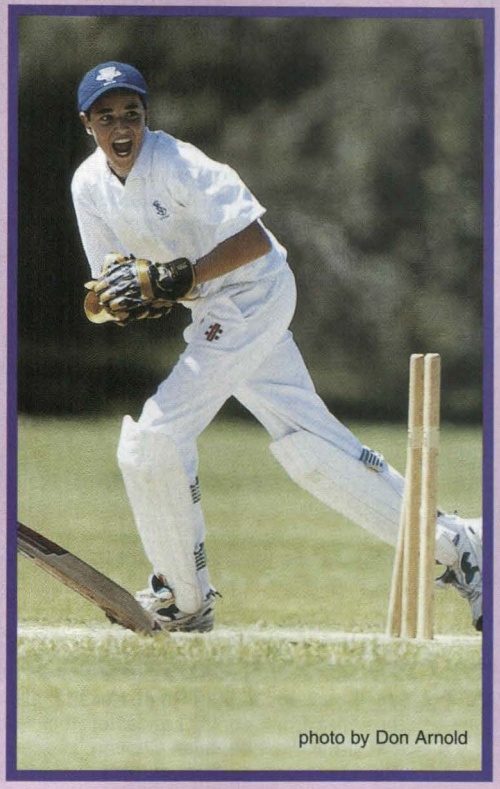
Clockwise from above left, Michael McLean, Liam Walsh and James Dwyer - a musical interlude; John Grant, Michael Reardon, Michael O'Brien and Dan Condon - raising funds for charity; the House Athletics Day; youngest member of Claver House, Hugo Jeffery; Sam Watson washes cars on St Ignatius day; James Montano (1st XI) stumps a Kings' batter; Vaughan Hay at the House Swimming Carnival; Tom van Beek and Michael O'Brien pose shyly for the camera; Adrian Fiorito and Simon Hegarty in the Claver fashion parade.

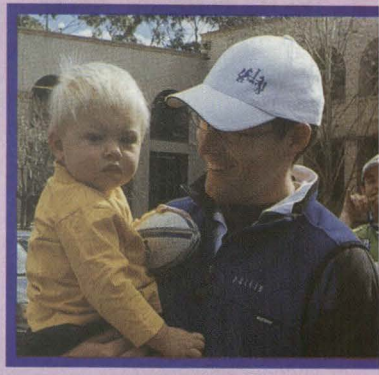














dalton house 2003

2003 has been a year of great growth and development for Dalton House. There has been a positive and consistent participation in many activities in the College and the House.

This year we welcomed three new Year 11 students; Matthew Green, Conor Burke and Daniel Laoh. Mark White also commenced teaching at the College and has brought enthusiasm in his role as a tutor in Dalton House. He is part of a team of tutors who have given continued support, guidance and have helped to bring a happy atmosphere. I personally thank Mr Chris Kitching, Mr John Newey, Mrs Jennie Hickey, Mr John Sullivan and Mr Andrew Szabo.

Dalton has yet again been fortunate to have had strong leadership amongst the Year 12 group. Carl Giammarco was appointed House Captain. Luke Edwards and Andrew Slattery were appointed House Vice Captains. These boys, along with all the lads and tutors, continue to bring a strong spirit of friendliness and this was evident in various activities during the year.

The Inter-House Competition proved to be Dalton's most successful to date, due to more Dalton boys willing to give their time and display their talents. Dalton came third overall in the competition and had impressive performances in Cricket, Swimming, Basketball and Soccer. The effort with Athletics was another example of positive involvement with many boys willing to have some fun and enter races to benefit the House.

The House Mass and Supper was celebrated by an Old Boy and recently Ordained Jesuit, Fr Jeremy Clarke. The night was a wonderful opportunity to bond together with families. Sincere thanks to the many parents who supported the occasion. These evenings are a reminder to all of us of our House motto, 'Blessed and Fortunate'. Special appreciation is extended to the mothers who prepared the supper.

The Dalton House cake stall was another success and another family effort from parents and boys. The stall raised over $250. The generosity of so many cake makers was fantastic. Funds raised from this activity will be put into the Dalton Charity account to be used later in the year.

The Year retreats were another opportunity for the boys to reflect and bond with others within Dalton House. The Year 11 retreat was held at Lane Cove National Park. Students focused on their personal journey and appreciating their giftedness. The Year 12s reflected on their time at Riverview, the highs and lows, and discussed in a group their future aspirations and challenges. This day was held in the beautiful surroundings of Manly.

Year 9s, accompanied by Year 11 Peer Leaders, went to the Botanical Gardens. The Year 11 boys, Daniel Kelly, Jack Walker, Matt Green and Conor Burke, led the boys admirably by sharing their own personal experiences.

The Feast of St Ignatius' was celebrated by a whole school Mass. Following this we again played host to our friends at the Asylum Seekers Centre. It was a day of opportunity for the boys to interact on a personal level with women, men and children who have most difficult and challenging lives. Many of these people have fled from their own countries, fearing political persecution, oppressive regimes and civil war.

At lunchtime, the boys in Mr Kitching's group catered for more than 140 people and did a wonderful job. Other activities included music, kite flying, face painting and games of soccer. One highlight of the day was a stock whip demonstration from Campbell Dalton in Year 10, our resident number one rodeo boarder! To complete the day we held an exciting raffle/lucky dip for our visitors. There were more than 40 prizes - enough for everyone!

It is also very pleasing to see the continued development of the Ignatian Service Programme. The aim of this programme is to encourage boys to see the need to develop a concern for others and to use their gifts in the service of others.

It is my hope that Dalton House continues to be a House where boys develop their identity and learn to respect others. There are many wonderful opportunities in the College to grow and learn and I have been fortunate to have been a part of the journey in Dalton House.

I wish the new House Master, Miss Belinda Clark, and the recently appointed House leaders, Oscar Peppitt, Daniel Kelly and Jack Walker, every success as they and all the Dalton students continue their involvement at the College.

Good luck, take care,

Mr Denis Kelliher



Back Row L to R: Jack Graham, Richard Braund, Tom Saunders, Nick Lancaster, Andrew Turkington
Seated L to R: Conor Burke, James Englebrecht, Mr Denis Kelliher, Julian Braund, Andrew Slattery, Charles Andrea, Paul Dunstan Absent: Mr Mark White



Back Row L to R: Sam Rush, Kenneth Cheung, Nicholas Cheung, Edward Murray, Tom Murray, Chris Radford, Nicholas Lancaster, Tom Radford, Harry Peppitt
Seated L to R: Sebastian Cheung, Harrison Wiche, Tom Tuxworth, Mr Andrew Szabo, Michael Prodinger (not a member of this tutor group), Jack Mann, Oscar Peppitt, Daniel Kelly



Back Row L to R: Campbell Dalton, Daniel Jones, Timothy Dodd, Thomas Noel, James Cleary
Seated L to R: Grant Percy, James Dodd, Alex Cassegrain, Mr John Newey, Thomas Dicker, Edward Noel, Mark Longhurst, Matthew Cook



Back Row L to R: Arthur Gatt, Charlie Hemmings
Seated L to R: Ben Long, Jack Walker, Robert Deves, Brendan Homer, Mr Chris Kitching, Matthew Green, David McMonnies, Wade Ball Absent: Michael Everest, Ben Morgan, Chris Long



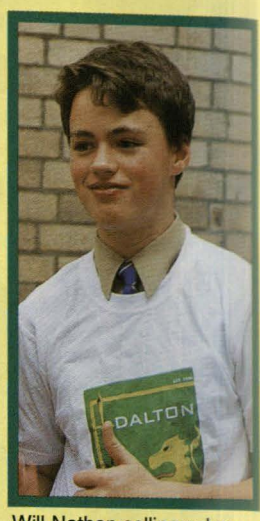
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Seated L to R: Daniel Laoh, Brian Cheung, Luke Edwards, Mrs Jennie Hickey, James Ferguson, David Ellis, Matthew Lewis, Patrick Dennis





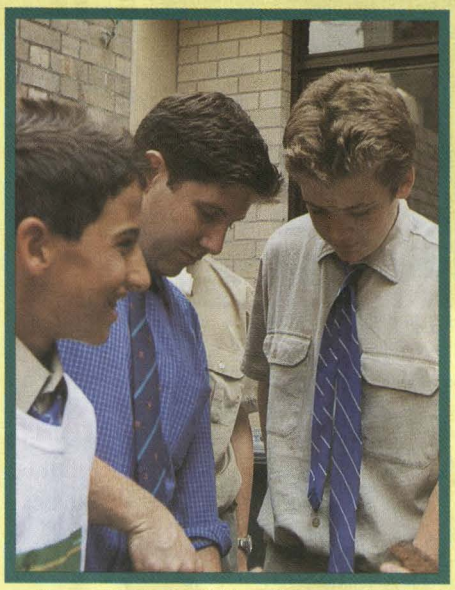


Will Nathan selling cakes

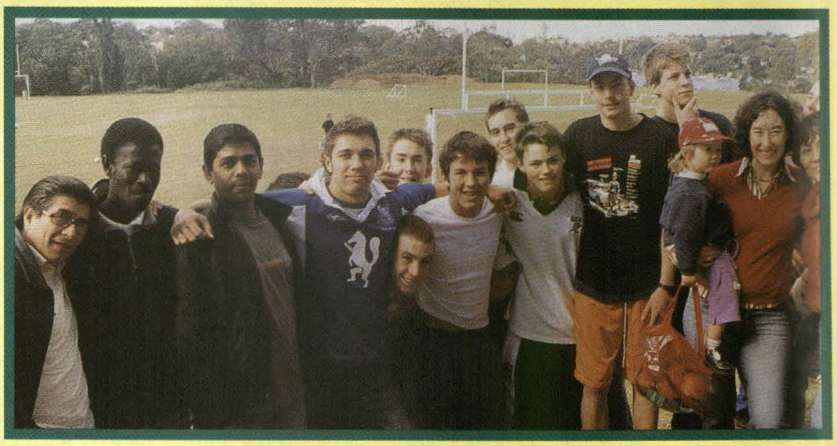
Above, Mrs Jennie Hickey at the House Swimming Carnival, above right, the House Athletics day



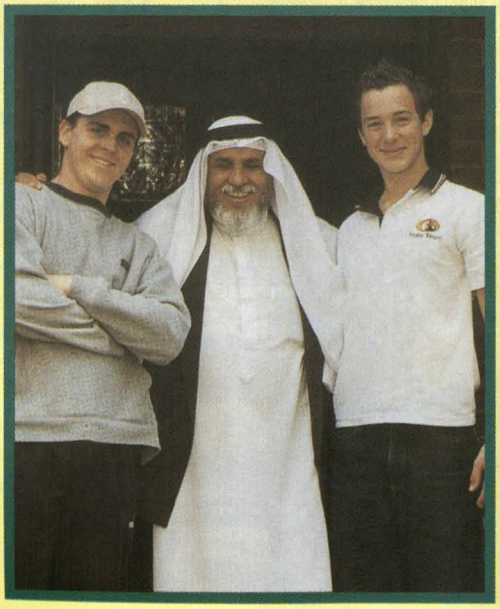
Students raising money through a cake stall, from left, Campbell Dalton, Tom Radford, Paul Dunstan, Carl Giammarco, Mark Longhurst, Adam Quigley



Above, Mr Denis Kelliher shows Arthur Gatt and Richard Buttenshaw the art of selling cakes; below, Luke Edwards and Tyron Bicknell with an asylum seeker on St Ignatius Day



St Ignatius Day – Dalton House is host to asylum seekers; below, fellow staff farewell Denis Kelliher, Dalton Housemaster





Housemaster
Mr Charles Rowe
Tutors
Ms Jenny Chalker
Mr Alex Damo
Mr Neil Mushan
Ms Jennifer Richardson
Mr Terry Sheehan
Associates
Mr Michael Christie
Mr Barry Smith
Captain
Tom Flynn
Vice Captains
Nick Guglielmino, Chris Needham

The most significant change for Gonzaga House in 2001 was the retirement of the much loved Fr David Strong SJ at the end of 2002. Although retired as Gonzaga House Master, Fr Strong did not reduce his workload, as he was appointed as the College Chaplin, a role which allowed him to remain in residence in his 'sumptuous' office which so many of the boys enjoy!

Gonzaga House members are indeed fortunate to have had the leadership and guidance of Fr Strong for so many years. The great benefit of his new role is that David is still available for the boys and I know that the boys greatly appreciate his presence.

As the new Housemaster, I am indebted to all the tutors for the welcome they have shown me and the support and encouragement they have shown me throughout the year. Gonzaga House is fortunate to have such a fine group of men and women to guide and help the boys through their challenging school life.

I am also mindful of the valuable role played by Gonzaga House's associate members, Mr Michael Christie and Mr Barry Smith. Their presence at House meetings and support in all activities is integral to the spirit of our House.

The House leaders have struggled all year with their novice Housemaster! I have admired their patience and determination in maintaining the fine Gonzaga traditions. Tom Flynn is to be congratulated for his cheerful and enthusiastic leadership. Tom had an extremely busy year, yet he led the House with great calmness and confidence.

His enthusiasm and spirit of enjoyment complemented his ability to be prayerful and reflective. Chris Needham's quiet and humble nature and infectious determination provided a very strong role model for the House, especially for its younger members. Nick Guglielmino's wonderful spirit and great sense of fun was evident in every House function

Fundraising this year included the 40 Hour Famine and the Shaved Heads for Cancer Day. Most boys involved themselves with lots of vigour and valuable financial support was given to these worthy causes. At the Indian Bazaar, many Gonzaga boys helped sell watches to the willing public and this ensured that the day was a great success.

Whilst we have not lived up to the lofty sporting successes of previous years, the boys have participated with enthusiasm and courage. The swimming carnival was well supported and all our swimmers performed with distinction and determination. Organised chaos on the night ensured that a good time was had by all!

The House Athletics was once again a very enjoyable day, led from the front by the Captain of Athletics, Justin Merlino. I was impressed with the willingness of so many boys to be involved in several events. We also performed enthusiastically in Water Polo, Basketball (which we won!), Touch Football, Cricket and the Triathlon.

The Year 11 retreat was a memorable day for all and certainly a very positive introduction for a new Housemaster. The calibre of the Year 11 boys soon became evident as the boys were honest, open and compassionate in their responses and participation. I am grateful for the contribution of Mr Bob Hanley, as well as each and every one of the boys for their contribution on this day.

The Year 12 retreat day was an opportunity for the senior boys to have time to reflect on their days at the College in an environment that was relaxed and enjoyable. After meeting on the steps of the Opera House, we caught the ferry to Watsons Bay and took advantage of the magnificent surroundings to share our thoughts. The realisation that their time at Riverview was rapidly drawing to a close was a significant theme for the students during our reflections. The chance to take time out is rare for a senior student and it would seem that the boys appreciated the opportunity given to them on this day.

Three year 11 boys, Hugh Cashmore, Glenn O'Sullivan and Chris Loth were impressive in their leadership of the Year 9 Day of Reflection. On a beautiful day



Back row, from left, Stuart Robinson, Thomas Needham, Daniel Roach, Jarred Bambridge, Alexander Morrison, Timothy Butcher
Seated,Tim Ireson (not a member of this tutor group), Sam Martin, Christopher Valenti, Simon Walsh, Chris Needham, Alex Testa, Tom Norrris, Hugh Cashmore Absent: Mr Neil Mushan



Back row, Patrick Pragasam, Lloyd Malouf, Thomas Kirkham, Thomas Gillespie, Jarryd Malouf
Seated, Cael O'Leary, David Dickson Battye, Marc Malouf, Mr Alex Damo, Andrew Ford, Thomas Coolican, Nicolas Guzowski, Richard Malouf Absent: Sebastian Beilby, Alex White

in the magnificent surroundings of the Botanic Gardens, the Year 9 boys benefited from the combined experience of the student leaders and revelled in the opportunity to take time out.

St Ignatius Day is now characterised by an emphasis on service. Gonzaga boys undertook a different approach this year and took time in their tutor groups to examine the nature of service and discuss the emphasis we might take in future years on this day.

Many boys had said they felt the service they'd given was trivial and mundane and not as rewarding as they might have expected. After some discussion many of the boys realised that the performance of such mundane duties can be a lesson in itself and that examining how such duties made them feel was perhaps the experience that should be valued. The reports from each tutor group certainly highlighted that much discussion had taken place and that planning for St Ignatius' Day in 2004 would be important.

Our regular visits to St Canice's at Kings Cross were a highlight for the few boys who had the privilege of helping the homeless have a comfortable night and witnessed the extraordinary work done by the young men and women who run this shelter. Talking with the homeless and witnessing their plight is a humbling experience for all of us who have experienced this encounter.

The House Mass was celebrated by Fr David Strong SJ in the Dalton Chapel on the second week of the year. Fr Strong is an important link and contact for all the boys at the College, but especially for those in Gonzaga House. His gentle presence is an inspiration to us all.

Somewhat 'shell shocked' in the first few weeks as the new Housemaster, I was grateful to the support shown by all of the parents. The supper was organised with a minimum of fuss and an enjoyable night was had by all. Next year, the House will celebrate with a Mass and Dinner on the feast of Saint Aloysius Gonzaga.

Gonzaga House has a short, yet proud tradition. I am grateful that this tradition has included the generosity of its boys in many aspects of life at Riverview. Most importantly, I am grateful for the generosity of spirit that has been shown to me as a newcomer.

Mr Charles Rowe



Back Row L to R: Christopher Partington, Robert Carter, Jack Friels, Mitchell Perrott, Gavin Windsor, Alain Guglielmino, Justin Ng, Simon Panzarino, Robert Lamond
Seated L to R: Christian O'Brien, Samuel McElvenny, Dominic Biancardi, Joseph Milazzo, Ms Jenny Chalker, Nicholas Guglielmino, George Skuthorp, William Hotson



Back row, Edward Corcoran, Thomas Silver, Thomas Gorman, Tomas Fekete, William Kennedy, Glenn O'Sullivan, James Daldorf
Seated, Edward Jenkins, Justin Merlino, Christopher Loth, Michael Sutherland, Ms Jennifer Richardson, Patrick O'Halloran, Oliver Curtis, Timothy Ireson
Absent: Patrick Mayoh, Chris Martino



Back row, Jacob Cakarnis, Jared Arnott, Brendan Roche, Matthew Meagher, Louis Simpson, Timothy Ireson (not a member of this tutor group), Matthew Flynn, William Gray, Liam Meagher
Seated, Sebastian van Veenandaal, Luke Doyle, Joshua Arnott, Thomas Flynn, Mr Terence Sheehan, Thomas Clear, Sean Carroll, Campbell Duncan





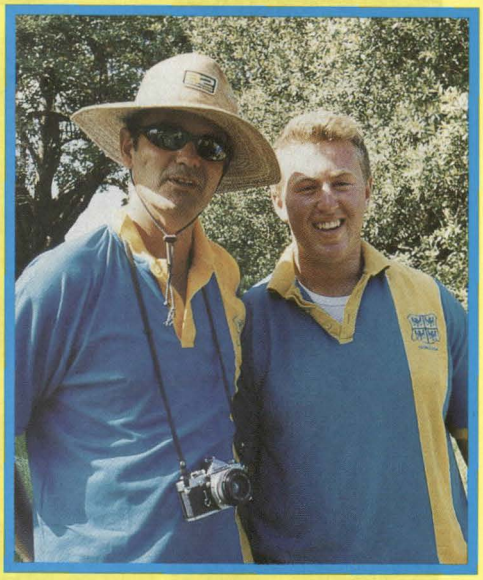




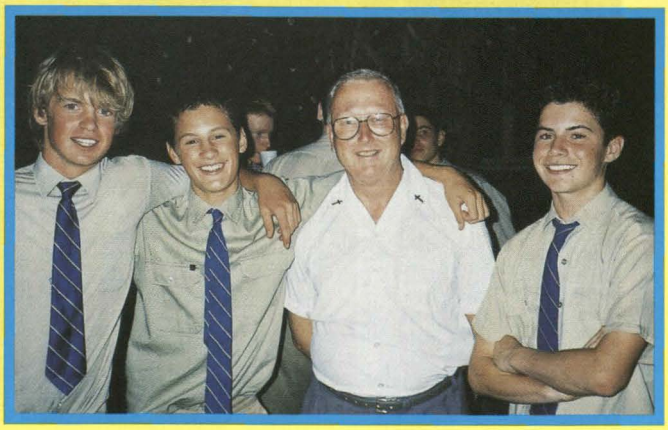
House Athletics Day



House Mass









Back row, Jack Mallick
Seated L to R: Patrick Martin, Richard McGuire, Daniel Gunn, Mme Myriam Moysey, Robert Bennett, Temujin Barr, Peter Leitner, Geoffrey Clarke Absent: Jon Frazer, Tom Armitage, David De Candia



Back Row L to R: Sam Jurd, Luke Fisher
Seated L to R: Alistair Clifton, Nick McInerney, Nick Jones, Mr John Giuffre, David Fisher, Tom Retter, Kerry Lane, Nick Morgan Absent: Alex Graham, Elliot Davis



Back Row L to R: James Walsh, Brian Marlow-Palmer
Seated L to R: Adriano Biviano, Timothy Emslie, Bradley Howard, Ms Caterina Troncone, Robert Dawes, Michael Doherty, Brendan Kenny, Richard Hughes Absent: Daniel Walsh



Back Row L to R: Nicholas Happell, Timothy May
Seated L to R: Dominic Ryan, Matthew Carter, William Schiller, Mr Alex Rybak, Luke McGilvray, Scott Lynch, Dominic Stack, Thomas Hutchinson Absent: Nicholas Nedeljkovic, Christopher Happell

MacKillop House has gone from strength to strength in 2003. It has been a highly enjoyable year from my point of view, with MacKillop students achieving numerous and varied successes, including those in the sporting, debating, dramatic, musical, leadership and academic arenas.

Our year began, as it always does, with the MacKillop BBQ. This evening was a relaxed one whereby MacKillop students, their families and tutors come together in the Ramsay Hall Foyer for purely social reasons. This year we were also lucky to by joined by visiting Jesuits, Fr Jeremy Clarke and Mr Tom Renshaw.

MacKillop House has continued it's sponsorship of a young Bangladeshi boy, Sukdeb Bala through World Vision. Our MacKillop Muffin Madness day, held on June 20, raised almost $340 – one year's sponsorship for Sukdeb. MacKillop students also supported Centacare and provided Christmas hampers for less fortunate families.

We have had a sensational year in terms of the Inter-House Championship. We were the winners of the Cricket competition and came second in the Volleyball in Term 1. In Term 2, we were a dominant force in Touch Rugby and are currently looking forward to competing in the inter-house Water Polo and Basketball events.

Our annual House Mass and Supper was held on Monday August 11 in the Dalton Chapel which was decorated beautifully with flowers by Mrs Maureen Frazer. The mass was celebrated by our new Rector, Fr Andrew Bullen SJ, who, in his homily, captured the essence of Mary MacKillop.The talented MacKillop students provided the music for this Mass.

The highlight of the evening was a special blessing and a presentation of MacKillop ties to each of the Year 12 students to thank them for their friendship, leadership and House support over the years. This was followed by supper in the MacKillop Room on Rhetoric level which had been very festively and creatively decorated in MacKillop colours of gold, navy and red, by Mrs Ruth Tighe, Mrs Christine Passaro and Mrs Dianne Kenny. I thank these women for their assistance on the evening

In the final week of term 3, a dinner was held for the Year 12 students, their parents and tutors at Bravo Trattoria in Crows Nest. This was a fabulous night, celebrating the friendships that have been established over the years between the House members, tutors and their families.

Our Year 12 students have been a fine group of young men. Under the guidance of House Captain David Fisher and vice captains, Michael Delaney and Jon Frazer, they have led their MacKillop peers with tremendous vitality and warmth. In the future, these Year 12s want to pursue many interesting careers and have worked hard to achieve their goals.

This year, MacKillop House experienced another busy day at the Indian Bazaar with our Face Painting stall and a Putt Putt Golf drive. We raised almost $500 and I sincerely thank the many mothers, sisters, tutors and boys who assisted on this day.

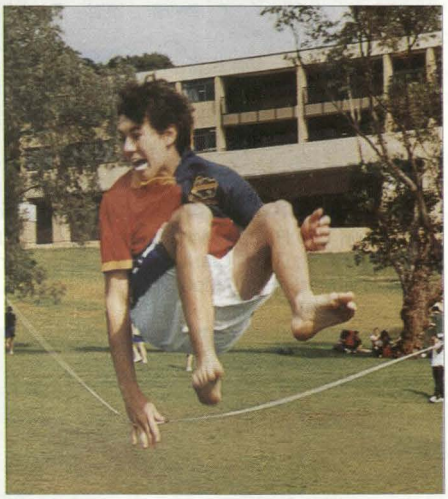
MacKillop is so fortunate to have tutors who are so generous with their time and so enthusiastic about their role in getting to know each of their students so well. I thank Ms Pauline Cain, Mr Daniel Hyde, Mr John Giuffre, Madame Myriam Moysey, Mr Alex Rybak, Ms Caterina Troncone and Mr Bernie Winters for their outstanding leadership and care of their boys and for the support they personally give me.

I wish all MacKillop students, tutors and their families the best in health for 2004, as I will be on maternity leave next year, leaving the House in the very capable hands of Mr Bernie Winters.

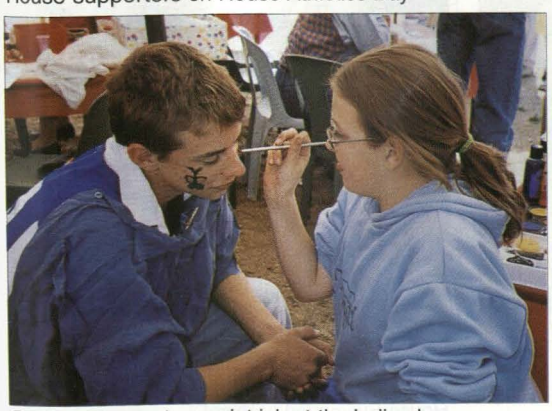
Ms Annabel Thistlewood



House supporters on House Athletics Day



Ed Tighe makes a great leap for humankind on House Athletics Day



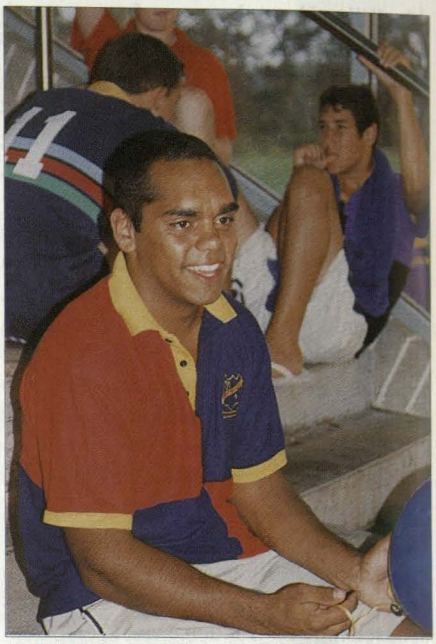
David Fisher gets a paint job at the Indian bazaar



Valete Year 12



Back Row L to R: Kieran Grieves, Michael Porter, William Grounds, Timothy Fitzgerald
Seated L to R: Nicholas Kenny, Adam Hreszczuk, Joshua Passaro, Mr Bernie Winters, James Fitzgerald, Mark Beck, Matthew Kenny, James Harnett Absent: Adam Wilson



Josh Rowlison at the House Swimming Carnival



Back Row, L to R: Dan McNamara, Tim Clifford, Andrew Biady
Seated, L to R: Grant Clark, Bryce Gearin, Chris McGregor, Ms Pauline Cain, Rhys Tame, Brad Clark, Will Marsh, Tom McGuire



Robbie Bennett and others at the House Swimming Carnival



Back row, Austen Simpson
Seated, Luke Pittorino, Luke O'Donnell, Michael Delaney, Mr Daniel Hyde, Edward Tighe, Mark Cheung, Daniel McCulloch, Jeremy Johnson



Luke Pittorino and Andrew Biady at the House Swimming carnival

Housemaster
Mr Laurie Byrne
Tutors
Mr Don Gock
Mr Richard Hart
Mr Brian Piper
Mrs Margaret Shaw
Mrs Jane Watson
Associates
Mr Bruno Pahlke
Mrs Kate Browne
House Captain
Jake Molkentin
Vice Captains
Mark Gallagher, Ross Walsh

2003 began very pleasantly for your Housemaster as I went on long service leave in Term 1, reading the newspaper or shopping, and occasionally doing some work around the home. My wife and I also took lessons in Italian before we ventured to Italy and Britain for four weeks. I was able to do this, confident in the knowledge that the House was in the good hands of Jane Watson as acting Housemaster.

On my return, I was not surprised to hear from staff, parents and boys, that Jane had in fact done an outstanding job and I thank her most fully for all her work.

I would like to pay credit to the dedication and conscientious efforts of all the More House tutors. Our tutors regularly organise tutor outings for their groups and are always ready to celebrate birthdays and other special events, and I believe our tutors are the most professional and committed team of any of the Houses. In particular, I would like to pay tribute to Mr. Brian Piper for his outstanding service as a More House tutor for 10 years.

Early in the year, great sadness struck More House with the tragic loss of popular Sam Turner. Sam had only been with us for two years, but he had won the admiration of all in the House with his friendliness, his caring nature and his participation in everything. His death particularly affected his Year 12 colleagues and brought a great closeness to the group.

At the end of the year, I once again had the opportunity to accompany the Year 12 boys, after their HSC Trial exams, on a day of reflection, including a symbolic bridge walk, and a visit to St Aloysius Chapel.

This relaxing day is always moving in its recalled memories and expectations for the future. I feel I have shared much with this particular group of fine young men over the years and their leadership of the House has been excellent.

Jake Molkentin has been an inspirational Captain; the House positively sparkles with enthusiasm when Jake is in charge. With his friendly nature and his welcoming smile, he is always ready to tell a story, give out lollies, participate in sports, organise teams, and generally keep the House buzzing with excitement. There have been few captains with the enthusiasm and leadership of Jake Molkentin; he has been ably assisted by Mark Gallagher and Ross Walsh who have helped organise all activities; I have been delighted with this leadership trio.

The More House Mass and Supper was held near the feast day of our patron at the end of June. Our celebrant on this occasion was Fr Brian Gore, a Columban missionary who has achieved a certain fame with his liberation theology in the Philippines. In a typically fiery homily, he urged our boys to be active in their faith. "Comfortable religion is an oxymoron", he declared, as he stated he would prefer to be remembered as one who "came to afflict the comfortable" rather that "comfort the afflicted". We are grateful to both Fr Brian for giving of his time, and to our mothers for the supper.

St Ignatius Day was once again a day for House and tutor groups to celebrate in service for others. More House tutors were outstanding in their organisation and supervision of the afternoon activities, after the whole school Mass of St Ignatius.

Mr Piper's group ventured to Greenwich Hospital where they assisted in numerous activities, including office duties, cleaning the hospital bus, and visiting patients. Mrs Watson's group visted the Ozanam Industries work centre at West Ryde, while Mr Gock's group visited the similar Crowle Home Work Centre at Meadowbank. At both these locations, our boys gained first hand experience of the challenges facing the intellectually handicapped in the broader community. Mrs Shaw's group worked for the Starlight Foundation unpacking crates of toys while some of Mr Hart's group visited children in the Royal North Shore Hospital. It was a most successful day of Ignatian service.

The achievements of More House this year in the various interhouse competitions have been sparse. In Swimming, we seemed to be competitive all evening with swimmers in most finals, but we finished in the middle of the field.

Our Athletics team put up a superb performance on the day, and finished a very impressive second, after hitting and sharing the lead all day. However, in Rugby, Rowing, Basketball, Cricket and Soccer, we can only glory in the fact we competed whole-heartedly, and so we ended the year in the middle of the field overall.

Nevertheless, More House remains strong as another year ends, with the mantle of leadership successfully passing on to a new team.

It is impossible to record all the activities of our students, but there is not one area of co-curricular activity that More House students have not been involved in over the year. I congratulate those who have achieved in study, sport or cultural areas, and offer encouragement to those who have more to give.

More House will continue to urge all to take advantage of the opportunities and work towards developing their talents to the full.

Mr Laurie Byrne



Back Row L to R: Karl Ferguson, Michael Brogan, Tod Montgomery, Brenton Montgomery, Christopher Bateman, Nicholas Clift, Timothy Brogan
Seated L to R: Andrew Giannasca, Peter Doran, Samuel Montgomery, Mr Brian Piper, Henry Harding, Matthew McDonald, James Magney, Michael Mendoza



Back Row L to R: Aaron Moore, Philippe Oei, William Mead, Stephen Clement, Richard Walsh, James Harvey
Seated L to R: Liam Walsh, Mark Flower, Patrick Roberts, Mrs Jane Watson, Ross Walsh, Thomas Clement, James O'Neill, Benjamin King Absent: Gareth Carroll, Sean Carroll



Back Row L to R: Matthew Gallagher, Eamon Ryan, Edward McCoy, Eamon Abdi, Edward Bailey, Mitchell Bye, Martin Whybourne
Seated L to R: Justin Le Brocque, Damien Healey, Mitchell Wall, Mr Don Gock, Nicholas Baulderstone, Patrick Wall, Timothy Whybourne, Laurence Bye



Back Row L to R: Michael Falk, Ian Williams, Anthony Power, Tom Frame, Dan Horton, Patrick Effeney
Seated L to R: Nick Frame, Matthew Beardsley, Tony Horton, Mrs Margaret Shaw, Hugh Koh, Tom Finch, Tom Robinson, Sam Monaghan



Back Row L to R: Richard Cahill, Jackson England, James Stewart Hunter, Will Hiscox, Michael Bailey, Liam Back, Anthony Clark, Sam Diacos, Tom McMahon
Seated L to R: Jake Molkentin, Nathan Grant, Ruari Maginn, Mr Richard Hart, Guy Wall, Andre Maddocks, Ed Hiscox, Lewis Roper



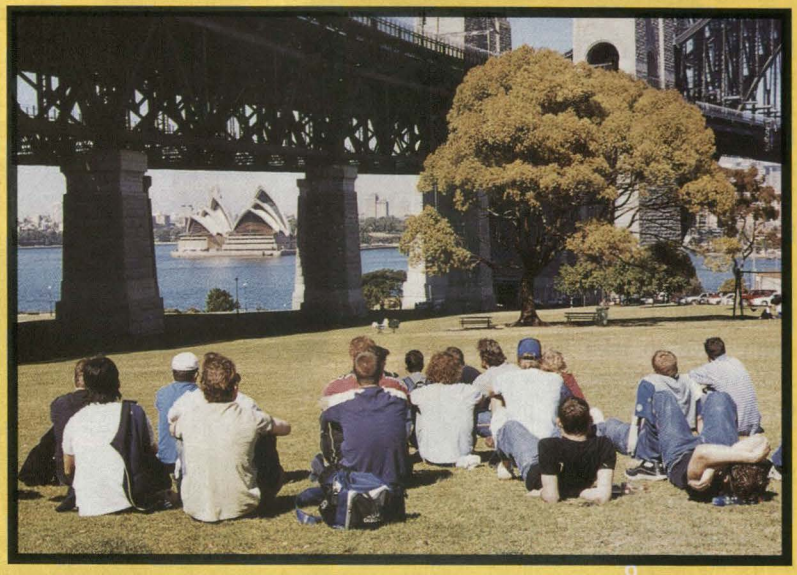
House Athletics Day



Nick Baulderstone and Martin Whybourne at the House Swimming Carnival



Michael Falk, Stephen Clement and Patrick Wall at the More House Weetbix competition at the Indian Bazaar



Right and below, Year 12 on retreat



Housemaster
Mr Jeremy Bennett
Tutors
Mr Chris Gordon
Mr Adrian Schofield
Miss Belinda Clark
Ms Therese Martin
Mrs Linda Bryan
Mrs Tina Di Sano
Miss Justine Gesterkamp
House Captain
James McDougall
Vice Captains
Simon Jenkins, Patrick Bodimeade

This year Owen House was very successful in a wide variety of activities and our participation in events such as the Interhouse Swimming Carnival showed that we have much potential to be harnessed in the future.

Owen House is blessed with many very good sportsmen, here are but a few examples. The captain of Riverview Basketball was Christopher Mallett, a tall highly skilled ball player. Martin Plokstys rowed in the 2nd VIII. Outstanding Surf Life Savers, Tom Farrell and Wil Magnus performed well at the beach.

James McDougall and Daniel Lenehan had great cricket seasons as did Matthew Miles. Bill Lenehan showed that you don't have to take Rugby seriously to achieve great things. He was picked in the GPS 1sts despite only playing for fun. And in the Athletics Carnival it was pleasure to watch such talented athletes as Jono Jenkins and George Locke.

All these and other sporting achievements are only really possible through the hard work and dedication of the boys. Academic successes are also only achieved by dedicated attention to study. Senior students such as Edward Farrell, Nick Johnston, Michael Rolfe, David Gaddin and Will O'Loughlin and others have worked consistently during the year at their studies and hopefully, they will be rewarded with pleasing results at the end of the year.



Mr Jeremy Bennett with Simon Jenkins



The highlight of the year was St Ignatius Day and just as we did last year, the whole House went to Clarke Road Special School in Hornsby.

We provided much entertainment such as face painting, T-shirt painting and a jumping castle and each boy looked after one child for the day.

The children at the school are mentally and physically disabled and so for a lot of our boys it was a very daunting task. However, it was a wonderful day and a great pleasure to see so much caring and love being shared. In Term 4 we also bought each child at the school a Christmas present and one of our students dressed as Santa handed out the gifts to the children. We had a raffle and raised $1650 for the school. Owen Miller sold 13 books of tickets. We now have a firm connection with Clarke Road School and so this will be an annual event.

Mr Jeremy Bennett



Back Row L to R: Matthew Storr, William Miller, Matthew McDougall, Hugh Miller, Alexander McIntosh
Seated L to R: Jacob Horne, Daniel Lenehan, Nicholas Johnston, Patrick Bodimeade, James McDougall, Geoffrey Storr, Jason Wong, Tom Joseph Absent: Mrs Barbara Paul



Back Row L to R: Matthew Sheehan
Seated L to R: Alex Miles, Thomas Smith, Sam Rarasea, Mr Adrian Schofield, Angus Wirth, Will Magnus, Matthew Miles, Jono Jenkins Absent: Jack Bird



Back Row L to R: Samuel Purcell, Nicholas O'Loughlin, David Hickey
Seated L to R: Jack Cuddigan, Eugene Joseph, William O'Loughlin, Mrs Therese Martin, Christopher Mallett, Adrian Powers, Benjamin Touma, Leon Joseph Absent: Johnathan Russo



Back Row L to R: Jack Smyth, Rafael Del Rosario, Mark Joseph, Mark Simpson, Nathan Linforth, Christopher Ryan, Nicholas Cottee
Seated L to R: Martin Plokstys, Lachlan Fergus, Michael Rolfe, Mr Christopher Gordon, Matthew Hudson, Simon Jones, William Lenehan, Michael Ryan



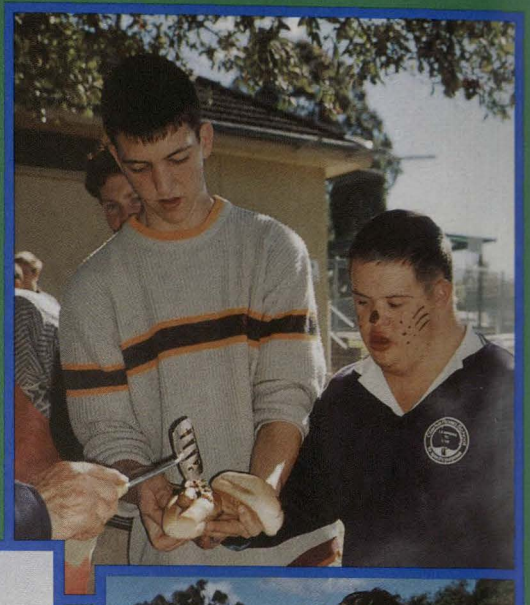
Back Row L to R: Joshua Tatham, Matthew Ghisla, Matthew Johnson, Christian Grant, Chris Rolleston, Bruce Gaddin
Seated L to R: Michael Noetel, Tom Farrell, Patrick Giblin, Mrs Tina Di Sano, Chris Allison, Ed King, Nicholas Prior, David Gaddin Absent: Mrs Linda Bryan



Back Row L to R: George Locke, Robert Hogan, Alex Vrisakis, Nic Millett, Darren Leung
Seated L to R: Dominic Holles, Richard Manevski, Anthony Brown, Miss Justine Gesterkamp, Chris Broadhurst, Edward Farrell, Brendan Hay, James Lee Absent: Simon Jenkins



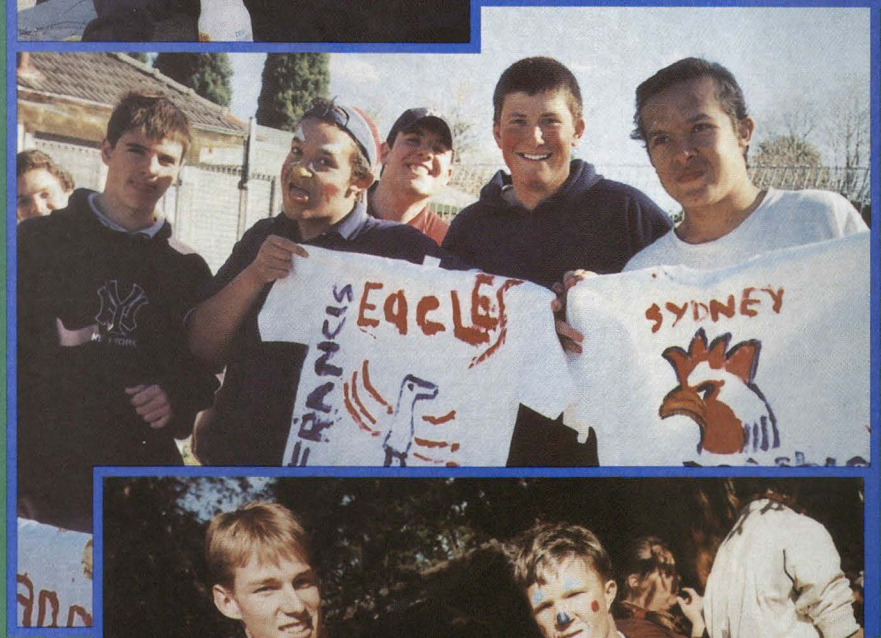
Owen House at Clarke Road School



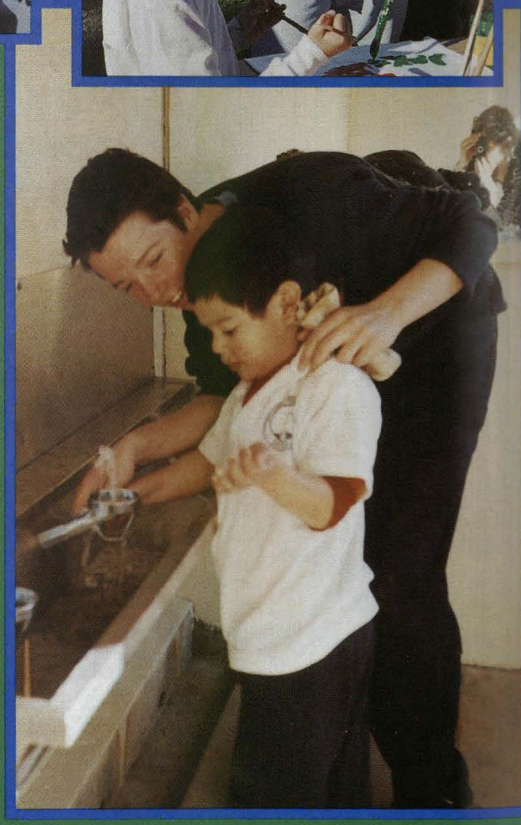












For the House that glories under the motto 'Dare to be Different', 2003 has turned out to be remarkably similar to previous years, at least in some respects. The personnel all had very familiar names indeed. Miss Leonie Mutch, Mr John Limbourn, Mr Andrew Moon, Mr Michael Lane, Mme Evelyne Giovannetti and Miss Susan Miller continued on in their roles as tutors in the House. Mr Con O'Donovan has remained our associate. Again our tutors deserve thanks for their dedication, support and enthusiasm. They invariably do more than is required, and the boys, parents and a most grateful Housemaster appreciate their work.

The House has again been blessed with exceptional leaders, but all the names are back from the past. Our three Pats are all younger brothers of old Ricci boys, two of whom have been House Captains in the last few years. 2003 House Captain Patrick Tait is a student who lives the Ignatian ideal of well-rounded development. He has been a wellspring of unbounded enthusiasm and good humour.

Patrick has received solid support from Vice Captains Patrick Sheehan and Patrick Barrett, whose complementary skills, interests and abilities have made for a well-rounded team. All three have made major contributions to the co-curricular life of the College and have provided excellent models of involvement for their peers and the younger boys.

Other Year 12 boys have stepped forward in various roles, often quietly and with a minimum of fuss, to fill various needs and contribute in numerous ways. They leave a fine legacy of contribution and involvement for the Year 11 boys who will come on as the new leaders of the House. There is considerable good will and enthusiasm for the House in this new group and I look forward to the their increasing involvement as senior members of the House.

The Inter-house Competition which acts as a means of building a sense of community among the boys has given them the chance to engage in a directed activity with others with whom they might not otherwise have much to do, and has allowed for contact across year levels.

Ricci House struggled to gain much momentum in the competition and will probably have to consign this year's efforts to experience in a long term building process (nothing different here, unfortunately). We had recent successes in the Touch Football competition,but even this has been taken away from us, although losing in a semi-final is not completely without merit.



The regular House meetings are important in building a sense of community. They also acknowledging the talents of many boys, in both academic and co-curricular fields. In House meetings, the student executive members have been eager to provide the other boys with memorable experiences and have initiated some novelty competitions which have kept the boys talking.

Challenges against other Houses, recognition of notable performances and the occasional questioning of preconceptions can also be found in the context of House Meetings. Our recent reconciliation service with Owen House provided an opportunity for reflection, which is important in our Catholic and Ignatian traditions.

The House Mass and Dinner in Term 1 provided an opportunity for the extended House (i.e. the boys and their families) to come together to celebrate the central feature of our community's spirituality. In so doing it balances the time given to recognition of the boys' academic, physical and social development. The Mass and Supper also provided the opportunity for a very pleasant social occasion and included the gathering of most of the Ricci House Captains from the past 10 years.

Fr Jeremy Clark SJ, who has a particular interest in China, and by association Matteo Ricci, honoured us by celebrating the Mass. Mrs Christine Moriarty kindly provided the musical accompaniment and several boys from Ricci House assisted in various ways. This occasion is a central feature of our calendar. It provides parents and tutors the opportunity to renew acquaintances,to put faces to names and allows new members of the House a view of the bigger picture. The House Mass and Supper is also a great social occasion given the conviviality of Ricci parents and their ability to sustain lively conversation.

The St Ignatius Day celebration was another occasion that allowed the members of the House to mix across year levels. Following Mass, the tutor groups went in different directions. Most of Ricci House went to Bremner and Morrison Bay Parks to plant trees (well, shrubs!) in association with Ryde Council and National Tree Planting day.

They also spent an enjoyable afternoon BBQ-ing and kicking a ball around, although a particularly slow burning BBQ tested the boys' patience and extended feeding time. Mr Moon's tutor group attended St. Anthony's Primary School Marsfield and were very popular, particularly with the young boys there, given the generally athletic nature of the young men in the tutor group.

The College retreat programme gives our boys an opportunity to reflect on their lives. This is very worthwhile, given the busy lives students at Riverview have. Early in the year, some of our seniors provided the Year 8 students with the benefit of their experiences while the Year 11 retreat gave the boys the chance to reflect upon their giftedness and their individual journeys at the College.

The Year 9 retreat also gave our Year 11s the opportunity to minister to their younger fellows, and, following the HSC Trials, the Year 12s had time to reflect on their pilgrimage. This occasion was made more notable by the contribution of

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Daniel Street (Captain of Day Boys 1998 and a member of Ricci House), who joined the young men, helping them to consider their options in the immediate post-Riverview phase of their lives. Daniel has helped us out on several occasions. Senior boys also have the opportunity to attend Kairos retreats, which provide them with a deeper experience of their faith.

Ricci boys have been at the forefront of the College's community (Ignatian) service during the past year. Apart from those activities carried out by individual boys in their own parishes and communities, as well as in various areas of the College, there have been the occasions when they have worked together on a project.

For instance, Ricci House raised significant funds for orphans in India by selling HedgeDogs to the hungry masses attending the OIU Careers Expo. Other opportunities to burn bangers and sizzle bacon and eggs have not been missed either, with the proceeds again being diverted to charitable causes.

At the Indian Bazaar this year, the Ricci Gold Fish stall went politically correct, as well as picking up on the 'Finding Nemo' theme, in its bid to contribute to the work of the Jesuit Missions. In all these efforts the support of parents for their sons and the cause of the House or College has been a notable feature.

At the recent Valete House meeting, the Ricci members of the class of 2003 were sent on their way with kind words from tutors and other members of the House. Looking at the group of young men being farewelled it was good to recall just how many of them had been involved at the highest level in representing the House in the different football codes, cricket, rowing, tennis, music, debating and public speaking and many other College activities. T We thank the departing Year 12 students for their efforts and now look to the younger boys to now continue this fine tradition.

With its tragedies and many co-curricular successes, 2003 has been a year of promise and achievement for the young men of Ricci House. To those who have achieved, we offer congratulations. To those who have more to give, we offer encouragement. To those who are leaving us, we offer thanks for what they have done and the best of all things in their future.

Mr Peter Steffan



Back Row L to R: Alexis De Vienne, David Gordon, Benjamin Daley, Christopher Clarebrough
Seated L to R: Luke Latter, Lachlan Wilmot, James Higgins, Mme Evelyne Giovannetti, Timothy Bye, Luke Scifleet, James Reoch, Toby Carroll Absent: Stefan Pavlovic



Back Row L to R: Jonathan Kennedy, Oliver Woolrych, Anthony Sommer
Seated L to R: Stuart Whiteway, Matthew Lancaster, Travis Brooks-Garrett, Mr Michael Lane, Grayden Kenney, Ashley Radford-Sutton, Andrew Lazzaro, Nikolai Pavlovic



Back Row L to R: Christian Forbes, Matthew Herborn
Seated L to R: Anthony Herborn, Nicholas Raven, Adam Browne, Miss Leonie Mutch, Nicholas Porta, Christopher Fallins, Timothy Jude, Adam Campbell Absent: Angus Campbell, James Mattiussi, Damian Barlow, Dominic Anderson



Back Row L to R: Mathew Morrow, Christopher Kok, Stephen Wyllie, Tom Phillips, Francisco Hur, Christopher Marchand,
Seated L to R: Sam Phillips, Michael Lowe, Adrian Smith, Mr John Limbourn, James O'Connell, Dominic Woolrych,
Andrew Cahill



Back Row L to R: James Sheehan, Edward Woolrych, Robert Hellstern, Matteo Villani, Andrew Cullen, James Hundt
Seated L to R: James Cush, Timothy Corcoran, Patrick Sheehan, Mr Andrew Moon, Patrick Barrett, Thomas Cullen,
James Brettell, Noel Brennan Absent: Matthew Barham



Back Row L to R: Andrew Wong, Gerard Searle, Glenn Stephenson
Seated L to R: Andrew Baber, Tim Locke, Hugh Kennedy, Miss Susan Miller, James O'Donnell, Patrick Tait, Robert
Warmoll, Daniel Bourke Absent: Tyrone Lindqvist, Heath Collins

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Housemaster
Mr James Busteed
Tutors
Mr Lewis Liu
Mr Paul McCarthy
Mr Peter McLaren
Mr Peter McLean
Mrs Louella Perrett
Mr Gregory Whealing
House Captain
Andrew Cutcliffe
House Vice Captains
Alexander Mazzoni, William Sheehy

Southwell House has completed a another successful year due largely to the strong and enthusiastic leadership of Andrew Cutcliffe, Alex Mazzoni and William Sheehy who proved to be fine role models for the younger members of the House.

Their creativity in organizing House meetings, general enthusiasm and good nature created a friendly and happy atmosphere and I thank them for their efforts. They were ably assisted by all the senior members of the House, especially Sean Williams who was an excellent Captain of Day Boys and a strong supporter of all House activities.

This year saw the resurgence of Southwell in the Inter-house Competition with a strong second following the participation of a large number of boys across a wide variety of activities. The tone for the year was set in Term 1 with the Swimming and Athletics Carnivals where we finished fourth and second respectively. The highlights in the other activities included first place in Touch Football and second in Triathlon.

The regular visits to St Canice's continued providing an opportunity for members of the House to spend time with some of the marginalised in our society. They were also able to witness the efforts of a dedicated group of Old Boys and their friends who run this most worthwhile venture. These same people also work with disadvantaged children and each Tutor group purchased Christmas presents for some of these.

The 'Trivia Colours Night', involving Years 10, 11 and 12 from Southwell, More, Owen and Xavier Houses and the corresponding Colour Houses from Loreto was again a great success thanks to the efforts of the House leaders with the funds raised going to support St Canice's.

The other major fundraising for the year was again the Hot Chip stall at the Indian Bazaar where the generosity of House members to give of their own time was excellent and most appreciated. This resulted in our most successful day for a number of years – we ended up selling more than 200kgs of chips.

Changes in the operation of the NSW Red Cross Blood Service meant that it was not possible to organise a visit by the mobile unit to the College this year but a number of House members were able to travel into the City on St Ignatius' Day to donate blood and so continue the commitment to this activity that has been developed over the past decade.

The annual House Mass was again a most special occasion. Fr Andrew Bullen generously gave his time to celebrate Mass in the very first days after joining the College as Rector. His inspiring words about St Robert Southwell provided an insight into the life of our House patron.

The House maintained its central role in the Retreat program. The change in the timing of the Year 9 Retreat provided an opportunity for Year 11 members of the House to be involved as Peer Ministers. I was most impressed with the efforts of James Friend, Kip Koenig, Jock Palfreeman and Martin Silk who contributed greatly to the success of the day.

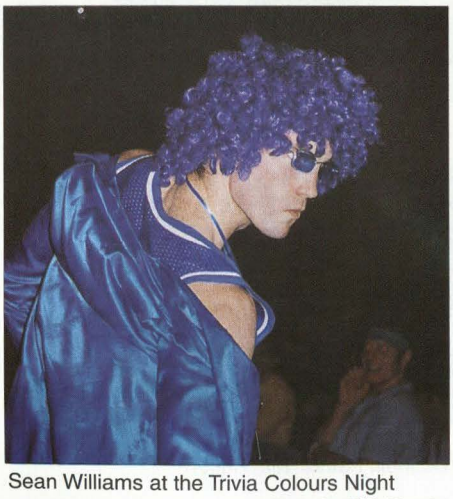
Year 10 had a day of reflection at the end of their community service week and the Year 11 Retreat went ahead as usual. It was a most worthwhile experience for all. The Year 12 reflection day was again centred on Clontarf and Grotto Point. In addition, several senior boys in the House attended a Kairos Retreat during the year. This involved three days of personal and spiritual reflection.

The strength of the House rests with the Tutors and Southwell House is lucky to have six tutors who have a genuine concern for the boys in their charge and provide positive role models for them. I would like to express my gratitude to Mr Paul McCarthy, Mr Peter McLaren, Mr Peter McLean, Mrs Louella Perrett and Mr Greg Whealing for their dedication to, and inspiration of the members of their groups.

It is impossible to record all that activities that members of the House have been involved in over the past year. However, there is not one co-curricular area in the College where members of the House are not actively involved. The achievements of the members of the House, in academic pursuits, on the sporting field, in music, drama, debating, community education, service activities and the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme have again been most impressive.

The success of these efforts can in many cases be measured by victories, awards, premierships, State and National titles. More importantly though, success comes from individuals who take advantage of the opportunities they have and who work towards developing their talents to the full.

Mr James Busteed



Sean Williams at the Trivia Colours Night
Photo by Will Sheehy



Back Row: Daniel Fearnley, Christopher Mohen, Ben Williams
Seated L to R: Timothy Kroek, William Sheehy, John Carney, Mr Peter McLaren, Sean Williams, Andrew Mair, David Mair, Alex Young Absent: Nicholas Fearnley, Christian Hagan



Back Row L to R: Brendan Tree, Hugo Kuan, Timothy Graham, Brett Constantine, Henry Meagher
Seated L to R: David L'Estrange, Patrick Tree, Jack Meagher, Mr Paul McCarthy, Ben Weber, Alex Mazzoni, Phillip Lulic, Tom Howes Absent: Robert Linsley



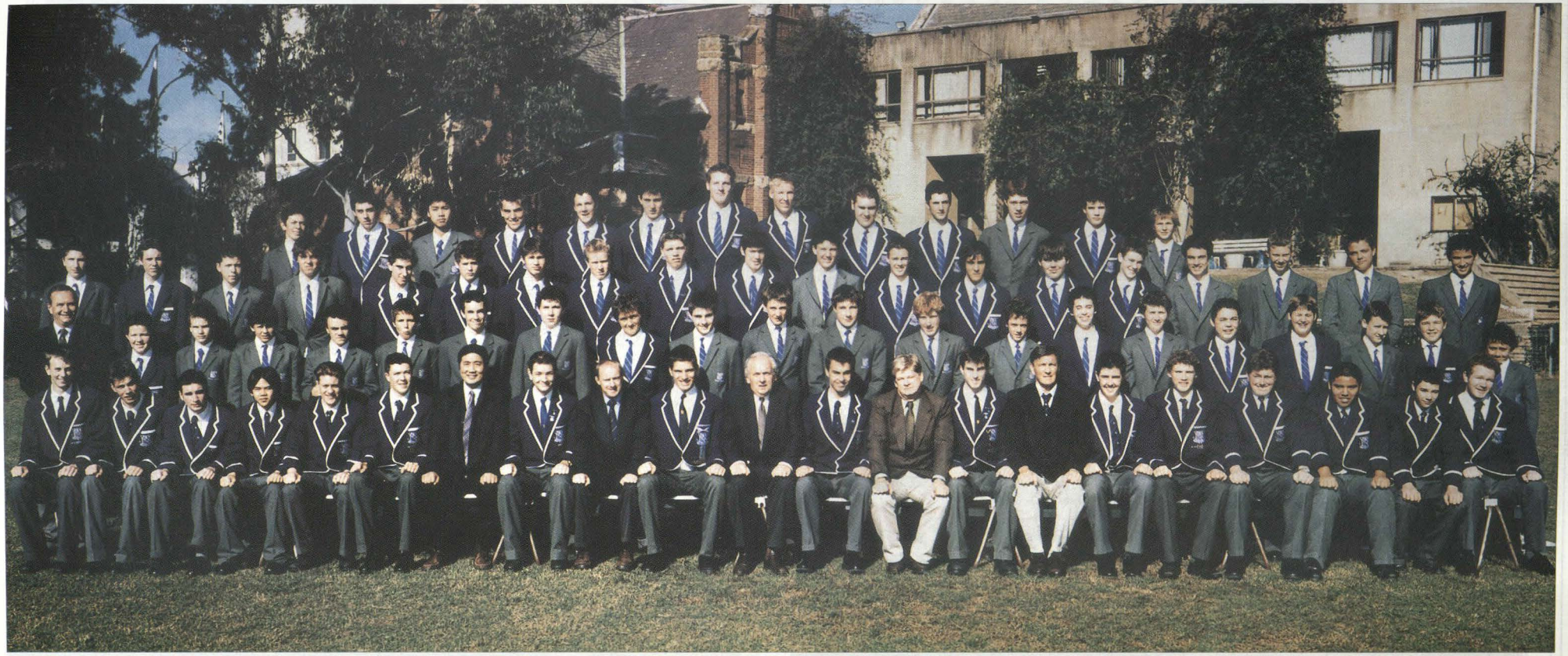
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Seated L to R: Patrick Brassil, James Friend, David Millgate, Mr Greg Whealing, Aaron Lind, Samuel Barrow, Leon Brugman, David Wright



Back Row L to R: Sam Fox, Chris McCullough, David Power, Matthew Conlon
Seated L to R: Kip Koenig, Joel Stillone, Warwick Williams, Mr Peter McLean, Tim Brown, James Shevlane, Chris Gallagher, Will Atkinson Absent: Tom Metzner

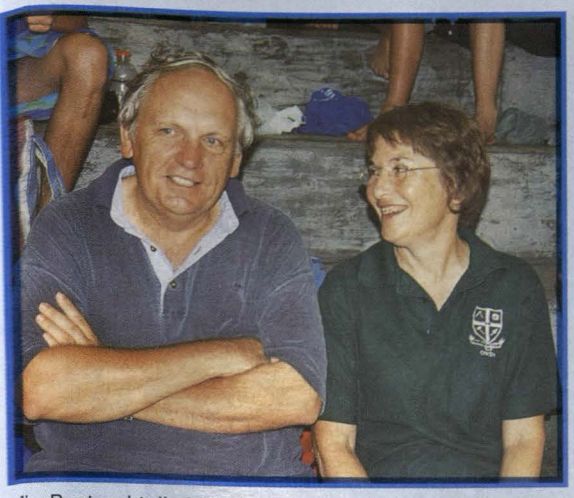


Back Row L to R: Simon Grey, Robert Manna, Tom Rubenach, Ciaran Gill
Seated L to R: Nicholas Burt, Ian Quartly, Nicholas Brotohusodo, Mr Lewis Liu, Bryan Priest, John Andrews, Andrew Bray, Edward Grey Absent: Sam Young



Back row, S Grey, J Friend, H Kuan, P. Lulic, P Tree, M Silk, A Fraunfelter, J Carney, J Shevlane, I Quartly, T Rubenach, D Mair, B Constantine
2nd row, A Samaan, A Mair, S Fox, M Conlon, D Millgate, T Howes, K Koenig, S Barrow, J Palfreeman, C Gallagher, C Mohen, J Andrews, J Stillone, T Kroek, D L'Estrange, A Fitzgerald, C McCullough, J Caillard, C Gill
1st row, Mr P McLean, E Grey, D Fearnley, J May, D Navidzadeh, H Meagher, B Williams, B Tree, A Bray, T Graham, S Julian, J Kennedy, P Brassil, R Manna, W Atkinson, D Power, S Cincinnato, B von Sperl, D Friend, N Burt, A Young
Seated, W Williams, L Brugman, D Wright, N Brotohusodo, B Priest, T Crasti, Mr L Liu, W Sheehy, Mr P McCarthy, A Cutcliffe, Mr J Busteed, A Mazzoni, Mr G Whealing, S Williams, Mr P McLaren, B Weber, J Meagher, A Lind, M Johnson, T Brown, N Brennan (not a member of this House)

Editor's note: Unfortunately, a photograph of Mrs Louella Perrett's tutor group was not taken, so for historical record purposes only, I have published the whole House photograph which includes members of this tutor group.



Jim Busteed tells Linda Bryan he's quietly confident of success at the House Swimming Carnival



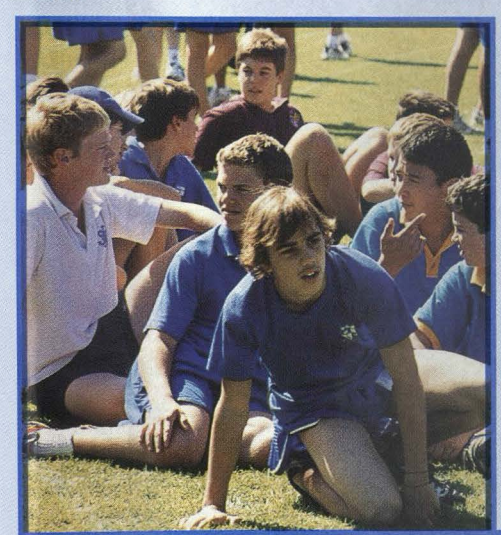
St Ignatius Day - learning about the needs of others

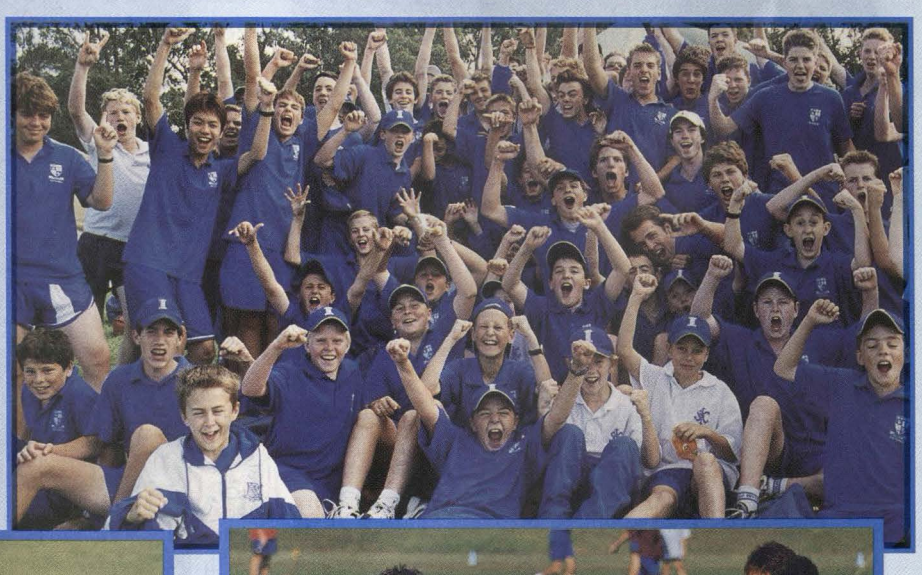


Tim Graham, Andrew Cutcliffe and Warwick Williams at the House Swimming Carnival



Above, the Southwell table at the Colours Trivia Night
Below, Southwell House at the House Athletics Day











Back Row L to R: John Nigem
Seated L to R: Anthony L'Huede, Timothy Veyret, Alex Hassall, Mr Glenn Abrahams, Declan Walsh, Tom Stephens, Peter Sherrah, David De Souza Absent: Michael De Silva, Robert Dunn



Back Row L to R: Richard Curtin, Christopher Lynch, Hamish McKay, Richard McKeon
Seated L to R: Andrew MacAlpine, Samuel Hartman, James Riordan, Ben Bryant, Mr Christopher Hayes, Damien Patterson, John Hapham, Tom Perry, Charles Harris Front Row: Ryan Macalyk



Back Row L to R: Patrick McGushin, Nicholas Ward, Edward Callanan, Lachlan O'Kane, James Hunt, Sean Wood
Seated L to R: Patrick Pearse, Jack Dwyer, John Hartman, Mr Anthony Connellan, John Ryan, Alexander Jashan, Benjamin Warnes, Patrick Warnes Absent: James Ryan



Back Row L to R: Timothy Phelps, Alexander Smith, William Tse, Thomas Ainsworth
Seated L to R: James Jedlin, Geoffrey Goddard, James Gray, Simon Moloney, Mrs Dominique Marturia, Greg Ainsworth, Joshua Lau, Thomas Kent Absent: Dane Andrews

Having bade farewell to our Year 12 students under the leadership of Ed Whiting, Paolo Cantarella and Nick Hill, Xavier House set about selecting a leadership team that would build upon the excellent efforts made by our entire Year 12 contingent.

Simon Moloney was appointed House Captain and John Hartman and Declan Walsh were appointed House Vice Captains. The quality of the appointed leaders was highlighted by the quality of the young men who missed out on appointment.

In Term 4, we continued our association with the Cystic Fibrosis Association, collecting at Lane Cove for this worthy and vital charity. A number of Year 9 students gave up their class time to collect an impressive sum of money which totalled about $1,000.

As the new year arrived we welcomed two new boys to the school and Xavier House. Hamish McKay (Year 9) joined us from Xavier College in Melbourne and so did Carl McEncroe (Year 9), younger brother of Alex (Year 10), from Griffith.

Through the first semester two boys left us, Richard Lynch (Year 11) and Ryan Carroll (Year 12). Both are going well and have remained in touch. In Term 3 we raised money for East Timor with a bikeathon on St Ignatius' Day and Mr Glenn Abrahams' and his wife Marianne welcomed their second child, a daughter, Lauren.

One of the highlights of the year was the community service (Ignatian service0 given by the students. Year 10 undertook a week of community service followed by a one day retreat to reflect upon, and share, their experiences.

The community service ranged widely in its appeal to the boys but was designed to enable the boys to encounter the marginalised and disadvantaged face to face, and to appreciate the difficulties they experience on a daily basis.

The one day retreat enabled all boys to compare their experiences, reflect on their encounters and to explore their reactions in the light of these activities.

During Term 4, this year, we were delighted to congratulate one of our tutors, Mr. Anthony Connellan, on the occasion of his marriage. Year 8 became fully fledged members of the House and attended tutor meetings as well as House meetings. They were warmly welcomed by their fellow tutor group members and quickly established themselves as part of the House.



House Athletics Day

Athletics Report

Wednesday April 9 saw the remarkable improvement of Xavier House's athletic standing at the annual House athletics carnival. While in the past it is usual for students to think of Xavier house as the willing workers in the canteen, this year on the track we were able to enjoy the marvellous success of our athletes. 2003 will be etched in people's memories as the year that Xavier dramatically improved its athletics ranking.

The arrival of new talents David Loneragan and Daniel Wiedenbein allowed Xavier to dominate the Under 14 age group. Year 12 students Declan Walsh and John-Paul Beaumont were strong performers in the track events in the Open division while Jeremy Skellern surprised all with his feats in the high jump.

James and Alex McCullagh provided an outstanding base for the Under 16 age group as both are very competitive and able sprinters in the 100, 200 and 400m. The brothers combined well with Dom Sood and Nick Ward to record excellent results in the sprint races and relays. Mat Benjamin gives this age group an extra advantage with his tremendous ability in shot put.

The Year 11 Xavier group continued an outstanding tradition with their exciting win in the relays. Jack Dwyer, James Gray, Marco Cantarella and Richard Lynch became the team that other Houses attempt to upset from their title as relay champions.

Other strong performances on the day were Tim Veyret in the 400m and Geoff Goddard in the 100 and 200m events.

Mr Abrahams' tutor group

House Mass and Supper

Many members of Xavier House gathered together on Tuesday 3rd June for the Annual Mass and Supper.

Mass was celebrated by Fr Jeremy Clarke SJ, a passionate Xavierian and a man renowned for displaying the famous red clover, even on St Patrick's Day. Mr King played the organ with distinction, encouraging us to lift our voices in song. It was great to see so many people involved in the Mass.

At the supper, Simon Moloney made an excellent speech encouraging us to do our best and keep the Xavier spirit alive. He had everyone laughing as well as thinking about the future.

Parents enjoyed meeting with the tutors and the tutors certainly gained an insight into their charges, as parents were happy to fill in the gaps that the tutees sometimes leave out!

Those from our tutor group who attended had a great time and we are sure the whole House did. However, some did complain of sore tummies from eating too much of the yummy food that all our parents kindly supplied.

Mrs Marturia's tutor group



Richard Curtin at the House Swimming Carnival

Year eleven retreat

The Year 11 Retreat was a most successful and rewarding experience for all the boys who took part. In first term, Xavier boys headed off to Lane Cove National Park with Mr Stuart and Mr Abrahams.There was a positive vibe from the outset mainly because we were missing a day off school, however, the day turned out to be both an enjoyable and an insightful experience.

We split into small groups with our teacher and had some thinking time about our lives thus far. This time was very worthwhile because it gave us a chance to reflect, which is rare due to our often hectic and materialistic lifestyles. We then briefly shared our lives with the group.

This time of recollection on the giftedness of each person and the individual journey that each person had was very interesting. The teachers also shared their lives, which highlighted that teachers are human and have had similar problems in their lives as well. Each person in the group learnt something new about the others and this has helped build friendships throughout this year.

At the end of the day we received letters from those closest to us. The letters told of what we meant to them. This was fantastic and unique because it is not often we hear what we mean to our parents or siblings. The Year 11 retreat was a lot fun and an experience I will never forget.

Jack Dwyer, Mr Connellan's tutor group



Pictured at the Indian Bazaar, Fr Kevin Cronin SJ (from Hazaribag), Mr Rob Stuart, Mr Terry Horgan (OX), Fr Tom Lees SJ (Jesuit Mission Office, Melbourne), Fr Andrew Bullen SJ

Visits to St Canice's Hostel

Several boys this year have given their time to help at St Canice's hostel for the homeless in Kings Cross. James and Alex McCullagh said that when they went, they first met in the late afternoon at Lane Cove and collected bread from the local bakery to take to the hostel.

They then spent their time making beds and preparing a supper for the people who were coming to stay the night there. At about 10pm some people arrived and after having some food, a bit of a chat they went off to sleep. Many of the men had spent their day killing time, and for some this was the high point of their day.

Jeremy Skellern said that when he went, he met people from all walks of life, each with a sad story to tell. All participants recommend the experience to others saying, they'd learnt a lot through it.

As John P Webster once said, "It is one of the most beautiful compensations of life that no man can sincerely try to help another without helping himself."

Mr Egger's tutor group



Back Row L to R: Dominic Clapham, Daniel Wiedenbein, Bryan Curtin, Benjamin Cohen
Seated L to R: Carl McEncroe, Roger Fan, Robert Power, Mrs Jodi Kinchant, John McKeon, Alexander Harris, Joshua Andriolo, Dominic Sood Absent: Jean-Paul Beaumont



Back Row L to R: Alex McCullagh, Sam Resch, Mathew Benjamin, James McCullagh, Andrew Dickson
Seated L to R: Marco Cantarella, William Hosie, Blain Kershaw, Mr Mark Egger, Jeremy Skellern, George Sutton, Henry Curtin, Andrew Sullivan

Cystic Fibrosis collection

On a cool but pleasant day in October, James Riordan, Bill Hosie and Josh Lau, accompanied by eight of their Year 10 colleagues, set off to collect funds for the Cystic Fibrosis appeal. The majority of people approached were nice and donated generously.

Some of the boys were questioned about what cystic fibrosis is and how it is caused but the boys were able to inform these inquiring members of the public with accurate information. Over $1000 was raised.

Mrs Kinchant's tutor group



Mr Rob Stuart and friends at the House Swimming Carnival

As Housemaster it is my privilege and responsibility to thank the tutors of Xavier house who do a marvellous job that rarely is accorded the recognition it deserves. Messrs Hayes, Abrahams, Egger and Connellan and Mesdames Kinchant and Marturia maintain a watchful and caring interest in your sons, an interest that the boys hopefully grow to appreciate more and more in their senior years.

We wish all our Year 12 students the very best for their future paths and trust that they will retain fond memories of their time in Xavier House. We thank them for their contributions and leadership. Simon Moloney, Declan Walsh and John Hartman have led the house well, giving us excellent tutor meetings, thought-provoking moments and fine example.

Many others of the Year 12 group have provided quiet but invaluable support to the House leaders. Finally, I would like to thank, you, the parents, whose support and work with myself and the tutors, have enabled us to be more effective in caring for the most precious things in your lives, your children.

Mr Robert Stuart



Michael Howden, Damian Bryant and Patrick Curtin at the House Athletics Day



Class 5.1

Back Row L to R: Robert McClay, Dean Rando, Nicholas Roubicek, Alexander Still, Ivan Pavlovic, James Colla, Zachary La Cava, Matthew Donnellan
Middle Row L to R; Patrick Long, Alex Hawtin, Sam Glissan, Tomas Godlewski, Jack Flood, Lintyn Basha, Domenic Cuda, Sebastian Henry-Jones, Jack Gracie, Mr George Cassar
Seated L to R: Thomas Baxter, Clark Wenborn, Callum Lee, Hamish Conroy, Marc Rahme, James Zimbulis, Kade Fallins, Arthur Hayes



Class 5.2

Back Row L to R: Angus McKay, Patrick Lane, Mitchell Cook, Michael Samaha, Jack McElhone, Charles Ower, Liam Prosser, Edward McGowan
Middle Row L to R: William Taylor, Albert Hyde, Tobias Hunt, Thomas Edwards, Michael Anthony, Jack Bundey, Jonathan Roel, Tyrrell Chase, William Hanrahan, Ms Tina Brayan
Seated: Alexander Mc Manus, Stephen Marshall, Conor Riordan, Harry Flitcroft, Joshua Navybox, Matthew Prior, Sean Maroney, Jeremy Ferrer



Class 5.3

Back Row L to R: Sean Shanahan, Dominic Sweeney-Nash, Liam Carmody, Hugh Delaney, Thomas Powell, Thomas Aitchison, Florian Melinz, Sebastian MacGougan
Middle Row L to R: Jonathon Hugh, Michael Golding, Chester Salter, James McCallum, Henry Hyde, Andrew Taylor, Daniel Guihot, James Hanrahan, Samuel Prior Mr David Johnson
Seated L to R: Ryan Jones, Joseph Hamer, Sebastian Chan, Thomas Barkl, Giancarlo Giacomazzi, Christopher Brassil, Jordan Heyer-Wright, Michael Salvador



Class 5.4

Back Row L to R: Alexander Martinez, William Newnham, James Watt, Matthew Robinson, Nicholas Kirkwood, John Barry, Andrew Clune, Michael Wells
Middle Row L to R: Thomas Sutherland, Jack Donnan, Nicholas Briscoe, James Duncan, Hayden Protich, Samuel Masi, Patrick O'Neill, Michael Wewege, Oliver Grimble, Ms Erica Reading
Seated L to R: Alexander Kalyk, Michael Ippolito, James Wilson, Joe Brown, Timothy Donlan, Benjamin Coffey, Thomas Hartigan, Timothy Fitzgerald



Class 6.1

Back Row L to R: James Dooley, Andrew Watson, Brendan Dale, Harrison Wall, Guy Marchand, Samuel Tyrrell, Lachlan Hay, William Myler
Middle Row L to R: Henry Graham, Christopher McNamara, Harrison Chapman, Thomas Murphy, Henry Cook, Joseph Scarcella, George Wilcox, David Lynch, Mrs Margaret Cullen
Seated L to R: Thomas Roper, Daniel Welsh, Kyle Mathieson, Damian Rocca, William Tait, Conor McCraith, Jeremy Sullivan, Jarryd Timm
Absent: Jonathan Scardino



Class 6.2

Back Row L to R: Liam Hogan, Christopher Moore, Thomas Cohen, Anthony Sullivan, Timothy Pascoe, William Dempsey, Edward Davidson, Damien Giblin, James Anthony
Middle Row L to R: William McGushin, Gordon MacArthur, Jonathan Shuttleworth, James Livesey, Stephen Dooley, Joseph McElhone, James Warne, Luke Mildren, Ms Georgia Smith
Seated L to R: Nicholas Dye, Andrew Bigg, Dominic Hayson, Sean Gill, Thomas O'Brien, Michael Costi, Hugo Gotterson, Maxim Strokon, Jason Brooks



Class 6.3

Back Row L to R: Michael O'Neill, Nicholas Hovey, William Bonnefin, Joseph Welch, Thomas Mangan, Llewellyn Cross, Simon Parsons, Matthew Skilbeck
Middle Row L to R: Jack Fernon, Nicholas Scougall, Thomas Beswick, Stefan Smoleniec, Thomas Corrigan, Alexander Crampton, Michael O'Donoghue, Alexander Bennett, Mr Peter Burke
Seated L to R: Justin Walsh, James L'Huede, Joss Hickey, Thomas Fitzsimons, Alexander Dale, Adam Smallhorn, Lewis Holmes, Jordan Navybox, Absent: Conor O'Driscoll



Class 6.4

Back Row L to R: Iain Salteri, Nathan Aranha, James Molloy, Max Cordony, Luke White, Alec Preece, William Flitcroft, William Powell
Middle Row L to R: Thomas Duffy, Rhys Gleecher, Lachlan Gorman, Michael Dempsey, Nicholas Pembroke, William Bigelow, Sam Cox, Alex Crowley, Alex Saxon, Mr Peter Rizzardini
Seated L to R: James L'Estrange, William Kelly, James Campbell, David Cain, Patrick Coolican, Jeffrey Gatt, Riley Morgan, Oliver Wilson



Class 7.1

Back Row L to R: Timothy Heffernan, Luke Martin, Matthew Barry, Robert Guzowski, Thomas Kertesz, Jayden Bedford, Claudio Santoro
Third Row L to R: Samuel Lloyd, Maximilien Stevens, William Tickner, Aidan Roach, Robert Passas, Christopher Ratcliffe, James Cahill
Second Row L to R: Timothy Diacos, Jack Diserens, William Shirvington, Anthony Hayes, Daniel Kelly, Nicholas Dunn, Patrick Anderson, Mr Martin Collins
Seated L to R: Timothy L'Estrange, Christopher Moore, William Story, Matthew Emmett, Ashley Wing, Christopher Mulcare, Stephen Phelps



Class 7.2

Back Row L to R: Timothy Benson, Jack Needham, Timothy Hill, David Barclay, John Noonan, James Scobie, Joshua O'Neill, Michael Jones
Middle Row L to R: Giles Aley, Mitchell Milicich, Christopher De Silva, Benjamin Murphy, Thomas Hopkins, Hugh Satterthwaite, Nicholas Martinez, Michael Howden, Hugh Dalton,Ms Katrina Rowan
Seated L to R: Benjamin Carollo, Justin Lloyd, Matthew Bennett, Haydn Brown, Laurence Polfanders, Matthew Wyndham, James Dudley, Adam Abdi, Absent: Adam Herborn, Toby Wiche



Class 7.3

Back Row L to R: Jonathon Meagher, Louis Russell, William Murray, Michael Power, Alexander Unmack, William Sierakowski, Xavier Atkinson, Christopher Bonnici
Middle Row L to R: Joshua Long, Joseph Lenehan, Bartholomew Glasheen, Jack Masi, Sean Rushton, Lawrence Rushton, Richard Saunders, James Hunt, Patrick Dempsey, Mrs Angela Newey
Seated L to R: Christopher Millett, Simon Hore-Thorburn, Douglas Joseph, Steven Kalyk, Christopher McClay, Patrick Clapin, Alexander Ng, Ryan Chan Absent: Brendan Petersen



Class 7.4

Back Row L to R: Timothy Ludeke, Adam Bowers, Nicholas Callaway, Joseph Neely, James Donohoe, James Wainwright, Benjamin Moore, Jordan Hunt, Blake Priestly
Middle Row L to R: Andrew Smith, Matthew McKay, Elliot Ford, Gabriel Crowley Gray, Mathew Taylor, Shane Houwing, Harrison Checkley, David Macalyk, Mrs Mary Diggins
Seated L to R: Liam Murphy, Thomas Allen, Daniel Gormly, William Dent, Francesco Pacetta, Lachlan McKillop, Nicholas Bannister, Joseph La Cava, Jeremy Julian



Class 7.5

Back Row L to R: Matthew Clune, Jack O'Connor, Tom Ryan, Laurence Parker, Nicholas Sood, Matthew Andersen, Aaron Bicknell, Henry McKay, Oscar Videan
Middle Row L to R: Matthew Keefe, Mark Watson, Jack Freeman, Sandy Watson, Kurtis Bellemore, Troy Helmich, Edward Morgan, Max Dixon, Peter Grimble, Mr Phillip Amata
Seated L to R: Matt Garrett, Martin Corcoran, Damian Bryant, Matthew Burns, Joseph Howard, Ben McLean, Angus Roberts, Adam Barnes, Greg Macken



Class 7.6

Back Row L to R: Leonard Law, Joey Fleming, Joseph Molloy, James Kelly, John Paul Daneel, Michael Meagher, James Aitchison, Kir Deng, Jacob Sperry
Middle Row L to R: Hugh Balderstone, Daniel MacMahon, Matthew Malouf, Thomas O'Brien, Geoffrey Wells, Will Roberts, James McManus, Alexander Sharpe, Matthew Ahern, Ms Jenny Hoare
Seated L to R: Edward Curtis, Rory Grounds, Ben Kelly, Matt Hundt, Jock Mort, David Gray, Curtis Dwyer, Tom Burns, Chris Bull



Class 7.7

Back Row L to R: Conrad Hor, Charles Lee, Matthew Stenmark, Stefan Giammarco, William McPhee, Xavier McCoy, Nicholas Mallett, Brendan Jacquet, Sean Law
Middle Row L to R: Adam Cougar, Thomas Mort, Samuel Buttel, Bede Kennedy, Jesse Martin, Thomas Docker, Joshua Wilkie, Charles Nigem, Mr Terry Shore
Seated L to R: Felix Auzou, Nicholas Marshall, John Conley, Joseph Trotter, Jack Harris, Patrick Roche, Daniel Bell, Nicholas Fitzgerald, Cameron Farrell



Class 7.8

Back Row L to R: Jacob Stevens, Michael Wilenski, Mitchell Soden, Daniel Fernandez, Drew Collins, Patrick Curtin, Henry Broad, Thomas Gillespie, Phillip Butcher
Middle Row L to R: Michele Izzo, Remington Tonkin, Hamish Johnstone, Nicholas Jamieson, Nicholas Kennedy, Harold Best, Nicholas Ryan, Matthew Malloy, Mrs Therese Herborn
Seated L to R: Oscar Tatham, Gianni Moseley, James Benecke, John Wills, James Condon, Nicholas Hill, Logan Mead, James O'Neill, Andrew Cougle Absent: Ronan O'Driscoll



Class 8.1

Back Row L to R: Sebastian Wirth, Anthony Russo, Jackson Mark, Christian Arkell, Mitchell Davies, Damian Mair, Andrew Fraser, Daniel Venuti
Middle Row L to R: Jonathan Bleasel, Harrison Gorman, Luke Prodinger, Jake Cumbers, Guy Pinnock, James Barr, Dean Curnow, Matthew Wyllie, Mrs Jo-Anne Kragelulnd
Seated L to R: William Radford, James Douglas, Nicholas Parrella, Henry Norris, Marcel Walsh, Jack Sutherland, Franco Bonserio, Bryce Hay, Damien Kean



Class 8.2

Back Row L to R: Patrick Harrowsmith, Myles Docker, Lachlan McCaffrey, Cameron Smith, Brendan Donovan, Benjamin Diserens, Patrick Bell, James Nicholson, Huw Farrell
Middle Row L to R: Michael Murphy, Patrick Murton, Timothy Egan, Matthew Castino, Michael Kennedy, Christopher Gagliardi, Benjamin Fessey, Kennard Wong, Mr Kurt Bartelme
Seated L to R: Thomas O'Neill, Francois Perrin, Stephen Mesa, Nicholas McElhone, Nicholas Tuxworth, Peter Perry, Lukas Perrott, Christopher Haigh, Thomas Fernon



Class 8.3

Back Row L to R: Dugald McGinness, Henry Renshaw, Alex Walker, Charles Broad, Will Callanan, Tomi O'Connell, Hamish Armstrong, Patrick Ryan, Jonathan Chong
Middle Row L to R: Sam Carruthers, Christopher Kramer, Andrew Sommer, Samuel Williams, David Herlihy, Philip Barton, Andrew Collignon, Jack Smallhorn, Mr Jamie Smith
Seated L to R: Timothy Buckley, Stephen Manna, Patrick McNamee, Alistair Stephenson, Gabriel Navidzadeh, Adam Quigley, Timothy Leung, Bartholomew Hardy, Tom Krawiec



Class 8.4

Back Row L to R: D'Arcy Cridland, Timothy Higgins, William Crowley, Robert Heyer-Wright, Patrick McNamara, Samuel Wall, Edward Carroll, Edward Rowe, John McNicholl
Middle Row L to R: Thomas Forrest, Joshua Hung, Christopher Rooney, Anatole Koteczky, Thomas Crandles, Maxim Hutton, Joseph Zakaras, James Vaughan, Mrs Kate Browne
Seated L to R: Laurence Young, Michael Egan, George Nimmo, Charles Evans, Nicholas Baistow, Patrick Moran, Hayden Wall, Rhys Pogonoski, Adam Seeto



Class 8.5

Back Row L to R: Ashton Clarke, Benjamin Retter, David Constable, Michael Wells, Mitchell Dawson, Christopher Malouf, Diarmuid Ryan, Andrew Frawley, Jonathan Kowara
Middle Row L to R: Teak Curran, Nicholas Fergus, William Doyle, Nicholas Harrington, Edward Godbold, Ryan Henry, Christopher Whealing, Timothy Murray, Mr Brad Moar
Seated L to R: Andrew Cook, Joseph Machart, Brendan Askey-Doran, Mitchell Teudt, Nathan Vaz, Thomas Riley, James Corcoran, Anthony Pirrottina, Charles Duffy



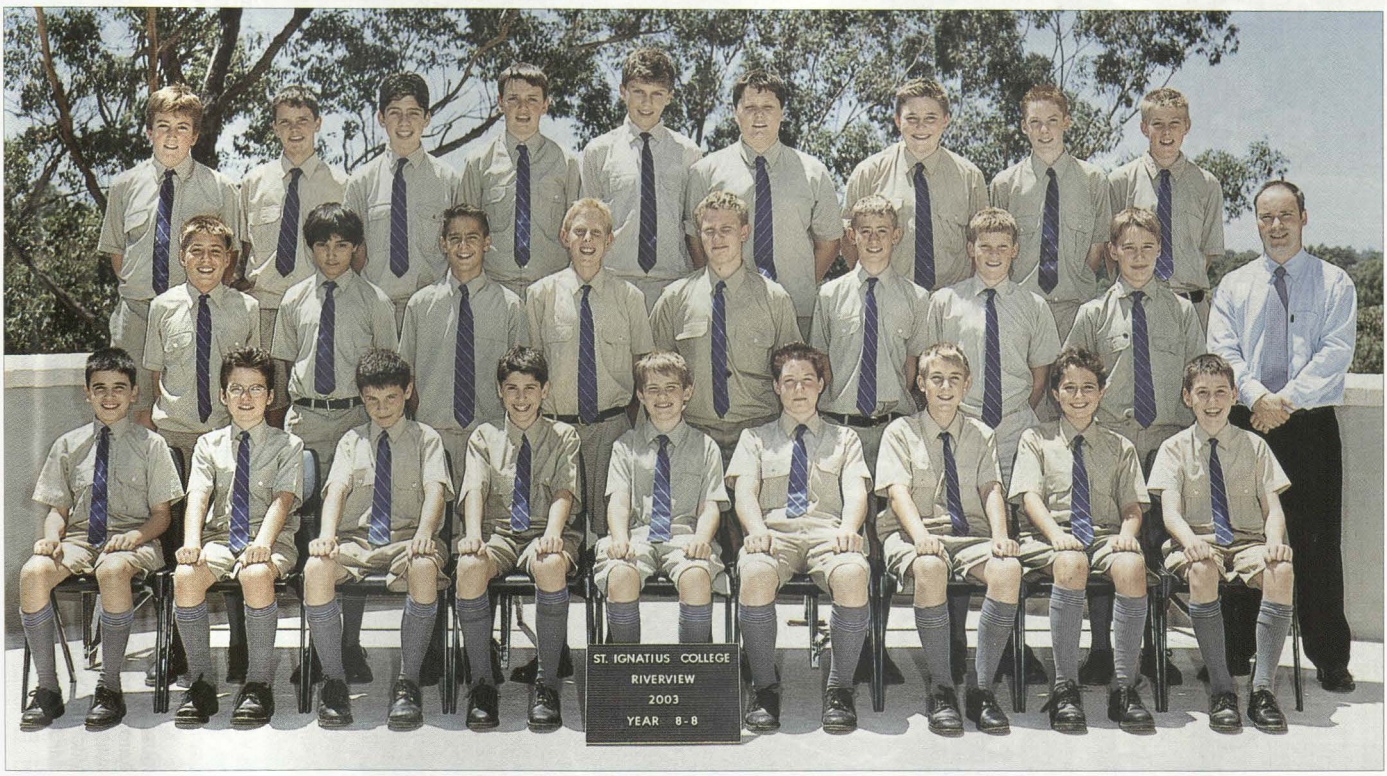
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Middle Row L to R: Thomas McNamara, Mallory Barnes, Raymon Mainsbridge, Daniel Long, Thomas Neal, Patrick O'Neill, Matthew Kirkwood, Mr Sebastian Trovato
Seated L to R: Jonathan Hew, Christopher Harrington, Oscar Lewis, Patrick Everest, Alexander Cook, Thomas O'Brien, Jason Meek, James O'Brien, Oliver Oxenham



Class 8.7

Back Row L to R: Michael Barlow, James Quirk, Konrad Wehinger, Patrick Carey, Tom Hovey, Max Joseph, James Metcalfe, James Gregg
Middle Row L to R: Sven von Sperl, Luke Sheehan, Pat Menary, Thomas Lowrey, Justin Manevski, Christopher Natale, Matthew Ingram, John Tucker, Mr Robert Gough
Seated L to R: Nathan Thomson, James Daly, Kane Hayes, Ben Charlton, Mitchell Dale, Byron Wilson, Ches Cook, Nick Crampton
Absent: Edward Quartly



Class 8.8

Back Row L to R: Andrew Hill, Josh Heazlewood, Sam Morse, Pat Levins, Toby Meagher, Liam Roach, Sebastian Murphy, David Loneragan, Matthew Corcoran
Middle Row L to R: Alex Barbara, Tom Ainge-Roy, Lachlan Biancardi, Jack Clinton, Laurance Hunting, Harrison Bethwaite, James McGuire, Donald Benn, Mr Paul O'Sullivan
Seated L to R: Luke Tsolakides, Alex Cantori, Alex Happell, Richard Montano, Brendan Cameron, Tom Lowden, John Fennel, Constantine Costi, David Watson



Back row, from left, Ross Walsh, Angus Campbell, Patrick Barrett, Simon Angove, Simon Jenkins, Thomas Cullen, Henry Harding, Blain Kershaw, Alexander Jahshan, Thomas Flynn, William Lenehan
Sixth row, Michael Roche, Michael Delaney, Patrick O'Halloran, Robert Dawes, Simon Walsh, Ben Weber, Ian Murphy, Sean Killham, James Auswild, Edward Tighe
Fifth row, Timothy Corcoran, George Skuthorp, Christopher Needham, Timothy Harrington, Thomas Tuxworth, Jack Meagher, Julian Braund, Matthew McDonald, Matthew Hudson, Travis Brooks-Garrett, Adam Browne, Hugh Koh
Fourth row, Lachlan Fergus, Guy Wall, Joseph Milazzo, Henry Shepherd, James Englebrecht, Nicholas Porta, Thomas Bromley, Anthony Brown, Dominic Cuschieri, Christopher Law, Simon Moloney
Third row, Wystan Wu, Aaron Lind, Alexander Cassegrain, William Sheehy, Hugh Kennedy, Justin Fleming, John Ryan, James Ryan, Christopher Broadhurst, James Ferguson, Andrew Ford
Second row, Joshua Rowlison, David Fisher, Luke McGilvray, Andrew Slattery, William Schiller, Timothy French, Samuel Farrell, Nicholas Guglielmino, Declan Walsh, Sebastian Cheung
First row, Scott Turner, Mitchell Quigley, Justin Le Brocque, Mark Longhurst, Samuel Montgomery, Samuel Lloyd, Michael O'Brien, Jacob Molkentin, Toby Anderson, Brendan Homer
Seated, Ryan Macalyk, Mr Anthony Connellan, Mr Neil Mushan, Mr Shane Hogan, Mr Mark McGinnity, Ms Leonie Mutch, Mr Peter Steffan

In memory of Billy and Sam

When a student moves into his final year at the College he follows in the footsteps of young men who have preceded him for more than 120 years. The excitement and challenge that lies ahead are some things that each member of the Year 12 Division looks towards, hoping that in some way his contribution to the College will be remembered.

The students of 2003 were no different than their predecessors. Throughout a year that had both challenge and sadness, they have shown themselves to be truly men for others. I have been both proud and fortunate to stand with these young men through all that this year has brought us.

Whilst each member of the Division has played his part in the leadership of the community our Captain of Boarders, Justin Fleming, and his team of Proctors have shown clearly that leadership is not so much a privilege as it is a responsibility.

They have been fine examples to the younger members of our community and provided a positive contribution wherever the College has been on display. Whether it be supervising one of the many dances held each term or working with the wardens in the Refectory, organising liturgies in the Chapel or leading prayer in one of the other Divisions, providing extra supervision where needed or assisting a coach with his team, these boys have truly been men for others.

Much of the day to day tedium of boarding life runs efficiently because of the commitment and efforts of Angus Campbell, Andrew Slattery, Will Sheehy, Nick Guglielmino, Michael Roche, Tom Flynn, Michael Delaney, Tom Cullen, Tim Harrington, Tim Corcoran, Brendan Homer, Patrick Barrett, Sam Montgomery and our Beadle Declan Walsh

In addition to the formal leadership demonstrated by the Proctors, the Division has shown the way in a myriad other College activities. Members of the Division have been involved heavily in community service, Hot Potato Shop, Night Patrol, the Ignatian Children's Holiday Camp, House fund raising activities, the Indian Bazaar and as the travelling cheer squad ready to support anything Blue and White from the rowing crews at the Head of the River to winning football matches over at St Joseph's College.

Wherever you find the flag of St Ignatius' College you will find this Division offering its full support. It is important to note that many of the members of the Division were House captains, Vice Captains and leaders of activities outside the boarding community. Their contribution to the life at the school has been significant.

These boarders have led the way on the many fields and courts where Riverview boys have played throughout the year,. During the summer our premier basketball team included Joe Milazzo who was selected in the GPS sides at the end of the season. At the same time Tim Harrington (captain), Mark Longhurst (vice captain) and Edward Tighe were enjoying a fabulous season in the First XI. The Senior tennis sides were well represented by Sam Turner (captain of the Firsts, RIP), Billy O'Connor (RIP) and Andrew Slattery.

Our trip out to the Head of the River this year was one that none who were there will forget. After the wonderful student rally for the crews back at the College, Riverview had one of its most successful regattas in years. The magnificent efforts of Angus Campbell, Michael Roche, Paddy O'Halloran, Tom Cullen, Ross Walsh, John and Jim Ryan, Sean Killham, Michael Delaney, Tom Flynn, Jake Molkentin, Pat Barrett and Jack Meagher left us all with images we will never forget.

The end of summer sports saw our minds turn to the tartan track of Athletics. Wherever there was running – fast or long distance – jumping, hurdling or putting there one was sure to find a member of this Division giving his all for the College. Among the track and field stars were Tim Corcoran, Andrew Ford, Tim Harrington, Simon Jenkins, Scott Turner and Declan Walsh.

The wonderful victory in both Senior and Junior GPS competitions was just reward for the effort of these young men. To their credit, the spectators supported their comrades from the first event to the last with a marvellous spirit that is testament to the men in the Division. Andrew Ford was to then continue his commitment to athletics by becoming a stalwart in our senior cross-country team.

As the weather turns cooler a young man's heart yearns for football. It doesn't matter which code as long as it is football. Our 1st and 2nd Soccer XI were looking forward to more premierships while the Rugby players could taste a season of success. Boarding was well represented in our senior Rugby teams by Michael Roche (captain) Tom Flynn, Michael Delaney, Tim Harrington, Tim Corcoran, Ross Walsh, Bill Lenehan, Chris Needham and Pat Barrett in the 1st XV, and Toby Anderson, Hugh Kennedy (captain) James Englebrecht, Edward Tighe, Brendan Homer and Mitch Quigley in the 2nd XV. The wonderful results and the seven SIC players selected for GPS representation gives an indication of the depth of talent in Riverview Rugby. In addition, the round ball game saw boarders leading the way with Nicholas Guglielmino (captain, 1st XI), Henry Shepherd, Blain Kershaw and Declan Walsh. Nich Guglielmino was also selected as captain of the GPS 1st XI.

As well as their participation in the wide world of sports, members of the Division were also involved in matters cultural. They trod the boards in both musical and dramatic productions and Matthew McDonald led a group of gifted musicians.

Our debaters took out the GPS premiership again but in the world of public speaking, Travis Brooks-Garrett shone the Division torch in many competitions including the Lawrence Campbell Oratory competition.

Academically, the boys have worked solidly over the year with study time being used wisely and advantage taken of every opportunity that has been offered. Each boy can face these challenges knowing that he has prepared himself to the best of his ability. I hope the good Lord smiles on these lads when the time comes.

Providing an environment where 80 young men can enjoy all that life has to offer, work to the best of their ability and grow into the fine adults that they are starting to become does not come by accident. The staff who work in this Division deserve the thanks of the boys and the College. Leonie Mutch, Alex Rybak, Peter Steffan, John Newey and Anthony Connellan offer more than their time each week.

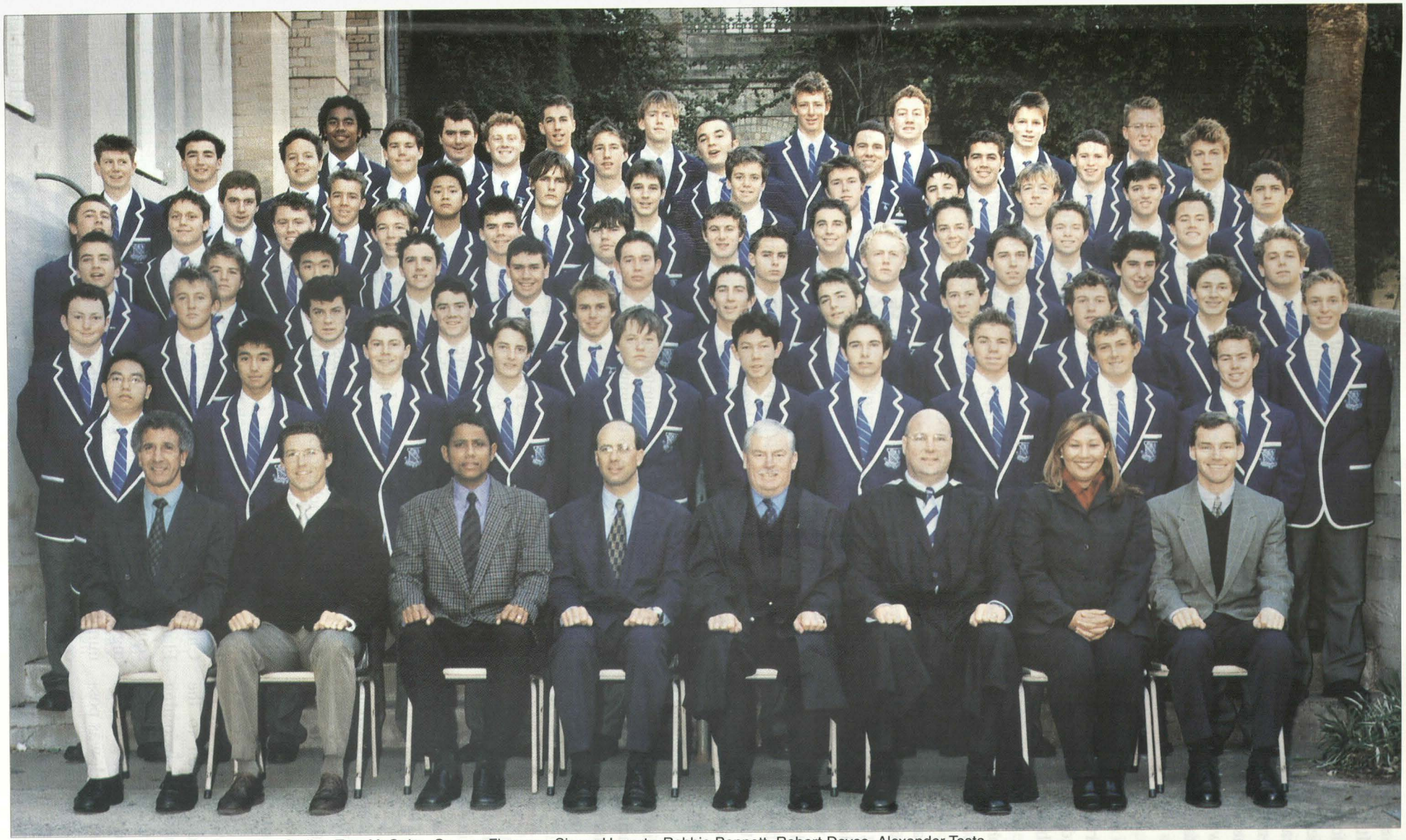
They are there to encourage, direct and support each boy as the need arises. They do this with good grace and humour in an environment that can, at times, be quite stressful. In addition, support staff in the Refectory, Maintenance, Health Centre and Administration work tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure that these boys enjoy the very best of care.

It has been my pleasure to work with the Year 12 Division of 2003. They are a good natured, hard working group of young men who have taken the joys and sadness that this year has delivered with maturity, sensitivity and wisdom beyond their years. They have supported each other and the College with enthusiasm and style. Future years will do well to emulate the efforts of these lads.

Neil Mushan



Back row, Brendan Homer, William Sheehy, Timothy Corcoran, Patrick Barrett, Thomas Cullen, Thomas Flynn, Angus Campbell, Samuel Montgomery
Seated, Andrew Slattery, Michael Delaney, Timothy Harrington, Justin Fleming (Captain of Boarders), Mr Shane Hogan, Mr Mark McGinnity, Declan Walsh (Beadle) Michael Roche, Nicholas Guglielmino



Back row, from left, Sam Rarasea, Tom Stalley, Tom McGuire, George Flannery, Simon Hegarty, Robbie Bennett, Robert Deves, Alexander Testa
Sixth row, Jack Dwyer, Michael Zucker, Jack Walker, William Hosie, Edward Hiscox, Alexander Graham, Sam Phillips, Brett Strauss, Tom Joseph, Andrew Hamilton, Anton Joris
Fifth row, Jason D'Apice, Daniel McCulloch, Daniel Laoh, Matthew Hickey, Dean Dal Broi, Richard Buttenshaw, Patrick Giblin, Andrew Giannasca, James Fitzpatrick, Dominic Holles, Alexndre Auzou
Fourth row, Bryce O'Brien, Michael Boyle, Nicholas Jones, Benjamin Fitzpatrick, Jeremy Chapman, Timothy Kroek, Matthew Carter, Joshua Andriolo, John Andrews, Sean O'Connor, Matthew Lancaster
Third row, Timothy Ireson, William Brennan, Roger Fan, Christopher Allison, Matthew Green, Ben Tickner, Mathew Fitzgerald, Angus Rankin, Tom Perry, David Millgate, Christopher Weeks,
Second row, Jonathon Wenman, Simon Oxenham, Christopher Galvin, Daniel Kelly, Temujin Barr, Matthew Cock, James Healey, Tom Stephens, Alex White, David Dickson-Battye, James O'Neill
First row, Arman Soetanto, Mark Cheung, Christian O'Brien, Scott Lynch, Matthew Lewis, Jamie Driscoll, Conor Burke, Timothy Locke, Andrew Bray, Michael Ryan
Seated, Mr John Giuffre, Mr Craig Jeffery, Mr Brad Cooper, Mr Alex Damo, Mr Shane Hogan, Mr Mark McGinnity, Mrs Joanne Kragelund, Mr Craig Painter, Absent: Trent Backhouse, Jason Bertacco, William Hotson

boarding year 11 division

Year 11 Division of 2003 has had an excellent year. Its 78 young men young men they formed a Division of exceptional qualities.

The geographical representation of the group has been diverse with boys coming from the Riverina, South Coast and Illawarra, Mid North Coast, Metropolitan Sydney, Upper Western, Central West Slopes and Plains, Central Tablelands, the Hunter, Southern Tablelands, South West Slopes, North Western Slopes and Plains and students from overseas (Hong Kong and Indonesia)

As each region is unique with its climate, topography, vegetation and cultural aspects, so, too, are the students who have brought their own strengths, talents and unique personalities to form a warm, friendly and particularly caring group.

The Division has excelled in all areas creating a wonderful balance which highlights the outstanding education provided by the College in offering opportunities for all students. In academic endeavours, many boys are undertaking accelerated study programs.

In the performing arts there have been outstanding achievements and in sport many students have gained representation at a variety of levels. Individual interests are also diverse with many boys undertaking a wide range of activities outside the normal school spectrum.

The personal highlights for me in leading this group have been their acceptance of others, their generosity and ability to accept challenges. They are spontaneous and are able to derive much fun from simple activities. The many games of mud football held on the slopes of Kevin Fagan House will long be remembered by all who participated. Laughter abounded as these muddied warriors battled in the slush.

The concert held in Term 2 was another highlight where so many boys performed for the enjoyment of others; as were the numerous pizza nights where the lads just simply enjoyed the pleasure of sharing a meal together in the comfort of their recreation room.

This is a group of young men who like being together and who are comfortable in who they are. Their willingness to be men for others has been witnessed through their participation in the inaugural Big Brother Club, where a junior boarder was 'matched' with a buddy from Year 11. Developments such as these contribute to the important sense of belonging that exists within the boarding community.

The boys of this Division are fortunate to be a member of such an outstanding group. They are surrounded by peers who are so diverse in their interests and talents. This provides plenty of opportunity for each student to to see what others can do and then feel inspired to do the best that he is able to do. I look forward to the future when so many of these young men will be making significant contributions to our society through their achievements.

I would like to sincerely thank all the duty masters who contributed so much to the development of the boys and providing a warm and cohesive atmosphere. Much thanks goes to Mr John Giuffre, Mrs Jo-Anne Kragelund and her husband Renee, Mr Craig Painter, Mr Peter McLaren, Mr Brad Cooper and Mr Greg Meagher.

Every one of these people have been generous with their time. They have each brought their own unique and diverse way of caring for the boys and have offered an extensive array of experience in pastoral care.

I am also very grateful to my wife and children who through their support have allowed me to undertake this very rewarding position.

Mr Alex Damo

Year 11 Division Boarding – a student perspective

We arrived at Kevin Fagan House, all the boys quite excited and very eager to start a new year at the school. New additions to the boarding house included several day boys, some blokes completely new to the school, and the infamous Wagga connection. This, combined with the existing boys and a new team of boarding staff, meant that a promising year was upon us.

Term 1 began with a meeting. We all gathered round to listen to the words of wisdom about the upcoming year from Mr. Damo. The new boarding house, complete with the glitz and glamour of a five star hotel, was possibly the most welcome for the member of the division this year.

The summer sports season was upon us, and the members of the 5ths Cricket team were carving it up! We also had some representatives in the 1st XI and 2nd XI: Dan Kelly, Jack Dwyer and Jason Bertacco. In the 2nd Basketball team we had Ed Hiscox and Sam Rarasea; in 2nds Water polo: Ben Tickner, Bob Bennett and Will Hotson and Josh Andriolo played in 2nds Tennis .

As well, Bryce O'Brien, Tom Joseph, Simon Hegarty, Jeremy Chapman, Tom Stalley and George Flannery were in the GPS Rowing squad. Along with all these outstanding achievements, there were also a number of boys who were selected as captain of their summer sport team. Overall we had a 100% involvement in summer sports.

The college musical, 'West Side Story' took place at the end of term one and all the boys went along to watch the performance. Matt Hickey starred in a leading role and Nick Jones and Eugene Joseph had minor cameo roles in the production. Members of the chorus included Mike Boyle, Jeremy Chapman, Richard Buttenshaw, Bryce O'Brien, Brett Strauss and Chris Galvin. Andrew Bray and Dan Laoh were members of the orchestra for the production.

Term 2 saw all the boys back again, raring to go for a big term. With the winter season approaching, all were excited and ready to play. The first big school event was the GPS athletics carnival. There were mixed emotions prior to the big day as we all had high

hopes that both the Junior and Senior teams would do extremely well. Our Division was well represented on the day with a remarkable victory by Alex Testa, who won the open shot putt championship, throwing against boys a year older than him. Alex beat his closest opponent's throw by more than a metre and a half.

Other representatives on the day included Angus Rankin, Mike Boyle, Nick Jones, Tom Joseph, Jason Bertacco and James Healey. Congratulations to these boys who o were GPS premiers for 2003.

It was later in this term when our social life began to blossom and a slightly more musical side of the division was unleashed, with a sing along and concert in the rec room. Many thanks must go to Andrew Giannasca and Tom Stephens for organising the event, it was a huge success.

A few short weeks after the concert came the Year 11 Division dance, where the boys came out with a mission ...to be true Ignatian gentlemen, whilst grooving to the tunes of the 'Slashed Uggies' whose superior vocals were mysteriously muffled by the fantastic tunes from the musicians.

Term 3 came around all too quickly and we were straight into the G.P.S. competition. Everyone was fired up and ready to go for our second last season of winter sport. Again, we were very well represented in the senior teams with Jason Bertacco and Chris Allison members of the 1st XI and 2nd XI Soccer and Dan Kelly, Bryce O'Brien, Sam Rarasea, Tom Joseph, Mike Boyle, Ed Hiscox, Anton Joris, Jeremy Chapman and Mike Ryan in the 1st XV and 2nd XV teams



Michael Boyle, Valete Speech Day 2003, where he was announced Captain of Boarders 2003/2004.

Congratulations to the boys in the 1st XV for having such a fabulous season. They had a great win over at St Joseph's College and ultimately took out the GPS premiership. The Brennan Cup AFL team were also successful. They retained the premiership. Most of the team players were boarders and their captain was James Fitzpatrick.

In addition, Jack Dwyer was a part of the GPS. premiership winning 1st Debating team.

The next big hurdle for the Year 11 Division was our exams. This instantly saw the study grades sky-rocket as the boys realised that it's never too late to get your work done. All in all there was a good effort by the guys to get some pretty good results.

Towards the end of the term, the proctors were announced for the upcoming year. All were very happy to receive this honour and congratulations to all the boys who received it. On the last day of term, the leaders for the school for next year were announced. many Year 11 Division boys were appointed to positions of responsibility in the College Houses. Congratulations goes to Mike Boyle who was appointed Captain of Boarders.

Throughout the year there were many very special achievements by some of the boys which are very worthy of mention. Matthew Hickey was awarded first place in the N.S.W. Regional Drama competition.He also did a short stint at NIDA.Conor Burke was named state champion in the set design section of the Shakespeare Festival. Jason Bertacco was selected in the GPS 2nd Soccer team. He was also selected to play for the Australian Wanderers Soccer team which toured the U.K. and Europe later in the year.

Bryce O'Brien was selected for the GPS 3rd XV team. He also gave an oarsome performance at the national rowing championships - his crew won the Schoolboy IV title. Sam Rarasea was selected for the GPS 1st and 2nd XV, as well as the NSW Under 16 Schoolboy team.

Dan Kelly was selected for the GPS 3rd XV as well as the Australian Schoolboy Development team. Ben and James Fitzpatrick were selected in the NSW/ACT Rams AFL team. Congratulations must go to the undefeated 17A XV who were also winners of the annual teams' cup trophy . The 17A team was captained by Mike Ryan and coached by boarding master, Mr Craig Jeffery. There were only three day boys in the team.

Many thanks to Mr Damo and the boarding staff who helped us greatly with many hours of work during the year. Mr McLaren, Mr Meagher, Mr Painter, Mr Giuffre, Mr Cooper and Mr Jeffery all did a great job and looked after us very well. Mrs Kragelund and her tireless husband, Rene, left us during the year for China, and they are both greatly missed by all, and are also sincerely thanked.

To Mr Damo, thanks for all the care and effort you put into us this year. You helped make this year a ripper.

Nick Jones and Mike Boyle



Back row, Geoffrey Clarke, Lachlan O'Kane, Nicholas Clift, Alexander Fraunfelter, Ben Daley, Will Laurantus, Alain Guglielmino
Sixth row, Eamon Ryan, Patrick Cape, Richard Braund, Sam Chaffey, Damien Morton, Jack Fitzgerald, Andrew Wong, Andrew Campbell, Kieran Grieves
Fifth row, Sam Purcell, Alex Miles, Oscar Roberts, James Cush, Luke Fisher, Tom Gorman, Jeremy Neville, Joshua Flannagan, Matthew Barham
Fourth row, Nicholas Ward, Alex McIntosh, Richard Hughes, Robert Warmoll, William Kennedy, Tim Ley, Jack Cuddigan, Patrick Dennis, James Stewart-Hunter
Third row, Henry Meagher, Timothy Buttenshaw, Alex Vrisakis, Jacob McKay, Robert Dempsey, Aaron Dal Broi, Adrian Bott, Mitchell McClintock, Joshua Coulthurst
Second row, Tom Kent, Tim Graham, Daniel McNamara, Edward Brand, Tod Montgomery, Matthew Flynn, Joel Di Bella, Simon Long, William Tse
First row, Anthony L'Heude, Tom Radford, Darren Leung, Patrick Martin,Campbell Dalton, Ben von Sperl, Chris Radford, Mark Pond
Seated, Andrew MacAlpine, Mr Gary Johnson, Mr Damien Thomspon, Mr Shane Hogan, Mr Mark McGinnity, Mrs Dominique Marturia, Mr Andrew Szabo

2003 commenced in a fairly routine way for the new batch of Year Ten Division boarders although there were new boys to welcome and new Boarding Masters to get to know. All endeavoured to settle in to the new study routine and timetable and the year got off to a smooth start. The new, later wake-up time of 7:20am was unanimously declared to be better than the Year 9 wake-up time.

The summer sports season continued with a number of Boarders representing the Division at the Gold Cup and Head of the River in rowing. There were also GPS representatives in a number of sports ranging from tennis to basketball. At the end of term one, with our initial exams and the summer sports season over, tension began to grow in anticipation of the winter season.

At the commencement of the winter season, everyone began their training for the 'contact' sports. In Term 2 there were also the half yearly exams that kept many of the boarders studying hard. A highlight of the winter season was the premiership triple of rugby, soccer and debating. Performing superbly in the 1st XI throughout the winter season to help the team to victory was Jackson England. Boarders were well represented in the 16As Rugby and Soccer with Nick Ward who excelled in football, being chosen as Captain and winning the best forward award.

Throughout the year we were preoccupied with the many dances, movies and other outings provided for us by Mr Thompson and the other masters such as Mr Hargreaves, Mrs Marturia, Mr Marsh, Mr Johnson and Mr Szabo who, we all think, deserves a big hug for his patience this year.

In Term 3, after three years of living with the boys here at Riverview, Mark Pond left to spend a year at Stonyhurst College in England. He was replaced by Sebastian Beilby who'd just spent a year at Stonyhurst. Everyone wishes Mark a happy year in England and a safe return to Australia.

In Term 4 we had e a newly refurbished recreation room which was selflessly worked on by Mr Johnson during the holidays. We had the School Certificate and other exams to complete, a week of community service and holidays followed by Year 11 in 2004.

At times, this year has been one of great joy and at other times one of great sadness, yet the spirit, generosity and good nature of Second Division (Year 10 Division) continues to shine through. It is with optimism that we look to the future.

Alex McEncroe

Boarding Year 9 Division

The year started off well with 17 boys joining the Division from as far a field as Bangkok and Hong Kong and as close as inner Sydney. The new boys settled in well and their company was much welcomed. The new Boarding House with rooms of one or four was a fantastic change from the Year 8 dormitories.

The 'Fr Power SJ' recreation room was finished midway through the year and has been a welcome change from sharing the JB room with the year 10's.

Evening prayer was kicked off by the senior boys once the recreation room was finished. Jack Mallick should be congratulated on a very inspirational prayer session on his home town of Forbes.

Mr Polatos' wake up call was much dreaded each morning as everyone felt they needed more sleep.

Mat Benjamin and Bryan Coleman became 'huge' during the year with their weight programs, where as Ben Egan, Nick McInerney, Geoff Ternes and Ian Williams concentrated on their acting careers.

Danny Condon, Gavin Windsor and Christian Hagan enjoyed playing endless bouts of magic cards, while Tom Rae went blind and couldn't see for a week after a handball accident. Tom Gillespie was rescued by Mr Polatos in the middle of the night with a ruptured appendix. Tom survived the dreaded scalpel later in the morning.

On the Rugby front, James Daldorf was the lone All Blacks supporter and who enjoyed rubbing it in when his team won. Sam Julian, Tom Shannon, Nic O'Connor and Brenton Montgomery helped the mighty 15 Bs XV team to an undefeated season. Mal Lynch, Pat Noonan and Hugo Kuan were prominent members of the U/15 AFL team. The team played a tough season, but unfortunately came last in the competition.

John Nigem is still recovering from the Dragons' disappointing season, while Tim Phelps was busy organising the tipping competition. Tim Jude hit the lead at a crucial time in the season while the multi-talented players, Alex Young and Alexis de Vienne, played both Soccer and Rugby.

Andrew Dickson and Matt McManus could always be counted on to come back with exciting shooting stories from their holidays, unlike Chris Kok who always returned with the latest technological devices. Nick Cheung was the division m.f.o. (man for others).

New boys, Andrew Cullen, Henry Grogan,Carl McEncroe, Justin Ng and Cael O'Leary, settled in well to the boarding routine. Tom Hutchinson crossed over to the other side by leaving the day boys and becoming a boarder.

Jarrod Doyle must be commended for running the pool competition, which was won by Pat Effeney, who was a keen debater, along with Jack Smyth.

The start of Semester 2 brought with it a new addition from the Philippines, Jokin Aboitiz. Chris Long, Tyrone Lindqvist and Gwylim Johnstone continued with their band, 'Morning After', and played well at one of our dances.

John Grant, Alastair Clifton, Pat McCabe, Sam Green and Rafael, "I can throw a shot putt and win with a broken leg", Del Rosario competed well in the athletics to help Riverview win the Junior GPS Athletics shield.

Pat McCabe and Dom Stack, with their commerce skills, started a very profitable private enterprise scheme selling Coca Cola coke during the football season. Now that Term 4 has begun, our fridge is no longer full of ice all day Saturday.

Special thanks must go to all of the Division masters: Ms Richardson, Mrs Di Sano, Mr Warlters, Mr Grant and Mr Polatos who have looked after us all year. What a job!

Stephanus Natawardaja, an old boy of 2002, and Ms Protas were a great help at study answering anything we needed. The boys appreciated the effort Mr Farnsworth put into organising outings, such as dances, beach trips, movies and footy matches. His guidance and friendship throughout the year were appreciated in an important year of our development and have contributed to bringing our Division even closer together.

Rob Hogan, Liam Gleeson



Back ro:w Carl McEncroe, Mathew Benjamin, Andrew Cullen, Hugo Kuan
6th row: Sam Green, Patrick McCabe, Alistair Clifton, Ian Williams, John Grant, Benjamin Egan, Sam Julian, Matthew May, Brenton Montgomery
5th row: Nicholas Cheung, Malcolm Lynch, Matthew McManus, Geoffrey Ternes, Gwylim Johnstone, Jack Mallick, Rafael Del Rosario, Christian Hagan, Justin Ng
4th row: Gavin Windsor, Robert Hogan, Christopher Kok, Thomas Rae, Nicholas McInerney, Henry Grogan, Thomas Hutchinson, Tyrone Lindqvist, Christopher Long
3rd row: Jarrod Doyle, Nicolas O'Connor, Jack Smyth, Alexis de Vienne, Dominic Stack, Bryan Coleman, Thomas Gillespie, Liam Gleeson, Daniel Condon
2nd row: Alexander Young, John Nigem, Tom Shannon, Patrick Effeney, Andrew Dickson, Cael O'Leary, Timothy Phelps, Timothy Jude
Front row: Mr David Grant, Mr Christopher Farnsworth, Mr Shane Hogan, Mr Mark McGinnity, Ms Jennifer Richardson, Mr Duncan Warlters Absent: James Daldorf, Patrick Noonan, Jokin Aboitiz



Back row, from left, Joseph Payten, Toby Meagher, Robert Heyer-Wright, Diarmuid Ryan
Fifth row, Matthew Corcoran, Henry Renshaw, James Metcalfe, Sam Irwin, Hamish Armstrong, James Quirk
Fourth row, Lachlan Biancardi, Hayden Wall, Tim Egan, Patrick Menary, Edward Carroll, Michael Kennedy, Jake Cumbers, James Barr
Third row, Ben Charlton, Sven von Sperl, Teak Curran, Tom O'Brien, Kennard Wong, Donald Benn, Michael Murphy, Joseph Zakaras, Adam Quigley
Second row, Oscar Lewis, Charles Duffy, Tom Forrest, James Corcoran, Tim Leung, Tim Murray, Laurence Young, William Radford
Front row, Mr Kurt Bartelme, Michael Egger, Tim Egger, Mrs Anne Egger, Mr Mark Egger, Mr Shane Hogan, Mr Mark McGinnity, Ms Jenny Hoare, Mr John Larkings, Mr Sebastian Trovato
Absent: Mr U Polatis, Mr M Marsh, James Easton, Liam Roach, Alexander Walker

Year 8 Division 2003 has experienced a most amazing year in boarding, surviving tragedies and triumphs and enjoying the commendable leadership of the very fine Year 12 students.

This collection of boys has distinguished itself as being friendly, open and honest; and at times boisterous. They mix well as a group and demonstrate care and concern for others. The best evidence of this has been the way that five new boys have been welcomed into the Division: within weeks it was as though they had always been with us.

St Ignatius' College urges us to develop our gifts in many ways and the boys in Year 8 Division have heartily heeded his call. There are those who have found their niche in the wide variety of activities offered by the College such as: Tom Forrest, Toby Meagher, James Quirk, Diarmuid Ryan, Donald Benn, James Corcoran, Tim Egan, Henry Renshaw, Pat Menary, Jake Cumbers and Michael Murphy in Rowing.

Lachlan Biancardi played in the 14A Basketball team; Joe Payten and Michael Kennedy in the 14A Cricket with James Barr, Hamish Armstrong, Ben Charlton, Sam Irwin, Alex Walker, Adam Quigley, Tom O'Brien, Rob Heyer-Wright, Joe Zakaras and Tim Murray in other teams.

Lawrence Young, James Metcalfe, Ed Carroll, Tim Leung, Oscar Lewis, Hayden Wall, Charles Duffy, Matthew Corcoran and Bill Radford played in the Tennis teams; Teak Curran was our sole surf lifesaver and Kennard Wong competed in Water Polo. In winter our boys represented us in three of the football codes offered by the school with Henry Renshaw, Liam Roach, Sam Irwin and Joe Payten playing in A teams.

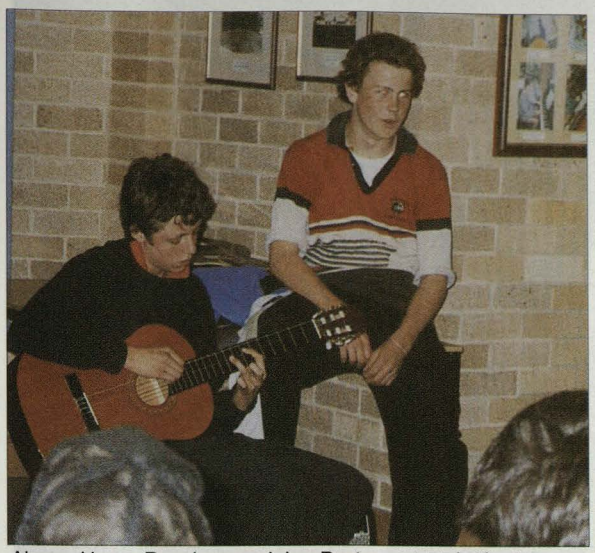
Some lads brought honour to the Division through special achievements. Kennard Wong was selected in the GPS team for swimming. Sven von Sperl and Jake Cumbers not only won the state skiing title, but during the July holidays they also went on to take third place in the national championships.

The familiar Meagher-Payten debating combination was behind the acquisition of the SDN debating trophy for Year 8, before backing up as stars of the Year 8 play with Tim Murray, Alex Walker and Donald Benn.

The Division also enjoyed a talent quest evening where a diverse range of musical ability was on show. Accomplished woodwind performers Michael Murphy, James Quirk and Tim Leung led the way, backed up by a galaxy of guitarists including Charles Duffy, Henry Renshaw, Diarmuid Ryan, Pat Menary, Alex Walker, Hamish Armstrong and Hayden Wall.

One of the great delights of the year has been watching boys jamming in the recreation room before school each day! Donald Benn and Liam Roach both performed entertaining poems for the enthusiastic audience.

It is not only in organised activities





Above: Henry Renshaw and Joe Payten entertain the troops at the Year 8 Boarders' talent quest, while above right, Liam Roach and James Corcoran demonstrate the art of putting an egg into a bottle.

that the boys can develop or display strength of character. There are many who simply display it in their every-day demeanour – doing their warden's duties faithfully, carrying a bag for an overloaded friend, holding doors open, being punctual, smiling, and being honest and polite.

Some boys have stood out in this regard with Donald Benn, Edward Carroll, Ben Charlton, James Corcoran, Sam Irwin, Oscar Lewis, Tim Murray and Laurence Young being fine ambassadors for the Division.

Happy boys are the product of caring, committed and attentive staff. Jenny Hoare crossed the road with the boys this year and brought with her a detailed knowledge of each individual. She has been brilliant in helping struggling students improve their organisational skills.

Sebastian Trovato and Kurt Bartelme know the boys exceptionally well through their leadership roles in the day school and always provide variety in the boarder's lives through trips to Lane Cove, the city, football games and pizza nights.

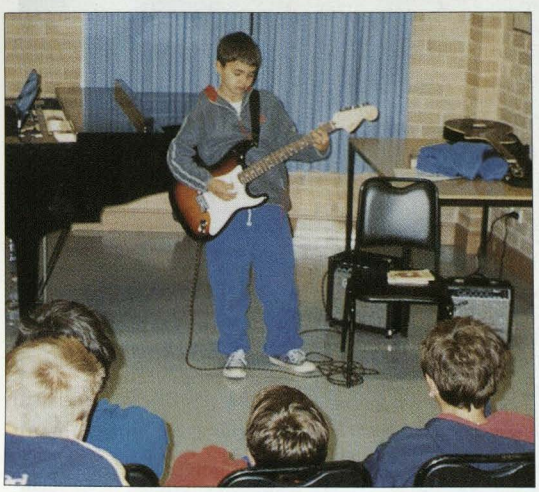
John Larkings completed his law degree this year and now does duty straight from work, earning him the sobriquet 'the best dressed MOD'. He has served the boys reliably at all times and will be sorely missed from our community as he moves on next year.

Uliagno Polatos joined our team in July, working in the division whilst completing his nursing studies. The boys have enjoyed his quiet, relaxed, confident approach to his duties.

We have also been lucky to have Michael Marsh doing some hours in the division. He had already created positive relationships with the boys through his work in the Gartlan Centre and in rowing. I would also like to thank my wife Anne and my sons for the generosity and patience that makes me available to the boys.

This will be the last bunch of boarders to bounce up and down the stairs of the main building, as the Division will be moving across the road in 2004. The kookaburras that perch upon the roof of the Chapel will wonder at the silence that will replace the frenzy of morning wake ups and the chatter of boys returning to their dorms in the afternoons and evenings, however, I am sure that if they listen closely they will hear the happy echoes of 123 years of boarders along the vacant halls.

Mr Mark Egger





Charles Duffy performs an original song at the talent quest; above right, Year 8 Division cricket fans watch Australia win the World Cup



Back row, from left, Jack O'Connor, Joseph Fleming, John Noonan, James Kelly, Thomas Kertesz, Jayden Bedford, Alexander Unmack, Kir Deng
Third row, Thomas Hopkins, William Tickner, Michael Wilenski, Alec Preece, Timothy Hill, Matthew McKay, Brendan Jacquet, James McManus
Second row, Thomas Allen, Angus Roberts, Joseph Lenehan, William Dempsey, Nicholas Pembroke, Sean Law, Hamish Johnstone, Jock Mort, Matthew Bennett
First row, Felix Auzou, Christopher Moore, Joshua Long, John Wills, James Condon, Martin Corcoran, Jeremy Julian, Steven Phelps
Seated, Mr Mark Donovan, Mr Matthew Graham, Mr Terence Sheehan, Mr Shane Hogan, Mr Mark McGinnity, Ms Belinda Clark, Mr Stephen Brown.
Absent: Hugo Gotterson

As with every year the new school year brings much excitement, and a lot of tears as a new group of junior boarders commence at the College. This year has seen a few but significant changes which have enhanced both the settling in period and the remainder of the year. These included the introduction of the 'Big Buddy' group, the move of Year 7 to the other side the road and a more extensive city family scheme.

The 'Big Buddy scheme, is one in which each boy in the Junior Division is linked to a boy in the Year 11 Division. During the year there were a number of different activities where each junior boarder and his buddy were given the opportunity to talk and listen to each other. The advantages of this scheme flow both ways. The older boys can give back just a little of what they have received during their time here at the College and are also given an opportunity to show compassionate leadership.

For the younger boys there is not only the experience of being able to listen to the older boys talk about their life here at the College, there are also formal and informal links in which the important contact with an older boy is established and maintained. For some of the Year 11s the nostalgia of their time as a junior boarder in 5th Division would no doubt have been a part of what they share with the younger boys.

I would like to thank the Year 11 big buddies for their considerable time and effort in making this scheme such a success and setting a high benchmark for future years. I would also like to thank the College counsellor, Mr Ross Whitfield, for his initiative, leadership and support in this wonderful scheme.

In 2003 there was an extension of the city family scheme whereby every country boarder is linked to a day school family. This scheme was established a few years ago and has been most successful. This year we held an afternoon tea for the Boarder Parents and the host families so that the boarder parents could meet their son's city family.

I thank Mrs Jane Hegarty and the Boarder Parents' Group for their efforts this year. I also thank the city families who participated in this scheme and those other day school families who opened their homes to our boys.

With the move of Year 7 to the Therry Campus on the other side of the road there have been a number of other changes. Sadly , the long lunches outside the Division have gone. But this is balanced by the fact that the boys are now much closer to so many of the facilities which they use so often such as The Woods Music Centre, the Licona the D and T rooms etc. There is also considerably less time lost in travel.

As with any group of boarders those who come to Riverview are quite diverse and varied. This year, as well as the usual city/country groups, there are boarders from Hong Kong (Sean Law) and the Kimberley region of Western Australia (Jayden Bedford). Jayden is from an Aboriginal community and his schooling and life experiences have added to the flavour of this group.

Another member of the Division is Kir Deng who is a refugee from war torn Sudan. Kir had only been in Australia less than eighteen months when he arrived at the College. In that time he has learnt to speak English remarkably well and the effort that he brings to his studies is a lesson for all.

As with the rest of the College the Division was saddened by the tragic passing of Billy O'Connor and Sam Turner during the Easter break. In speaking with a number of the boys in the Division, many boys commented that in ways large and small, both Billy and Sam had touched and brightened their lives as they adjusted to the demands of boarding. Several boys commented on the fact that Billy's photograph was on the wall as a member of 5th Division in 1998. These two young men will be missed but the fruits of their kindness to and interest in others will live on.

A major theme within the Division this year has been the notion that we do not own the College, but that we borrow it for the time that we are here. This particularly applies to the reputation and good name of the College as well as the Division and all of its facilities. As part of this idea the boys have been reminded that there is an obligation to leave the school in at least as good a shape as they found it and where possible they should work to improve upon what they have been handed. To their credit the boys have been very willing to accept this notion and to work towards the ideal.

As always, the boarders have been very involved in the various co-curricular activities available at the College. Three boys have taken up the challenge of debating and Jeremy Julian was involved in the Shakespeare Festival. In sport Tim Hill (Shot Put) and James Kelly (hurdles) represented the College in GPS athletics. James came second in his championship hurdle event. In addition, Tim played Water Polo and was in the 14A soccer team.

Will Tickner was in the Water polo team as well as the Swimming team. Other 13A soccer players were James Kelly and Kir Deng. Kir scored a goal in every game that he played for either the A or B team.

In Tae Kwon Do, Sean Law won a medal at an inter-school meet. In Rugby Angus Roberts and John Noonan played for the 13As. Jayden Bedford has played both 13As basketball and Australian Rules football for the College. Jeremy Julian ran in the cross-country team. All of the teams in all grades in all codes have seen boarders in their ranks, bringing, as always, their enthusiasm with them to every game and training.

As I write this column work has begun on renovating and updating the Junior Boarding area and preparing the building for the arrival of Year Eight Division boys in 2004. There is much anticipation, from boys, parents and boarding staff alike, with regard to this work.

The structural changes are the largest done since the original building was completed in the early 1960s. Much of the original work will be retained and upgraded whilst extra facilities, particularly with regard to technology, will also to be installed. For the boys of this Division there is also the excitement of a short sojourn in Kevin Fagan House at the end of this term so that dormitory areas can be worked on.

I thank, most sincerely, Chris Newton and the kitchen staff; the Infirmary staff, who so often see much of the homesickness; John Millar and the cleaning staff and Ron Hanby and the maintenance crew, in particular Chris Diener and Hussain Bux, for meeting so many of the day to day needs of the boys.

So much of what is achieved in the Division, is a result of the generosity of the staff. I would like to thank Belinda Clark, Kaye Walker, Tom Bourne, Stephen Brown, Mark Donovan, Chris Gordon, Matthew Graham, Brad Moar and the various Gap students for their efforts, often above and beyond the call of duty, in helping the boys to realize their potential.

Finally I would like to thank my wife Allison for her patience, support and good advice, as well as her care for the members of this Division.

Mr Terry Sheehan



Back row (and in between), from left, James Riordan, Richard Buttenshaw, Thomas McGuire, Luke Latter, Brodie Stuart, Andrew Hamilton, Robert Deves, Matthieson Hor, Heath Collins, Karl Ferguson, Peter Sherrah, Byron Fay, Patrick Westhoff
Third row (and in between), Timothy McBride, James Orsborn, Andrew Giannasca, Martin Silk, Sean O'Connor, Michael Zucker, Daniel Lenehan, Ian Quartly, Jeremy Chapman, Bradley Clark, Damian Raper, Benjamin King, Patrick Wall, Nicholas Kenny, Matthew Kenny, James Dodd, Hugh Cashmore, Jeremy Byrne, James Dwyer
Second row (and in between), Mr Michael Gray, Jack Dwyer, Anton Joris, Michael Ryan, Nathaniel Hardy, William Marsh, Rowen McDermott, Robert Bennett, James Healey, Nicholas D'Ambrosio, David L'Estrange, Michael Lowe, Simon Anderson, Kip Koenig, Laurence Bye
Front row (and in between), Michael Boyle, Benjamin Terrell, Douglas McNamee, James O'Neill, James Brettell, Edward Hiscox, Nicholas Jones, Glenn O'Sullivan, Nicholas Baulderstone, Matthew Kalyk, Marcus Bortolotti, Sam Cincinnato, Mrs Jennie Hickey

The Arrupe Academy is named after the famous Jesuit, Fr Pedro Arrupe, who was the Superior General of the Society of Jesus from 1965 to 1982. He provided strong and inspirational leadership in the years immediately after Vatican II when the Church and the Jesuits were facing many new challenges.

The Academy aims to foster among Year 11 boys an understanding and an appreciation of the qualities that make a good Christian leader. Students apply to join the Academy and give an undertaking to participate in all six of the seminars.

The topics dealt with included: community building, decision making, and the role of serving others including the most marginalized in society. It is hoped that the learning and faith development that take place in the seminars will serve the boys both in their final year at the College and in their lives after school.

Based on feedback in earlier years, the style of the Academy was substantially modified in 2003 to accommodate better the aspirations of 17 year old boys. Consequently, while there were still multimedia presentations on various outstanding leaders and their impact on our world, there was also great emphasis on small group activities and contributions from the students.

The leadership theme was also highlighted through guest speakers coming to share their stories and their experiences of exercising leadership. These included Fr Mark Raper SJ, Provincial of the Jesuits in Australia, old boys, Dan Street and Will Ley, and current student College leaders Justin Fleming and Sean Williams.

There were opportunities to reflect on what might be the goals of the student leaders for the coming year. The thematic concerns of each seminar were linked and this helped reinforce the whole concept of leadership and what it entails

More than 50 boys participated in the seminar series in 2003. This year Mrs Jennie Hickey, Director of Religious Formation at Riverview, and Mr Michael Gray, Head of the Ignatian Centre, planned and led the seminars.

Jack Dwyer, Year 11
Mr Michael Gray



Back row, from left, Andrew Hamilton, Patrick Mayoh, Benjamin Williams, Michael Lowe, Edward Hiscox, David Conway, Joseph Payten, Con Costi
Seated, from left, Andrew Cahill, Justin Fleming, Tom van Beek, Mrs Linda Bryan, Sean Williams, Jack O'Brien
Absent: Dominic Pascoe, Dominic Sood

From its introduction to the school in 1997, the SRC has prided itself on facilitating communication between the students and the administration of the College. In 2003, for the first time, the two Year 12 representatives, Andrew Cahill and Jack O'Brien, became prefects of the College and full members of the year 12 leadership team.

Their participation in this body, along with that of College captains Tom van Beek, Sean Williams and Justin Fleming, have aided this communication and made us feel that the SRC has come of age. The five Year 12 leaders have been wonderful models for the younger boys.

Surrounded by new buildings and the work on beautifying the grounds, our main objective this year was twofold: to increase the image of the SRC so that ultimately the reps can have a greater impact on the changes occurring in the College; and to organise events that would boost the community atmosphere of the College. The individuality of the elected students in 2003 has contributed to the variety of suggestions put before the group.

2003 continued the tradition of donating most profits made from the SRC to Bear Cottage. The one exception was when peace ribbons, organised by the Year 8 reps, Joe Payten and Con Costi, were sold during SRC week to raise money for the Red Cross work in Iraq.

Several activities such as the 'View Couch raised respectable profits, as well as uniting the students. Chris Mallett was the inaugural recipient of the couch in the first home game. For every GPS home game, the couch enabled the winner to be the closest spectator possible. Whilst watching the game, Chris and three friends dined on chips and were refreshed with endless soft drinks. The 2003 SRC View Couch is an original initiative from the van Beek repertoire of brainwaves. It's destined to continue next year.

The Band Competition once again showed the musical diversity of the students. Although moving the stage to third yard disrupted Year 9 lunchtime basketball, the central setting allowed a larger audience to witness the most competent musicians to date. Mapooza Brown, the official winners, won the audience over with the high standard of their music. The Year 11 reps, Ed Hiscox, Andrew Hamilton and Dom Pascoe did a good job of organising the setting up and afterwards the cleaning up of this event.

Each year rep was also busy with requests from individual students. The Year 12s immediately organised the jerseys while Year 11 rep Michael Lowe and conscript Luke Latter were busy organising the semi-formal. Patrick Mayoh and Dominic Sood in Year 10 and Ben Williams and Dave Conway in year 9 dedicated most of their efforts to the dances in the Gartlan, which were great successes.

Although the individual reps are the major face of the SRC, it is the work of Mrs Bryan that enables the students to undertake the activities that they do. Her countless hours on our behalf exemplify her passion for the potential of the SRC . Thankfully she receives a lot of satisfaction from helping the reps develop into leaders. We admire her persistence and dedication.

The SRC has also been shaped by the three captains of the College, Tom, Justin and Sean. Their perseverance and efforts enabled the originality of their ideas to work.

2003 has seen the greatest promotion of College spirit and unity between the forms to date. It was a collective honour to have influenced such change and we hope that its impact will remain for years to come.

Andrew Cahill (honorary secretary)

During the year the Aboriginal Reconciliation committee was involved in many activities apart from its weekly discussion meetings. For instance, in first term Marcus Bortolotti, Anthony Baine, Mitchell Wall and myself under the keen guidance of Ms Pauline Cain presented sporting equipment to the Mount St Carmel School at Redfern.

This school has a large number of Aboriginal students and we were fortunate enough to be able to spend the afternoon reading books to Kindergarten. We hope to continue to work with students at this school.

The committee also helped organise the Sorry Day liturgy at the College and sold Reconciliation T shirts. (This may seem like an advertising ploy but if you wish to purchase a shirt please contact Ms Cain.)

During Reconciliation Week in Term 2, the committee and the five indigenous students at the College took part in celebrations at Lane Cove where Travis Brooks-Garrett spoke about his experiences at Brewarrina.

At the end of this term we celebrated the 125th anniversary of the purchase of the Riverview site with a Mass on the feast of the Sacred Heart. This Mass included a smoking ceremony in the Ramsay Hall by Uncle Max, an Aboriginal leader. In the Mass, the College acknowledged that the Cameraigal people had lived and occupied Riverview land for hundreds of years before we settled here.



Back, Ms Pauline Cain. Seated, from left, Anthony Baine, Marcus Bortolotti, Mitchell Wall, Jack Dwyer, Edward Fernon

While Ms Cain was away on long service leave she taught a few lessons on Aboriginal Spirituality for Fr Paul Sheridan at the St Louis High School in USA. At the beginning of this year we then donated some Aboriginal books to their school library to update their resources on Aboriginal studies.

Lastly, on a sad note, Pauline McLeod, whom you may remember was on Play School and who made a speech in 2001to a forum at Riverview regarding racism, died earlier in the year.

Edward Fernon



The French Club

Back row, Patrick Mayoh, Michael Everest, Dominic Reardon, Edward Noel, Sebastian van Veenendaal, Edward Fernon, Anthony Baine
Seated, Simon Anderson, Marcus Bortolotti, Mme Myriam Moysey, Mme Evelyne Giovannetti, Laurence Bye, Patrick Westhoff
Absent: Oscar Lewis, Laurence Young, Luke Edwards, Geoffrey Storr

We started the year on a very high note with about 27 participanats from Year 7 to Year 12. All, no doubt, were attracted by the prospect of French 'goodies' such as pate, eclairs and the like.

Terms 1 and 2 went by and unfortunately, due to exams as well as other commitments we were left with just a trickle of keen and enthusiastic students.

Neverthless, 2003 saw us watching 'Asterix and Cleopatre' on DVD, Tatie Danielle on viedeo, playing French monopoly and enjoying a Raclette party. So please, if you have a Gallic penchant and feel like speaking, listening to or eating French, come along to the French Club. You are all welcome!

Evelyne Giovannetti, Myriam Moysey

chess club 2003

2003 has been another very successful year for the Riverview Chess Club, with an increase in the number of members and improved results in the NSWJCL Junior Chess teams competition. Our players are still as enthusiastic as ever, as we come together every Friday afternoon and battle it out on the boards.

Led this year by our captain, Michael Whelan, and vice captain, Brett Thomson, we fielded 7 teams in the competition.



Back row, from left, Nicholas Fearnley, Andrew Beresh, Liam Wells, Francisco Hur, Chris Marchand, David Gordon, Charles Broad
Seated, from left, Alex Cantori, Michael Jones, Daniel Fearnley, Ms Stephanie Tita, Mr Lewis Liu, Tom Saunders, Michael Power, Arwin Soetanto, Brendan Cameron

Our Junior A and B teams were this year captained by Nathan Thomson. Members in these teams were: Will Crowley, Lawrance Hunting, Alex Cantori, Byron Wilson, Brendan Cameron, Michael Jones, Mike Power, Guy Marchand and Oscar Tatham.

For many of these boys it was their first season of competitive chess and they should be congratulated on such a huge effort. Each week one of them posted positive results and we look forward to seeing them develop next season.

Our three intermediate teams were captained by Nick Fearnley who once again led our most competitive teams in the competition. These consisted of: Daniel Fearnley, Francisco Hur, Justin Ng, Tom Saunders, Liam Wells, Andrew Beresh, Ciaran Gill, David Gordon, Tom Smith, Chris Marchand, Dominic Clapham, Peter Leitner and Matthew Sheehan.

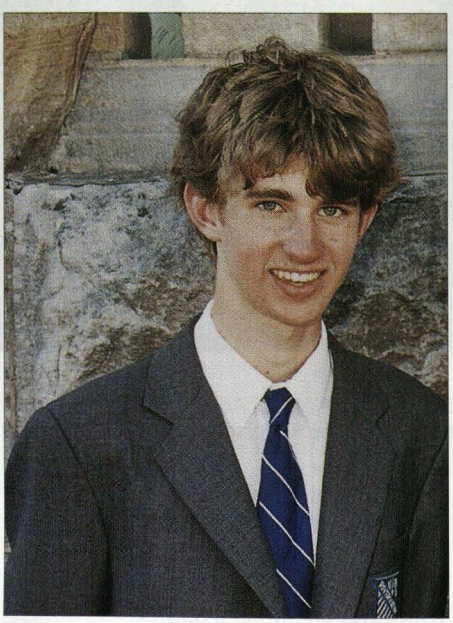
They were a constant threat to the opposition. Week in and week out our intermediate teams recorded impressive victories and are sure to be a huge force in the chess championships next season.

The two senior teams also had a very impressive season with our 1st team, Brett Thomson, Matt Whelan, John Paul Beaumont and Mike Johnson recording some pleasing results against some very tough opposition teams. The new blood that made up the 2nds team, Luke Scifleet, Byron Fay, Eugene Joseph and Tom Howes deserve special mention for their ongoing commitment and we are sure they will make great leaders for the club next year.

Special thanks must go to the continuous support of Mr Liu and Ms Tita who have made this season so enjoyable as a result of their organisation and enthusiasm throughout the year..

Brett Thomson

Amnesty Internationl 2003



Anthony Baine

An independent, politically impartial worldwide movement, Amnesty International works to both promote and to defend human rights around the world.

Amnesty International's vision is of a world in which every person enjoys all of the human rights enshrined in the Universal declaration of Human rights and other international human rights standards.

This year the Riverview Amnesty community has worked vigorously in what has been a busy year for human rights concerns.

With the second Gulf war at the beginning of the year, letters were sent to Iraq asking for protection for the people caught up in the war. Riverview Amnesty also requested all the warring parties to commit themselves publicly to the Amnesty 10 point appeal, which basically states that civilians be left out of military action.

Dr Fidel Castro's crackdown on dissidents in Cuba was another issue for concern. The Riverview group wrote seeking protection for these prisoners of conscience. Letters were also sent to Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of Myanmar requesting the unconditional release from detention of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi and other National League of democracy leaders.

Strong leadership, regular attendances and members with hearts of determination saw a successful year for Amnesty International at St Ignatius College in 2003

Anthony Baine
(President)



Back row, from left, Timothy McBride, Joseph Portelli, Nicholas Nedeljkovic, Patrick Lynch, Lloyd Malouf, Brendan Tree, Samuel Purcell, Jacob McKay
Middle row, from left, Thomas Anderson, Lewis Westhoff, Michael Drury, Byron Wilson, Marcel Walsh, Nicholas Lalak, Edward Grey, Peter Spratt, Nicholas Lancaster
Seated, from left, Douglas McNamee, Matthew Beardsley, Thomas Stephens, Ms Amanda Catling, Ms Justine Gesterkamp, Eric Fenessy, Joel Stillone, David De Candia. Absent: Gabriel Crowley Gray, Tom Retter, Harrison Checkley, William MacArthur, Michael King

Photography was always something I was interested in, so when Ms Gesterkamp announced that she and Miss Catling would be taking classes, I jumped at the chance. What more could I ask for, a co-curricular activity that I would actually enjoy, good mates taking it with me and two very knowledgeable teachers.

My photography group consisted of: Michael King, Lewis Westhoff, Nick Lancaster, Joel Stillone, Tom Anderson, Peter Spratt and me, Michael Drury.

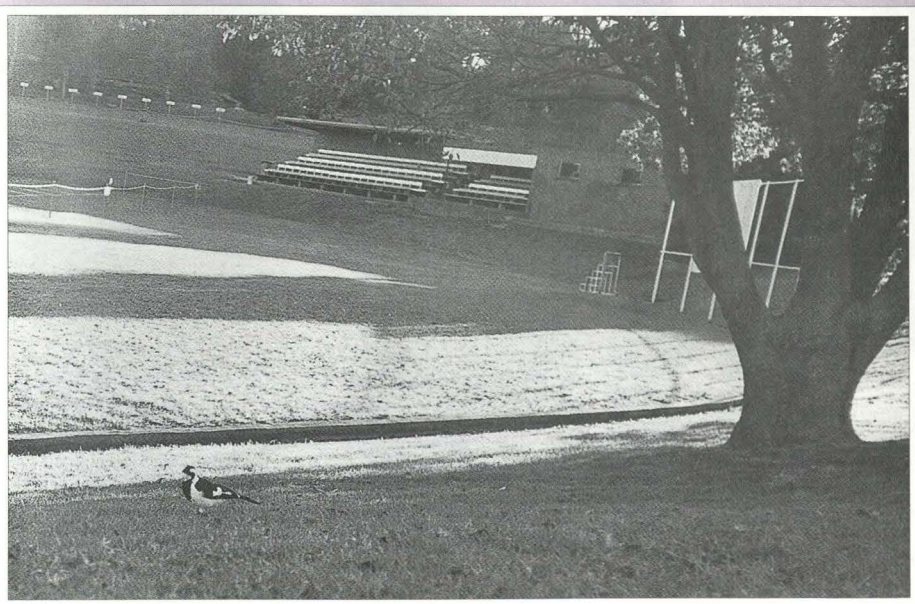
When I asked my fellow comrade, Lewis, what he though of the course, he responded: "It's bombastic!" With Lewie's vocabulary I was not sure if he loved the course or despised it, but I'm certain this meant that he thought the course was great. Everyone else doing photography felt the same way. We all had a great time snapping, developing and complementing each other on our photographs.

In conclusion, I would like to say that this was one of the best courses I have ever participated in. I have learnt so many new things from the world of photography. Finally, I thank the teachers who made it all possible - Ms Catling and Ms Gesterkamp for teaching us in their own time and for giving us a fruitful experience which I am sure we will all remember forever. ***Michael Drury***

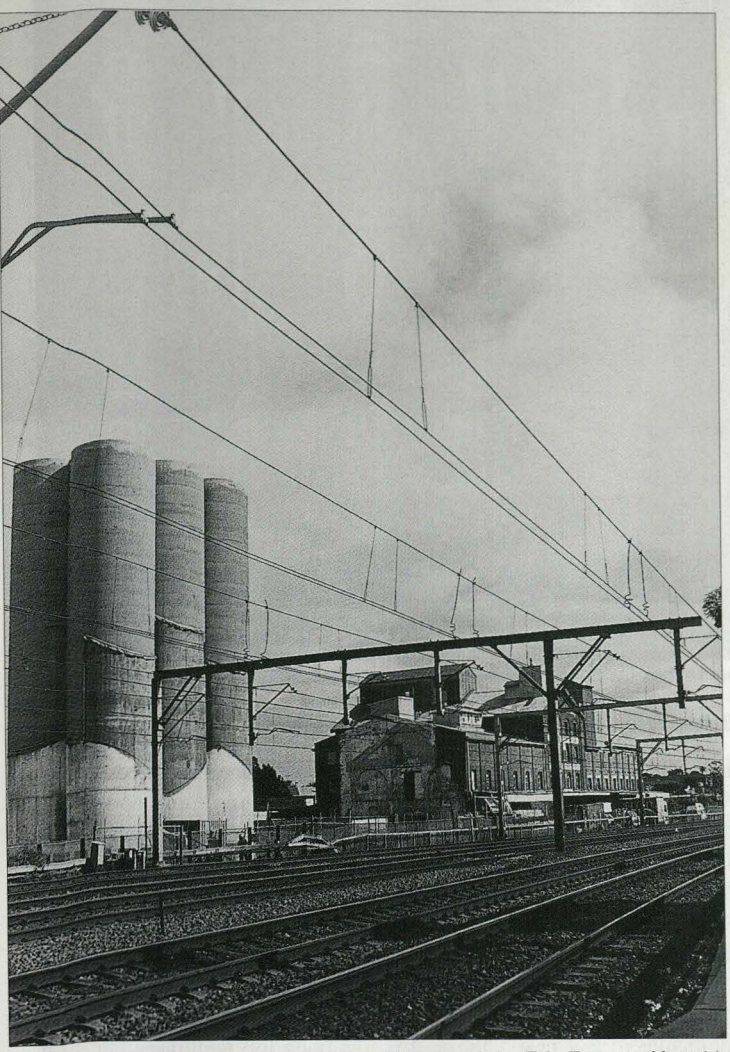
Photography was a wonderful experience and a great relaxing way to end Tuesday afternoons. At first it was a bit overwhelming, doing all your own work in the dark but your eyes soon adjusted.

There were always mistakes to be made but as long as you learnt from them, it is always a job well done.

Gabriel Crowley Gray and I were the lucky ones as we were the only Year 7 students doing the course. This meant we got a lot of close attention and made many good prints. I personally made a lot of great friends and had great teachers. All in all it was a wonderful experience and I will most certainly be taking it next year. ***Harrison Checkley***



Marcel Walsh, Year 8



Photograph by Eric Fenessy Year 11



Photograph by Gabriel Crowley Gray Year 7



Photograph by Matthew Beardsley Year 11



Photograph by Tim McBride Year 11

2003 has been yet another vintage year for Riverview's Senior debaters and Riverview's debaters can again boast of debating success in all its various permutations.

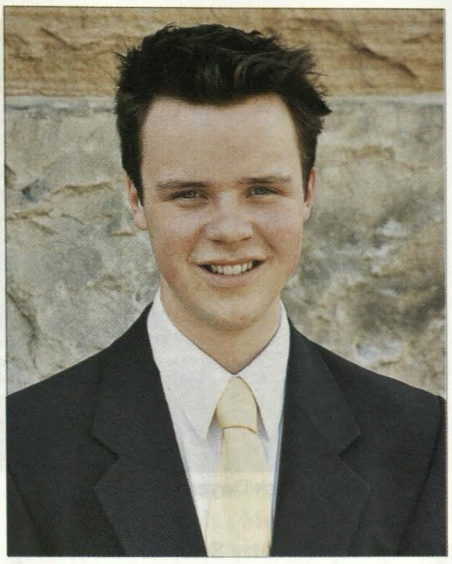
From the challenge of convincing a suitably selfless audience at the Simply Sharing Meal that 'caring was too much trouble' to arguing that 'racist websites should not be banned', Riverview's debaters in 2003 were never afraid of a verbal confrontation.

For the senior debaters, the year began with several distinct challenges. After years of unfulfilled expectations in the Independent Schools Competition (having been defeated in the semi-finals or better for five straight years), the motley crew of myself, Jeremy Moore and Tom Robertson was determined to finally remove the monkey off its back. Aided by the auburn-haired enthusiasm of the young Jack Dwyer, the Senior A team stamped itself as a flexible and dynamic unit.

In arguing ' that George Bush is more dangerous than Sadaam Hussein', 'that CEO salaries should not be capped' and 'that recreational drugs should be legalised' (to name but a few of the ten separate motions debated), the Riverview Senior A team stamped itself as a flexible and dynamic unit- remaining undefeated throughout the whole season- the first Senior ISDA team to do so in recent memory.

It is a testament to the immense talent of the Senior B team (Dan Gunn, Andrew Lazzaro, Oscar Peppitt and Patrick Wall) that, despite unsettled speaking combinations, they nevertheless managed to reach the semi finals.

After ISDA success in June, July saw Jack Dwyer, Jeremy Moore and Tom Robertson also take out the inaugural Jesuit Schools Debating Competition,



Christopher Croke, Debating Captain, amd Captain of the Australian Schools Debating team

and in doing so maintained the Fr Charles McDonald trophy, having defeated St Aloysius twice in the course of the tournament.

In the GPS competition in Term III, the 1st team continued their dominance of the Louatt Shield, achieving its 36th title (its 31st in the last 40 years). Significantly, the GPS 1st team has now been undefeated for three seasons.

Unfortunately, an impressive Sydney High team were too strong for the Riverview 2nd team and claimed the Lorna Kurrle Cup. Our 2nd team nevertheless finished a most creditable and, by all accounts, commendable second.

In individual terms, it is a testament to our strength that all three members of our GPS 1st team received the honour of selection in the Combined GPS teams.

In addition, Jeremy Moore and myself were both selected in the NSW debating squad, from where I was immensely fortunate to be selected to attend the National Championships in Brisbane, and from there, the World Championships in Peru.

Our individual and team successes have not arrived through any singular natural talent, or automatically by virtue of the fact that we are the inheritors of a long tradition of sustained success.

Instead, it is the dedication of those involved in Debating at all levels that establish the bedrock. Our Master In Charge, Mr King, has an unequalled passion for debating and channels his immense enthusiasm into motivating and encouraging us.

Ably assisted by Ms Troncone and Mrs McLean, the co-ordination of debating at Riverview is becoming increasingly seamless. Our coaches (this year the senior coaches included Dominic Thurbon, Laura Thomas, Philip Senior and Ivan Ah Sam), have developed in us not only a healthy desire for success, but also an insatiable appetite to improve with every performance.

Our supporters continue to suffer the often-unjustifiable absence of humour in our speeches with stoic bravery and have turned out in numbers. And our parents, above all others, have endured the cold Friday night classrooms and manic Friday afternoon traffic with admirable patience and courage.

Yet the successes and achievements of our debaters are measured by more than premierships and trophies. Indeed, the true reflection of the Debating Society's success is that it continues to train critical thinkers to cultivate the ability to discern right from wrong and to embody the *vir eloquens*.

For this, the departing senior debaters of 2003 wish to leave with no other words than 'thank you'.

Christopher Croke
Captain of Debating, 2003



Chris Croke and other members of the Australian team who were winners of the Regional Debating Championship in Wellington, New Zealand in February, 2003

debating society 2003

The College Debating Society has had a most successful year. We once again became proud winners of the Louatt Shield as GPS Premiers (Riverview's 31st win in the last 40 years), and, having secured the Senior A premiership in the ISDA competition, we also won through to become Year 8, Year 9 and Senior A premiers in the SDN competition. Riverview has maintained its splendid traditions.

At the beginning of the Debating year an inaugural meeting was held, as usual, in which each of the 150 students attending was asked to complete a registration form providing details of experience and areas of interest It is most important that boys attend this meeting as the information provided is invaluable in determining later selections. In an initiative by the Director of Co-Curriculum, Mr Christopher Kitching, a letter was sent to families outlining debating procedures and protocol for the forthcoming year.

There were some changes to the organisation of Debating in 2003. In a revival of structures previously in place, the College appointed a co-ordinator to assist the Master in Charge in each of the debating competitions in which Riverview is involved: Mrs Sharon McLean (CSDA) and Ms Caterina Troncone (ISDA and SDN). They were supported by 14 teaching staff as well as experienced Old Boys and senior coaches.

This year, as in pervious years, Riverview competed in several competitions: the Great Public Schools Competition, the Independent Schools Debating Association Competition, the Catholic Schools Debating Association Competition and the Schools Debating Network Competition. Social debates were also arranged during the year.



Mr Glenn King, Jack Dwyer, Christopher Croke, Tom Robertson, Jeremy Moore, ISDA Senior A team

Independent Schools Debating Association Competition

In the ISDA competition, which we regard as the wellspring for all our best debaters, Riverview was again fortunate to have many of its teams in the semi-finals. There were four teams in the first semi-final, and all four of these progressed to the second semi-finals, where they were joined by two other Riverview teams who had gone straight to the second round because of outstanding performances in the preliminary rounds. Four of these teams were successful in proceeding to the third semi-final, which was held at Riverview. The Senior A debate was held before an enthusiastic audience of more than 100 Riverview and Queenwood students and families in the O'Kelly Theatre.

This team, consisting of Christophe Croke, Jeremy Moore, Tom Robertso and Jack Dwyer, represented the Colleg in the grand final with Trinity Grammar a Shore School, where they were victori ous. It was a particularly sweet victory a it followed a similar success by ou Senior A team the previous year. To wi this debate is regarded as winning 'th jewel in the debating crown' an Riverview can once again rejoice in th depth and calibre of its premier debaters

Many of the students in the ISDA team were fortunate in being selected to partic ipate in the SDN competition, whic began in the third term. This Riverview tradition of boys' entering more than on competition in a year is partly responsibl for our continued success in debating.

Catholic Schools Debatin Competition

The CSDA Debating competition, whic began in Term 2 and concluded at the en of Term 3, provides many aspirin debaters with the opportunity to compet in a competition as Riverview fields 1 teams. It is important for Riverview t belong to this Association as it provide

Debating Coaches 2003

GPS 1sts:	Ms Laura Thomas
GPS 2nds:	Mr Ivan Ah Sam
CSDA Seniors:	Mr Michael Turner
	Mr Patrick Meagher
ISDA Seniors:	Ms Laura Thomas
	Mr Ivan Ah Sam
SDN Seniors:	Mr Dominic Thurbon
	Mr Nicholas Pascoe
Year 10:	Mr John Sullivan
	Mr Thomas Payten
Year 9:	Ms Angela Burkett
	Ms Evelyne Giovannetti
	Mr Patrick Meagher
Year 8:	Mrs Sharon McLean
	Ms Therese Martin
	Mrs Jiewen Liu
	Mr Richard Higgins
Year 7:	Mrs Louella Perrett
	Mrs Angela Newey
	Mrs Mary Diggins
	Mr Marcus Agnew
	Ms Kaye Walker
Primary:	Ms Susan Addinall
Year 5:	Mr Nicholas Pascoe



The jubilant ISDA Senior A premiers, Jack Dwyer, Tom Robertson, Chris Croke and Jeremy Moore after the grand final at Shore School with Mr Glenn King, Ms Laura Thomas and Ms Caterina Troncone.

students the opportunity to travel outside their immediate area of the Northern Zone to mix with students from other areas of Sydney.

This year, Riverview travelled to schools as far distant as Parramatta, Oakhill and Campbelltown. Travelling to such far-flung venues may impose certain difficulties, but, as a Catholic Competition, the CSDA should claim our allegiance.

In 2003, 69 schools from across the greater metropolitan area of Sydney entered the competition.This year there has been an increase in the number of teams entered from those schools. Some 246 debates were held each Friday evening in Term 2 and, ultimately, from the original entry, eight schools reached the grand-finals.

Although Riverview did not have any teams in the grand-Finals, the 7B team won their way through to the second elimination round at Monte Sant' Angelo. Hugh Satterthwaite, Nicholas Callaway and Douglas Joseph debated strongly, though unsuccessfully, against St Ursula's College, Kingsgrove, bringing Riverview's participation to an untimely end.

Fr Charles McDonald SJ Cup

This annual debate between Riverview and St Aloysius was scheduled to be held on Friday, June 6, as is the usual custom. Riverview and St Aloysius do not have any ISDA debates that evening, so the timing of this debate conveniently provides more practice for both schools. However, this year the fixture was held as part of the Jesuit Debating Carnival. One unforseen side-effect of this change was the absence of the usual large audience from St Aloysius who traditionally give vociferous support to their team. Riverview were proud to retain the Cup, which they'd won back last year from St Aloysius.

The Great Public Schools Debating Competition

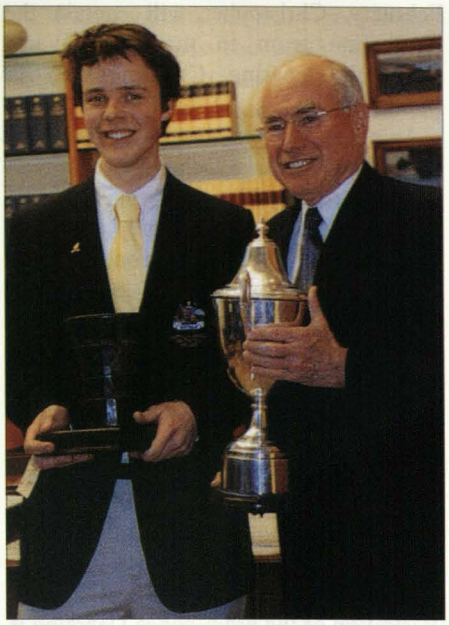
The GPS Competition is the third debating competition we enter each year, and for many boys this is their first opportunity to engage in inter-school debating, as only the 1st and 2nd teams are competing for a trophy. All the other teams from Year 7 through to the GPS 3rds participate in 'social' debates which provide valuable debating opportunities for less experienced debaters.

Riverview debaters from these teams should not feel unduly despondent if they lose these debates, as they are frequently facing the top teams in each year level from other schools. Meantime, our top debaters from these years are competing in the Schools Debating Network competition which runs concurrently with the GPS competition.

Riverview's major debating competition began at the beginning of the 3rd term. The 1st and 2nd teams were announced. Tom Robertson, Christopher Croke and Jeremy Moore were chosen in the 1st team and Andrew Lazzaro, Jack Dwyer and Daniel Gunn in the 2nd team. Ms Laura Thomas was appointed 1st team coach and Mr Ivan Ah Sam, the 2nd team coach. These coaches worked closely together in a seminar style presentation to the combined teams. Their reports detail the journey of these teams throughout the season.

Tom Robertson, Christopher and Jeremy Moore provided a brilliant display of debating throughout the season to finish undefeated and the winners of the Louatt Shield. Our 2nds team, Andrew Lazzaro, Jack Dwyer and Daniel Gunn, finished the season second equal with Scots College.

The GPS/CAS Combined Debate was held at Shore with the CAS teams proving successful in both teams. The GPS/CHS Combined Debate followed at Scots College. The following week, the GPS/Archdale debate (girls' schools) was hosted by Shore. Christopher Croke was appointed as Captain of the GPS First Representative Team and Jeremy Moore captained the Seconds. Tom Robertson was selected as a reserve.



The Prime Minister, Mr John Howard, congratulates Chrisopher Croke , Captain of the Australian Debating team which won the World Championship in Peru this year.

Christopher Croke – Captain of Debating 2003

Christopher Croke, who has a splendid record as a brilliant debater, was appointed Captain of Debating for 2003. His prowess in this arena was recognised as early as 1997 when he was awarded the Year 6 Debating prize. From then on, he received many accolades culminating at Riverview with the Fr Charles McDonald Medal for Senior Debate in 2002, an accomplishment he repeated in 2003. Christopher captained the St Ignatius' First Debating Team in 2003 as well as the ISDA First Team. At the Valete Assembly, Christopher received a College Blue for Debating.

Christopher's success was also duplicated in his selection in the State team in Years 11 and 12 which he captained in Year 12. He represented NSW in the National Debating Championships in Brisbane, in 2003, which the team won, and he was subsequently selected as Australian Team Captain.

The Australian Schools Debating team won the grand-final of the World's Schools' Debating Championship in Lima, Peru. Australia defeated Ireland in the quarter-final, England in the semi-final and then Singapore in the grand-final to win the competition. Christopher was the third ranked individual speaker overall at the World Championships. Next

GPS Competition Results

Firsts Results

St Ignatius'	7
Scots	5
Grammar	4
Kings	4
Newington	3
St Joseph's	3
Shore	1
Sydney High	1
Shore	0

Seconds Results

Sydney High	7
St Ignatius'	5
Scots	5
Grammar	4
Kings	4
Newington	2
St Joseph's	1

February, Christopher will captain the Australian team in the 2004 World Schools' Debating Championship in Munich.

As a result of its success in Peru, the Australian Schools Debating team was officially received by the Prime Minister, Mr John Howard, who warmly congratulated them. (Mr Howard's son, Richard, was State coach of the NSW members of the team.) The team was also, as guests in the Parliamentary Gallery, applauded by the House of Representatives and further congratulations were tabled in Hansard.

Christopher was also featured in an article in The Sydney Morning Herald, which gave publicity to the Australian Debating team's success under the headline: 'The world's best, and if you want to debate it, we'll win that as well'. This is another illustration of the prominence Debating is receiving as a criterion of a school's success.

At a College assembly in September, Christopher, as a world champion in debating, was asked to tell the story of Angus Campbell, a world champion in rowing, who made a similar speech about Christopher. Their speeches captivated the assembly who applauded their humility and the mutual respect and recognition shown by these champions. This event, in such a public setting, illustrates the importance that is placed on Debating as a cultural activity in the school by the Headmaster and the school executive. It also provides a powerful motivation and impetus for the students to commit themselves to excellence.

Christopher has brought much honour to Riverview and must be recognised as one of the school's most talented and successful debaters.

The Jesuit Schools Debating Carnival

During the July vacation, Riverview hosted the Jesuit Schools Debating Carnival. A similar event had been held in Melbourne some years ago, and it is hoped that this will be the start of a continuing tradition among Jesuit schools. Teams from St Aloysius College, Milson's Point, Loyola College, Mt Druitt, Xavier College, Melbourne and St Ignatius' College, Adelaide, travelled to Riverview for the two day event which took the format of a round-robin competition.

Jeremy Moore, Tom Robertson (Year 12) and Jack Dwyer (Year 11) represented Riverview as its 1st team, while Daniel Gunn, Andrew Lazzaro (Year 12) and Patrick Wall (Year 11) composed its 2nd team. Marcus Bortolotti also debated for the Second team. The grand final debate between St Aloysius College and the Riverview First team was won by Riverview, who thereby won the carnival trophy, in the presence of its delighted headmaster. The carnival culminated in a splendid dinner in the College parlour for all the participants, their coaches and supporters.

All who participated in this event are indebted to Mr Kitching for the organisation of this most enjoyable occasion.

Schools Debating Network Competition

The Schools Debating Network competition, which Riverview entered in the third term, is acknowledged as an important debating competition as it provides extra valuable experience for our best teams.

Despite some teams being accelerated into advanced age groups, several successes were recorded this year. St Ignatius' won three of the four grand-finals it contested at Pymble Ladies College. Our winning teams were: Year 8, Year 9, and the Senior A. This was a fitting climax to the debating season.

At the end of the term, a barbecue was held outside the Therry Hall for debaters who were able to attend. The purpose of this initiative of Mr Kitching's was to create an occasion to bring together all debaters and coaches to celebrate the end of the season. This gesture was much appreciated.

Senior Teams Debating Dinner

The season concluded for the senior teams with the traditional dinner in the College Parlour. Our guest of honour for this auspicious occasion was the newly-consecrated Bishop Anthony Fisher OP. In his speech Bishop Fisher told the guests that the Debating Club at Riverview was the College's oldest extra-curricular activity. The Debating Club was founded in 1881.

Bishop Fisher said that Jesuit education had always encouraged the study and practice of Rhetoric and he hoped that our debaters would use their gifts to build up God's Kingdom on earth.

Bishop Fisher's remarks were much appreciated by all present.

(See extracts from his speech on page 489 of OAM)

Public Speaking at Riverview

Mr Michael Iggulden continued to conduct his Public Speaking courses throughout the year. These were well patronised and much appreciated by his students and their parents. He provides a Certificate Course which is particularly suitable for beginners, although all students may learn from his expertise. Parents have remarked with pleasure on the way their sons have increased their self-confidence as a result of attending his course. In the Junior School, Ms Kaye Walker is also conducting a Beginners Public Speaking course which is part of the Co-Curricular Programme at the College.

The Catholic Schools Public Speaking Competition

Riverview had the honour of hosting the grand-finals of the Catholic Schools Public Speaking Competition. Travis Brooks-Garrett won the senior division from among 216 entrants. He spoke on the topic, 'Get Smart', in which he lamented the decline in critical speaking and spoke of the need to re-kindle a love of learning in society today. Mr Kitching, who was present at the finals, found



Mr Glenn King and Riverview students at the Jesuit Schools Debating Carnival

Travis' speeches in all three rounds 'stimulating, topical, thought-provoking and intellectual'.

The Lawrence Campbell Oratory Competition

Since 1935, CAS and GPS Schools have participated in the Lawrence Campbell Oratory Competition. Many participants and winners have moved into public office as part of their career paths and it is with great distinction and pride that each school nominates a speaker each year. Travis Brooks-Garret (Year 12), who was chosen to represent the College, was placed third. This year's competition was held at Sydney Boys High School.



Travis Brooks-Garrett - winner of the R H North Perpetual Trophy for Senior Debate and Public Speaking

As a result of a controversy which arose over the interpretation of the rules and their application to the winning speech, the student initially given the award showed his strength of character by returning the trophy to the Lawrence Campbell Committee. A meeting was held to discuss the situation and it was decided by both the headmasters and their representatives that no further award should be made this year. At a recent meeting of the Lawrence Campbell Committee, steps were taken to provide cleared guidelines for participants, their coaches and panel of adjudicators. .

The Plain English Speaking Award Competition

Andrew Baber and Travis Brooks-Garrett (Year 12) were selected to represent Riverview at the District Final for the Sydney Morning Herald Plain English Speaking Award Competition which was held at Cromer High School.

The Rotary Annual Speech Contest

Anthony Baine and Alex Smith (Year 10), led by Daniel Millar (Year 11), represented St Ignatius' College in the October Annual Speech Contest hosted by the Rotary Club of Crows Nest.

The students spoke on the following topics:

Anthony Baine: The World in Union
Daniel Millar: Rites of Passage
Alex Smith: It's not my fault

All three students had carefully prepared their speeches; however, they did not commit them to heart. This proved to be the major dividing line between the place-getters and the other participants.

The Art of Speech Competition

The final event of the Public Speaking year is the Art of Speech Competition, an initiative of Mr Bruno Pahlke (Head of English) and Fr Robert Bruce SJ (Superior of the Jesuit Community). This competition, begun several years ago, is usually held during terms three and four and the winners in each year are awarded prizes on Speech Day. This year, for the first time, the competition has been extended to include the Regis Campus (Years 5 and 6). The results of the Grand-Finals for 2003 will be reported in next year's Our Alma Mater.

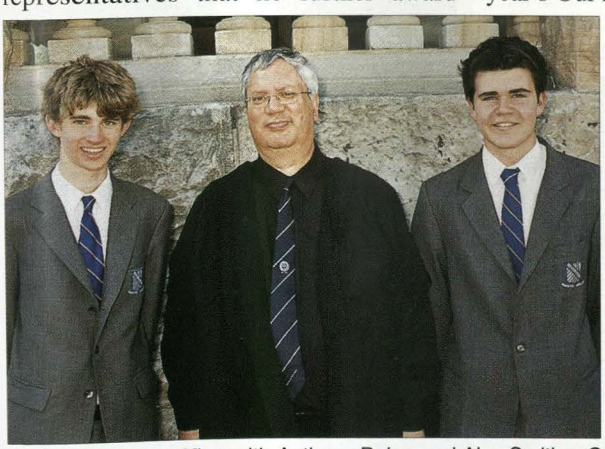
I sincerely thank the many people who have helped make the 2003 Debating season such a success, especially Mr Shane Hogan, our Headmaster, who has demonstrated through his addresses at College assemblies and his presence at College debates his appreciation and commitment to Debating at Riverview.

I also thank Mr Christopher Kitching, our Director of Co-Curriculum for the many initiatives he has taken to encourage Debating at the College. Mr Kitching attends many debates, as well as public speaking events, and his organisational skills have enhanced the presentation of Debating at Riverview.

In addition, I thank Ms Caterina Troncone and Mrs Sharon McLean for their efficient co-ordination of the ISDA and CSDA competitions. Ms Nicole Beamish is thanked for lending her skills to the Debating Society, as is Ms Sandy Rankin, for her capable handling of the travel arrangements. One must not forget the debaters, chairpersons, timekeepers, and supporters who have made this year so successful. I am most grateful to them for the enormous contribution they have made to further the reputation of Riverview as a leading debating school.

It has been a great privilege and honour for me to act as Master in Charge of Debating, rejoicing in the very fine traditions of Debating and Public Speaking at Riverview. I look forward to the further enhancement of this co-curricular activity in 2004.

Mr Glenn King





Above, Mr Glenn King with Anthony Baine and Alex Smith – College representatives in the Rotary Annual Speech Contest. Above right, Ms Caterina Troncone with Patrick Wall, Dominic Kelly and Oscar Peppitt – winners, Schools Debating Network Senior A team

debating gps 1st team

This year was a particularly successful one for the Riverview 1st Debating team.

First semester was dedicated to the ISDA season, which began with an opportunity for the students to demonstrate two of their strengths: knowledge of sport and their subtle use of humour, with the topic 'That the Commercialisation of Sport Has Gone Too Far.' Rupert McCall would have been proud.

The season progressed with impressive victories such as, 'That a Vote for the Greens is a Wasted Vote' and some not so impressive victories, particularly 'That Affirmative Action Policies Are No Longer Needed.' Fortunately the team found form when it counted, in front of the large audiences at the semi-final and grand final.

In these debates, about the legalisation of recreational drugs and the comparative importance of political and economic rights in the developing world, the boys were able to demonstrate their impressive understanding of domestic politics and world affairs. This, coupled with their polished speaking styles, earned them a unanimous victory in the grand final.

The success of the ISDA season was excellent preparation for the GPS season, which also began with a debate about whether professionalism has damaged sport.

The season was dominated by debates about domestic politics, with numerous chances to discuss issues of economic rationalism and the provision of government services in relation to education, public broadcasting and health.

An old topic about the relevance of the UN was seen in a new light post September 11. Riverview ended the season champions, having won every debate.

The GPS firsts consisted of Tom Robertson, Chris Croke and Jeremy Moore. For the ISDA season they were joined by Jack Dwyer who rose to the challenge of debating with the older and more experienced boys and improved significantly over the season. The boys worked very well together as a team. They have complementary strengths in analysis and speaking style.



Mr Glenn King, Tom Robertson, Christopher Croke and Jeremy Moore, GPS Ist team premiers

Tom is an engaging, methodical and thorough first speaker. Chris is able to articulate the kind of sophisticated intellectual arguments that are rarely seen in school debates. Jeremy is a dynamic third speaker with an enviable sense of humour and comic timing. Power analogies featured prominently in their arguments, highlights being when the UN was compared to a carton of milk past its use-by date and Pat Rafter was compared to a dwarf minky whale.

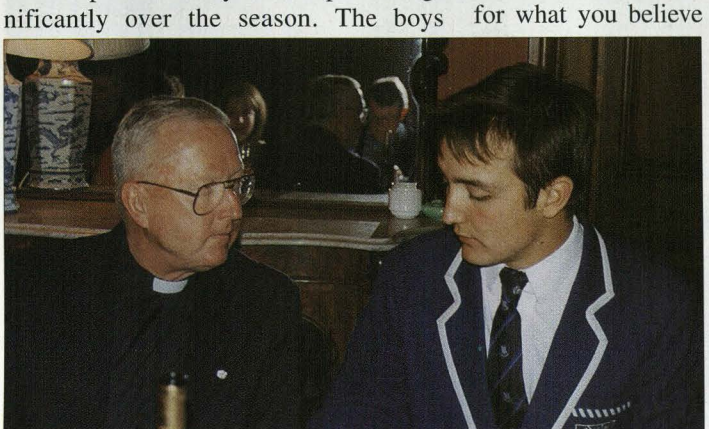
Tom, Chris and Jeremy out did their competitors in terms of depth of knowledge, clarity of argument and quality of presentation. Several adjudicators also commented that the boys won their debates without 'sinking the boots in,' as is tradition, particularly in the GPS competition.

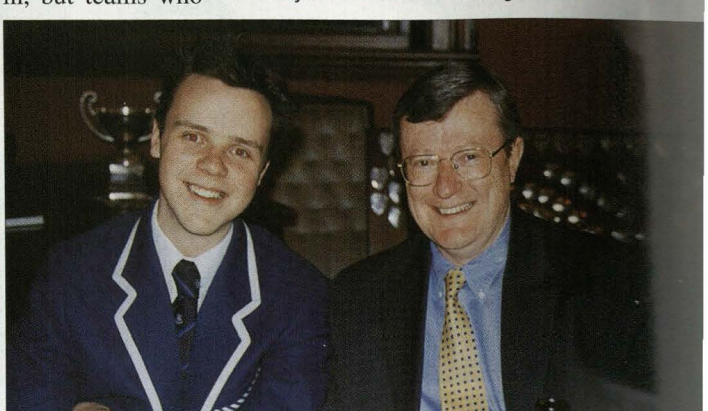
This showed a kind of integrity that Riverview should be particularly proud of. Debating is not always about arguing for what you believe in, but teams who debate with integrity attack arguments, not people, and truly engage in the debate by grappling with the opposition's best points, rather than misrepresenting them or focussing on weaker points. Integrity makes for great debates and leads to the development of skills required by academics, decision makers and leaders. It was my pleasure to coach the Riverview 1st team this year.

Ms Laura Thomas



Jeremy Moore at the debating dinner





Fr David Strong SJ with Tom Roberston, above right, Christopher Croke with his father at the debating dinner

Bishop Anthony Fisher was guest of honour at the annual College Debating Society Dinner in September this year. In his speech, Bishop Fisher thanked the Jesuits for his education and for teaching him how to debate.

"I travelled the country and the world through debating," Bishop Fisher said. "I entered the noble profession of Law in a large part because of debating. I joined the Order of Preachers (Dominicans) in a significant part because of my desire to put my debating skills and experiences to some higher end.

"Above all, I learnt to think and speak well through debating and I will be eternally grateful to this College and to such men as Fr Charles McDonald SJ (his former debating master) for that opportunity."

Whilst a student at Riverview, Bishop Fisher was an outstanding debater. He was captain of the GPS 1st Debating teams which won the GPS premiership in 1976 and 1977. He was also captain of the NSW State Debating Team in 1977 and captain of the Australian Schools Debating Team in 1977. He was Dux of Riverview in 1977.

Reflecting on the significant role debating has played in his life, Bishop Fisher said, "My first official activity as a bishop – in fact as a bishop elect – was a debate in the Great Hall of the University of Sydney on the issue of euthanasia with Dr Philip Nitschke," Bishop Fisher said.

"There were about 1,000 students there, and, though I was rather nervous about it before hand, I think the debate went very well. By the end, most of the students had their doubts about euthanasia or were opposed to it altogether.



Mr Glenn King, Debating Master at the dinner



Mr Shane Hogan, Headmaster, Bishop Anthony Fisher and Fr Andrew Bullen SJ, Rector, at the debating dinner

"That, it seems to me, was debating put to the service of questioning and informing, pursuing and teaching the truth, on a major social question.

"I remember thinking at that time how well my debating days at Riverview – more than a quarter of a century ago – were in some sense a preparation for that day in the Great Hall.

"And so, I want to thank the College for all it gave me and pay tribute to the great gift that the 'Riverview debating experience' was for me.

"Riverview's record of debating is, of course, extraordinary," he said. "We know that, for the past four decades at least, Riverview has almost always won the senior championships it has entered. (The College has won 31 GPS premierships in the last 40 years.)

"It is known, amongst other things, as Australia's greatest debating school. Debating has always been a feature of the College. It is its oldest extra-curricular activity – the Debating Club at Riverview was founded by about 1881," he said.

Jesuit education has always encouraged the study and practice of rhetoric, Bishop Fisher said.

"The truth which debating seeks to find and articulate has enormous potential to liberate people from falsehood, superstition and fear," he said.

"As Fr Charles McDonald SJ argued, debating can teach us both tolerance and conviction, by inviting us to step beyond our prejudices, to extend our horizons, to see the truth on all sides of an argument and then – and only then – to pursue, with humility and integrity, those arguments which are strongest and most incisive."

In his speech. Bishop Fisher asked students to, "reflect upon what you will do with the skills and experience that debating at Riverview has given you".

"When debating at Riverview for years, then coaching debating, and then writing up its centennial history, I was pressed to reflect upon what it was all for.

"Was it just about winning tropheys and admiration, applause and self-esteem? Those are fun of course, though they do not count for all that much in the long run. Debating, Riverview style, has to be about more than linguistic pickpocketing," he said.

"In the end, the challenge of St Ignatius himself and of his College to you young men is this: is it eloquentia perfecta you have learnt? Or something less worthy? Are they worthwhile thoughts you will have and communicate to our world? Will you put those gifts to the building up of God's kingdom on earth?"

Congratulating debating students on their recent GPS premiership win, Bishop Fisher said, "We debaters who have gone before you are very proud of you indeed and not just because of the past you are joining, but because of the great promise you hold out for the future."



Dominic Kelly with his parents at the dinner

debating gps 2nd team



Mr Glenn King, Daniel Gunn, Andrew Lazzaro, Jack Dwyer

The 2003 season will go down as a near miss for the 2nds Debating team. With five wins and two losses, the Seconds finished runners-up. This should not diminish their achievement, however.

The team of Andrew Lazarro, Jack Dwyer and Daniel Gunn were only narrowly beaten in a tightly contested season and displayed tremendous spirit throughout.

The season started shakily with a loss to Scots in a messy debate on sport that was eventually decided on a split. Chastened by the first week loss, the Seconds spent the week boning up on the ins and outs of the Nelson reforms to universities in preparation for the second topic area of education. In the debate itself the Kings team were stumped by the 2nds passionate defence of 'free higher education'. With another win against Newington on reconciliation the following week, the season was beginning to gain momentum.

The fourth round against High, who had won their first three debates, now shaped as pivotal. The debate started well as Andrew Lazarro put the social case against a US free trade agreement. But then the High team pulled a coup de théâtre by switching their first and second speakers just before beginning the negative case.

The surprise High first speaker comprehensively set out the economic reasons for the FTA and we were on the back foot. Jack Dwyer and Daniel Gunn pulled back ground with their rebuttal and by the end of the debate the margin between the teams was very tight. All three Riverview speakers debated with poise and erudition in a debate of the highest quality, but it turned out to be not quite enough. With three debates to go the Seconds were on two wins and two losses, a modest return that did not really reflect the talent or dedication of the team.

Fortunately in the next debate against Grammar the results started to turn. From the outset the Grammar team were aggressive and occasionally overwhelming in affirming the privatisation of the ABC. Unfazed by Grammar's attitude, Andrew and Jack calmly pointed to the sundry social benefits of a strong public broadcaster. Daniel then clinched the debate with a classic third speaker counterattack.

The sixth round at Shore was probably the finest debate of the season. The Shore team set out an intricate model to roll back private health insurance to which Andrew responded with admirable assurance. Still, we were not quite on top until Jack started to unravel the inconsistencies of the Shore model. It was a debate in which the team not only displayed great depth of knowledge on a complicated issue, but also managed to adapt their case to the surprises sprung in the Shore model. This was debating of rare sophistication.

After a debate of such dizzying heights, the final round against St Joseph's College was a little anticlimactic. Both sides probably suffered from the fatigue of a long season and the debate was a scrappy affair. (The uninspiring topic on Australian politics probably did not help.) A torturously long adjudication had everyone's nerves jangling, but in the end the Seconds came out on top even when below their best.

All-in-all five wins, two losses and countless Simpsons references added up to a fine season. Only an outstanding High team stood in the way of another premiership. So it was a near miss but one of which every member of the team can still be proud.

Each week our team's application could be undoubted as they set about mastering the topic areas, their hard work paying off in superior matter. As well as this collective effort, each member of the team brought their own particular style: Andrew was steady and meticulous in laying down the foundations of the case; Jack was as calculating as a skilled cross-examiner in probing the weaknesses of the opposition; and Daniel, the self-appointed Mr Cool of the team, was never less than compelling with his wit and flair.

But perhaps the greatest tribute to the 2003 Seconds was that they were much more than the sum of their parts. In other words, they were a true team.

Mr Ivan Ah Sam

The season started abruptly with the first debate against The Scots College. Officially, the team had yet not been formed. However, Declan Walsh, Benjamin Terrell and Dominic Pascoe performed brilliantly under the pressure.

During the next week of the Term 2 official members of the team were announced; Marcus Bortolotti, first speaker and Laurence Bye, third speaker. As for the second speaker that was undecided. At the time the rotational basis between David Rohl and Benjamin Terrell was sufficient.

Unfortunately, the team struggled in round 2 against The Kings School with a difficult topic on deregulation. We were fortunate however, that our designated chairperson James Orsborn was able to stand in for the others. Without him, this debate, as well as others, would have been an automatic forfeit.

In round 3 we felt quite prepared after our pep talk with our dedicated coach, Mr Turner. And, with the assistance of David Rohl, we strongly challenged the Newington team. The debate showed the two sides' very different views on Aboriginal Reconciliation.

The adjudicator's final decision in this round was quite an interesting one.

Again with David Rohl, and chairperson James Orsborn, we hosted Sydney Boys High school for round four of the competition. With only two speakers Sydney Boy's automatically forfeited, but still presented a plausible case. This debate brought up many interesting issues regarding the current government's policies and regulations, centering mainly on defence and terrorism.



From left, Marcus Bortolotti, Laurence Bye, Ben Terrell

For the fifth round we travelled to Sydney Grammar. Marcus and Laurence were joined by Ben Terrell as second speaker. Ben's extensive commercial knowledge was a great asset in the debate 'that the Australian Broadcasting Corporation should be privatised'. Unfortunately this was not enough to convince the adjudicator.

The last two rounds of the season were not the best for the GPS thirds. Due to sickness and many other trivial reasons the team dwindled, but soldiering on were Marcus and Laurence accompanied by William Marsh and Jason d'Apice respectively.

Overall, however, the season was enjoyable for all members, especially for the core of the team Marcus and Laurence. With difficult topics and strong opponents it provided a great learning experience and has definitely prepared us for future debating.

Laurence Bye

senior debating



Jack Dwyer, Laurence Bye, Ben Terrell, Mr Glenn King, Marcus Bortolotti, Ms Caterina Troncone, Matt Kalyk, James Orsborn

Riverview was once again strongly represented in the CSDA competition with four teams competing. Boys involved included Michael Reardon, Jon Frazer, Edward Farrell and Luke Edwards (Blue), Andrew Baber, Travis Brooks-Garrett, Andrew McDonald-Hughes and Andrew Ford (Red), James Dodd, Marcus Bortolotti, Matthew Kalyk and Dominic Pascoe (Green), and Kip Koenig, Laurence Bye, Benjamin Terrell and Samuel Cincinnato (White).

Other students such as William Marsh and Declan Walsh made themselves available as reserves.

We debated against several schools including, OLMC Parramatta, Marist Sisters Woolwich, Saint Aloysius' College, Christian Brothers, Lewisham and Saint Gregory's Campbelltown.

The topics were equally varied, covering areas ranging from general questions such as, 'Nice guys finish last', through to issues of current public policy such as the future of the health system.

The standard this year was very competitive and when combined with challenging topics and the difficulties of adjudication, it is not surprising that we were not as successful as in recent years. However, the Blue and Green teams reached the first Elimination Round, and have laid a solid foundation for success next year.

Mr Michael Turner

debating year 10



Daniel Jones, Michael Everest, Edward Fernon, Mr John Sullivan, Anthony Baine, Patrick Mayoh, Stuart McLean

The dedicated and enthusiastic group that enrolled in debating this year savoured many hours of both competitive and social debating. They are developing skills in both communication and refutation that will stay with them long after they have left school.

The Independent Schools Debating Association team, Anthony Baine, Dominic Kelly, Alexander Smith and Dominic Sood- were successful in a number of their debates and reached the final stages of the competition.

They entered their final debate on the topic, 'That the State government should be abolished'. The boys presented themselves commendably but unfortunately were defeated by a very narrow margin.

The two teams in the Catholic Schools Debating competition had a number of successes against some very strong opposition. The A team, Samuel Conrick, Edward Fernon, Stuart McLean and Patrick O'Mahoney, presented many strong arguments against some fierce opposition.

These four boys performed their speaking duties with both determination and conviction and worked very well as a team. They were narrowly defeated in their final debate on the topic,'That Australia should change its identity'.

The B team, Jakob Cakarnis, Patrick Mayoh, Henry Meagher and Andrew MacAlpine, was a very successful team and managed to reach the final round of the competition.

They were narrowly defeated by Santa Sabina, Strathfield on the topic, 'That good guys come last'. Each boy is to be congratulated for his contribution to the team's efforts. Generosity of spirit and a shared commitment were much in evidence here.

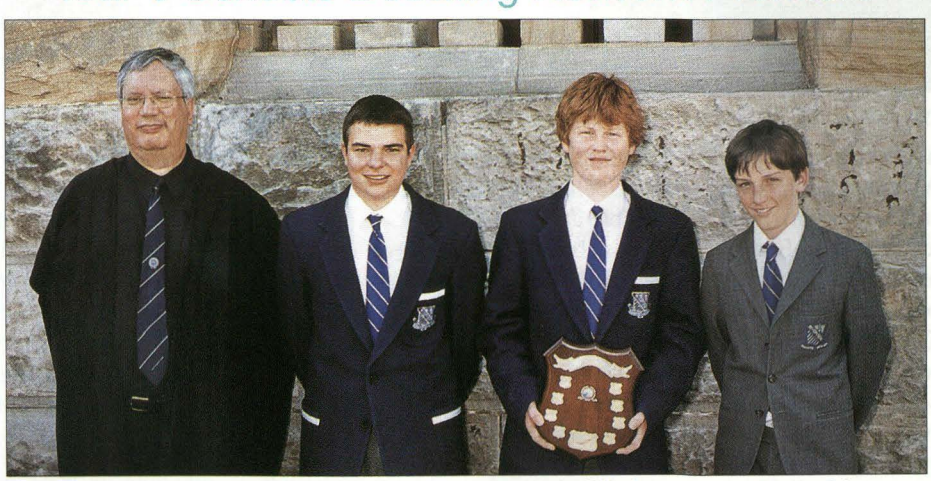
The Schools Debating Network team participated in many challenging debates this season. The Year 10 SDN team- Anthony Baine, Dominic Kelly, Alexander Smith and Dominic Sood, reached the final rounds of the competition, further developing their communication and refutation skills.

The two GPS teams were rotated several times during the season allowing as many boys as possible to participate in the social competition. Timothy Buttenshaw, Paul Chidrawi, Michael Everest, Daniel Jones, Nicholas Nedeljkovic and James O'Brien were all given the opportunity to develop their skills during the season. Thanks must also go to those boys who chaired debates at the school this year.

Aural communication skills today are vital for our young men in the workforce and beyond and every boy should take the opportunity of participating in debating whilst at the College.

Mr John Sullivan
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Year 9 Schools Debating Network Premiers



Mr Glenn King, James Reoch, Patrick McGushin, Benjamin Gilholme Absent: Mr Patrick Meagher, Michael Falk



Back row, from left, Jeremy Johnson, John Forsyth, Luke Pittorino, Philippe Oei, James Reoch, Will Atkinson, Rafael Del Rosario, Matthew Storr
Seated, Benjamin Williams, Mitchell Bye, Hugh Miller, Luke O'Donnell, Tom Coolican, Patrick Effeney, Robert Hogan

Year 9 Debating 2003, started with 30 enthusiastic students who wished to develop their oratory skills Year in the vast array of Public Speaking and Debating Competitions available at St Ignatius' College.

Overall, the Debating season was characterised by a combination of rhetorical genius and teenage attitude. In the ISDA team, Luke O'Donnell, Will Atkinson, Matthew Storr and Jack Smyth performed with style and panache. They began the season with a lot of hard work and commitment, late nights of research and substantial meals in Lane Cove. This was a trend that was to continue, supplemented by the hospitality of the O'Donnell family, which helped create a genuine bond among this team.

The team was led by the first speaker and statesman of the team, Luke O'Donnell, whose delivery constantly established a solid foundation from which the team could work. The versatility of William Atkinson and Matthew Storr enabled them to speak at first or second, giving the team an extra dimension. William's calm and persuasive style had audience members and adjudicators alike entranced. Matthew's focussed and aggressive style as well as his particularly strong rebuttal consistently challenged opposing teams And Jack's performances ultimately earned him the title 'The Mail Man' as he always delivered debates of the highest quality.



Mme Evelyne Giovannetti and Ms Angela Burkett

The team was desperately unlucky to bow out in the semi-finals of the ISDA competition, however, the improvement in each and every debate made the season extremely rewarding and worthwhile for all involved. Many lessons were learnt and not always in regards to Debating. In a world increasingly enveloped by drama and chaos there is one certainty – that we will be back with a vengeance. (Thomas Payton, Coach)

Social Debating is a fundamental element for students who are developing their skills in manner, matter and method. Each of the following students displayed various abilities which showed improvement towards the end of Term 1. The students belonging to the Social A and B teams were Jonathan Forsyth, Richard McKeon, Jeremy Johnson, Owen and Hugh Miller and Patrick McGushin.

The CSDA A and B teams, enjoyed strong debates during Terms 1 and 2 against Sydney High, Pymble Ladies College and Monte Sant Angelo as well as other schools. Encouraging comments from adjudicators allowed the debators to develop skills in signposting, rebuttal and the 'what, when, how and why' of Debating. Special mention goes to Michael Falk, Patrick McGushin, Jarred Bambridge, Andrew Biady, Brett Constantine, David de Souza, Richard McKeon and Owen and Hugh Miller.

With such a variety of topics as Social Welfare Issues, The World Scene, Australian Politics, Media and Finance, our GPS A and B teams debaters completed a satisfactory season in Term 3, displaying their knowledge of current affairs.

Special mention should go to Benjamin Williams for his mature leadership skills and enthusiasm to tackle any topic; Jonathan Forsyth, Jeremy Johnson, Andrew Biady, Philippe Oei, Luke Pittorino, Tom Coolican and Mitchell Bye were the other spirited debaters. Owen and Hugh Miller are to be commended on their generosity of spirit in attending debating practices over the three terms as well as their constant involvement most Friday nights in debating and acting as chairpersons for these debates.

We congratulate the Year 9 team members for their wonderful success at the grand-final of the SDN competition on Friday, September 19, where they defeated Wenona at Pymble Ladies' College.

The following boys: Benjamin Gilholme, James Reoch, Michael Falk and Patrick McGushin showed maturity and passion which no doubt gave them the edge in a very challenging competition.Throughout the season, the boys had plenty of enthusiasm in the pursuit in the 'Art of Rhetoric' with refined eloquence and a thirst for general knowledge.

We congratulate all members of the Year 9 Debating team on a very challenging season and for their continuous co-operation.

Ms Angela Burkett
Mme Evelyne Giovannetti

debating year 8

The Year 8 Debating season has seen quite a large number of boys attend Friday afternoon trainings as well as compete in the ISDA, CSDA, GPS, SDN social debates and the Catholic Schools Public Speaking Competition.

More than 40 boys have attended debating training at various times throughout Term 1, 2 and 3 with many forming a strong core of regular debaters. Boys have been given the opportunity to debate either at training or in one of the competitions or social debates.



Back row, from left, Tom Lowrey, Mallory Barnes, Sam Morse, Toby Meagher, Joe Payten, Ed Carroll, Andrew Thomas
Seated, from left, John Fennel, Rhys Pogonoski, Ms Jiewen Liu, Mrs Therese Martin, Mrs Sharon McLean, Con Costi, Matthew Ingram

After trials were held in the early weeks of Term 1, the Independent Schools Debating Association competition began in March. Matthew Ingram, Toby Meagher, Joe Payten, and Andrew Thomas, ably coached by ex-student Richard Higgins, entered the Independent Schools Debating Association competition.

The boys again represented Riverview in Term 3 in the Schools Debating Network and proved a strong combination. The team reached the grand final and were successful in a spirited debate on education.

The Catholic Schools Public Speaking competition was also held in Term 1 with Edward Carroll and James Quirk representing Riverview in the first round. Both boys showed an excellent command of the craft of public speaking in what proved to be a challenging competition.

The Catholic Schools Debating Competition was the highlight of Term 2 Debating with eight Year 8 boys joining the other Riverview CSDA teams on Friday evening journeys to a variety of schools across Sydney. Riverview hosted four evenings of debating with the following schools: Marist North Shore, Brigidine St Ives, Marists Sisters Woolwich, St Aloysius, Gilroy College, Oakhill College and Loreto. Riverview also travelled to St Gregory's Campbelltown, Loreto, and Our Lady of Mercy College.

Throughout the season, Riverview was capably represented by Edward Carroll, Con Costi, Mitchell Dawson, Tom Lowrey, Ray Mainsbridge, John McNicoll, Rhys Pogonoski and Alistair Stephenson

The CSDA season provides valuable experience in teamwork as the boys have only one hour's preparation for the topic. The debaters also learn to develop a solid caseline, to critically analyse the opposition's caseline and successfully refute an argument. Although the Year 8 teams did not progress to the elimination rounds, they did represent the College admirably and were often supported by a contingent of their peers at the debates.



Schools Debating Network premiers, Andrew Thomas, Toby Meagher, Joe Payten and Matt Ingram

Probably, from the boy's point of view, the camaraderie of the bus trip and the stopover for dinner are very enjoyable aspects of the social fabric of the debating season.

The GPS competition of third term is always strongly supported as a curtain raiser for the weekend activities. The GPS Debating competition was an opportunity for boys to apply the skills developed in training seasons to Friday evening debates. Thomas Riley, Sven von Sperl, Luke Sheehan, Mallory Barnes, Sam Carruthers, Michael Egan and Bartholomew (BJ) Hardy very capably represented Riverview in the GPS competition.

Social debates during the year also gave several other boys an opportunity to develop their skills. Social debates were held against Monte Sant Angelo and Mercy College Chatswood .

I thank the dedicated boys who volunteered to chair debates. This often fell to the Year 8 boarders, especially James Quirk and Michael Murphy. Thank you to those boys who filled in for their peers who were either absent or unable to debate at the last minute. Thanks also to the Year 8 supporters who gave their classmates lots of encouragement.

Thank you to the parents for their support and for making it possible for the boys to participate each Friday and Friday evening. Thanks also for their generous assistance with supper.

The debating programme for Year 8 would not have been possible without the dedication of teachers, Ms Therese Martin and Ms Jiewen Liu and former Riverview student, Richard Higgins. They have been most generous in their coaching of the boys, attending Friday evening debates and adjudicating. Thank you also to the Year 8 debaters.

Mrs Sharon McLean



Back row, from left, John Conley, Bartholomew Glasheen, Claudio Santoro, Xavier Atkinson, Stefan Giammarco, Alexander Ng, Gianni Moseley, Alex Sharpe, Ashley Wing, Christopher Mulcare, Nicholas Fitzgerald, William Sierakowski
Seated, from left, James Benecke, Nicholas Callaway, Kir Deng, Robert Guzowski, Mrs Louella Perrett, Mrs Mary Diggins, Mrs Angela Newey, Nicholas Sood, Daniel Kelly, Bede Kennedy

The year started off with a large group of very eager and talented young men, all keen to learn the art of debating. Their skills were varied as some had been introduced to Public Speaking and Debating in Years 5 and 6.

Many, however, chose to extend their natural argumentation skills, further their knowledge and build their confidence by attending the training sessions.

The topics this year have ranged from political and social issues to environmental ones.

Nevertheless, it has been refreshing to see the boys develop in maturity as they have had to deal with topics which would be considered quite challenging at Year 7 level.

Team work is another area of challenge for Year 7 boys, particularly when they are faced with the urgency of coming up with a reasonably polished and coherent team argument, including each speaker's individual presentation, in a relatively short amount of time.

Hence, the ability to adapt to this has been a crucial factor in the selection of the boys for the competition teams, since the ISDA, CSDA and SDN competitions all allow for only a one hour preparation session prior to a debate.

The following boys were selected as the Year 7 representatives in these competitions:

- the ISDA team: Nicholas Sood, James Benecke, Richard Saunders, Bede Kennedy
- the CSDA teams: Nick Callaway, Thomas Docker, Joseph Douglas, Chris Mulcare, Brendan Petersen, Gabriel Crowley Gray, Hugh Satterthwaite, Alexander Sharpe
- the SDN team: Nicholas Sood, James Benecke, Aaron Bicknell, Bede Kennedy

We also congratulate all the other Year 7 debaters who took part in the GPS and other social debates of the season.

We commend them for their enthusiasm, their commitment, their willingness to step in at the last minute when other team members were not available, and their generosity in giving up their Friday evenings just to chair or act as time keepers.

Mrs Louella Perrett, Mrs Angie Newey, Mrs Mary Diggins



Back row, from left, Andrew Taylor, Timothy Pascoe, Alexander Dale, James Livesey, Thomas Murphy, Michael Costi
Seated, from left, Jonathan Shuttleworth, Charles Ower, Conor Riordan, Tomas Godlewski, Mr Nicholas Pascoe, Alexander Crowley, Conor McCraith, Thomas O'Brien

Year 6 Debating

The debating season began with 10 Year 6 boys, eager to show off their vocabulary. These 10 boys became the two teams which entered the Independent Schools' Debating Association (I.S.D.A.) competition.

Each week, the teams were given the topic on Monday and had a week to prepare their speeches, thus Miss Addinall and the boys had to give up many lunchtimes.

The Primary A team consisted of Michael Costi, Tom Murphy, Jonathan Shuttleworth, William Tait and Llewellyn Cross. The Primary B team included Alex Crowley, Henry Cook, James Livesey, Damian Rocca and Timothy Pascoe.

We were given topics such as, 'That All Primary School Children should have Laptops' and 'That Single Sex Schools provide a Better Education'. The Primary A team had a very promising season from the start, when they defeated the opposition in their first debate.

They 'cleaned the floors' into the semi-finals, but were finally stopped at the third semi-final. The Primary B team had a good start but were 'knocked out' before reaching semifinal status.

All the Primary debating boys would like to thank their coach, Miss Addinall, for making Term 1 and 2 Friday nights more exciting and interesting.

Timothy Pascoe (Primary B team)

The second competition for the year was the Schools' Debating Network (SDN). The Primary A team consisted of Thomas O'Brien, Jonathan Shuttleworth, Tom Murphy and Michael Costi.

The Primary B team included Alex Dale, Timothy Pascoe, Alex Crowley and Conor McCraith. In this competition, the teams only had one hour to prepare their topic. Both teams had a great season, winning their first 5 debates and losing their last 2 debates.

We had some interesting and challenging topics, such as, 'That TV is Educational', and 'That we should have a Children's Parliament'. With only one hour to prepare these topics, each team was busy in the preparation room, discussing ideas and writing speeches.

Both teams made it to the semifinals. The As were defeated by Redlands but the Bs progressed to the grand-final. Unfortunately, they were defeated by Redlands in an extremely close decision.

Overall, we all had an equally fantastic season and both teams should be proud of their achievements. Miss Addinall was great, offering us support and advice throughout every debate. We thank her for that.

Thomas O'Brien (Primary A team)

Year Five Debating

Sixteen Year 5 boys joined the Riverview Debating Society in 2003 and all were very keen to develop their skills. Our weekly training sessions focussed on fundamental elements of debating – defining topics, identifying issues, making cases, mounting arguments and delivering rebuttal, all with a view to preparing students to work as a team.

Debates were regularly held in training to put these skills into practice. They proved to be close contests, with the debaters successfully applying new concepts and techniques to strongly support their own argument and thoroughly attack the opposing case.

These internal debates highlighted the rapid growth in skills across the group, partly buoyed by the students' enthusiasm for both public speaking and reasoned argument.

Another benefit of their involvement in debating has been the boys' development of exceptional teamwork abilities. The debaters work very effectively in small groups and provide assistance and support to their team members throughout the development of their case and the debate itself.

All Year 5 debaters are to be commended on their performance this season. Their skills, commitment to debating and enthusiasm for it will serve them well in upcoming debates against St Michael's Lane Cove.

Mr Nicholas Pascoe



Ignatian Choir

Back Row L to R: Christopher Haigh, Patrick Moran, Stefan Giammarco, Thomas Fennel, Andrew Collignon, Michael De Silva, Philip Barton, Jack Needham, Brandan Jacquet, Patrick Lang, John Fennel
4th Row L to R: Thomas Hartigan, Callum Lee, Christopher Brassil, Maxim Stokon, Dominic Hayson, Sam Masi, Adam Smallhorn, Andrew Taylor, Michael Wewege, Damian Rocca, Tyrrell Chase, Conor Riordon, Harry Flitcroft
3rd Row: James Cleary, Thomas Lowrey, Nicholas Callaway, John McNicholl, Patrick Curtin, Stuart Robinson, Andrew Baker, Stuart Whiteway, Christopher Malouf, Dugald McGinness, Joseph Neely, Alexander Unmack, David Gordon, Maxim Hutton
2nd Row L to R: Matthew Hickey, Andrew Fraser, Patrick Carey, Richard Hughes, Marcus Bortolotti, Glenn O'Sullivan, Lloyd Malouf, Richard Curtin, Patrick Hartigan, Peter Sherrah, James Riordan, Paul Dunstan, Patrick McNamara, Matthew Storr
1st Row L to R: Michael Costi, Thomas O'Brien, James Warne, Liam Carmody, Jonathan Shuttleworth, Ben Kelly, Jack Harris, James O'Brien, Bede Kennedy, Lachlan Crammond, James Livesey, Zachary La Cava, Andrew Clune, William Newnham
Seated L to R: Shane Houwing, Michael Murphy, Rhys Pogonoski. Alexander Sharpe, Adam Rixon, Ms P Schwager, Mr B Rixon, Pascal Herington, George Nimmo, Christopher De Silva, Edward Grey, Mitchell Rixon



Regis Choir

Back Row L to R: Simon Parsons, William Powell, William Bonnefin, James Molloy, William Flitcroft, Thomas Cohen, Llewellyn Cross
2nd Row L to R: Joss Hickey, Rhys Gleecher, Michael O'Donoghue, Thomas Powell, Alexander Saxon, William Newnham, Thomas Fitzsimons, Jack Fernon
Seated L to R: Jordan Navybox, Jordan Heyer-Wright, Thomas Roper, Alexander Dale, Ms Monica Uildriks, Daniel Guihot, Albert Hyde, Thomas Barkl, Henry Hyde



Senior Stage Band

Back Row L to R: Brendan Kenny, Byron Fay, Andrew Kerridge, William Laurantus, James McDougall, Jeremy Moore
2nd Row L to R: Michael McLean, James Dwyer, Marc Malouf, Dominic Woolrych, Andrew Fraser, Jonathan Bleasel
Seated L to R: Matthew Kenny, Jesse Dixon, Adam Rixon, Mr Frederick Tinker, Stuart Robertson, Toby Carroll, Liam Walsh
Absent: Terry McNamee, Dominic Reardon



Intermediate Stage Band

Back Row L to R: Christopher Haigh, William Crowley, Sebastian Wirth, Jack Fitzgerald, John McNicholl, Patrick Moran, Andrew Smith
Seated L to R: Mitchell Rixon, Daniel Fearnley, Mr Frederick Tinker, Michael De Silva, Christopher Bonnici



Jazz Ensemble

Back Row L to R: Matthew McDougall, Will Magnus, Andrew Kerridge, Jeremy Moore, Byron Fay
Seated L to R: Dominic Woolrych, Michael McLean, Mr Frederick Tinker, Matthew McDonald, James McDougall



Intermediate Concert Band

Back Row L to R: Alex Barbara, Mathhew Ingram, Christopher Malouf, David Constable, Joseph Neely, Andrew Collignon
2nd Row L to R: Brendan Peterson, Shane Houwing, Jack Masi, Geoffrey Wells, Michael Jones, Patrick Roche
Seated L to R: Ben McLean, Joshua Wilkie, Nathan Thomson, Miss Julie Rogers, Brendan Askey-Doran, James Benecke, Peter Grimble Absent: Curtis Dwyer, Timothy Buckley, Alex Ng, Jacob Sperry, Oscar Tatham, Nathan Vaz, Christopher Marchand



Senior Concert Band

Back Row L to R: Stuart McLean, Nicholas Fearnley, Nicholas Nedeljkovic, Timothy Fitzgerald, Matteo Villani, Damian Barlow, Thomas Coolican, Harry Peppitt
2nd Row L to R: Richard Saunders, Timothy Leung, Brendan Roche, Ms Annabel Thistlewood, William Crowley, Michael De Silva, Michael Murphy Absent: Richard Hughes, James Quirk, Ashton Clarke, Patrick Mayoh, Joseph Greathead, Joshua Tatham, Kimon Tellidis, Robert Dunn, Samuel Young, James Vaughan, Gabriel Navidzadeh, Nicholas Bannister



Flute Choir

Thomas (Will) Atkinson, Matthew Castino, Richard Saunders, Miss Hilary Turnbull
Absent: Timothy Buckley



College Orchestra

Back Row L to R: John McNicholl, Timothy Dodd, William Atkinson, Gregory Ainsworth, Ciaran Gill, Patrick McGushin, Andrew Fraser, Paul Chidrawi
2nd Row L to R: Wystan Wu, Luke Latter, Jeremy Byrne, Laurence Bye, Myles Rogerson, Andrew Cahill, Marcus Bortolotti, Matteo Villani, Jason Wong,
1st Row L to R: Logan Mead, Jonathan Bleasel, Timothy Leung, Charles Lee, Liam Gleeson, Patrick Effeney, Alistair Stephenson, Sean Wood
Seated L to R: Peter Leitner, Edward Rowe, Daniel MacMahon, Pascal Herington, Bede Kennedy, Matthew Castino, Paul Chandler, Thomas Saunders
Absent: Miss Susan Miller, Nicholas Bainstow, Toby Carroll, Kenneth Cheung, Daniel Laoh, Anthony L'Huede, Douglas Marshall, Andrew McDonald-Hughes, James O'Brien, Brett Thomson, William Tse



Regis Concert Band

Back row L to R: Luke Mildren, Dominic Hayson, Michael O'Donoghue, Jack McElhone, Nicholas Kirkwood, Patrick Coolican, James Duncan, James Campbell
2nd Row L to R: Thomas Corrigan, Harrison Wall, Nicholas Hovey, Damien Giblin, Timothy Pascoe, Iain Salteri, James Watt, Conor O'Driscoll, Alexander Crowley
1st Row L to R: Jordan Navybox, Michael Salvador, James Wilson, Sebastian Chan, Maxim Strokon, Oliver Grimble, Conor McCraith, Damian Rocca, Tobias Hunt, Christopher Brassil, Giancarlo Giacomazzi, Oliver Wilson
Seated L to R: Jonathon Hugh, Patrick Lane, Jack Bundey, Henry Hyde, Mr T Andrews, Liam Prosser, Kyle Matheison, William Taylor, James Hanrahan



Regis String Ensemble

Back Row L to R: Michael Anthony, Andrew Taylor, Conor O'Driscoll, Sean Gill
2nd Row L to R: William Newnham, Timothy Fitzgerald, Michael Wewege, Jack Gracie, Callum Lee, Conor Riordan, Ms Rosalind Graham
Seated, James Wilson, Dean Rando, Thomas Hartigan, James Livesey, Harry Flitcroft, William Taylor, Jeremy Ferrer, James L'Huede
Absent: Andrew Clune, Hamish Conroy, Joseph Welch



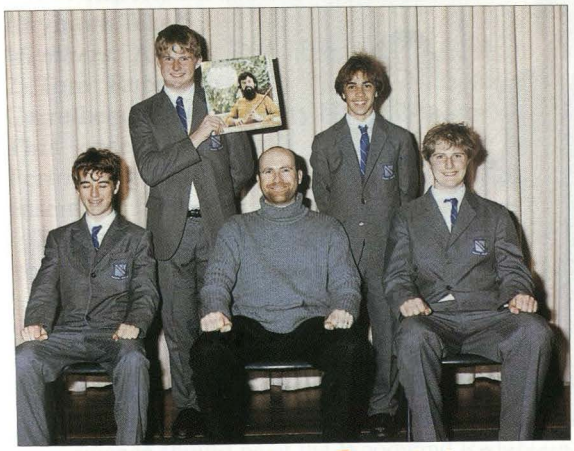
Saxophone Quartet

Standing L to R: Adam Rixon, Dominic Woolrych, Mr Richard Percival, Matthew McDonald, James Dwyer



Saxophone Ensemble

Back Row L to R: Mr Andrew Shrimski, Andrew J D'Ambroso, Liam Meagher, Thomas Rubenach, Murray Hansen, Samuel Carruthers
Absent: Henry Norris



Percussion Quartet

Back Row L to R: Alex McEncroe, Darius Navidzadeh
Seated L to R: Thomas Ainsworth, Mr P Neville, Andrew Kerridge



Percussion Ensemble

Back Row L to R: Thomas Gormly, Martin Whybourne, Stuart Robinson, James Jedlin, Tim Emslie, Lucas Perrott
Seated L to R: Brendan Hay, James Reoch, Mr P Neville, Luke Tsolakides, Bryan Curtin Absent: James Caillard, Anthony Power



Senior Guitar Ensemble

Back Row L to R: Tyrone Lindqvist, Christopher Long, Robert Carter, Brendan Roche, Hamish McKay
2nd Row L to R: Mitchell Bye, Mr Angelo Polatos, Luke O'Donnell
Absent: Richard Malouf, James May, Patrick McCabe, Philippe Oei, Anthony Pizzolato



Latin Ensemble

Back Row L to R: Michael Everest, Jack Friels, John Towey, Nicholas Guzowski, Stephen Rohl
Seated L to R: Andrew Giannasca, Mr Angelo Polatos, Timothy McBride
Absent: Christian Allen, David Ellis, Darius Navidzadeh, Lachlan O'Kane



Intermediate Guitar Ensemble

Back Row L to R: Alex Barbara, Joseph Payten, John Towey, Patrick Harrowsmith, Constantine Costi
Seated L to R: Patrick O'Neill, Mr Angelo Polatos, Stephen Manna
Absent: Gabriel Navidzadeh, Charles Duffy, Rhys Pogonoski

The Ignatian Choir

2003 was another major year for the Ignatian Choir. The demand for their performance time has grown considerably and the boys enjoy every opportunity to present their talents. The bonding of the ensemble has been immeasurable.

Membership of the Ignatian choir is strong and ever growing, reaching 91. While this is too large for a high quality productive choir and the introduction of new, more challenging repertoire, the Director is mindful that boys, if able, should not be denied the joy of singing.

At the start of this year, the length of rehearsal time for the choir was severely affected by a change of school starting time. Later in the year a trial of rehearsing at 7.30am was introduced. While transport prevented some from attending the earlier rehearsals, the extra time benefited the rehearsal structure and outcome considerably. It took the angst out of the learning of new material. Special acknowledgement is made of co-conductor and accompanist, Ms Trish Schwager, and Miss Monica Uildriks for her invaluable support of the Year 5 and 6 choir members.

Next year we are looking forward to the introduction of a series of practice CD to assist the preparation of repertoire for new members of the Ignatian Choir.

In 2003, the choir sang at: Riverview in Concerts, Carols in Jenolan Caves (late 2002), Anglicare Sydney Prom Praise, several Masses and weddings and and CD recordings. At the conclusion of the year, members of the Ignatian Choir formed an important support for the commercial Christmas CD featuring Peter Coussens. Anglicare sponsored the CD.

Members of the Ignatian Choir also travelled to Harden and Yass to support the families of Bill O'Connor and Sam Turner as well as their Year 12 colleagues during this tragic. I was so very proud of the boys as they sang beautifully and in full voice at a very difficult time.

This year we farewelled the following Year 12 members of the choir: Andrew Baber (98-03), Thomas Clear (98-03), Thomas Clement (99-03), Andrew Cutcliffe (98-01), David Fisher (99), Carl Giammarco (98-01, John Hartman (98-01), Pascal Herington (98-03), Anthony Horton (00-01), Simon Jenkins (99) Adam Rixon (00-03, Jeremy Skellern (98-00) Harry Windsor (99).

Mr Bruce Rixon

Intermediate Saxophone Ensemble

Performance Dates 2003: Riverview in Concert on June 20, Riverview in Concert, August 7,Woodwind Recital Evening on October 20.

Main Repertoire: Watermelon Man, Don't Get Around Much Anymore,Take 5

Members: Andrew D'Ambrosio (alto 1),Murray Hansen (alto 2),Tom Rubenach (alto 2),Liam Meagher (tenor 1), Sam Carruthers (tenor 2), Henry Norris (baritone)

This ensemble recently came third in the Macdonald's Performing Arts Challenge, competing against the senior ensembles from other schools!

The level of polish and professionalism displayed by such a young group is indeed impressive. They received an excellent reception at both Riverview in Concert performances. They also performed at the Woodwind recital in October.

Andrew D'Ambrosio, Liam Meagher and Henry Norris have just joined the senior saxophone ensemble. The intermediate group is therefore undergoing a complete restructuring. Its debut performance should be at the Woodwind Recital on October 20.

Andre Shrimski

Senior Stage Band

The Senior Stage Band is progressing well and is still maintaining a high musical standard. We will be very sorry to lose six talented Year 12 students this year. The band now consist of students from Year 8 to Year 11 and our repertoire covers many styles from jazz and swing through to Latin, ballads and rock. We also have many vocal arrangements in a variety of styles.

This year the band has performed at the official Opening of the Therry Campus, the Music Dinner Dance, the Art and Craft Show, Riverview in Concert, Mary MacKillop Feast Day, the Indian Bazaar and various College Assemblies.

The band members are all keen and reliable and are all looking forward to many future performance opportunities.

Mr Fred Tinker

Jazz ensemble

The Jazz Ensemble has maintained a very high standard this year and will be sorry to loose its six valuable Year 12 students at the end of this year. Our repertoire consists of Jazz standards, blues, Latin, ballads and rock. This year the band has performed at College Assemblies,The Music Dinner Dance, Riverview in Concert, the Art and Craft Show, Riverview in Concert and the Indian Bazaar.

Mr Fred Tinker

Intermediate Stage Band

The Intermediate Stage Band was formed at the beginning of the year and is made up of students from Years 7- 10. Our repertoire includes Jazz, blues, swing and ballads. The band's repertoire extends to 12 pieces and we are expanding this. Currently, we have sectionals on Monday Mornings and full rehearsal on Monday afternoon.

Recently we gained three saxophone players, giving us a five piece saxophone section. Our trumpet and rhythm section is quite strong, however, we could always do with more trombones. This year we have performed at the Brass Recital, Riverview in Concert, College Assemblies and the Indian Bazaar.

Mr Fred Tinker

Guitar Ensembles

Participation in ensembles is encouraged for all guitarists at the College. These groups provide a wonderful opportunity for students to interact with other guitarists and help with the development of confidence and ensemble playing skills.

There are currently four groups from which students can choose from. These include the Junior Guitar Ensemble, which is designed to introduce the boys to the ensemble atmosphere, through to the Latin Ensemble for advanced players.

These groups enable students to develop and diversify their repertoire and provide valuable performance opportunities. All groups have performed at both Riverview in Concerts, the Art Show and at many other events this year.

The value of participation in these guitar ensembles can be seen in the exceptional quality of performance demonstrated by our senior HSC students. Many have progressed though these ensembles to participate in the Latin Ensemble, performing at special school events and charity functions. The Latin Ensemble selects its players according to ability from the Senior and Intermediate Ensembles. It helps the students' musical horizons through a combined program with percussion players and introduce new rhythms and styles exploring music from several Latin American countries.

Mr Angelo Polatos

Music Technology

There has been great interest in the music technology facilities within the College again this year. Our Music Computer Lab now has 21 PCs and piano keyboards. Each computer has 'Music Master' and 'Sibelius' music software. 'Music Master' is an ideal introduction to the use of sequencing software.

For the first time Year 7 students are now being instructed on how to record and manipulate MIDI. They can compose record and provide a score for their own work.

For the senior students we are very fortunate to be in a position to be able to teach 'Sibelius' to an entire class at any one time. This means that Preliminary and HSC students will be able to produce scores of professional quality for their compositions.

In the recording studio, students have been able to record their work on Logic using a combination of MIDI and audio. With the help of Mr Matthew Jones (from Simmphonic Music Productions) this year's HSC Music compositions were again of a very high standard.

Miss Susan Miller

College Orchestra

2003 began with an early performance by the College Orchestra at the opening of the new Science Wing and the Therry Buildings. We performed the theme from 'The Lord of the Rings', which, with its combination of lyrical and heroic themes ,was a very suitable opening to the proceedings. During the Mass we performed with the choir, 'Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring – another wonderful ensemble combination.

Our next musical venture was to have a Spanish theme, namely the 'Overture to the Barber of Seville' by Rossini and the 'Habanera' from Carmen by Bizet. These pieces proved to be a lot of fun to rehearse and perform; our percussionists Laurence Bye and Marcus Bortolotti made the most of their active roles. We also had a valuable opportunity to perform for the College at a College Assembly, prior to playing at the first Riverview in Concert. This performance at the assembly was received very well and gave us a chance to polish up our performance technique before the big night, which was a great success.

Very soon after the July holidays we played at the second Riverview in Concert. Our choice for this concert was 'Eine kleine Nachtmusik', which suited our ensemble very well, due to the lightness of the work. Then, in contrast with our temperate choice of repertoire, we decided to undertake two rousing and challenging pieces of music: 'Finlandia' by Sibelius and the '1812 Overture' by Tchaikovsky. '

Finlandia' boasts a smashing timpani role, richly precise brass and sensitive dynamics. It was definitely a piece for an outdoor occasion. The '1812 Overture', undoubtedly Tchaikovsky's best known and most popular works, is a piece suited to a large event and is usually accompanied by cannons and fireworks!. While we couldn't provide the cannons and fireworks, we did play for the Twilight Concert in an outdoor setting in Term 4..

The College Orchestra has really established itself in the past year. The musicians have proven themselves to be capable of playing a diverse range of music very well. This ensemble has been very fortunate to have dedicated and passionate musicians from all years within the school. I am especially grateful to our departing Year 12 students: Greg Ainsworth, Andrew Cahill, Pascal Herington, Douglas Marshall, Andrew McDonald Hughes, Myles Rogerson, Brett Thomson, Sean Williams and Wystan Wu.

These students have been an integral part of this ensemble for more than six years and are all admirable musicians. With their departure we have had some 'new recruits': Bede Kennedy, Charles Lee, Daniel MacMahon, Thomas O'Brien, Alex Sharpe and Alex Crowley who have already settled in very well. Thank you to all students and staff involved with the College Orchestra in 2003. especially Miss Lindsay Irik and Miss Monica Uildriks.

Miss Susan Miller

The College Orchestra - a student's perspective

To further pursue my musical interests, I decided to try my luck at some conducting – quite a change from my faithful years as a percussionist in the College Orchestra. It has been a marvellous experience, working mainly with the brass and wind sections. The brasses have a starring role in Sibelius' uplifting Finlandia, with an introduction like no other. We have also been working on Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture.

Through conducting I have realized just how young our orchestra is. With the departure of our long-serving Year 12 students, we now have three Year 11 students and a relatively young orchestra. This youthfulness in no way compromises the quality of performance given by the College Orchestra, and, with expansion programs currently under way, 2004 will see this long-standing orchestral tradition flourish.

Marcus Bortolotti

Private Tuition

The Private Instrumental Tuition Programme has grown from strength to strength in 2003 both in the number of students learning instruments and the professional tutors coming on board. More than 500 students are now engaged in the programme guided by 7 Woodwind, 8 Keyboard, 8 Strings (including Guitar), 3 Percussion, 3 Brass and 2 Voice Tutors. We also welcomed aboard two Speech and Drama Tutors in the Senior Campus and one in the Regis Campus.

The Private Instrumental Programme provides a stepping stone for a broad spectrum of musical experiences. Gifted students are identified and nurtured; music concepts learnt in general/elective class lessons are consolidated and expanded, and students become active members of musical ensembles.

Monday Evening Studio Recitals continue to play a vital role in the music education of all boys, regardless of age or ability. It provides a valuable opportunity for them to perform for a live audience and the students rise admirably to the occasion. As a consequence musical self esteem flourishes. All up, there are 16 Recitals planned for 2004 thereby providing an opening for every student to perform publicly at least once in the year.

Many students sat for AMEB and Trinity Examinations throughout 2003. Their results are inspiring and very commendable. Details are noted in Viewpoint throughout the year. I thank the dedicated tutors and congratulate the students on their involvement and development throughout the year.

Trish Schwager

Regis String Ensemble

The Regis String Ensemble was formed this year to give the Years 5 and 6 string students an opportunity to develop their ensemble skills with elementary repertoire. Many of the players have only just begun playing a string instrument in the Musical Activities programme but within a short space of time, they have learnt basic string orchestral techniques. The response and dedication of the boys have been commendable.

The Ensemble gave its first performance for a capacity audience at the String Recital night in August at The Woods Auditorium. The members played two traditional American songs which incorporated several string techniques. The students

excelled themselves. They also performed a new piece, Celtic Dance, at the Musical Activities Concert in November.

Ms Rosalind Graham

Saxophone Quartet

The 2003 Saxophone Quartet has had another outstanding year. The group consists of the school's most accomplished saxophonists – Adam Rixon (soprano) James Dwyer (alto) Matt McDonald (tenor) and Dominic Woolrych (baritone)

As with past saxophone quartets, these players have been the closing item at each of the woodwind recitals. They have also played at Riverview in Concert and College Assemblies. Assemblies. In June they provided an hour of incidental music for a book launch at the Lane Cove Council Library where they received much applause for their versatility and professionalism.

The quartet's repertoire consists of pieces ranging from arrangements 16thC madrigals to contemporary Jazz and rock pieces written by director Richard Percival.

As both Adam and Matt are Year 12 students, the ensemble has invited a new group of talented saxophonists to carry on the great tradition and high standard of the previous ensembles.

Mr Richard Percival

Saxophone Ensemble

The Saxophone Ensemble has worked very well this year and achieved third place in the Macdonald's Performing Arts Challenge, competing against senior ensembles from other schools! The level of polish and professionalism displayed by such a young group is indeed impressive. They received an excellent reception at both Riverview in Concert performances and the Woodwind Recital. Our repertoire includes well known Jazz standards such as Watermelon Man, Don't Get around Much Anymore and Take 5.

Mr Andre Shrimski

Middle School String Ensemble

This year, players in the Middle School String Ensemble have worked very hard to improve their ensemble playing skills in preparation for joining the College Orchestra in 2004. They have worked through a variety of pieces ranging from Handel to some more contemporary compositions composed by some of the staff musicians. Our aim was to perfect one piece each term and have achieved this goal.

Miss Amelia Ghisla

String Quartet

The String Quartet started this year with four new players:Toby Carroll, Kenneth Cheung, William Tse and James O'Brien. We have been working solidly, learning new pieces and developing small ensemble skills. We made our debut performance at the Twilight Concert.

Ms Lindsay Irik

Flute Choir

The Flute Choir was reformed again this year and has been working very well on a new repertoire. We made our debut performance at the Flute Recital. We are looking forward to the addition of new members and further opportunities to perform.

Miss Hilary Turnbull

Percussion Quartet

First year together and the percussion quartet are rockin'! The group is made up of Darius Navidzadeh, Alex McEncroe, Andrew Kerridge and Tom Ainsworth. We have worked very hard this year and achieved first place in the Australian Percussion Ensemble winning a set of Bongo's.

We have performed at Riverview in Concert I and II, College Assemblies and the Indian Bazaar. Our conductor Peter Neville composed some of our repertoire, including a piece called 'The bizarre Indian' which made its debut performance at the Indian Bazaar! The audience was captivated by our brilliant performance.

We are looking forward to next year and many performance opportunities. Drum on my children!

Tom Ainsworth (Yr 10 student)

Percussion Ensemble

The Percussion Ensemble consists of students from Year 7 to Year 10 who have worked solidly this year to increase their repertoire and performance skills. We have worked on pieces such as Two Sambas, Summon the Spirits, Japanese Drumming Piece and White Swan –an African drumming piece.

The percussion Ensemble has performed at a number of concerts including both Riverview in Concerts, percussion recitals, College Assemblies and the Australian Schools Percussion Eisteddfod held at Sydney Grammar School.

Mr Peter Neville

Senior Concert Band

The Senior Concert Band of 2003 was certainly an ensemble with an abundance of talent, matched by enthusiastic and committed attitudes of the young men who formed this energetic group.

Our rehearsals took place throughout the year on Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 7.30 – 8.30am in the Woods Band room. Our Wednesday morning rehearsals were 'sectionals', divided into separate Brass, Woodwind and Percussion rehearsals. I thank Mr Fred Tinker and Ms Julie Rogers for their assistance in leading these sectionals.

The early morning starts gave us sufficient time to learn and perfect a number of pieces in a variety of styles, ranging from Disco ('Saturday Night Fever' medley), Dixieland Jazz ('At a Dixieland Funeral'), Swing (Duke Ellington medley) and popular Film music ('Axel F' from 'Beverly Hills Cop'). These pieces, amongst others, were both highly enjoyable to play and to conduct. They were warmly received by various audiences.

We performed at both Riverview in Concert evenings, as well as at the Indian Bazaar, which was certainly a highlight. It is always a challenge to play outdoors but this year was relatively luxurious, as we were provided with a marquee. The neighbouring View café patrons proved to be a very captive audience and the sandstone stairs also allowed many people to enjoy the entertainment in comfort.

The Senior Concert Band is largely made up of students from Years 8–10. We were privileged this year to have an exciting lineup of instrumentalists playing in the ensemble, including two Drummers/Percussionists, a Bass Guitarist, a Tuba player , three Trombonists, five Trumpet players, a Baritone Saxophonist, two Tenor Saxophonists and five Alto Saxophonists. Our additional Woodwind lineup had four Clarinetists and a Flautist from Year 7.

I am pleased that the efforts of our most dedicated and enthusiastic musicians were rewarded at the Co-curricular prize assemblies this year. Will Crowley (Year 8, Trombone), Damian Barlow (Year 10, Alto Saxophone), Nicholas Fearnley (Year 10, Alto Saxophone) and Nicholas Nedeljkovic (Year 10, Clarinet) were the deserving winners of the Senior Concert Band awards and I congratulate them on their achievements. Michael Murphy

Staffing

At the end of 2002 Mr Greg Friend resigned from Riverview and took up the post of Head of Drama at PLC (Sydney). Mrs Mirella Di Giorgio took 12 months maternity leave and was replaced by Miss Monica Uildriks. Scott Copeman, who coordinated Co-curricular Music at the College, was appointed Head of Music at James Ruse High School and Miss Julie Rogers replaced him.

At the beginning of this year Ms Pauline Cain was appointed Head of Drama and Assistant Head of Performing Arts.

Next year, Ms Annabel Thistlewood will take 12 months maternity leave from the College.

The introduction of Speech and Drama into Years 5 and 6, under the guidance of Ms Suzanne Millar was most successful. The classes were full of energetic and creative activities. This resulted in a large number of boys undertaking group or private Speech and Drama lessons. Miss Georgie Drury joined the faculty to assist with the teaching of Drama.

The trombone tuition classes of Mr Bruce Myers were taken by Ian Howick and Miss Hilary Turnbull took over the leadership of the Regis Concert Band.

Music Captains for 2003, Pascal Herington (Captain) and Adam Rixon (Vice Captain) and Drama Captains, Harry Windsor (Captain) and Andrew Cutcliffe (Vice Captain), actively supported and promoted the many co-curriculum activities of the College through their attendance to productions, on stage performances and enunciation of the arts. This year, Pascal was a member of the Ignatian Choir, the College Orchestra and the String Quartet. He was the lead in West Side Story, and performed in Riverview on Stage No 1 and 2.



Adam Rixon (Vice Captain, Music), Mr Bruce Rixon, Pascal Herington (Captain, Music)

Adam Rixon was a member of the Stage Band, the Saxophone Quintet and the Ignatian Choir. He performed in the orchestra in West Side Story as well as in Riverview on Stage No 1 and 2. Harry Windsor was in Lear Collage, Dead White Revenges, Riverview on Stage (Drama) while Andrew Cutcliffe performed in Lear Collage, Dead White Revenges and Riverview on Stage (Drama).

Throughout 2003, the Performing Arts Department enjoyed a strong curriculum program in both core and elective courses offered in Drama and Music.

HSC Results

Students of Music and Drama achieved excellent results in the Higher School Certificate with the average of each cohort well above the state average.

Music

For the 15 Music candidates, a remarkable 13 scored Music as their best subject, one his second best and one a close third best.

Music 2 students Pascal Herington (95), an accelerated student, and Owen Craven (94) while for Music 1, Anthony Berry (91) and Ben Carey (90) achieved outstanding results.

Candidates in Performing Arts Subjects enjoyed a strong showing the middle to lower grouping of abilities. I am particularly please that there was no 'bottom

co-curriculum music 2003 (cont'd)

(Year 8, Baritone Saxophone) and James Quirk (Year 8, Tenor Saxophone) are also congratulated for their fine attendance record and overall dedication to the ensemble.

I have thoroughly enjoyed conducting the Senior Concert Band this year and wish the boys the best of luck next year. I am sure they will continue to prosper and make great music.

Ms Annabel Thistlewood

The Regis Choir

The Regis Choir is made up of boys in Years 5 and 6 who are not in the Ignatian Choir and but join on a voluntary basis although commitment is for one year. This year is the first year such a choir has been formed at the Regis campus and outstanding progress has been made. The boys have worked very hard and have demonstrated great levels of commitment to this new ensemble. It is encouraging to see the students enthusiasm as this forms the basis of the choir for years to come.

This choir joined with the Ignatian Choir at Riverview in Concert 2 singing The Australian Medley. They also sang at the JSHAA Music Festival in October at Sydney Town Hall.

Ms Monica Uildriks

The Regis Concert Band

The Regis Concert Band came together this year as a new ensemble. With 38 members, each with his own individual talent, the group has worked extremely hard to achieve some great results. New boys to the school have responded well to the change in environment.

The Regis Concert Band launched its performance schedule this year at the Regis Assembly on June 4. All audience members were amazed at the high standard of the players, especially considering that the band had only been formed 5 months prior to this day. This was the first of many performances for these boys. They then played at the Yamaha Music Festival on June 15, where they received a Gold Award and recognition for outstanding playing on Trumpets and Timpani. The band then went on to perform at Riverview in Concert 1.

In Term 3, the band has maintained their high standard and enthusiasm with performances at Riverview in Concert 2, Grandparents Day at the Regis Campus and a special trip to Montefiore Nursing Home in Hunters Hill. With events such as the Indian Bazaar, the JSHAA Music Festival and the Music Activity Concert, they can look forward to and anticipate more opportunities to demonstrate their outstanding musical talent.

Ms Monica Uildriks

end' in the HSC marks for Music 1 and Music 2 results. For Music 1, when compared with the state average, there was an unusually high proportion of Riverview boys in Band 5 (63.63% to 37.31%) and Band 6. Cleary the lower end students performed better in the HSC than they had been displaying throughout the year.

Five Music 1 candidate achieved markedly better results in their HSC than was expected, based on their School Assessed Marks: Walter Curtis (50 to 80), up a remarkable 30 marks, Tristan Cassell (54 to 80), up 26 marks, Philip Prischl (51 to 77), up 26 marks, Matthew Smith (54 to 79), up 25 marks, Brendan O'Donnell (57 to 80), up 23 marks.

This difference in marks could be explained in two ways; either,(a) the boys worked very hard in the final days between the Trials and the HSC, or, more likely, (b) while at Riverview they don't seem to be 'strong' candidates and there are many more 'weaker' students in the wider candidature of the courses. Whatever the reason I am delighted for the boys and these results confirm the believe that whatever their level. boys should not give up, but should push, be pushed, to the end.

Drama

Drama students too enjoyed a strong showing in their HSC results. Three boys were in Band 6 and a further five were in Band 5. For 11 of the 15 students it was either their best or second best result, (for 5 it was their best result and for a further 6 their close second best result).

The best results were Jack Tregoning (91), Sam Dunn (91),and Justin Stevens (90). The results of Jack Tregoning were below expectation, though he did gain a creditable 91, Band 6. All other students achieved expected or better than expected results.

Five Drama students achieved markedly better results in their HSC than was expected from their School Assessed Marks: Angus Cashmore (53 to 73), up 20 marks, Tristan George (51 to 69), up 18 marks, Damon Edmonds (62 to 74), up 12 marks, Anthony Chuck (65 to 77), up 12 marks, John-Paul Milazzo (66 to 76), up 10 marks. The majority of these students were extensively involved in many Music and Drama Co-curricular activities as well as sport

We have maintained the same process of assessing, reporting and evaluating students over the past four or five years. The end result is that we, as a School, continue to achieve marks above the State Average. Music 2: 6.37+; Music 1: 6.56+; Drama: 4.56+. This is not always easy to sustain and can only be achieved by the dedicated work of Riverview staff.

Monday Evening Recitals

The private instrumental program continued to be very strong. It is also of interest to note the very large number of boys who continue to learn privately outside the College. At last count 530 boys learn music privately at the College. Clearly music plays a strong part in the lives of the young men of Riverview.

Instrumental recitals for students learning woodwind, brass and string instruments as well as guitar, piano, voice and drums were held on selected Monday evenings throughout the year. These recitals provided excellent opportunities for students to practise their performance techniques and to display their many talents.

This year we continued with the tradition of ensembles performing at these evenings. Next year we will introduce recitals evenings for Speech and Drama students. I congratulate and thank all staff for their wonderful co-operation and support for these evenings, particularly the Co-coordinator of Private Tuition, Ms Trish Scwhager.

Excursions

Throughout the year, Music students have had the opportunity to experience the talents of professional musicians through a variety of excursions. These help the students' understanding of curriculum concepts and topics. Excursions included:Meet the Music Series at the Sydney Opera House; Concerts featuring the Sydney Symphony Orchestra for both Senior and Junior School campus students; Sign of the Times, an historical musical sojourn of rock music. All elective students have taken advantage of the recording courses offered by Mr Matthew Jones.

This year, Mrs Sharon Calcraft has provided workshops on composition techniques for the last 25 years for both the boys and staff. These have proven extremely successful with outstanding works produced by both the Year 12 and 11 students. Special commendation goes to works by Andrew Cahill, Andrew McDonald-Hughes, Mark Longhurst, Douglas Marshall, Jeremy Moore and Myles Rogerson.

Co-curriculum Music and Drama

Over recent years Riverview has maintained a vigorous program of Co-curricular Music and Drama activities, and 2003 was no different. The brochure, Riverview on Stage 2003, listed several major College dramatic productions. These performances were of a very high quality and were well attended. Productions for 2003 included:

- •The Cid (Year 12), Director, Mr Melvyn Morrow,
- •The College Musical West Side Story, Director, Mr Anthony Renshaw and Mr Greg Friend, Music Director, Mr Bruce Rixon and Mr Scott Copeman, Choreographer, Mrs Jennie Rixon
- •Murdering Ministers (Year 12 Anthology), Director, Mr Melvyn Morrow,
- •Shakespeare Globe Centre Youth Festival, Director, Ms Pauline Cain,
- •Junior School Music Activities Concert, Director, Miss Monica Uildriks,
- •Tartuffe (Year 11 Curriculum), Director, Ms Pauline Cain,
- •Riverview in Concert No. 1 and 2, Directors, Miss Julie Rogers and Mr Bruce Rixon
- •The Outsiders (Year 10), Director, Ms Belinda Clark
- •Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (Year 8), Director, Mr Mark Egger
- •Henry IV Part One (Year 9), Director, Mr Melvyn Morrow,
- •Riverview HSC Music Encore, HSC Teachers, Ms Annabel Thistlewood (Music 1) and Mr. Bruce Rixon (Music 2 and Extension)
- •Riverview On Stage, HSC Teacher, Ms Pauline Cain
- •Regis Drama Production, Wind In The Willows, Director Ms Susan Miller
- •Love's Labours Lost (Year 11), Director, Anthony Renshaw
- •Foreshore Twilight Music Activities Concert, Directors, Miss Julie Rogers and Mr Bruce Rixon

Other Music Co-curricular activities included: two Monday Evening Soirees each for students learning brass, woodwind, guitar, strings, voice, piano, percussion instruments; HSC Performance Concerts, College Assemblies, College Masses, Year 12 Mother's Mass, Year 7 Mother's Mass and Dinner, Sydney Prom Praise, Grandparent's Day, Lunchtime Concerts, the Band Competition, recording for CDs, playing for the special celebrations to mark the feast day of of Mary MacKillop, numerous weddings, the Dinner Dance, the Indian Bazaar, the HSC Art Exhibition and the College Art and Craft Show.

Mr Bruce Rixon

Guided by Ms Pauline Cain, the 2003 class navigated the heights and sometime lows of the HSC Drama course with style.

The Drama class of 2003 consisted of Luke O'Sullivan, Paul Barton, Tom Manion, Tom Armitage, Nathan Grant, Nick Aggar, Andrew Cutcliffe, Travis Brooks-Garrett, Nick Prior, Michael Sutherland and myself, Harry Windsor.

At the start of fourth term, 2002, we were faced with the daunting task of starting our Individual Projects. The options were: Portfolio of Theatre Criticism, Set/Costume Design, Scriptwriting, Research Project and Performance – which quickly proved the most popular option.

The number of performances was such that it's impossible to give an in-depth critique of each, so here is a brief outline of them: Sutherland tackled Ariel Dorfman's Speak Truth to Power; Barton played Fish Lamb in a collation from Nick Enright's (and Tim Winton's) Cloudstreet; Armitage drew on various sources – from Shine to the more recent One Hour Photo – to create a moving portrait of a mentally handicapped man.

Nick Aggar delivered an hilarious diatribe from the perspective of Korean leader, Kim Jong Il; Manion drew on Winton's Lockie Leonard and Enright's Blackrock to produce two starkly different images of surf culture; Cutcliffe was an African slave eager for a whiff of freedom; and Prior revelled in the role of the eccentric arsonist, Doug, from Nowra's Cosi.

All the performances were engaging and distinctive, and all students were wise enough to play to their strengths. In the Projects Department, O'Sullivan produced a poster design portfolio for Blue Murder (by Beatrix Christian); Grant, a costume design portfolio for Shakespeare's Twelfth Night; Brooks-Garrett, a script entitled Orphans of a Higher Order; and myself a portfolio of Theatre Criticism, reviewing four separate productions over 2003.

Special mention must also go to Paul Barton and Andrew Cutcliffe, who, at this stage, have been nominated for HSC Onstage – a showcase of the best performances from across the state. Congratulations to both. This is a massive achievement – the last time Riverview had an Onstage performance was Jonathan Deves in 1999. This follows Sam Dunn's selection in last year's Onstage for his set design of Euripides' The Trojan Women.

From the start of second term, also, we began work on our Group Performances, a compulsory practical component of the course. The process of GPs proved draining but thoroughly rewarding. The class split into three self-chosen groups, and proceeded to write and workshop three very distinctive 8-12 minute performances. Fresh from seeing last year's showcase of HSC performances at the Seymour Centre, in which topics ranged from insecure beauty queens to our very own Thorpie, we'd all begun thinking of ideas that might translate well into an ensemble performance.

Manion, Barton, Brooks-Garrett and Armitage's Dust to Dust focused on chimneysweeps, from Mary Poppins and beyond. The group produced the goods with verve, wit and rollicking tunes. Manion's impish energy (and Melvyn Morrow-cultivated dancing prowess!) was complemented well by Barton's assured comic timing. Acting as the victim of the piece, Barton invested an endearing quality in his anonymous chimney sweep.

He worked well off the old hand(s) of Brooks-Garrett, whose cockney campery and brilliant use of caricature gained both audience laughs and, in our Onstage assessment, the highest marks. Rounding out the quartet was Armitage, the class's consummate character actor. Fresh from a starring turn as the cross-dressing, sexually profligate, Alfred in Stoppard's Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead, Armitage played the group's maniacal Mr Bumble – shouting "More?!" indignantly – with poise and presence. Overall, Dust to Dust proved a winning, witty audience-pleaser.

Prior, Grant, Aggar and O'Sullivan's You Can Call Me Al targeted a set theme with similar flippancy. An engaging, humourous slant on academic scholarship, the piece featured 'Al', a Uni student investigating 'What is the meaning of life?' in his Philosophy degree. The group parodied the notions of academic certainty in a light-hearted, often downright weird way, and produced a performance piece that polarised.

Chronicling Al's stress over his Philosophy exam, O'Sullivan captured a real sense of frenetic, disturbed anxiety. With his (quite purposely) tortured vocals, O'Sullivan also complemented Prior's unique contortionist skills to good effect, mimicking a pregnant woman, undulating waves (and more!) with his most skillful of stomachs,

Prior balanced his physical prowess with polished performance skills. Aggar's changes of temperament were almost manic-depressive, yet (somehow, and quite laudably) he retained credibility. Rounding off the GP foursome, and aided by pink fluoro jeans, was Grant, whose levelling, steady, experienced presence – not to mention somewhat imposing frame! – kept the group in check.

Overall, You Can Call Me Al, certainly tried to affirm (in a pretty light on, funny way) Wilde's famous quip that education is wasted on the young. To this end, at least in their fulfilment of the HSC group performance requirements, they quite resoundingly failed.

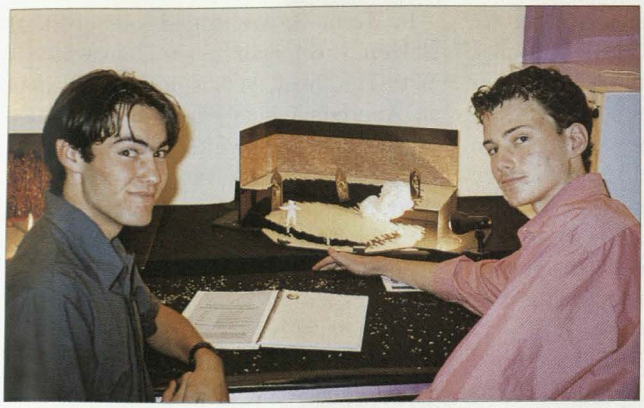
(See next page for Travis Brooks-Garrett's review of the third group's HSC performance project.)



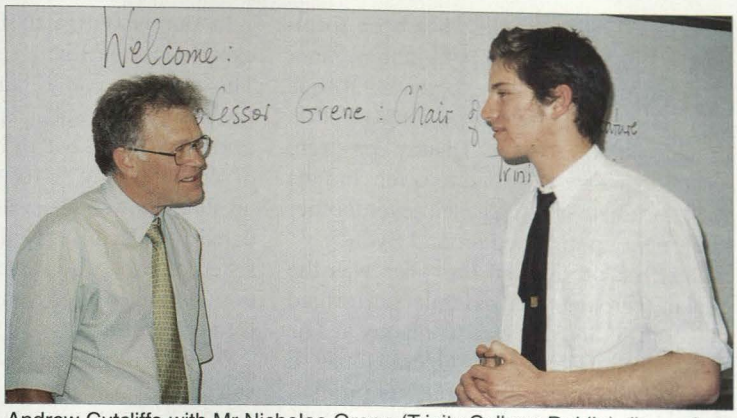
Travis Brooks-Garrett, Tom Manion, Paul Barton and Tom Armitage



Nick Prior, Luke O'Sullivan, Nick Aggar, Nathan Grant



Michael Sutherland and Travis Brooks-Garrett with Sam Dunn's set design - selected for Onstage 2003



Andrew Cutcliffe with Mr Nicholas Grene (Trinity College Dublin) discussing Irish drama

With the practical components (Group and Individual) out of the way by September and the completion of our trials, the class returned to theory lessons. 40% of our overall Drama mark was to be determined by a written exam.

We studied Debra Oswald's, Gary's House and Deborah Mailman and Wesley Enoch's The 7 Stages of Grieving as examples of Australian Contemporary Theatre, and Brian Friel's, Dancing at Lughnasa, Martin McDonagh's The Beauty Queen of Leenane and J.M. Synge's, The Playboy of the Western World under the broad umbrella of Irish drama.

In the Australian elective, we focused on the way the plays reflect the Australian political and social landscape, through examining past productions, the plays themselves; academic discussions of the text; and our own experiential knowledge – seeing the plays onstage.

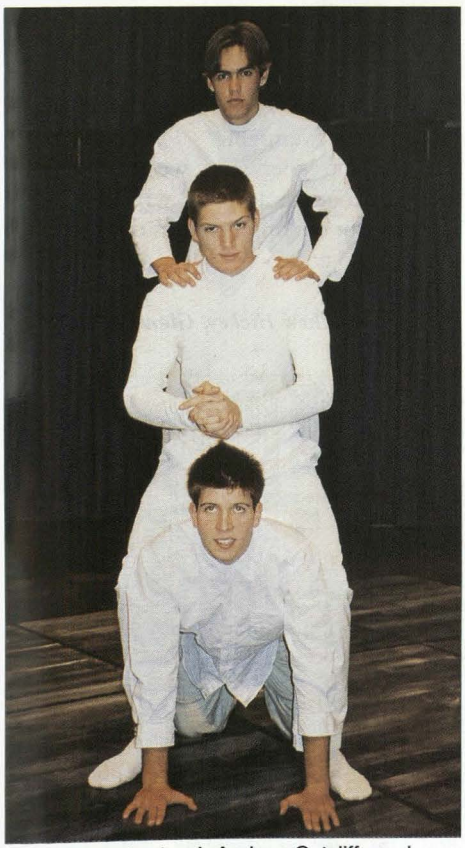
Our study of 7 Stages, especially, was complemented by a workshop entitled Black Theatre, which the class attended at the Wharf in June. Hosted by Wesley Enoch, the co-writer of our set text, the seminar focused on Aboriginal theatre as a political medium.

For the Irish elective, we travelled to Redfern's New Theatre on three nights over the course of a school week, taking in play readings of The Beauty Queen, Sean O'Casey's The Plough and the Stars and a production of Dancing at Lughnasa. Each night was engaging, worthwhile and entertaining. Looking at plays in their intended form is always more satisfying than studying them in a classroom.

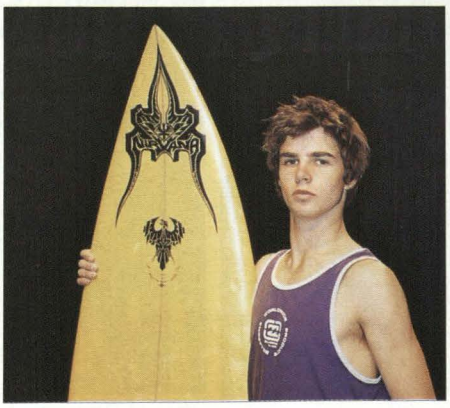
All up, the 2003 class leave the O'Kelly Theatre with fond memories, a tad exhausted, but better for the experience. Hearty thanks go to Ms Pauline Cain, Assistant Head of Performing Arts, Drama, for her guidance and support throughout the year, and to Mr Greg Friend, for nurturing the class's talents in Years 10 and 11.

Thanks also to Mr Rixon, Head of the Performing Arts, Mr Mel Morrow, director of the Year 12 play and the others involved with curriculum Drama – Mr. Renshaw and Mr Egger.

Harry Windsor, Captain of Drama



Michael Sutherland, Andrew Cutcliffe and Harry Windsor



Tom Manion

The Darker Side

The final HSC Group Performance with Harry Windsor, Michael Sutherland, and Andrew Cutcliffe (names that will no doubt appear in neon lights), developed The Darker Side with the bitterest of premises and most theatrical of dramatic techniques.

This acerbic piece depicted the mind of a serial-killer, unrepentant, and vile. Harry's performance can be compared to a bramble-rose, always passionate but with enough barbs to tear at the heart of the audience. Cutcliffe, an eminent figure in Riverview Drama, was the most wonderfully dreadful of the three- and the audience winced at his sight.

His use of the stage was masterful, ascending far beyond what is expected of high school students. Sutherland's character was cutting; he seemed ever poised to pounce on the audience, and this intensity was sustained throughout.

During the performance a great sense of unease swept the audience, and such was the emotional impact of the piece. The three characters would often join and stare at the audience, frozen like a statuette.

Under their wicked gaze we were stripped, unclothed, and left to feel absolutely vulnerable in the company of these three loathsome minds.

The piece was unsettling and the characters were unpleasant, but it can be praised for its temerity, its theatrical beauty and the unflinching passion of the actors.

Travis Brooks-Garrett

The Year 11 Drama class has been fortunate enough to partake in quite a number of fantastic dramatic excursions to see first class productions. Our subscription to the Belvoir Street Theatre program ensured we saw all it had to offer, and we were fortunate enough to see several other plays being performed around Sydney.

Our first production this year was the Shakespearean tragedy Hamlet performed by The Bell Shakespeare Company at The Playhouse in The Sydney Opera House. It proved to be quite a humourous production, placing more emphasis on Hamlet's playful nature opposed to his moral dilemmas.

The excellent ensemble of actors was very young and performed the slightly cut script with depth. This performance was complimented by an excellent set design, setting the scene of a stark, decaying prison-like environment. The innovative direction by John Bell provided a unique look at the young prince. This seemed to make him very easy to relate to as an audience member.

Later that evening, we attended a production called The Underpants at the Belvoir Street Theatre Company. After seeing Hamlet earlier in the day, in was quite refreshing to be entertained by such a ridiculous plot with fantastic comic performances.

The play was actually a new adaptation by American funny-man Steve Martin derived from the German play by Carl Sternheim.

This outrageous comedy provided many quick, snappy one-liners and introduced our class to a successful modern adaptation of an older text.

The colourful production was a very enjoyable experience. It featured bright colours and gaudy costumes and provided a visual feast enhancing the comedic wit of the script. It proved to be an excellent start to the year.

In our next trip to Belvoir Street we experienced William Yang: Blood Links. This was the only performance in our Belvoir Street subscription that wasn't actually a play, but rather a presentation of William Yang's story. It was a souped up slide-show, and as such was accommodated wonderfully by the set which consisted of two large screens for the projection of images, along with several lighting setups for effects.

The performance itself followed the story of the Yang family back to its roots in China and then William's family's immigration to Australia. The story was told both visually and orally, William Yang stood on the stage and narrated the story to the audience, and corresponding images were shown on the screens.

Unfortunately the performance eventually became tired, but nevertheless, the utilisation of visuals and audio, accompanied by William Yang himself, proved to be a largely effective performance.

The third installment in our Belvoir Street saga was Macbeth. This interpretation by director Michael Kantor focused on Macbeth's moral dilemmas and the corruption of his character. It featured some interesting representations of the witches and Banquo's ghost.

The two leads, Jacek Koman and Catherine McClements, proved themselves to be effective partners in evil. McClements in particular delivered an astounding performance through her ability to immerse herself in the character of Lady Macbeth.

The stage accommodated the terror and mayhem of the play. Formed into a multilayer platform with several rakes, the stage could be mentally morphed into any environment called for.

With the help of several outstanding performances, Shakespeare's most superstitious play conquered its fears to present what was a terrific spectacle.

In Term 3, we found ourselves at Belvoir Street again to see Conversations With The Dead, an Australian play about an Aboriginal man caught between the social area of white Australia and Aboriginal Australia. The play was a fairly short, intense performance dealing with the very high statistic of Aboriginal people dying in custody.

Conversations With The Dead combined elements of guitar accompaniment, vocal song and confronting scenes of drama to make the production an intense play that dealt with important Australian social issues.

Our Drama class then went to a production of the relatively new English play Howard Katz at The Playhouse. Previously, our class had been to workshop called "Model-box to Opening Night" concentrating on the set design process. Therefore, our class had been acquainted with the picturesque, bleak, photographic set.

This black comedy, of sorts, deals with a mid-life crisis experienced by the title role, Howard. Billie Brown played the confused yet dynamic Howard, producing a highly theatrical performance. This proved to be one of the productions great assets. It was an excellent opportunity to see such a new play performed by such an accomplished performer.

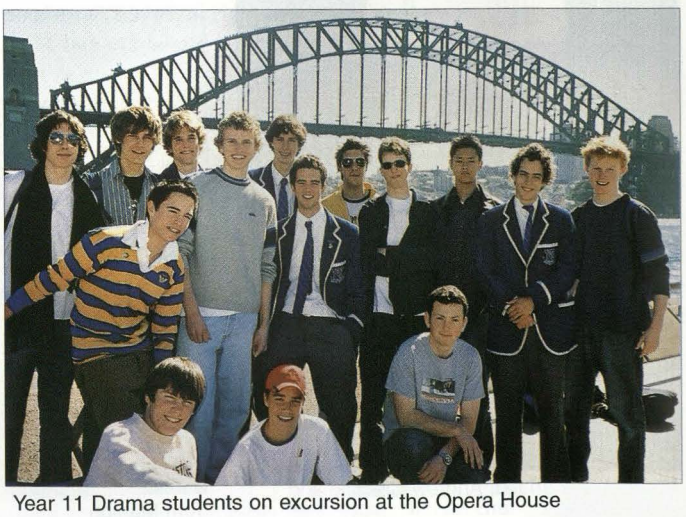
We have been fortunate enough this year to enjoy some of Sydney theatre's finest productions. The opportunity to experience such a collection of plays is one that will enrich our dramatic knowledge and capacity, and one that will not be forgotten overnight.

Rather, the experiences we have gained, and will continue to gain, will become a resource for our appreciation of Drama in the years to come.

Matthew Hickey, Glenn O'Sullivan
Year 11



Belvoir Street Theatre subscribers


Year 11 Drama students on excursion at the Opera House



The cast of the year 10 play, The Outsiders, which was directed by Ms Belinda Clark

This dynamic play written by S E Hinton and adapted for stage by Christopher Sergel is a tale of gang warfare. It was performed exceptionally well by a group of Year 10 students over two evenings at the College. The play was a sell out and marked the directing debut for Ms Belinda Clark. Her direction, from the audience perspective was executed brilliantly. The show ran proficiently and effectively in all its technical aspects.

The play's plot revolves around two groups of kids - the 'Socs' and the 'Greasers'. The Socs are society kids - they have the right cars, lots of money and successful futures. The 'Greasers' come from poor, deprived backgrounds and are often referred to as 'hoods'. This story is about a teenager called Ponyboy (played by James Sheehan), a 14 year old Greaser who's tough and harsh, yet as his soliloquies reveal very sensitive.

When Ponyboy's best friend, Johnny (played by Patrick Pragasam) kills a member of a rival gang, the two are forced into hiding and a nightmare of confusion begins. Ponyboy learns about loyalty, friendship and the 'real world' so foreign to that of his own.

Congratulations must go to all the cast and crew. However, some members of the company deserve special mention for their efforts. James Sheehan was outstanding. He was on the stage for almost the entire show and throughout this time he managed to captivate the audience and engage us in Ponyboy's life.

Stuart Robinson was also heavily involved in many aspects of the play's production, from lighting to acting on stage.

Special thanks goes to the girls from Loreto Kirribilli and Monte Sant' Angelo who were very competent actors and who also contributed so much to each performance of the play.

Ms Belinda Clark, who organised and directed this show with such excellence, deserves particular credit.

The text of the play worked very well with both actors and the audience. There was a great atmosphere in the theatre each evening. The story was easy to relate to as the characters and the predicaments they faced seemed so true to life. The cast portrayed them most credibly. In addition, the cast seemed to mesh well both on and off the stage.

This production was performed and carried out so well that all the cast and crew should be applauded for providing us with such an enjoyable evening of entertainment.

Edward Grey (Year 9)

Year 10 Drama

From the beginning of the year, under the guidance of Mr Anthony Renshaw, Year 10 Drama has been a most gratifying experience.

The Shakespeare Festival showed the various talents of this class and the boys are to be congratulated on the way they adapted their particular Shakespearean piece.

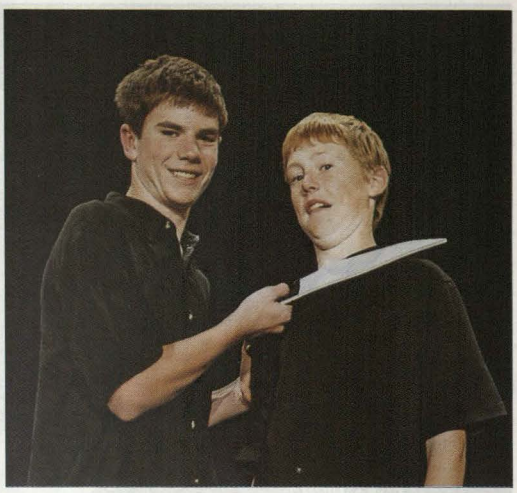
Term 2 saw us concentrating on Augusto Boal, a controversial modern director who used the stage to spark social reform.

Term 3 was another practical term where the focus was on monologues. This was a very powerful part of the dramatic year. Murderers, Shakespearean characters, teenage embarrassment, nursery rhymes, gangsters, people on their deathbed and emotionally impulsive characters were just some of the performance based pieces displayed.

At the beginning of Term 4, the class saw a performance of the Bell Shakespeare Company's As You like It at the Sydney Opera House. This was a vibrant production with a most incredible set design, and powerful acting.

Anthony Baine (Year 10)





Christian Grant, Oliver Clarke and Ben Egan at the Year 9 commedia dell' arte workshop; right, Dominic Stack and Daniel Condon

We had a year of ups and downs with Drama in 2003, But, as I, and more importantly the boys who undertook this course can now see from our efforts over the past year, Drama does exist on these different levels - from tension to comic relief, from the status of a higher character to that of a lower one.

These 'levels' in Drama are what make it tick, and the high quality and level of the work we completed over the course of the year leaves us with a feeling of satisfaction, no matter how many logbook entries we plodded through.

Around 45 intrepid students took the Drama course this year, and all have benefited from the expert teaching of Ms Cain and Mr Egger, who through their own love of the theatre and great knowledge in this field, have instilled a great appreciation of the art in their young scholars.

But, enough of the obvious. What did we do in Drama, 2003?

Our first major unit in Drama was the Shakespeare Festival – no gentle introduction to this particular course, we were immediately thrown in the deep end.

Nevertheless, through the brilliant example of the mentors (special thanks must go to the senior Drama students especially) all groups performed or designed a piece of Shakespeare that they could be proud of. Congratulations in particular go to the two groups which won the Junior Division, beat all the Year 10 entries and got extra cake the next night, ha ha.

We tinkered with characterisation, movement, script reading and writing (the parents enjoyed seeing them performed) and had some improvisation thrown in. We saw plays, including a highly enjoyable production of As You Like It.

We had many workshops and presentations from theatre professionals, including the Bell Shakespeare Company, and Dennis Murphy's commedia dell'arte workshop.

One major drawing point for studying Drama is the amount of creativity involved – theory doesn't figure highly, and when it does, it is an outlet for expression, not an inlet for boredom.

Our unit on commedia dell'arte reflects this. Plays in this style last for hours without ever having a script, just stock characters. Never a dull moment for the Italians.

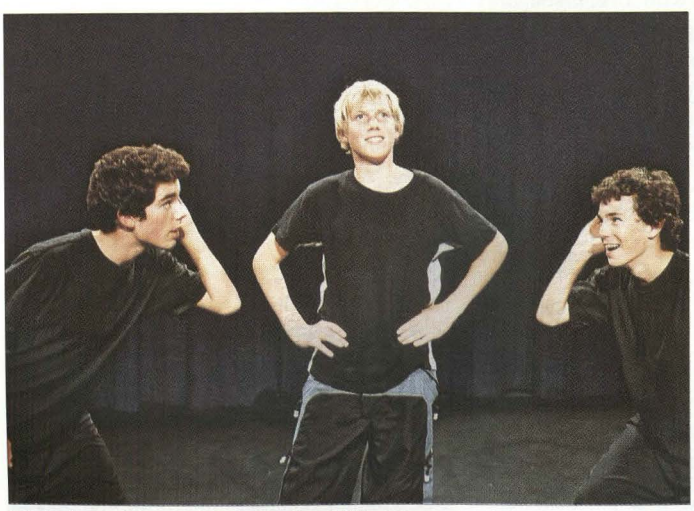
Particularly pleasing was the involvement of many Drama students in Mr Mel Morrow's clever production of Shakespeare's Henry IV, Part I. This was a success on both nights, featuring brilliant performances by, among others, Tyrone Lindqvist as 'that villainous abominable misleader of youth' Jack Falstaff, Leon Joseph as a noble if not entirely trustworthy King Henry, Matt Millar as a brattish Hotspur, and Tom Gormly as a conniving Prince Hal.

Kudos must go to Year 9's new, maniacal Scotsman, Will Atkinson, who, as Lord Douglas, donned a kilt and a bad accent and for some outlandish reason became a comic relief.

Year 9 Drama, 2003, will go down as the year that new talent was discovered – on stage and in script; the year in which many found a niche in our College's cultural program, and the year that spells nothing but good news for future senior Drama.

The spirit that seems imbued in Riverview Drama continues at all levels – in the novice, the experienced and the staff.

Will Atkinson (Year 9)



Chris Long, Tyrone Lindqvist, Ian Williams



Christian Grant, Oliver Clarke, Daniel Wiedenbein



One of the casts of Away play reading, from left, Damien Molony, Bria Crouch, Belinda Clark, Mark Egger, Amy Robertson, David Lang, Jack Tregoning, Hannah Ireland



The other cast of Away play reading, back row, from left, Heath Collins, Emma Whiteman, Hugh Cashmore, John Sullivan, Nicole Creenaune, Belinda Clark. Front, Daniel Millar and Lenore Robertson



Cast of Brilliant Lies play reading from left, Bradley Moar, Stephen Brown, Pauline Cain, Bria Crouch, Oliver Spratt, Damien Molony



Marcus Bortolotti and Nicholas Janu - state finalists in the Shakespeare Festival for music composition



James Sheehan in the Year 10 play, The Outsiders



Commedia dell arte assessment task for Year 11 Drama students, from left, Glenn O'Sullivan, Jon Wenman, Hugh Cashmore, Heath Collins and Conor Burke



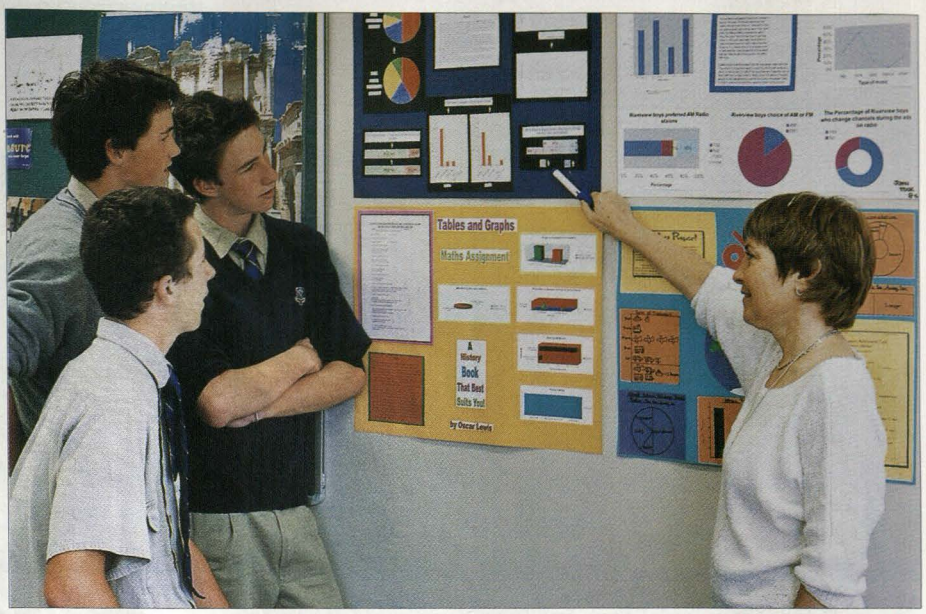
Andrew Cutcliffe (Year 12)

curriculum: mathematics 2003

The Mathematics Department welcomed the new academic year with redeveloped classrooms and impressive external examination results from both the HSC and the School Certificate. Again, as a faculty, the results reflect the excellent standard of Mathematics achieved by students at the College.

The results for the 2002 HSC in each of the Mathematics courses were considerably above the state mean. Moreover, in the metropolitan newspapers any student who achieved an HSC mark equal or above 90% received an honourable mention. Of the students completing Mathematics 66 recorded Band 6 results of 90% or more.

The following students recorded the highest scaled examination marks in each course:



Mrs Linda Bryan with Alex Graham, Trent Backhouse and Ben Turner photos by Chris Fitzgerald

General Mathematics

95 - Padraig Stewart
94 - Christopher Guzowski
93 - Benjamin Allison
92 - Nicholas Gunn
90 - Charles Locke, Kim Oxenham, Henry Wall

2 Unit

97 - Thomas Finn, Thomas Clement
96 - James Coolican, Dominic Matthews
95 – Luke Hogan, Ryan McCarthy, Christopher Webster
94 – Adam Linforth, Daniel Roberts, Patrick Lynch
93 –Alexander Bye, Luke Meagher, Adam Smith, Wystan Wu, David Pragasam, Benjamin van Veenendal,
92 – Duncan Hui, Mathew Kertesz, David Barbeler, Dominic Broadhurst, Martin Kos, Paul Mattiussi, Christopher Twomey, Daniel Gregory
91 – James Giugni, Hugh Passmore, Liam Smyth, Chrys Tellidis, Gregory Lee, Patrick Ho, Carl O'Sullivan, Sean Williams
90 – Michael Driscoll, Lindsay Matthew Ellis, Peter Mooney, Rhys Rogers, Benedict Brungs, Julian Jarvis, Andrew Lazzaro

Extension 1

95 – Nicholas Bowden
93 – Adrian Barbagallo, Kieran Wu
92 – Daniel Horan, Liam Ryan
91 – Paul McNamara
90 – Oliver Ryan
48/50 – Thomas Finn, Daniel Williams
46/50 –Luke Hogan, Brian Gray, Patrick Lynch, Daniel Roberts, Christopher Webster, James Coolican, Adam Linforth, Dominic Matthews

Extension 2

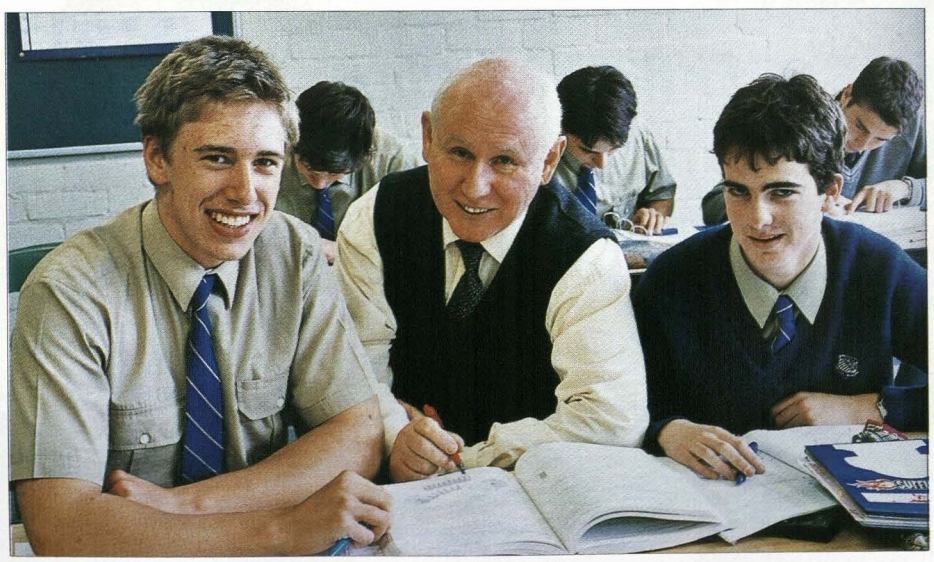
91 - Daniel Horan
90 - Kieran Wu, Nicholas Bowden

In the 2002 School Certificate our students achieved results well above state average in the higher achievement bands. For example, the state average in the highest achievement Band 6 was 5.99 % whereas 9.86% of St Ignatius' students achieved a mark above 90%.

Similarly, in Band 5, 19.74% of NSW students achieved this level compared with 36.32% of Riverview's students who scored above 80%.

The best individual examination scores were:

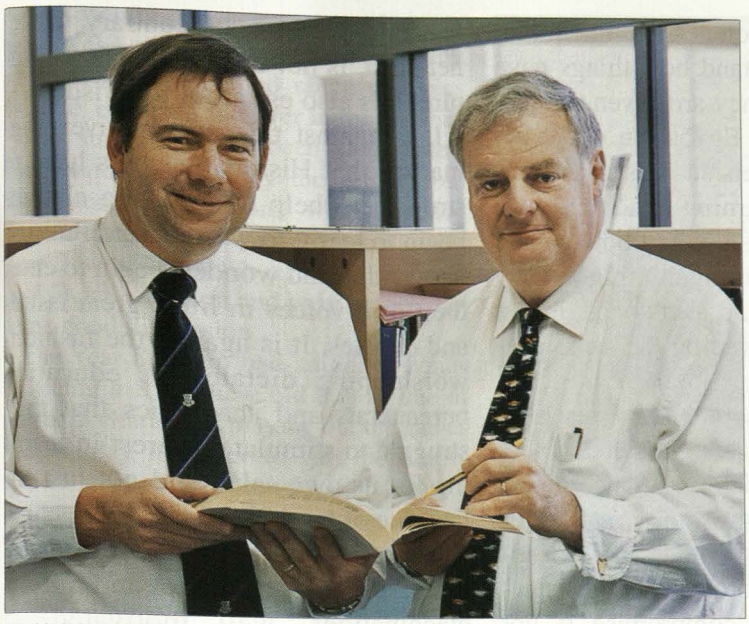
97 – Patrick Wall
96 – Jason Wong
95 – Nicholas Janu, Glenn O'Sullivan
94 – James Bannister, Richard Buttenshaw, James Dodd, Matthew Lewis, Edward Noel, Michael Noetel, Damian Raper
93 – Sam Cincinnato,
92 - Nicholas Jones, Sean O'Connor, Benjamin Warnes
91 – James Dwyer, Mitchell Gorman, Samuel Hartman, Matthew Kenny, Kip Koenig, Richard Manevski, Daniel McCullogh



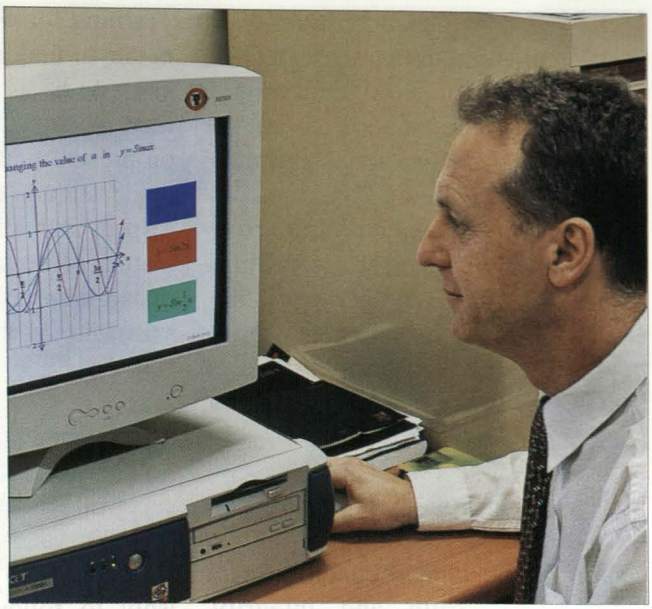
Mr Chris Farnsworth with Karl Ferguson and James Dodd

The program for gifted and talented students continues to operate under the administration of Mrs Linda Bryan. Many students from Years 8-10 participated and received awards in the Australian Mathematics Challenge, and at the College assembly in November 2002 the highest achievers in the Australian Mathematics Competition received appropriate recognition.

Our College again recorded outstanding results. Overall, the College had 1 prize winner, 6 High Distinctions, 77 Distinctions and 164 Credit award winners. These results recognise the tremendous depth of students' ability here at the College.



Mr Neil Mushan and Mr Terry Sheehan



Mr Glenn Abrahams, Head of Mathematics Faculty

The students awarded High Distinction and prizes certificates at the College Assembly were:

Year 7 - Alex Cantori , Andrew Thomas
Year 8 - Stephen Rohl, Kim Garling
Year 10 - Glenn O'Sullivan
Year 11 - Andrew Lazzaro
Year 11 - Thomas Clement
(Prize Winner)

The Mathematical faculty made a permanent move into new classrooms and staff room facilities at the beginning of the year. The former Science block (Vaughan Wing) was refurbished into the Centre for Mathematics. While each Mathematics teacher enjoys his/her own new teaching room and a comfortable staff area, two specially developed technology rooms have been set up to make the most of emerging technologies.

Unfortunately, two break-ins and the subsequent theft of data projectors and laptop computers have severely affected the students' opportunities to be engaged with this style of teaching. However, the staff are determined to embrace the most innovative and engaging teaching practices in the future.

The Mathematics teachers have updated their skills through inservices and ongoing professional development. Representatives of the Mathematics faculty attended AIS inservice days on teaching ideas for the implementation of new syllabuses for Years 7 -10. Casio representatives have visited the school and are continuing to train teachers in the use of graphics calculators.

Two of our staff, Christopher Farnsworth and Jodi Kinchant have enrolled in an in-depth inservice program called LUMAT offered by Casio to study how whole units of work are being taught using graphics calculators. The Mathematics Association of NSW conference at Brighton Beach also proved to be a highly beneficial professional development experience.

Mathematics teacher, Brian Charlton, has been invited several times by the Mathematics Association of NSW to present inservices to both teachers and students of Mathematics on course material for the Extension 2 Mathematics.

2003 has seen some exciting changes for different faculty members. In 2003, Mrs Donielle Gale had a son and Mrs Paul had a baby girl. We welcomed to the staff, Ms Jenny Chalker and Ms Carol Kenny who taught while Donielle and Barbara were on maternity leave. Both these teachers have had overseas and considerable local teaching experience.

Mr Terry Sheehan's wife Allison had a baby boy and Mr Daniel Hyde was married to Bronwyn in Term 1. Mr Les Kirkpatrick was lured out of retirement to continue to inspire young men in his teaching of Mathematics and Ms Belinda Clark returned from 12 months leave.

I commend the efforts of the entire Mathematics staff for their commitment to preparation, pedagogy, assessment and reporting in 2003. They are a dedicated, inspiring group of teachers who are not just committed to classroom teaching but to the Ignatian ethos of the College through their extra involvement in boarding, the House system and co-curriculum pursuits.

Mr Glenn Abrahams



Mr Paul McCarthy with Charles Andrea and Richard Manevski

History is more than reconstruction. It is also recreation. In the senses of fun, rediscovery and renewal. Or it can be. It can show the importance of the ordinary and, at times, the ordinariness of the supposedly important.

History involves building from shards, some of which are pure whilst others were made, and perhaps deliberately broken, in order that they might distract attention from truth, or distort that truth into propaganda or politics or ideology.

History can be a lesson in undeceiving, or in deception. It might yield despairing cynicism or a truer appreciation of the human condition as a struggle for truth and integrity. Sometimes a stumbling struggle.

Good History teaching can approach these things. Can help to broaden and to deepen the student's yearning for wholeness, can help him better to understand how things have come to be as they are. Even the history of Ancient Egypt can cast light on present matters such as virtue and leadership, learning and culture, respect and worship, and how appreciation of human dignity might be at once glimpsed and abandoned, in the same city and even by the same person.

The trouble with history teaching comes from the state: the state of New South Wales which presumes its own superior wisdom in most matters of schooling and uses its legal and economic clout to force all schools slavishly to follow compromise if not defective syllabuses.

The examination-driven race to tick off all the dot points in the pragmatic curriculum leaves little time for good teaching. Leisure, as contrary to freneticism, is not only the basis of culture, it is also essential for wisdom.

It is against this prescriptive pragmatism that History teachers have to struggle to help their young charges begin to learn, to wonder and through knowledge and wonder, begin to enter their own voices in life's great issues and debates. It is against the fashion-worshipping dictates of education bureaucrats and academics that they struggle to stimulate interest in learning for its own sake, and not just for the sake of exam marks.

We try, until Year 12, to gladly teach, despite the state and all its machinations, well motivated no doubt but scarcely necessary, to see glad teaching enrich young minds.

Dr Gregory Haines

The new JCM Centre for advanced learning

"Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart." — Psalm 51, Miserere, verse 6.

While Riverview is not a selective school in studies, arts or sports and games, it nevertheless is an attractive school for young men who have gifts in all these areas. It also has proud records and traditions in each of these areas of human endeavour.

In 2004, the John Courtney Murray Centre for Advanced Learning, the JCM Centre, will begin as a focussed way of stimulating intellectual life among parents, staff and students.

The idea for the centre came from Fr Robert Bruce SJ, who has for a time been concerned that our very best students were not being stretched enough.

It was developed through discussions between Fr Bruce, the Headmaster, Mr Shane Hogan, and Dr Gregory Haines, who will be the head of the new centre. The Rector, Fr Andrew Bullen SJ was also involved in the formative discussions.

The name is that of the very influential 20th Century American Jesuit, Fr John Courtney Murray. Fr Murray's thought was influential amongst the fathers of the Second Vatican Council, especially in the areas of ecumenism and religious freedom, areas also dear to the heart of one of those fathers, the present pope, John Paul II.

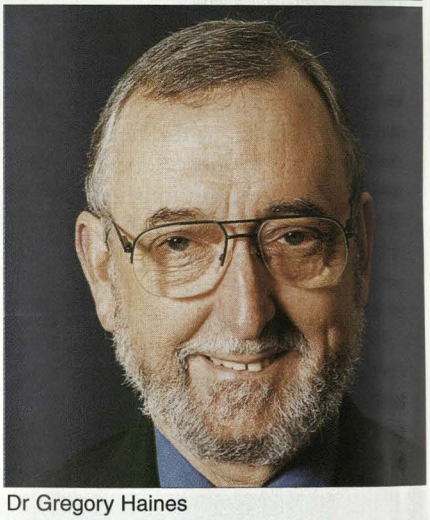
Murray's name has been chosen as he represents rigorous, influential scholarship, imaginative and critical thought, and the great tradition of such thought both within the Jesuits and the Catholic Church, each with their venerable sapiential traditions.

The Centre will aim to seek out students who show outstanding intellectual giftedness and bring them together in various ways and groupings designed to stimulate and stretch both their particular abilities and interests, and their general intellectual life.

There are planned Socratic seminars, visits from outstanding scholars, liaison with other schools and contact with recent, outstanding old boys of the College. It is expected that the JCM Centre will produce lively, interesting readings for consideration or discussion and these will extend to staff and parents.

Also, special guests will be invited to talk to staff and parents as part of their visit to the College. (Any suggestions here would be warmly welcomed: gjhaines@riverview.nsw.edu.au or (02) 9882 8324.)

Gregory Haines is in his 26th year at the College, for most of which time he has been Head of History and Associated Studies. He also commenced the Hot Potato Shop at the College and the Philosophy Club. He was a member of



Dr Gregory Haines

the original team for the development of the Colloquium on the Ministry of Teaching which runs in Jesuit Schools in Australia.

A pharmacist with a doctorate in History, he has written some six books as well as editing another two and contributing articles or chapters in these and other places, including the Australian Dictionary of Biography and the Australian Encyclopaedia.

He was a member of the first three NSW Boards of Studies and of a number of its committees including the Gender Project, Curriculum Years 7 to 12, chair of the HSC malpractice tribunal and member of the HSC moderating committee.

A busy year has seen a variety of people helping the staff in the PDHPE faculty work through the broad range of topics they are expected to cover in the syllabus

The students have been both entertained and educated by the actors from 'Brainstorm Productions' who presented performances to each year group from 7 -10. Year 7 were shown how bullying is not cool in any situation and were involved in some good discussion.

The Year 8 group had an added bonus of seeing a Riverview old boy as one of the main characters playing out the games people play in order to gain popularity and be part of the crowd.. Year 9 saw a production about risk-taking which passed on a strong drug awareness message while the Year 10 students were presented with and discussed the issue of goal setting. Each of the performances was very well received and open up a variety of discussions.

Each year level had the opportunity of seeing a stunning audio-visual display from a group called Motivational Media. It was certainly motivational with a huge screen set up in the Ramsay Hall and a sensational sound system to pump out the message.

The program was called 'Jigsaw' and looked at all the pieces that go into developing your life with examples of Australians who have worked hard to achieve success and others who have had to overcome barriers to live fulfilling lives. The feelings stimulated by this are ones which can really motivate students to achieve to their potential.

We were also fortunate to have Joan Carmody take the boys in Years 9 and 10 through a variety of dance steps which they then put into action in a social setting by dancing with the girls from Loreto Kirribilli and Marist Woolwich while also demonstrating their gentlemanly qualities.

The Royal Lifesaving Society once again assessed the Year 9 and 10 students on their Bronze Medallions and Crosses with almost all achieving these significant awards. In addition, Southbound Adventures led our Year 11 Outdoor Recreation expedition on another highly successful venture.



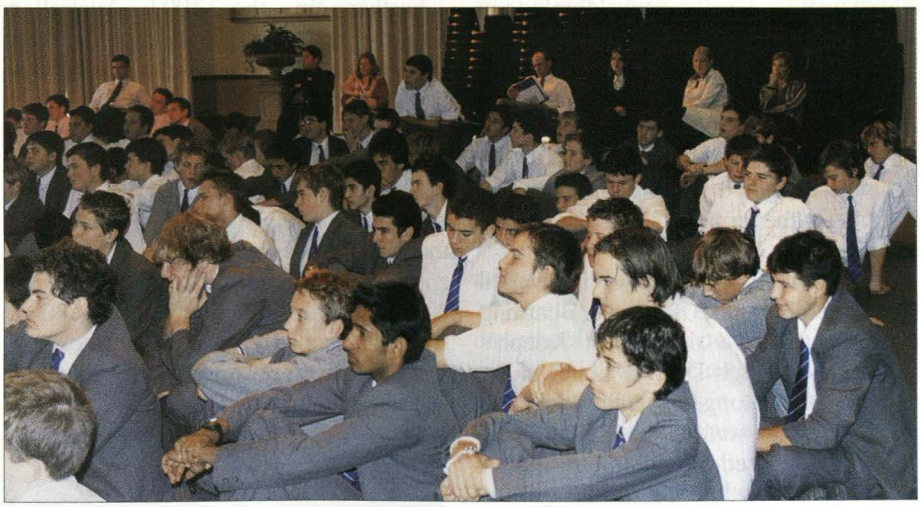
Year 9 dancing lessons in the Gartlan Centre

photo by Chris Fitzgerald

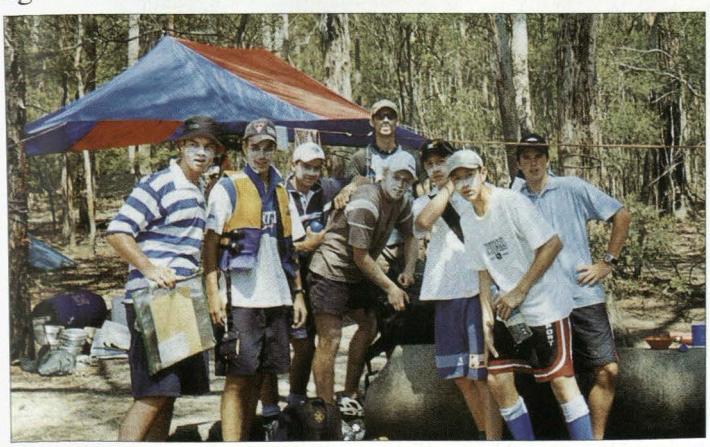
This is not to say that the PDHPE staff had an easy year – far from it. I thank all members of the faculty for their contribution in providing worthwhile and varied learning experiences for the students.

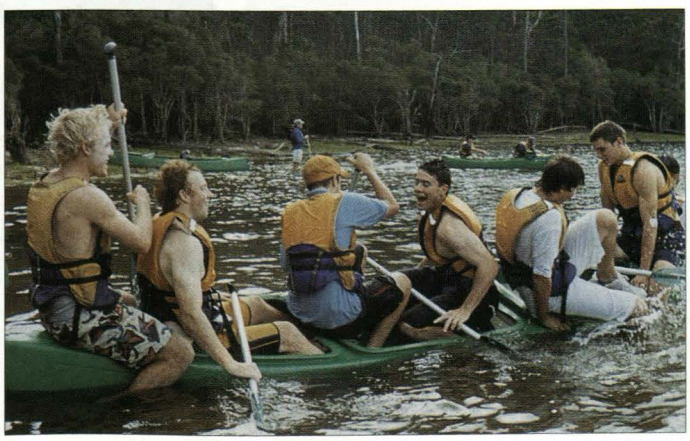
The way ahead is to examine the new 7 – 10 syllabus and todevelop a program from this which best suits the needs of our students. This promises to be an exciting and challenging task over the new year but hopefully one, again in conjunction with a variety of worthwhile external sources, which will develop students who can think critically about all the issues which impact on their health.

Mr Peter Kovacs

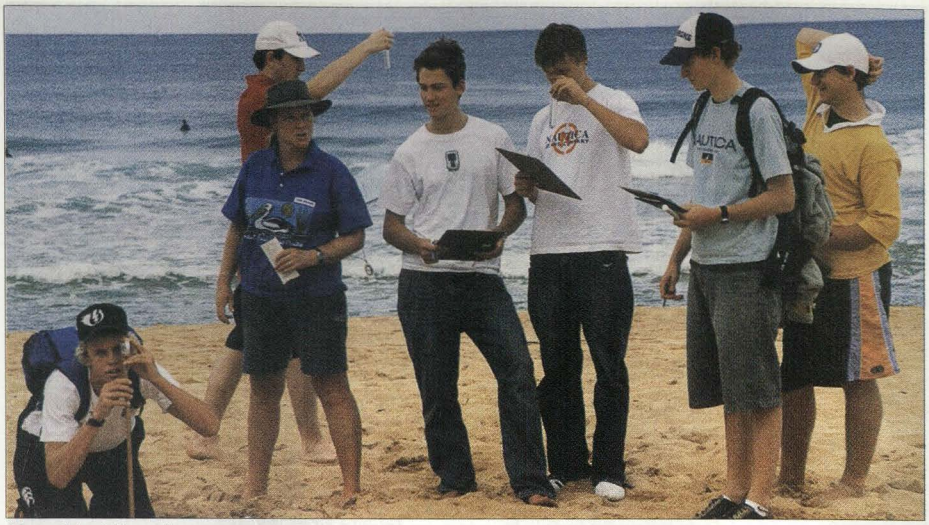


Year 10 students - learning about motivation





Year 11 students at the PDHPE camp



Year 11 at Narrabeen

It has been a year of consolidation for the HSIE Faculty in 2003. We are now familiar with our current syllabus across all subjects, and are at home with most classes being taught in the Main building. All subjects in the faculty embrace a diverse curriculum, but also focus on many common issues of human interaction with natural and built environments and structures.

Themes such as development and sustainability, the global economy and environment allow students to integrate content as well as develop critical thinking in the area of social justice.

This year, staffing has been relatively constant for such a large department, but Dr Lowry was able to enjoy some well earned long service leave in Term 1 and we were delighted to have Carol Kenny with us for the term, teaching Economics and Business Studies.

At the end of Term 3, we farewelled Denis Kelliher who is now a Boarding master across the river at St Joseph's College. Although Denis was not in the department for long, his enthusiasm and rapport with the students were noteworthy and will be missed.

In Term 4, we were most fortunate to have Kerry Tremaine return to the College to teach Denis' classes, while Bruce McLaughlin stepped in for Michael Turner who was on long service leave.

Our faculty has been enriched by all their experiences, knowledge and the friendship they have so willingly shared.

The 2002 HSC students in Business Studies, Economics and Geography achieved very pleasing results, with all subjects receiving marks well above the State average.

Further, in the 2003 Australian Geography Competition, 42 of our Year 10 Students achieved High Distinctions, and Damian Barlow achieved 3rd place in this National Competition. Certainly, the future looks promising as these students embark on Senior Studies.

We are looking forward to changes in the syllabus of both Junior Geography and Commerce, and to welcoming an Assistant in the Department in 2004. Both students and teachers can look forward to diverse content and dynamic learning in the years ahead.

Mrs Dominique Marturia

Year 12 in the field

The Year 12 Geography fieldwork commenced on a cloudy autumn morning in the early hours of May 26. Initially the 80 plus students went to Government House where they heard talks from representatives of Planning NSW. After this, and a bit of note taking, we were keen for some walking and exploring.

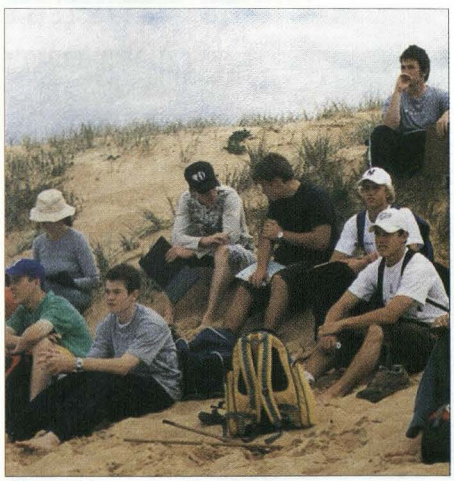
Making our way to the Pyrmont Community Centre, we experienced rain but this didn't stop our adventure. Our tour of Pyrmont revealed the real culture and history of Sydney around Jackson's Landing, where we visited such memorable buildings as the Tablet House and Cooperage.

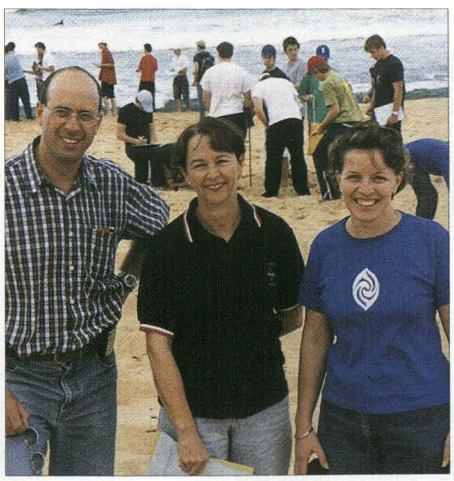
After a quick lunch in Ultimo, we left by bus for Newcastle and the Shortland Wetland Centre. Here we learned to use data loggers, anemometers, and fed the resident eel our left over lunch. Then, it was back on the bus for a night at the Kurri Kurri Conference Centre where a late night assessment task followed our excellent dinner.

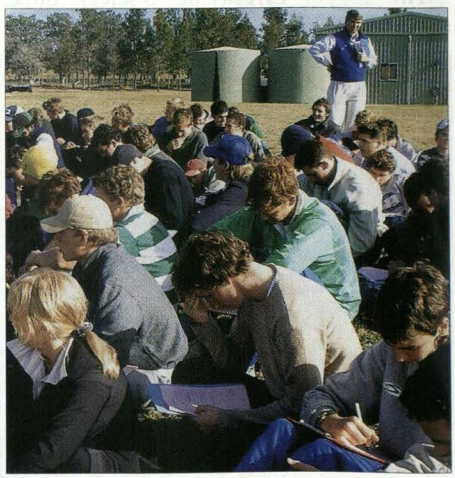
The day dawned brightly after a night of interrupted sleep, but after a great hot breakfast it was back on the bus. Arriving at Oakvale winery in the Hunter Valley, we listened to a very informative talk about the operation of this winery. We also had a tour of the vineyard and the winery itself, but unfortunately, there was no wine tasting.

The tired troops then proceeded to Vinpak, a bottling plant where we saw how the wine from the local area was stored and packaged. After a most interesting day, we boarded the bus one last time back to Sydney. One bus group survived the trip despite having no VCR to occupy them along the way. However, the essential food stop at Maccas at Cessnock kept everyone happy.

John McKeon, Will Magnus







Above, Year 11 at Narrabeen; centre, Alex Damo, Sharon McLean and Dominique Marturia; right, Year 12 on excursion

As outlined in my Director's report, the year has been one where a review of all facets of Religious Formation has occurred. Linking the head to the heart has been the focus.

At the end of last year, we discussed the expectations we had regarding what the students of St Ignatius College should know in the area of Religious Education by the time they leave the school at the end of year 12.

Using the gathered information and incorporating the set curriculum programs that are followed in Years 9 and 10 ('Faithful to God, Faithful to People') as well as the senior Studies of Religion classes, staff from Years 5-12, members of the Jesuit community and Mr Hogan devised a scope and sequence which would be trialled throughout the year.

This outline, coupled with the programs and teaching strategies we have used are currently under evaluation. The ultimate aim is to have a comprehensive Religious Education program at the College which provides the opportunity to develop well informed, critically thinking young men within a Catholic, Ignatian framework. Next year, I hope to tell parents more regularly about the specific topics being studied in class, through articles in Viewpoint.

The first area of study for all Year 12 students during Term 4 last year was the Interest Study Project. This program directed students to critically reflect on their school experiences in light of the school philosophy.

The students had to present a report on their findings which showed whether an education, where Jesus is modelled as a man for others, has influenced the way a student lives his daily life.

Here are a few extracts from some of those reports:

"Through my education at St Ignatius College, I have experienced, observed and participated in the ideals and applications of Jesuit teachings. I have experienced the benefits of a community which embraces support of the individual, his talents and capabilities and encouragement of one's potential. The Jesuit influenced community at my school has shown me the benefits of working with and for others, as well as encouraging me to value both learning for one's own improvement and knowledge, plus actively contributing to the community to which I belong."

Hugh Kennedy

"Jesuit education seeks to be world-affirming – to reveal a world 'charged with the grandeur of God'. It encourages study of all reality, promoting the search for God in all things while respecting the infinite variety of ways in which God is revealed to an individual. It strives to produce wisdom, a deep sense of reverence inherent in all of us to reflect, respect and have feelings and thoughts that encompass the 'whole' rather than the specific."

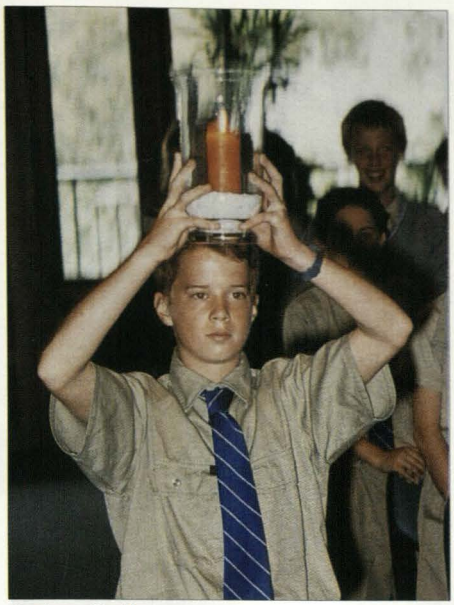
Harrison Wiche

"Before I started school at St Ignatius' College, I was told time and time again that the school was more than just a place of academic learning; it was a community that developed the whole person by pushing them to do their best in whatever they do. As a typical country boy, I just thought that people were just trying to make the school sound good as one of the many ploys to encourage students to go there. Once I commenced school at the beginning of Year 9, I realised what they were talking about.

Although some of the activities are compulsory, many of them are not. When I first came to the College, I only did the activities that I was forced to do, I did not dare to do my best. Only in the last year have I realised that by daring to do my best and striving for the more, I have a greater sense of meaning to life.

"I have come to realise what it is like to be a man for others. Through coaching a team, doing the community education program and speaking to the homeless people at St. Canice's', I have come to realise that by doing what I am able to do, and giving my best, I have become a better person with a real meaning to life. Once you begin this, you can't help but want to strive for more, the magis."

Chris Broadhurst



Andrew Smith



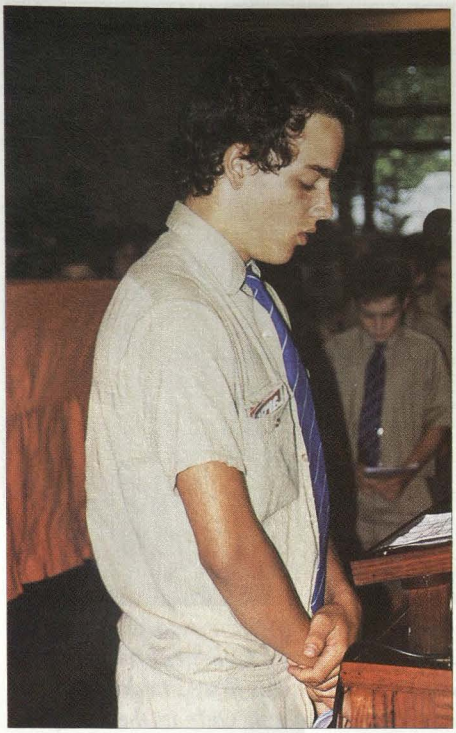
Middle school Easter liturgy

This is a small snippet of the many articulate, thoughtful responses which were submitted. After only having been at the school for two terms, when I marked these I was overwhelmed with the pride that the students had in their school and their ability to recognise and acknowledge the relevance and challenge that they had encountered throughout their years.

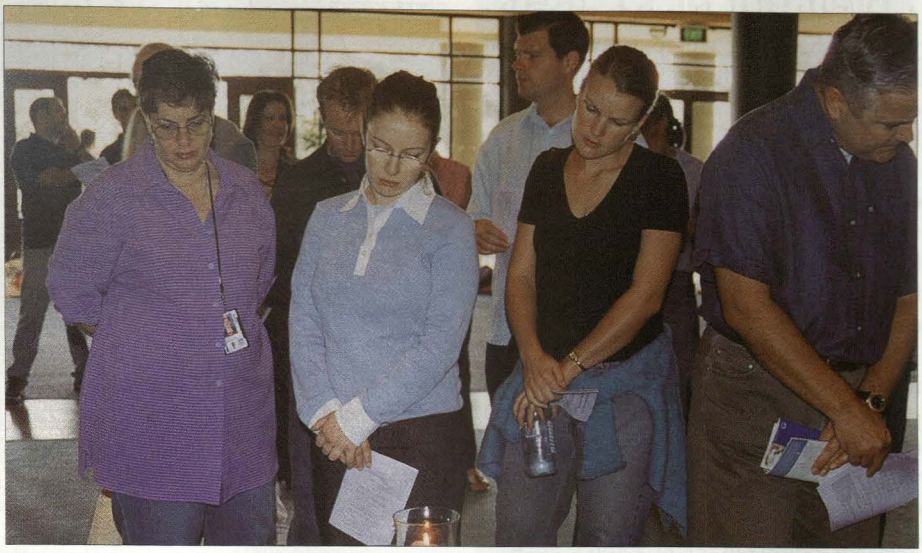
The Senior Studies of Religion Board Course is becoming a more popular subject amongst the students with the numbers increasing annually. The course aims to develop in students an ability to examine critically the role religion plays in enabling believers to make sense of human existence.

Of the 108 1 Unit and 20 2 Unit 2002 candidates, 20 students completed 2 Unit in 2002, approximately 50% of 1 Unit students achieved bands 5 and 6, and 60% of 2 Unit students achieved bands 5 or 6.

Last year's final HSC results were very pleasing and an improvement on the pre-



Alex Hassall at a student Mass



Left and above, College staff read messages of peace at an Easter liturgy

vious year's results. For approximately 15% of students SOR was one of their top two performing subjects in attaining a UAI. The year of 2002 is to be congratulated on their fine results in this area. Not only do I thank the senior teachers of these students but I also acknowledge all those teachers who have established strong foundations for the students' learning.

This year the department was joined by Mr Declan O'Donoghue, who took a full-time position on staff, and Ms Patricia Weekes and Mrs Christine Moriarty who have undertaken a job-share position. They have enhanced the department by the contributions they have made throughout the year.

A total 40 staff teach Religious Education across the years and I take this opportunity to thank them for their dedication and professionalism. There is a core team of 8 teachers who mainly share the teaching load of Years 9-12, and, at a time when change is occurring and new demands are emerging, it is with sincere gratitude that I thank them all. In particular I thank Mr Andrew Moon, assistant head of department and Mrs Therese Martin who has been our designated IT person this year. Their support and assistance over the year are appreciated.

Ms Jenny Hoare has been responsible for the Year 7 curriculum and Mrs Kate Browne likewise in Year 8. Mr David Johnson and Mr George Cassar have assumed strategic roles at the Regis Campus in the teaching of RE. These staff have given generously to ensuring the smooth running of the RE programs across Years 5-8 and I thank them for their tireless efforts and their hard work. Their rewards are really in Heaven!

Class Masses throughout the year have provided opportunities for students to be actively involved in an informal, meaningful liturgy. We thank Fr David Strong for his time and dedication with these significant celebrations.

This year there have been several excursions and guest speakers for the various year groups. As Year 9 covered the topic of the Australian Church, they spent a day in the city, visiting St Stephen's (a Uniting Church), St Phillip's, (an Anglican Church) and our own Catholic Cathedral, St Mary's. At each venue information was given about the Churches providing an historical perspective to the development of the Church in Australia.

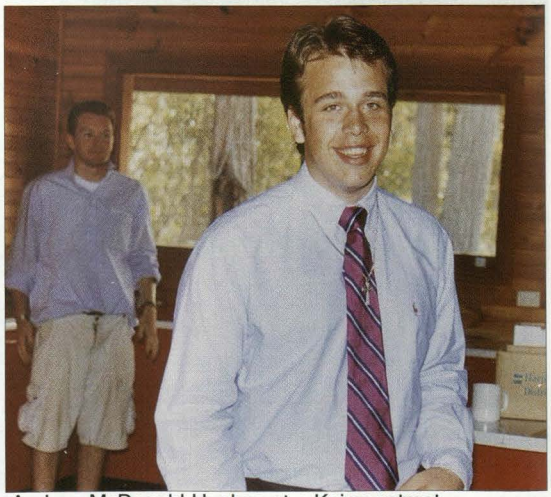
Year 10 spent a day visiting the Baha'i Temple and the Auburn Mosque since they were learning about other religious traditions, while guest speakers spoke to Year 11 who were doing depth studies on other traditions. Speakers included, the Venerable Mohinda (Buddhism) and Sheik Jehad Ismail (Islam). Year 12 received lots of information on Aboriginal spirituality from a very entertaining Boori, Monty Prior.

Looking back over my first complete year at Riverview, I have found it's been both productive and exciting. It is with enthusiasm that I look to forward to further developments in the RE curriculum.

Mrs Jennie Hickey



Year 12 students providing the music at a student Mass



Andrew McDonald-Hughes at a Kairos retreat





Oliver Curtis with his multi media lounge; above right, Nick Guglielmino with his gelato stand

The Faculty welcomed two new members of staff at the commencement of the year: Mr Michael Plumley (Design and Technology and Computers) and Ms Carol Kenny (Computers). Both of these teachers have added greatly to the Faculty with their expertise and willingness to be involved in curriculum matters.

Unfortunately the Faculty lost the services of Mr Craig Painter at the end of Term 2, but was very ably replaced by Mr Brett Bastin. While Craig's style and knowledge have been missed, both by staff and students alike, Brett has quickly made a name for himself as a very competent teacher and has justly earned the respect of his students.

While discussing staff comings and goings within the Faculty I would like to mention here that at the end of this year Mr Craig Jeffery will be leaving the College. Craig is an old boy of the College and started his teaching career here in 1995 after completing his teaching degree at Sydney University.

During this time I have watched him develop into an excellent teacher, who is extremely well respected by all the staff and especially his students. Craig gave his students lessons in creative thought and at times produced outstanding efforts from the boys.

Craig goes to Saint Augustines at Brookvale as Head of Faculty where I am sure he will excel. On behalf of all in the Faculty I wish him well and I assure him that he will be greatly missed here.

During Term 1 this year, we moved into new air-conditioned, state of the art computing facilities at the bottom of Wallace wing. The new facilities comprise two new labs for Computer Studies and a relocated Design and Technology lab from the Design and Technology Centre. There is also provision for the future development of a specialist multimedia lab in the same area.

Performances in external assessments, such as the School Certificate and Higher School Certificate, continue to show strong performances from boys studying subjects from this faculty. In 2002 the general results from boys studying Agriculture was very pleasing and once again testament to the tireless efforts of Ms Leonie Mutch. This year, while the results of external assessments are not available at the time of writing, some comments may be made.

This year also saw the introduction of the skills based Primary Industries course into the senior curriculum for our Year 11 students. This course is part of the HSC programme of work, and at the time of writing the boys undertaking the course were achieving good results, while at the same time learning valuable life skills.

The range and quality of projects completed by boys studying Design and Technology for their Higher School Certificate this year were simply outstanding: probably the best we have seen here. Among many outstanding projects, some that deserve mention include a multi-media lounge, a lounge that converted to a double bed, a mobile gelato vending outlet, comic book, a tourist resort for East Timor, characters for an electronic game and outdoor seats for the rose garden here at the College.

Perhaps the greatest, and most pleasing, improvement in the boys work this year was the attention they paid to their project documentation. This group of young men finally produced documentation that was worthy of their project and this will assist their grades when HSC marks are determined.

An area of continuing pride among the Design and Technology staff is the number of boys choosing to enter Industrial Design careers after completing their studies. Once again this year we have a number of boys planning to enter tertiary design courses next year. This will further increase the already large number of Riverview graduates entering a relatively small workforce.

This, I believe, is testament to the enthusiasm and professionalism shown to the boys by their teachers, Mr Peter Wakeling and Mr Craig Jeffery.

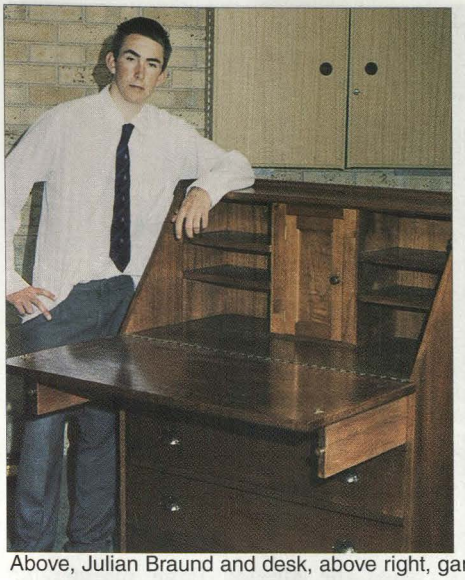
Industrial Technology projects also showed a great leap in the quality of the work displayed by the boys. This year, like their Design and Technology counterparts, the boys took far more care and provided far more detail in the documentation of their works.

The professional look of their designs and the workmanship of the boys has produced many pieces of furniture that most would be only too pleased to have in their homes. Many of the pieces produced will hold pride of place in the family home for many years to come.

Some notable performances this year came from Michael O'Brien (drawer cabinet), Mark Longhurst (lounge), Ross Walsh (hallway cabinet) and William



Michael O'Brien with his chest of drawers





Above, Julian Braund and desk, above right, garden seats made by Jack O'Brien

Lenehan (extension verandah table).

I would like to make special mention of one student, Joshua Rowlinson. Joshua is typical of many of the boys doing Industrial Technology – he always gave of his best. The work Joshua put into his cabinet and the obvious pride he had, and showed, in his wine cabinet were an inspiration. I am sure that the person he made this cabinet for, as a token of thanks, will treasure it for years to come.

This year also saw two boys produce multimedia projects for this subject. Their work, often produced with much of their own self-discipline, is also worthy of mention. Hugh Koh's web site for his tourist resort and Matt Hudsons sci-fi web sites were outstanding.

I would like here to acknowledge, on behalf of the boys, their thanks and appreciation for all the extra time, help and great advice given to them by their teacher, Mr Adrian Schofield.

In 2002 most students taking Software Design and Development or Information Processes and Technology for the HSC achieved results in the higher bands. In particular, Software Design needs to be singled out with some 60% of the students achieving Band 5, or better results.

This was very pleasing and indicates both the ability of the candidates and the quality of the courses provided by the dedicated staff, Mr Peter Colledge and Ms Jodi Kinchant. We look forward to continuing to improve and develop interesting and innovative programs for Information Technology for all levels of the school.

This year also saw the continuation on great works produced by students in Years 9 and 10 in the various courses they study. Boys studying Computing Studies in Year 9 this year have undertaken a new program of work that involved a number of problem-solving assignments using various computer applications.

Some of these assignments elicited outstanding efforts from many of the boys and they should be congratulated on these efforts.

Meanwhile, boys studying Technics are offered the opportunity to specialize in metal or wood. Both specializations offer the boys opportunities to design and produce quality items that are both educational in their construction, and useful when completed.

In 2003 boys studying Design and Technology in Years 7 and 8 have experienced a different programme of work compared to that of previous years. This year, the programme of work was more concentrated on skills acquisition in a variety of media, such as plastics, graphics, electronics, wood, metal and agriculture.

Design concepts and practice were incorporated into various projects within these media. Once again, the boys were able to produce some great projects across these areas. They certainly seemed to enjoy themselves, as can be evidenced by the fact that many of them spent many hours of their own time in the workshops improving their works and the number of times the boys came to class early to drag their teachers out of their office so they could get extra work time.

Perhaps the most enjoyable unit of work for the boys was the one centered on medieval life, where they were asked to design and build a model medieval castle or a model weapon to destroy the castle – such as a trebuchet. At the end of the unit the boys pit the castles and weapons against each other.

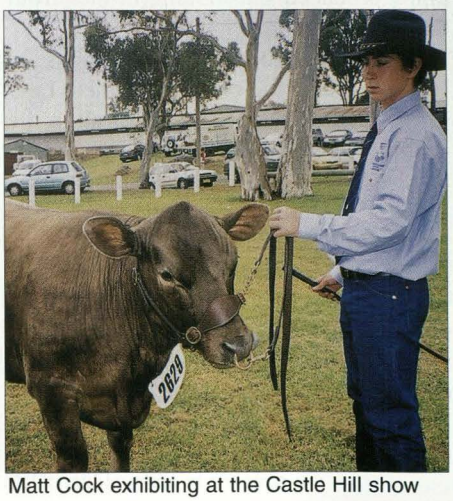
The boys exhibit much enthusiasm and competitiveness during this time and thoroughly enjoy themselves. Perhaps it is the thought that they can destroy something at the end, but once again it has remained as one of the most popular units of work for all the boys.

What has stood out for all their teachers in all areas of the faculty, is not only the quality of the work produced, but the enjoyment and interest the boys have received from their work. If education can be enjoyable then surely half the battle is won?

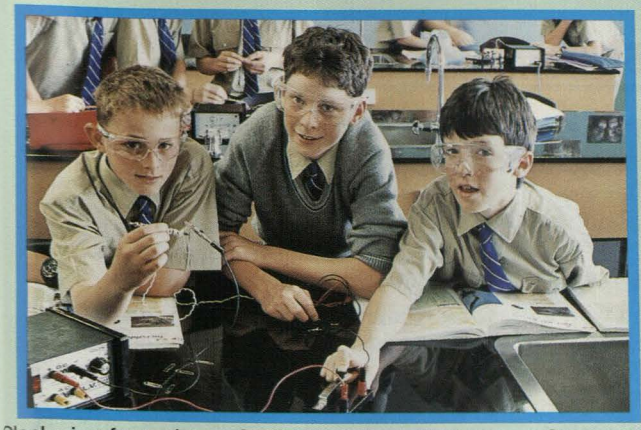
Mr Ralph Guthrie



Ross Walsh and his cupboard



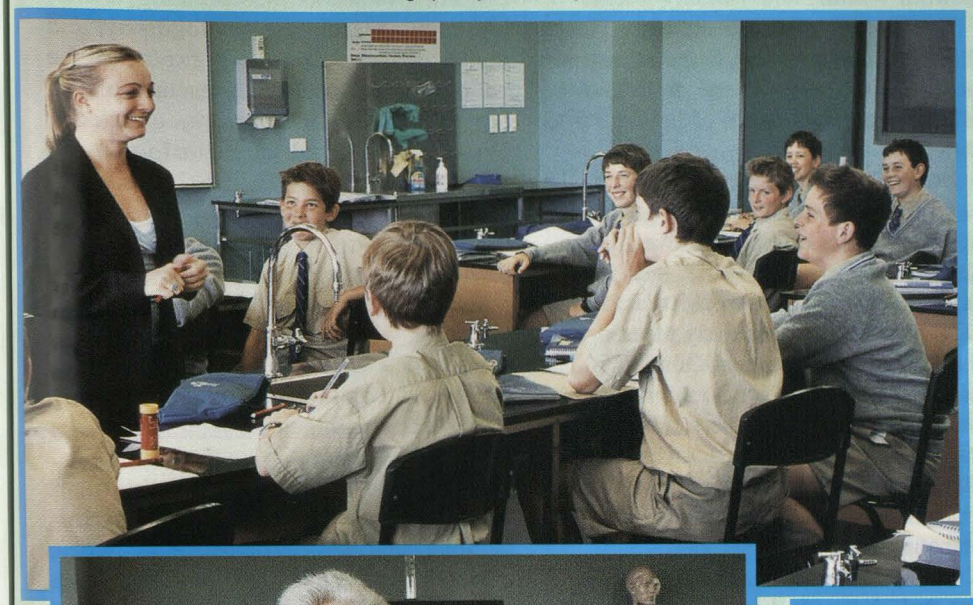
Matt Cock exhibiting at the Castle Hill show

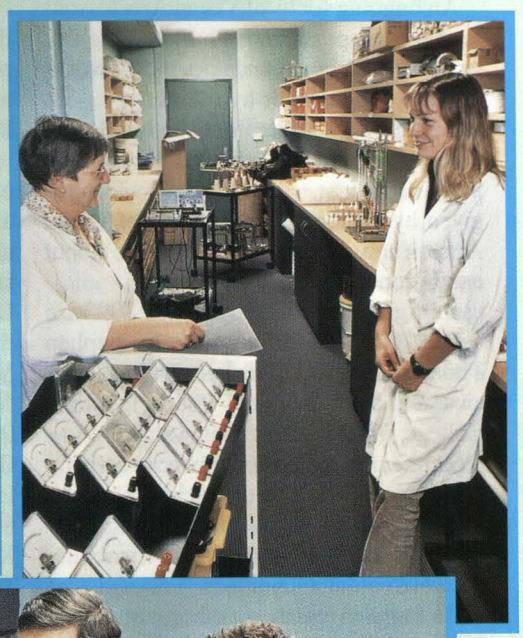


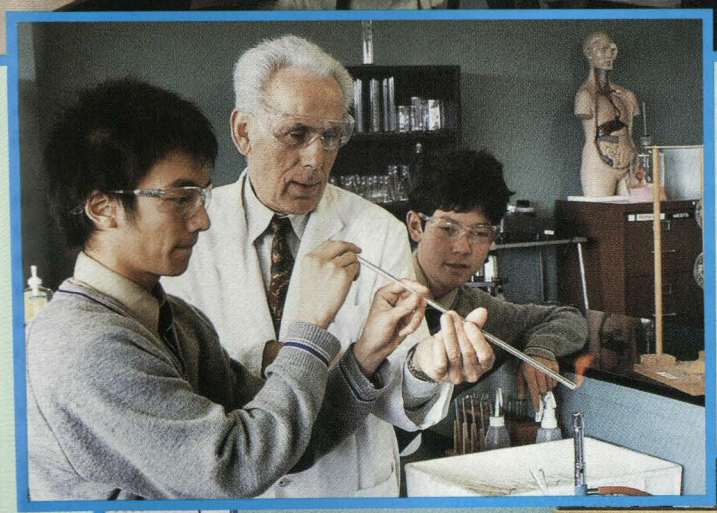


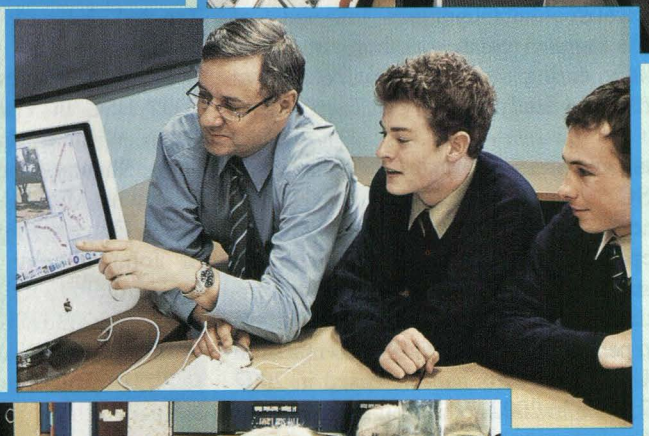
Clockwise from above, Chris Millett, Sean Rushton and Simon Hore-Thorburn; Ms Venta Protas' Year 7 class; Sue Hutchison and Kiersten Check; Bruce McKay with David L'Estrange and Mitchell Gorman; Science staff, from left, Sue Hutchison, Joanne Schuster, Andrew Szabo and Chris Gillett (Faculty Head); Sam Gammo with Mark Cheung and Jamie Driscoll; Jenny Richardson with her Year 7 class

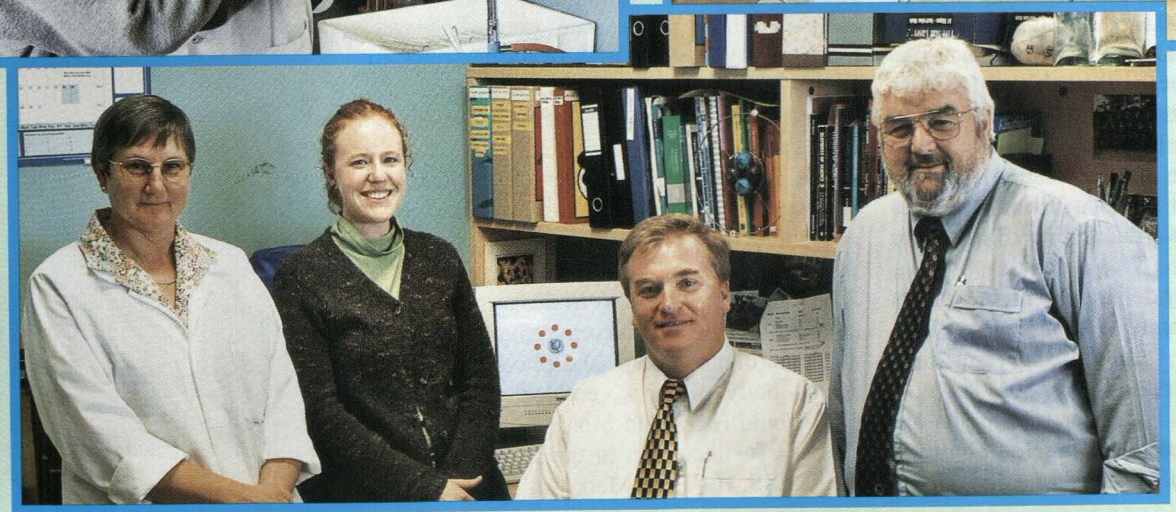
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Many achievements have filled 2003 for the Visual Arts/Media Studies Department. The artworks, art writing, visual and written media works created by students show commitment and an ongoing interest in the many programs offered by the department.

Visual Arts

During 2003 students worked in drawing, painting, printmaking and electronic forms. They explored sculpture, ceramics, assemblage and installations. As they worked in practical and theory lessons, students investigated issues of religious, personal, cultural, social, aesthetic and intellectual significance.

An ongoing focus of Visual Arts lessons is the conceptual and emotional significance of written and practical works made by students, or by others.

Additionally, students visited galleries, participated in workshops delivered by practising artists and listened to lectures given by authorities in the field of Visual Arts. They constructed critiques about exhibitions and artworks.

A significant highlight of 2003 in Visual Arts was the visit of Stephen Thomas. In 2002, Stephen Thomas was awarded the prestigious Saint Ignatius' College Dr Ann Clark Fellowship.

Stephen is a well known practising watercolour artist and teacher. Stephen works in Hong Kong but travels extensively giving master classes in his realistic watercolour techniques. In August of 2003 Stephen gave workshops in watercolour during our annual Year 11Visual Arts Field Study.

Visual Arts results in the 2002 HSC

The Visual Arts/Media Studies Department was very pleased with the results of the 2002 HSC Visual Arts candidature. The number of students in the top performance band of 90-100 marks in 2 Unit Visual Arts had increased in 2002 (17.24 % in 2002, 10.5% in 2001).

For many students, Visual Arts was one of the most successful subjects for their HSC. The percentage of students who were awarded Band 6 and Band 5 was well above the state allocation patterns. 86.2 % of the school's Visual Arts students were awarded either Band 6 or Band 5.

We were very delighted with the results of Samuel Dunn, William Mansfield, David Norris, John Sheehy and Jack Tregoning. The results of these students placed them in Band 6, which is the top performance band. Samuel Dunn was allocated an HSC Mark of 95, William Mansfield was allocated an HSC Mark of 90, David Norris was allocated an HSC Mark of 92, John Sheehy was allocated an HSC Mark of 98, and Jack Tregoning was allocated an HSC Mark of 98.

In addition the Visual Arts/Media Studies Department was pleased with the results of Cameron Ashley, Robert Brownrigg, Patrick Burke, Owen Craven, James Goodwin, Michael Gregg, David Joseph, Luke King, James McGuire, Paul Morrow, Nicholas Muir, Stepanus Natawardaja, Charles O'Brien, Kim Oxenham, Richard Parbury, Damian Savio, Mark Story, Hugh Tancred, Edward Whiting and Timothy Wiche.

The results of these students placed them in Band 5, which is the second top performance band. These students were allocated an HSC Mark of between 80 - 89%.

In 2002, the diverse range of media explored by students through varied approaches in artmaking revealed students who were deeply engaged in this subject. The Visual Arts/Media Studies Department was particularly pleased with the artmaking of Samuel Dunn, William Mansfield, David Norris, John Sheehy, Jack Tregoning, Robert Brownrigg, Patrick Burke, Owen Craven, James Goodwin, Michael Gregg, David Joseph, Luke King, Paul Morrow, Nicholas Muir, Stepanus Natawardaja, Charles O'Brien, Kim Oxenham, Richard Parbury, Hugh Tancred, Edward Whiting and Timothy Wiche.

The most successful candidates of the 2002 HSC in Visual Arts were Samuel Dunn, William Mansfield, David Norris, John Sheehy, Jack Tregoning, James Goodwin, Michael Gregg, David Joseph, Owen Craven, Hugh Tancred. The results of John Sheehy and Jack Tregoning placed them in the top ten students in the state for 2002 HSC Visual Arts.

This is an extraordinary achievement. In 2002 no other government or non-government school in the state attained the placement of two students in the top ten for HSC Visual Arts. Some special achievements in the 2002 HSC Visual Arts are worth noting.

The following comments refer to the achievement of students who were awarded Band 6.

John Sheehy

John's body of work was in the form of a collection of works incorporating drawing, painting, sculpture and photography John's body of work, entitled Practice (Joy Would Have Had More Yellow) was selected for inclusion in the 2002 ARTEXPRESS. His HSC Mark was 98.

Jack Tregoning

Jack's body of work was in the form of a collection of works incorporating, etching, sculpture and film. The work explored the notion of personal identity, and how identity was formed by the reciprocal relationship of mentality and physicality. Jack's body of work, entitled Photographic Memory was selected for inclusion in the 2002 ARTEXPRESS. His HSC Mark was 98. Jack was 2002 Dux of Riverview. He received his best mark in Visual Arts.

Samuel Dunn

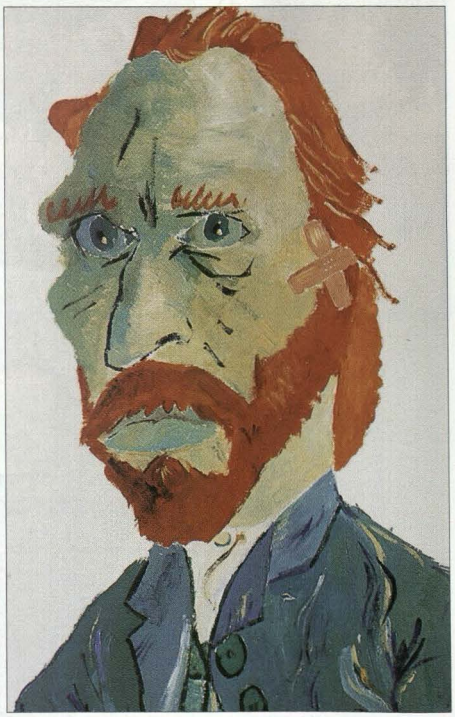
Sam's body of work was in the form of a collection of works incorporating, drawing, painting, sculpture, photography, and digital imagery. The work explored the notion of the social representation of beauty. Sams body of work, entitled I Candy, was selected for inclusion in the 2002 ARTEXPRESS. His HSC Mark was 95.

David Norris

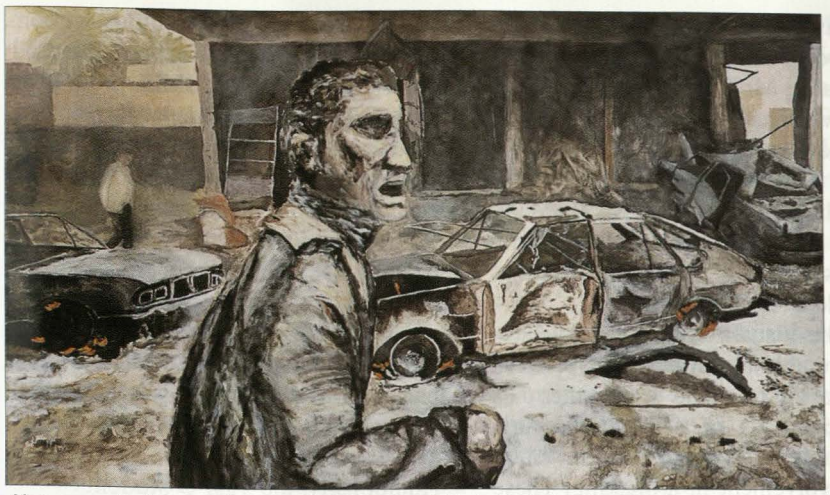
David's body of work was in the form of painting incorporating, drawing, painting, sculpture, photography, and digital imagery. The work explored the notion of surface, edge and the metropolis. David's HSC Mark was 92.

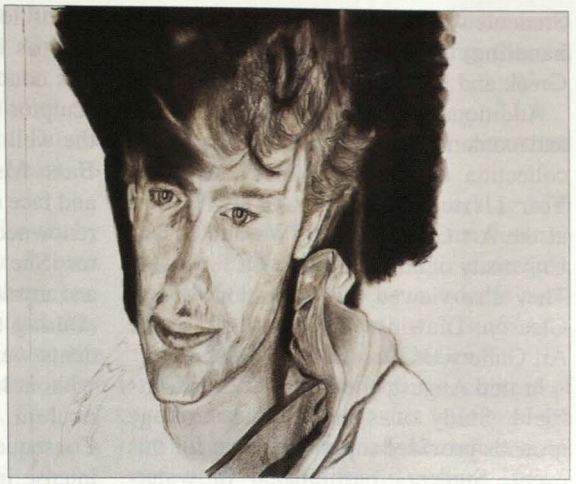
William Mansfield

William's body of work was in the form of a collection of works incorporating painting and photography. The work explored the notion of reminiscence and referenced the site of India. William's body of work, entitled Namaste was selected for inclusion in the 2002 ARTEXPRESS. His HSC Mark was 92.



Part of Carl O'Sullivan's 2003 HSC Body of Work: Joshua Who?





Above, part of Sean Williams' HSC Body of Work: Roll with the Punches; above right, part of Luke O'Sullivan's HSC Body of Work: Beside Me

ARTEXPRESS

ARTEXPRESS is an annual, statewide Visual Arts exhibition. The selection process for this exhibition is extremely rigorous. Each year ARTEXPRESS showcases the best of the HSC bodies of work. This exhibition is held at the Art Gallery of NSW and the College Of Fine Arts, University of NSW. Artworks selected for this exhibition evidence sophistication in the intentional use of materials and concepts. Selection of an artwork indicates that a student is deemed to be working in a mature, professional way in the practice of artmaking.

In 2002 the bodies of work by Samuel Dunn, William Mansfield, John Sheehy, Jack Tregoning, Robert Brownrigg, James Goodwin and Michael Gregg were retained for possible inclusion in ARTEXPRESS. Consequently, seven of our 29 bodies of work produced for the 2002 HSC Visual Arts Examination, were deemed to be of ARTEXPRESS standard. The body of work by Michael Gregg entitled, Sanguineous – Self Portrait, was eventually retained and exhibited in ARTEXPRESS at The College Of Fine Arts, UNSW.

In 2003, nine of our HSC bodies of work were retained for possible inclusion in the prominent ARTEXPRESS exhibition - one third of our canditature as 24 students studied HSC Visual Arts in 2003. Students whose work was selected for potential inclusion in the 2003 ARTEXPRESS exhibition were: Simon Jenkins, Thomas Dicker, James Fitzgerald, Thomas Manion, Jack Meagher, Carl O'Sullivan, Luke O'Sullivan, William Sheehy and Sean Williams. This fantastic result was extensively celebrated throughout the College, as well as in the Visual Arts/Media Studies Department.

Exhibition of 2003 HSC Bodies of Work

This Year, the 2003 HSC Bodies of Work Exhibition was held in the Therry Hall. The exhibition is a highly valued event in the Riverview calendar. The Visual Arts/Media Studies Department was delighted that Kerry Thomas, Lecturer, School of Art Education, College Of Fine Arts, University of NSW, accepted our invitation to open the 2003 HSC Bodies of Work Exhibition. The innovative qualities of our students' HSC bodies of work impressed all who attended.

Once again, the invitation for the exhibition proved to be a collector's item. Each invitation was personally produced and was part of the limited edition. Ms Lucy Bode in conjunction with Ms Stevens, Head of Visual Arts/Media Studies, produced the computer-generated invitation. Ms Bode has worked with the Riverview Visual Arts Department over the last two years. Ms Bode specialises in extending our Year 12 boys' understanding of, and ability to work with, computer generated images. The invitation included images of our 2003 HSC Visual Arts students' artworks. The invitation is a fitting memento of the excellent artmaking efforts of all the 2003 HSC Visual Arts students.



William Sheehy's HSC Body of Work: Memory is a Paintstripper

Visual Arts within the curriculum

In 2003 students from Year 5 to Year 12 worked with a varied range of materials and concepts. Their artworks showed understanding of issues that were of great personal interest. The visual and physical characteristics of their artworks revealed their well-developed capacity to work with the qualities of different materials.

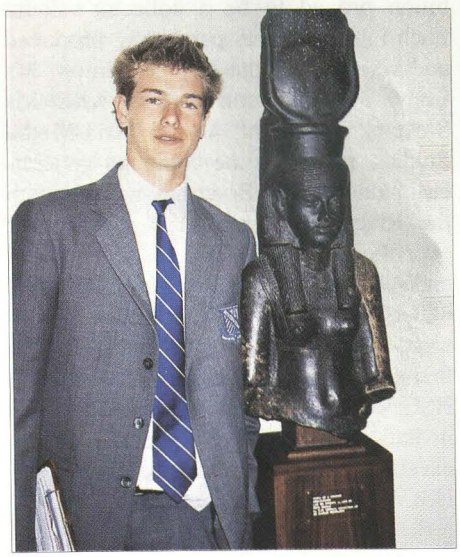
During 2003, students saw many exhibitions and artists at work. Exhibitions visited at the Art Gallery of NSW included the "Archibald", "Wynne", "Sulman" exhibitions and ARTEXPRESS. Additionally, Year 9 Visual Arts students visited the Nicholson Museum. This is located within the grounds of the University of Sydney. The Nicholson Museum houses a permanent collection of artworks from the ancient world.

Students viewed and examined by actually handling, authentic ancient Egyptian, Greek and Roman artworks.

Additionally, students studied traditional and contemporary artworks held in the collection of the Art Gallery of NSW. Year 11 students visited ARTEXPRESS at the Art Gallery Of NSWs and at The University of NSW, College Of Fine Arts. They also viewed the exhibition "James Gleeson; Drawings For Paintings" at the Art Gallery Of New South Wales.

In mid August, the Year 11 Visual Arts Field Study was held. The College grounds provided a perfect venue for this event. Students participated in watercolour workshops taught by Stephen Thomas. They also worked in drawing workshops. These specialised in drawing from a model or drawing the human hand and face. The focuses of both workshops were realistic and expressive representation of the human form.

Mr Michael Christie, who has returned to the Visual Arts Department after a period of leave, taught the life classes. As well as being a very experienced visual arts educator, Mr Christie is a practising sculptor who has worked extensively with the well known Australian sculptor, Tom Bass. Ms Shirley Bond taught the hand and face drawing workshop. Ms Bond is a renowned practising artist and art educator. She specialises in creating paintings and artworks rendered in pastels.



Tom Anderson, Year 9, during an excursion to the Nicholson Museum



Year 9 students at a 'hands on' workshop at the Nicholson Museum

During the Visual Arts Field Study, students were able to make bodies of work without having to attend to the other curriculum demands of senior schooling. Consequently they were able to enjoy intense involvement in artmaking. These experiences provided valuable groundwork for the demands of making an HSC body of work in Year 12.

Visual Arts Exhibitions in the Senior Campus

2003 was another busy year for Visual Arts exhibitions at the College. In Term 2, Year 10 students exhibited etching lead up works and final etching editions. Etchings showed students' ability to interpret contemporary artmaking techniques in very proficient ways.

In Term 4, Year 9 students exhibited their pastel, crayon and charcoal portraits. Artworks showed inventive interpretations of the sitter. Also in Term 4, Year 11 students exhibited artworks that had been made during their Preliminary Course. These were based on the paintings and drawings of James Gleeson. Artworks showed each student's personal investigation of how Gleeson interprets his mental and physical worlds.

The Year 11 artworks showed the students' understanding of artmaking practice and their ability to exhibit in a professional manner. The 2003 displays of works evidence a sophisticated standard and clearly show the degree to which our students enjoy the current Visual Arts programs.

Visual Arts in the Regis Campus

Visual Arts in the Regis Campus again thrived in 2003. This success was largely due to the talent and enthusiasm of Ms Mary Dorahy. Ms Dorahy is a new member of staff at Riverview. She is a well-respected Visual Arts educator and specialises in teaching students how to make computer generated artworks. In 2003 she taught Visual Arts to the Years 5 and 6 students.

During the year Ms Dorahy organised displays of wonderful artworks made by the Regis Campus boys. In Term 1 a display of drawings based on Einstein faces was shown in the Regis Campus artroom. Artworks in this exhibition were the products of a basic drawing skills program in which all Year 5 and 6students participated.

These drawings will be included in the Years 5 to 8 exhibition held in early December. 2003 displays also featured Year 6 lino prints. These made reference to Aboriginal artmaking techniques and Aboriginal creation stories. Displays of Year 6 ceramics showed the connection between students' study of Vietnam and Japan in HSIE, and their study of these countries architectural forms in Visual Arts.

Additionally, the Year 5 students made artworks that reflected the Regis Campus music tuition program. All boys participate in this program. To make these works students observed and drew musical instruments and other still life objects. They then assembled the drawings into new artworks using the techniques of collage and painting.

To inspire their artmaking in this program, the Year 5 students studied the work of Picasso and Braque. Finished artworks were then scanned into the computer. The boys manipulated their designs using the software program Corel Photo Paint. Furthermore, displays during the year presented ceramic works made by our Year 5 students. These were tiles based on sea creature designs. This unit reflected life in Sydney. It required students to think about and interpret their own life style as coastal dwelling people.

Towards the end of the year the artworks of Years 5 and 6, along with those of Years 7 and 8 went on display in the Therry Hall - a first for the College. The exhibition was co-ordinated by our extremely enthusiastic Mrs Katia Durst who teaches Year 7 and 8 students. The exhibition featured work by students taught by Ms Durst, Ms Catling and Ms Dorahy.

Media Studies and Photography

2003 was a year of significant change for Media Studies students at the College. For many this was symbolised by the physical relocation of the Media Studies centre from the bottom floor of the Wallace Wing to the central floor of that same building – a move which enabled Media Studies to be much closer to the Visual Arts classrooms and studios. Additionally the Photography darkroom had a major overhaul. Renovations have created a wonderful darkroom that will facilitate the achievement of excellent results in wet photography.

As well, a new video editing and production room was set up for Media Studies students next door to the Visual Arts classrooms and two classrooms were refurbished with video equipment.

And, while a few of us were saddened to leave the cavernous TV studio and the audio and editing rooms of the old Media Centre, we were also very pleased to have access to the newly built video facilities as well as the resources of the Visual Arts Department especially since this year also saw a marked change in the content of the Year 9 and 10 Media Studies course.

This course, which was designed and written by members of the College Visual Arts/Media Studies Department, and approved by the Board of Studies, emphasises a greater appreciation of the techniques used to make video and photographic artworks and media works.

It also examines in detail the visual representations used in stereotypes, advertising, animation and news programs. Photography, both digital and wet, as well as documentary film making, movie productions and the representation of religious images and beliefs in the media are also studied in this new course.

There were also new courses for Year 11 Photography students in 2003. These were courses in digital imaging, wet photography as well as the video. The courses have been developed by the Board of Studies and are known as Photography courses. They contribute to the number of units a student does for his HSC, but do not contribute to his overall UAI.

However, such is the appeal of these very practical courses that in all there were four Year 11 Photography classes at the College in 2003. There were also four Year 9 classes and three Year 10 classes. In total about 200 boys in Years 9, 10 and 11 studied Media Studies/Photography at Riverview in 2003.

Another significant change that took place in Media Studies in 2003 was the arrival of a new teacher, Ms Justine Gesterkamp, to replace Ms Gillian Hampton and Mrs Lisa Hopper. Ms Gesterkamp taught Media Studies in Years 9, 10 and 11 and Mrs Donna Wedesweiler taught students in Years 10 and 11.

This year saw a lot of practical work by students in these classes. Year 9 boys made video advertisements, they produced a live TV news broadcast and they made a brief animated cartoon using the computer program Flash. They also went on an excursion to Fox Studios, Channel V where they watched and were part of a 'live' TV production.

As well, they were able to see a real television control room and much of the behind the scenes activities of a TV station. At the end of the year, Year 9 spent three days at the Australian Film, Television and Radio School for an intensive course in radio and TV production.

In addition, some of these students' works were screened at the Media and Photography Exhibition held at the College on October 31. Video works and photographs (digital and wet) by Year 10 and 11 students were also featured in the Media and Photography Exhibition.

Some of these works were films and documentaries made by the students during the year. In addition, this year these students produced promos or trailers for video programs as well as music videos as part of their course. Much of this video work was facilitated by the purchase of new editing computers and cameras as well as other computing programs.

Students and staff in Media Studies are looking forward to 2004 when it's anticipated the renovation of the middle floor of the Wallace Wing to accommodate new audio studios and other sound/editing rooms will be completed.

This, along with the purchase of new equipment, especially digital still cameras and more sophisticated editing units, will make the study of the Media Studies even more exciting and rewarding than it already is.

Visual Arts/Media Studies Department in 2004

In 2004 we look forward to working with our boys and providing them with the most innovative teaching strategies, knowledge and resources in order to maximize their enjoyment of Visual Arts, Photography and Media Studies.

Within the department, the content of programs and the way this is offered are always new. This extends the talent of all our boys according to current beliefs about best practice in Visual Arts/Media education.

We believe that it is crucial for our students to understand all types of traditional and contemporary artworks and media works. It is vital that our boys understand how meanings are represented in the Visual Arts and in the media. It is crucial for our boys to value the contributions that Visual Arts and media make to our society.

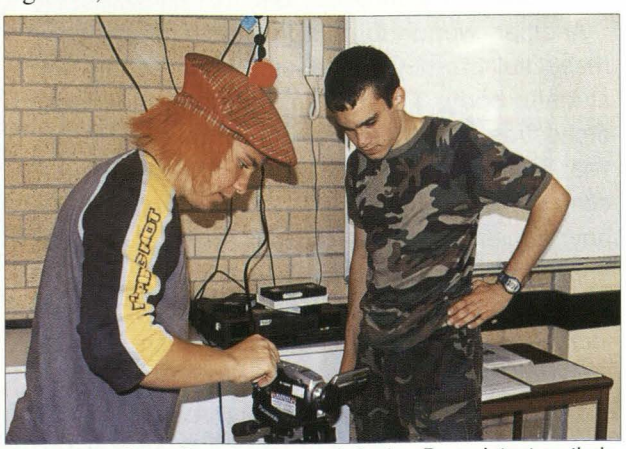
We thank all the parents, staff and students at Riverview who have so generously supported all our hopes and work during 2003. Additionally we wish Ms Gillian Hampton every success in her new school. Ms Hampton left the Visual Arts/Media Studies Department at the end of 2002. In the years that Ms Hampton worked at the College, she contributed much to Visual Arts and Media Studies.

A special thank you must go to our Headmaster, Mr Shane Hogan, our Director of Senior Schooling, Mr Chris Hayes and Rector, Fr Andrew Bullen SJ. Due to their ongoing support and interest, Visual Arts, Photography and Media Studies are well loved and strongly established at Riverview.

Ms Julie Stevens



Year 9 students on an excursion to a TV studio



Year 10 students, Dan Aquilina and Jordan Down intent on their movie production

Stage 5 English

This year has been one of great change in Years 9 and 10 English. With the introduction of a new English Syllabus just around the corner, the Stage 5 English team have been preparing for it with new texts and new programs.

Whilst some of the 'old favourites' are still being taught, the new syllabus requires students to deal with a wider variety of texts such as picture books as well as electronic texts.

Students must also be more adept at composing a variety of texts, especially for assessment tasks. One of the strengths of the new syllabus is its focus on reflecting on the learning process, something that sits well with a Jesuit education.

All of the changes, and there are more to come as we develop the course, have resulted in students seeing the study of English in a new light. It is our belief that the boys will be better prepared for the demands of the recently introduced Senior English Syllabus as a result.

As a new teacher to the College, I have been impressed by the quality of the boys' work, their attitude to their studies and their creativity. It would be a great shame if we do not see a few more famous writers emerge from these boys over the years to come.

I have also been impressed by several other experiences I've had in my first year of teaching at Riverview. For instance, my first College Assembly showed me a great example of the strong bond that exists among the boys at Riverview.

At the assembly a Year 12 boy interviewed a Year 5 boy. This revealed to me how incredibly strong the pastoral dimension of the Tutor system at the College can be and how senior students are seen as real leaders within the College community. This is something I had suspected from my friendship with a few Old Ignatians, but it was reassuring to see first-hand how these fine qualities are engendered.

Another wonderful surprise has been how respectful the boys are of the talent within the student body. I have heard string quartets, orchestras, and opera singers. However, in 19 years of teaching at various schools, I have never seen the like of such talent, nor observed an all-boy audience watch these performances so appreciatively and without jeering.

It is at moments like these that I count myself lucky to have been accepted into such a great community.

Mr Anthony Sear Assistant to the Head of English (Years 9 & 10)

An education in reciprocal trust

'Those who trust us, educate us.'

George Eliot 1819-1880, British Novelist

George Eliot was a wise woman. Yes, a woman!

As we journey towards individual and collective goals here at Riverview, there is marked evidence of the reciprocal trust the students and teachers have placed in each other.

This year in particular, our Year 11 students have taken a pilgrimage with the English Faculty into a broad exploration of 'gender justice' through traditional and popular literature.

It is also an area of study which effectively exposes our learners to a diverse range of women's literature, allowing them to think outside the parameters of the 'dead white male' canon.

However, Shakespeare still remains at the heart of this study for our Advanced students through his apt text 'Measure for Measure' while students doing the Standard course enjoy 'Brilliant Lies' by famous Australian playwright, David Williamson.

To complement our core texts and to address the outcomes of the HSC syllabus, students have selected multimedia texts, visuals, documentaries and other written texts to further their exploration of 'gender justice'.

As much as some students believe we are pushing a pro-feminist agenda (pure paranoia!), the area of study has a very strong focus on the way in which men are depicted and stereotyped in popular culture.

Furthermore, the unit allows for a critical study of the shift in perspective, from the traditional to the modern, regarding the role of the 'male' in literature.

To challenge and encourage the students' powers of discernment and to place trust in their maturity, the English Faculty have ended the Preliminary HSC course with the unit entitled "The Power of Language'.

The core text for this module is 'The Gift of Story' which is an anthology of short stories by prominent Australian writers. The stories are often labelled as 'confronting' or 'risque'.

However, it certainly did not faze our students who were able to trust in the English Faculty's directive to gain a better understanding of spirituality in modern culture, as well as gain a very different perspective on this concept we call 'the Human Condition'.

Enter 'Frankenstein', the classic novel by female author Mary Shelley. To complete a diverse and engaging Preliminary course, a more extensive study of the 'Human Condition' is undertaken by students to affirm or challenge their views of human suffering and joy; once again, using modern parallels from contemporary culture to harness their skills in synthesis and analysis.

What the English Faculty have dared to do, is to present our students with a tableaux of engaging and stimulating texts which not only stimulate their need for entertainment but also gives them a stronger appreciation of how literature, in all its mediums, shapes meaning in their lives.

As an English Faculty, we look forward to another year of facilitating inspirational and challenging units of work for our senior students.

Ms Caterina Troncone
Assistant to Head of English Years 11 and 12

Changing the world

by Sam Glissan Year 5

I have an opportunity to change three things in the world, poverty, racism and exploitation of children.

By expressing the Gospel values, of justice, peace and compassion in our everyday life we will raise awareness of these problems.

Globally, many people do not have enough food, clothing or homes - let alone education.

People like us can work by learning about conditions in other countries and then raising money to assist our less fortunate friends. Racism is a curse and tears people apart.

If we all offered understanding to those who are different because of their colour, race or faith, we would be on the way to achieving peace with those who are different from ourselves.s

A problem which is very important to me is the suffering of children in other countries who are forced to work long hours for very little money. Jesus believed in justice for all and that means we need to take action to stop child slavery.

In Thailand I saw children weighed down with umbrellas and handbags which they were trying to sell. They walked up and down the beach for hours begging people to buy. I felt sorry for them. To get rid of child slavery, we could work to educate people so it would not be necessary for children to work at all.

We live in a very lucky country and have everything we need and want so it is up to us to make the world a better place by getting rid of the problems that prevent us from living in peace with the rest of the world.

Mateship and fair play in Australia

by Will Kelly, Year 6

Mateship and fair play are characteristics of the Australian identity. Throughout time Australia has changed tremendously, although one main aspect of the Australian identity that hasn't changed, is mateship.

Mateship is the bond between two close friends. 'Mate' has special significance capturing the Australian values of comradeship and equality. But what actually are mates? Mates are not necessarily friends, but they expect one another to act with tolerance, compassion and good humour.

Mate is the term we use for someone we can rely on. Australians these days still abide by mateship and fair play. Mate is commonly used as an address: 'G'day mate' implying equality and goodwill, although it can also be used to bring someone into line - 'Just watch it, mate'.

Mateship has many more qualities: qualities such as giving everyone a 'fair go'. Australians are people who give everyone a 'fair go'. There is a sense of fair play in our identity. In rugby matches we would always congratulate the opposition for their efforts or in academic awards there would be no jealousy in the cheering of other classmates.

We always stick by our mates. It's the Australian way and is part of our identity. Mateship is a trust relationship. You can't let your mates down.

Australians are people who never give up and support their mates. The movie, 'Gallipoli', reflected the values of mateship and fair play. Our troops knew they would die if went over the trenches, but they died with courage, bravery and most of all they died for their country.

Australians love their mates even though they would rarely admit it. There is no doubt about that. The word 'mate' is strongly entrenched in the Australian language. What makes our mates usage so distinctively Australian is the fact that all layers of society use it.

In 1914, Australia for the first time fought as a nation. This evoked a sense of pride in all Australians. On the battlefields in Turkey, the Australian identity further emerged. Courage, mateship and fair play were forged on the fields of Gallipoli.

The Australian identity had evolved. The dislike and distrust of authority and mateship are all traits of the Australian identity.

Mateship and identity are part of our identity.

How a Riverview student can 'dare to do his best' by James Benecke, Year 7

When do you see Ignatian Spirit? When do the words: 'Dare to do your best beckon'?

Was it a when a Bryce Gearin stormed across the line to give us victory over St Joseph's in the rugby?

Or is it the courageous speaking skills of Chris Croke and our other 1st debaters.

Or was it our GPS athletes who did their best to secure the trophy for another year?

Yes, all these people had goals and they 'dared to do their best' and climbed the mountain of success.

But we don't all have to win to achieve our goals. It's a matter of every boy at our school trying to raise the bar and keep working until that day comes when they achieve their goals.

As Mr Hogan said at a co-curriculum assembly a couple of weeks ago, "our goal for you at Riverview, is to give you as many opportunities in life. So if you don't stand up and speak in a debate, walk out to the stumps to bat in cricket or never sail a boat or whatever you want to achieve, we have failed you."

But daring to do your best can be the little things like greeting a teacher, throwing a piece of rubbish in the bin, or helping a mate. But as the old saying goes, if everyone did something small it would add up to something big.

So when you wake up in the morning, ask yourself, 'what can I do today/ How can I dare to do my best?'

It could be to walk to school and not to drive to save the ozone layer. You could could take an injured friend to the infirmary; you could take up debating or something new.

Everyone has a mountain to climb, big or small and it's up to you to climb it.

So go out to life and treat everybody like it could be your last day.

As the famous saying goes, 'you don't have to have the lead, if you have the courage to come from behind'.

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Qualities needed to change the world by Joseph Payten Year 8

Dramatically improving the world is no easy feat. A combination of many qualities are essential in the pursuit of righteous in the world. These qualities are a dream, a desire for justice, an extensive understanding of your goal, leadership and persuasion, and courage, determination and perseverance.

With these qualities and a step by step approach you are well on the way to making the world a better place.

Improving your world takes a person with the quality of, as Mary MacKillop said, "on seeing a need and doing something about it" – a desire for justice. This becomes the first step towards improving the world.You need to be passionate about the cause you are fighting for. You need that dream of a better place, that desire for improvement.

In the novel, 'Thunderfish', Kira Beaumont is deeply moved and afffected when she witnesses a brutal pirate attack on helpless refugees. Another example is Martin Luther King Jr who in a speech at a civil rights movement, told 250,000 people of his 'dream' for a better world, a just world, an improved world. Both these people desired to improve something in the world. This is the first stage to improving the world. As the anonymous quote says: "The journey of a thousand miles begins with the first step".

Dramatically changing the world, reliving your dream, will not be successful without a profound understanding of what you are doing. Improving the world begins with a dream but to continue this dream, to 'take another step', is to know what you are doing. With an extensive knowledge of everything involved in your mission, you can use this to your advantage and come closer to succeeding.

In 'Thunderfish', Kira works hard for weeks, studying every possible detail and outcome of her mission, to make sure all her bases were covered. Another example of this is George W Bush and his war on Iraq. His understanding of his mission made sure he would succeed, as there would be no surprises because he had sufficient knowledge of his quest.

Two essential qualities needed to improve the world are leadership and persuasion, both of which help to gain the support of others in the pursuit of justice. To persuade others, one needs to be a powerful, influential speaker. To be able to convince others is vital in whatever your mission may be. One needs to be able to lead and inspire, as once again this will gain the support of others for your quest.

If you are able to lead and persuade others through the above qualities, their assistance will no doubt be vital in the success of your journey. In 'Thunderfish', Kira is able to encourage, persuade, lead and inspire her staff to the extent where she had their full support. A modern example of this is the US President JFK, whose powerful address to the nation, asks not what what your country can do for you, but asks but you can do for your country. This gained the full support of America in his quest to get the nation back on its feet.

The world, however, can and will not be improved without the decisive qualities of courage, determination and perseverance. These qualities are crucial in seeking righteousness in the world, because there will be times of adversity, where all hope may seem lost.

It is in times like these that the audacious person will stand out, and show their resolve and determination not to give in. As the old saying goes, 'Cometh the moment, cometh the man'. In 'Thunderfish', Kim is able to stand up and fight against the might and power of the navy and is also courageous enough to brave the South China Sea, the 'pirate hunters' Superbowl'. At these moments she shows true audacity, fortitude and resolve.

A modern day example of this is Mother Theresa, whose unbelievably tireless efforts working in the poorest conditions show true perseverance and courage. Combine these conditions with her ongoing heart problems, Mother Theresa shows us that, as Benjamin Franklin said, "Energy and persistence conquer all things".

In conclusion, improving the world takes a special kind of person, a person such as Kim Beaumont, Martin Luther King or Mother Theresa, someone who desires justice, someone who has profound knowledge of their mission, someone who can lead, inspire and persuade and last, but certainly not least, someone with courage, determination and perseverance. The word needs improving now, and as Martin Luther King Jr said: "I have a dream ..."

HCC or GPS by Liam Gleeson, Year 9

I am a better person now, I really am. I love life; I enjoy school and the people around me. I have great friends and a new life. I was not always like this. There was one decision I had to make that was crucial to my happiness. There was one occasion where if it hadn't been for the persuasion of my friends and the persistence of my family I wouldn't have become this way. This is how it started.

I was at home at Young in Year 8 when it finally dawned on me that I was going away to boarding school. I had really felt okay about it before now. When I really thought about it, I was going to be away from the ones I loved and going to a new school in a new city, not to mention new kids around me.

Four hours away. That's how far away I would be from my family. It really hit me when I was sleeping over at my friend's house. After I went to bed, I started to feel as though I wanted to go home. I thought to myself "If I feel like this now, how am I going to feel being 380 kilometres away from home?" I really started to get worried, "What would it be like? How would I fit in?" Even then I seemed determined to hate it.

As we pulled through the gates of Riverview three days later, I started to feel a ray of sunshine. Maybe this would be good. As my parents waved me goodbye, I thought "I am sad that you are leaving but I'll be okay." It wasn't long before that thought was out the window.

As we climbed into bed that night, I started to feel the dread arising once more. I thought secretly to myself that "If I hate it enough, maybe they will let me go home." This is the thought I had into a restless night's sleep.

The first couple of days were hell for me. It was the negative attitude that I went in with that did it for me. I kept thinking "This is crap! I just want to go home," when I could have been learning some new skills. This went on for two weeks at least. These two weeks were me just hating and wanting to go home. Then, the people who changed my mind really started to come in.

Although I wouldn't admit it, I had made some great friends. These people saw what a state I was in and did their best to fix it. The guys in my room were great company. All the "old boys" had the best advice because they had all been through the same thing before. "Don't dwell on how homesick you are and keep your mind and body busy."

These people were my mentors. They persuaded a change in my attitude by showing me how awesome life in boarding could be. After school they would play touch footy, cricket, anything at all and I enjoyed every minute of it.There were more people that changed my mind. If it hadn't been for my parent's constant sympathy of "It will get better," I could have given up this opportunity to be at a great school like I am now. The constant support they gave me even led to a 2am phone call one morning.

Their love saw me through. My Housemaster was the other person as well as the counsellors. These people all knew how I felt and knew exactly what to say to me. If it hadn't been for all these people, I would not be how I am today.

So, in the last seven months I have spent at Riverview, I have learnt a lot about myself and some new skills. I had a big decision to make. "To stay, or not to stay? That is the question." There were many people who helped me to arrive at my decision to stay. Before these people came to light, I was hell bent on going and leaving this place.

If it wasn't for these people I mentioned, I could have made the not so good decision of my life.

I am thankful for all involved and came to the final decision that I will stay on. I have not regretted this at all.

What I Love About Australia by Damian Barlow, Year 10

Andrew stood and watched.The sun was gradually climbing above the horizon, bringing light and life, heat and hope to a young and sparkling city.

As the first rays spattered across the ocean, the harbour lit up in thousands of swirling, splashing shades of sea; the Botanic Gardens awoke in their mellow greens, dotted with gentle and hazy patches of yellow, brown, pink; and the sun was caught in a thousand, ten thousand, countless windows, glittering an optimistic message to the millions of people waking up.

As if bursting from an egg, the Opera House's bright sails reach up in praise of this brilliant morning, full of thanks for its location and the opportunities of a new day. Simultaneously, both the massive arch that was the Harbour Bridge and the tall office buildings of Sydney flashed into firm and meaningful existence.

The Bridge was already teeming with life, its sturdy iron girders a metaphor for the city's firm and regular way of life. The eye marvelled at its massive structure, the widest bridge in the whole world, at its four great sandstone pillars and its graceful shape.

It led to the city, where glass buildings twinkled merrily; small shops were opening, offices being entered, café's serving breakfast, newspapers read, buses arriving and departing, people talking, laughing, gazing at their surroundings.

Andrew nodded. He was bathed in the sun's warm glow on a park bench, watching the unveiling of one of the beautiful places of the world. He thought about his life, his work, his city.

Yes, he thought, this is what I love about Australia.

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Yolpiri's dark body looked truly where it belonged, sitting on top of that sand dune, with the low rustling grasses dotting the plain expanse of sand around him. It was cold, but Yolpiri knew that would make the sun warmer, like life, bad times made the best times better.

With that thought, he began to feel warmth trickling down onto his bare back. He knew that behind him the grey dawn was clearing, the desert was exploding into colours of red, yellow, orange, brown, the blue sky was advancing, brought up by the sun, the rock structures absorbing heat, the lizards soaking it in, the small marsupials gathering into their burrows, his tribe preparing for a hunt. He knew this just like he knew that this is where he was supposed to be.

Yolpiri's gentle gaze rested over the landscape that was bursting into life like he knew it would. His eyes focussed on what he had come up to see, that tremendous and symbolic rock structure, which he knew as Uluru. The sun's light seeped over it, and his heart beat proudly with his love for this land, this country. A brilliant red and strong deity for his people, a sign of something that was and ever will be, the people and the land, the land and the people.

He smiled. Yes. This is what I love about Australia.

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Mustav sat on the boat, half-dead, his body yearning for fluid, food, cleanliness, comfort, sleep … but he pushed all these feelings away as he looked on the coast of this new continent. Hope was rising just like the sun, forcing night and all those craving emotions into a void.

The shore was mostly cliffs, although there was a small beach. Despite not been able to see beyond those rock-faces, he already knew what awaited him. He had absorbed the letters from his brother into his dreams.

He saw a nation where people were accepted despite differences in beliefs, colour or appearance. He saw his brother in a stable job, in a safe one-bedroom apartment, away from that which had almost killed him. He saw peace, everyone voted, everyone could say what they want without persecution, there were universities, celebrations of music, language and all cultures. He saw a nation full of opportunity, hope, security.

He saw the continent he had tried to get to for so long.

Yes, he thought, this is what I love about Australia.

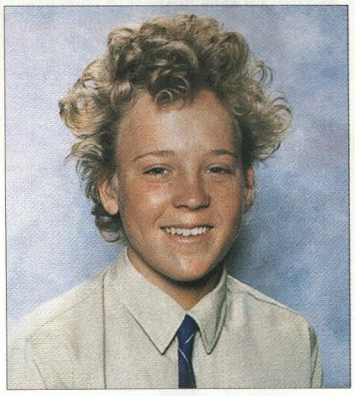
2003 has been a year of highlights and expansion for the Languages Department, as well as seeing a continuation of a number of 'tried and true' activities in which our language students participate every year.

Students were involved in the French Club, in the Year 8 Classics Camp, in hosting the French Exchange students from Toulouse. Again they took part in a number of competitions in which they performed most creditably.

In the Alliance Française French exams the number of A grades awarded was significantly higher than that of 2002. In the Australian Language Certificate exams in French and Italian our students' performance was of a much higher standard than the national average.

Participation has increased in the Chinese Eisteddfod, with Patrick Mayoh, Matthew Sheehan and Brian Cheng winning second and third places.

Patrick Mayoh is also one of five out of a pool of 300 students to win the Young Scholar in China bursary, which will allow him to study and live in the country during the Christmas vacation.



Patrick Mayoh - China scholarship

Italian, first introduced in the College in 2002, has continued to flourish, and Mrs Stella Holmes has joined the staff to teach Italian, as well as French and Year 7 Latin.

The Year 10 and Year 11 Italian students had a cultural excursion in Five Dock, Haberfield and Leichhardt, following up their movie with a 'gourmet' tour around the delightful Italian food shops in these suburbs.

The Year 9 Italian class, on the other hand, had to do all the work themselves, cooking, serving and preparing the menus and decorations for a magnificent Italian lunch.

In the world of Latin and Greek, a new Gifted and Talented Classics course was introduced at the Regis Campus for the Year 5 and 6 boys.

These students have quickly learnt to read basic Latin, transcribe the Greek alphabet, and delve into the mythology of the ancient world.

They have dressed in togas, have been writing their own mythology stories in Latin, and transcribing them on their very own ancient Roman scrolls. The Year 5 students have been producing colourful mosaics, retelling the story of Hercules and his 12 Labours.

Year 5 and 6 have also benefited from the introduction of Chinese to the Regis Campus, where Ms Jiewen Liu's creative lessons have been received with much enthusiasm.

One of the highlights of 2003 was the 20th Anniversary of Chinese at Riverview Celebration. This was a spectacular event! Old boys spoke of their Chinese studies and experiences in China, and gave a martial arts demonstration.

Year 5 boys performed a dialogue in Chinese, dressed in traditional costume. Even the Languages Department staff dressed up and sang in Chinese! Most accomplished musical performances were given by our own Chinese students William Tse and Mark Cheung.

Ms Kelu Ma, a mezzo soprano from the Australian Opera, sang a number of Chinese folk songs as well as renowned operatic arias and was accompanied by Mr Shidi Teng on the piano.

Mr Tony Wheeler, from the College's music staff, surprised everyone with his expert command of the Chinese language and a most entrancing performance on the traditional Chinese zither.

The entire evening was an array of talent, a testimony to the vitality and importance of the Chinese language and culture, and a tribute to the diligent and inspiring work of Mr Lewis Liu and Ms Jiewen Liu.

Once again I thank the dedicated staff of the Languages department for all their efforts in making language learning a most worthwhile experience for our boys.

Mrs Louella Perrett

Excellence in languages



James Harvey

2002 James Harvey embarked on the Year 11 Preliminary French Course as an accelerated Year 9 student. He joined a small group of five Year 11 students and by the end of the year successfully topped the course.

He then continued in 2003 with the HSC French Continuers Course and again got first in the College's French Trial Examination. He has now just finished the HSC examination.

It could be argued that James had an 'unfair' advantage due to his previous exposure to French (James lived for some time in France as a young boy.) However, while his total immersion in the language and familiarisation with the French culture have, no doubt, helped, his success in the accelerated French course is due to his excellent attitude to learning.

If French is not necessarily his favourite subject, he understands the importance of languages in today's world and has made a conscious decision to approach the challenge he's set for himself with the utmost seriousness.

James is a truly independent learner who takes full responsibility for his learning. Over the last two years, he has never missed a lesson without justification, never complained about the amount or the nature of the homework given, and had always worked to the best of his ability in class and at home.

I've been most impressed with his modesty, his seriousness and maturity. As a result of his fine effort to improve his expression in French he is now able to contribute interesting, thought provoking ideas on a variety of topics either in writing or in a French conversation.

Already bilingual he is now well on his way to become a "citoyen universel". He's also proved that French and Rugby go well together. (ouch!!!)

Bravo, James!

Stéphanie Tita

Chinese has now been taught at Riverview for 20 years and on the 7th of November current and past students, teachers and friends gathered in the Ramsay Hall and Dalton Chapel to celebrate Riverview's long association with the Chinese language studies.

Chinese was first introduced into the school curriculum in 1983 by Fr O'Kelly SJ. Riverview was the first high school in NSW to introduce Mandarin as a subject, and it has flourished ever since.

The celebration began with a Chinese style mass held in the Dalton Chapel by Fr Jeremy Clarke whose celebration was supported by a four man choir of Chinese students and Mr. Lewis Liu who sang hymns in Chinese, that no-one could understand but everyone enjoyed.

Once the mass concluded, the 200 odd guests strolled down to the Ramsay Hall to enjoy a night of celebration – Chinese style – with music, martial arts, readings and food. Throughout the night guests were treated to musical performances from a number of students, teachers and the renowned Ms Ke Lu Ma - all of which created a fantastic evening.



Language teachers and Ms Ke Lu Ma singing at the Chinese Anniversary dinner

Once the performances and formalities concluded dinner was served. Dinner consisted of a buffet Chinese banquet that was well received by the awaiting guests. The night finished with a rare performance from the LOTE department choir who sang in Chinese in a one night only special.

Overall, the night was a huge success and was well enjoyed by all who participated. It serves as a credit to the strength of Chinese language studies at Riverview and thanks must go out to Mr. Lewis Liu whose extraordinary efforts allowed this wonderful night to happen.

Alex Smith



Mr Liu and Ms Liu with Chinese language students



Fr Jeremy Clarke, Shane Hogan, Jaewen Liu, Catherine Hogan, Fr Rob Davoren SJ and Lewis Liu at the dinner

Living and Studying in China by Chris Deves (OR 2002)

Chris Deves is currently spending a year studying in China. In this article, taken from a letter read to those attending the Chinese anniversary dinner, Chris explains the many challenges he faces in learning and speaking Chinese

The first step in the experience of 'culture shock' was naturally the language barrier. Adjusting to being unable to use any English in communicating with other students, shopkeepers, waitresses – people encountered in everyday life – was not necessarily overly difficult, but did take a considerable amount of time. Even after a couple of weeks I still found myself saying things like 'okay' and 'thank you' in English just because it was impulse (although unsurprisingly such basic English phrases are generally understood by almost all Chinese).

Our classes at the university are divided into several groups: listening, speaking, writing and two different reading classes. This semester I also attend computer and newspaper reading class. Initially, it took a while to get used to the teacher using Chinese throughout the entire class (since our classes are a blend of Koreans, Thais, Vietnamese, Russian, German, Japanese and so on, most of the time only one or two classmates can even understand English, plus the teacher usually can't speak any at all), but now I realise that being taught a foreign language in that same language simply speeds up one's progress, and provides a great sense of satisfaction, especially when one understands exactly what the teacher is talking about (which, unfortunately, it not necessarily all of the time).

Moreover, an interesting feature of the university study lifestyle was the system of so-called 'language partners'. Chinese students will seek out foreign students whose native language was that which they were studying, and engage in huxiang bangzhu (mutual helping), where both the Chinese student and the foreign student will assist the other with their studies, answering questions, helping with homework and so on.

However, the situation emerged whereby some of the other Australians were held at the mercy of incredibly conscientious and hard working language partners who would seek them nonstop throughout the week – a most amusing situation as long as it wasn't you.

Student Exchange has become a great passion of mine and each year Riverview sees more than 30 HSC students heading overseas on a range of programs. I believe this program is worthwhile because it:

- Promotes tolerance
- Encourages international understanding
- Challenges youth towards further learning
- Enhance self-knowledge and awareness.

Many people are amazed when a student tells them that he went on exchange overseas. They talk of how much courage it must have taken to leave his family and friends in Australia and to travel to the other side of the world, to a new and strange country, but the really difficult part of going on exchange is leaving it all behind at the end of 12 months.

So, what is it that makes a good exchange and makes it such a worthwhile exercise? The things which come first to mind, are learning a new language, experiencing a new culture, travelling and seeing new places. However, there are other things which have a much more lasting impact on your perspective of life and the world in general.

Above all, the people you meet and the various opportunities you are given are the things which really make your exchange year unforgettable. Living with one or more families gives you more of a perspective on the culture and traditions of the country in which you have been placed.

As an exchange student, you also learn from the other exchange students. These people share your experiences, understand what you are going through and teach you about their cultures and lifestyles. They teach you to think about what is important to you and how true friendships are capable of spanning continents.

But exchange is also about immersing yourself in the culture in which you have been placed, and you gain so much from the friends you make at school as well. Your host families take up even more of a challenge, by taking you, a young person they know nothing about, into their homes, teaching you about both the language and the culture, and treating you as one of their family.

A good host family is an integral factor in a good exchange. Under their guidance, you can go from being a boy wanting to see the world, to being an individual, finally ready to face the world on your own. And that is what makes exchange so good. While the trips and opportunities are in themselves wonderful things, it's what you learn from the people and the experiences along the way that leaves a lasting impression.

You finish the year as a completely different person. Not only have you learnt about the culture of your host country, and the incredible cuisine on offer, you actually learn even more about your own country and how we are perceived by the rest of the world, and know that your patriotism for Australia will grow enormously.

And there are, of course, many lasting effects. You will approach issues with a more worldly view. You will be more interested in affairs in all areas of the world, not just ones which affect Australia. You will be much more confident and independent, from being forced to take the initiative, to introducing yourself to people throughout the year.

I believe that Exchange teaches students much more than a year at university does or away on your own could ever have done.

It opens the eyes and minds of so many young people to the possibilities of the world, and brings them that one step closer to the international understanding that the whole world is seeking and so badly needs.

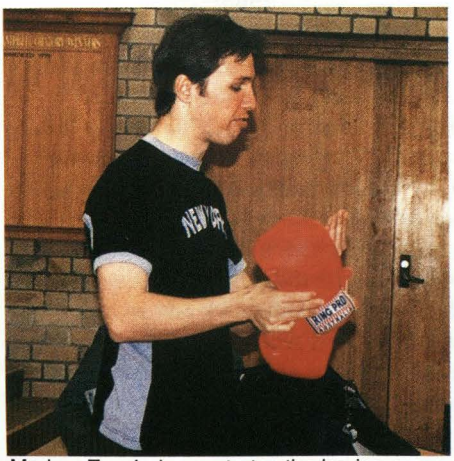
Mrs Deirdre Agnew
Careers Counsellor

Children's author gives a few lessons from life

In August, The Senior Library at the College celebrated Book Week by inviting well known authors to speak to the students about writing - and reading. The authors also gave workshops to the students.

John Larkin spoke with Year 7 students, while Markus Zusak spoke with Year 8 students.

Markus' latest book, The Messenger, was the 2003 winner of the Children's Book Council award for older readers, and as Joseph Payten (Year 8.6) writes his talk was not only educational and insightful, "it was surprisingly enjoyable at the same time".

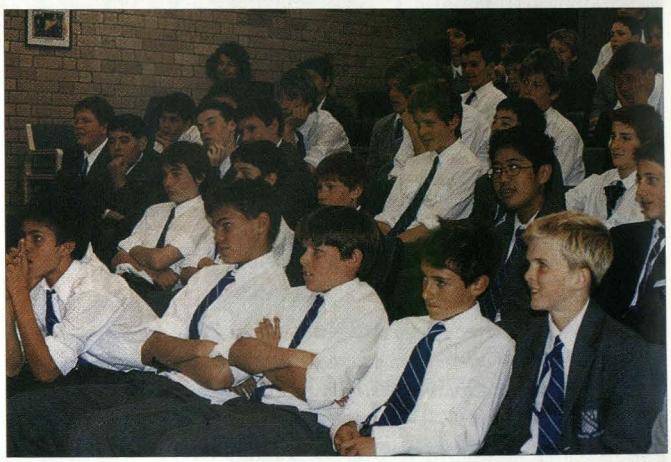

Markus Zusak demonstrates the boxing game

"Markus began by introducing himself to the group and explaining a little about himself.

"He proceeded to tell us many of his life stories, mainly revolving around many antics and fights between Markus and his brother.

"However, rather than telling us all of these stories, he acted them out in role plays. His recount of the 'one punch' boxing game played by him and his brother, was made all the more amusing when Ollie Oxenhan and Nick Baistow took turns in the role of the older brother and acted out a fight.

"Even funnier was the story about Markus' first book release, with Liam Roach and Michael Kennedy playing the role of a shopkeeper who didn't have the book in stock. Many of his books were based on or contained these stories and this was how we finally came to the real point of the lecture.


Year 8 students - enthralled by Markus Zusak's lecture

"Markus explained to us about how easy it was to take a simple story like his, adapt it and, after hard work, make it into an interesting story.

"Whatever the boys took out of the lecture, it was educational and helpful for our English classes, insightful to the career of a successful author and entertaining to hear some great stories."

2003 marked a new beginning for the Centre for Learning Support. Father Robert Bruce SJ, officially blessed the opening of the Centre on September 25. Our new home, on the top floor of St. Michael's House has been beautifully renovated and includes a reception area, an office for Mr Jean Agior-Tis the Head of the Centre, offices for the Learning Support Teachers Mrs Margaret Shaw, Ms Dale Thompson, Miss Susan Addinall, and Mrs Susan Nixon, and an office for Mrs Deirdre Agnew, the College Careers Advisor.

In addition, there are two classroom areas equipped with computer stations, and a conference room. We feel very blessed to have such a wonderful facility to work in as we address the learning needs of Riverview students.

The goal of the Centre for Learning Support is to create a learning environment in which students with learning challenges can progress at their own rate, experience success, reach their potential, and feel a sense of belonging in our school community.

The Centre supports students with their learning in a variety of areas, specifically, Special Education, Advanced Learners, English Language Support for overseas students, Careers, courses at TAFE, and their needs in the Library.

Numerous students have been assisted this year through applications to the Board of Studies for special provisions such as readers and writers, and extra time during examinations.

We feel very fortunate to have Ms Julia Burfitt who provides learning support for students in Grades 5 and 6, at the Regis Campus. Her expertise and positive gentle manner ensures that the younger students are receiving very thorough care and attention.

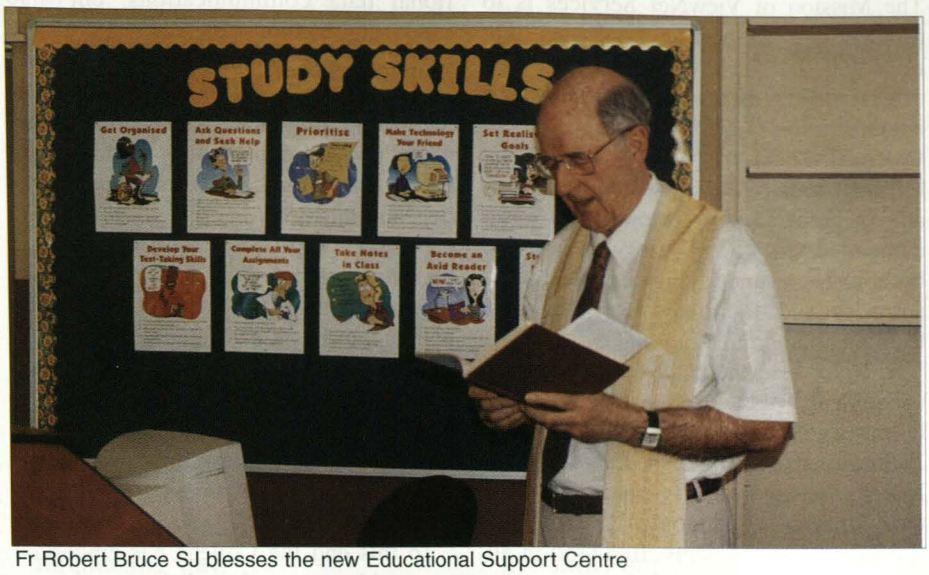
This year we farewelled Mrs Jo-Anne Kragelund, who left Riverview to teach in Beijing at the end of Semester 1. Jo-Anne was the 8.1 Homeroom teacher and also a Learning Support teacher. Ms Katie Bindley has joined our team and is appreciated by her students in the Foundation Maths Class for her expertise and passion for both Maths andsurfing! The Middle School and Learning Support staff are very happy to have Katie at Riverview.

Finally, the staff of the Centre for Learning Support, acknowledge and thank the wonderful team of dedicated parents who work one-on-one with students as volunteers.

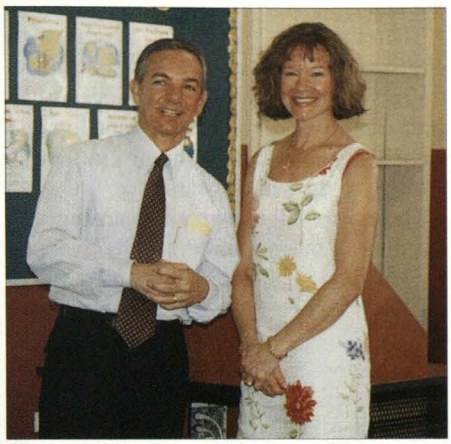
The staff also thanks the many parents who assist with the Special Provision Program which takes place during the Higher School Certificate, School Certificate, and the College semester examinations. Their gift of time on behalf of our students is greatly appreciated.

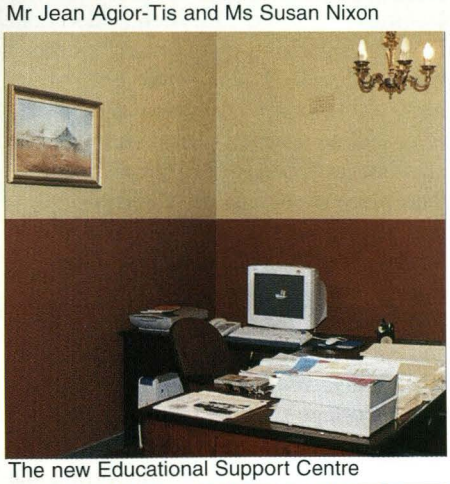
Our role as teachers in the Centre for Learning Support is very rewarding as daily we experience the successes of our students and the privilege of helping them achieve their goals.

Mrs Susan Nixon



Fr Robert Bruce SJ blesses the new Educational Support Centre


Mr Jean Agior-Tis and Ms Susan Nixon


The new Educational Support Centre


College and Ed Support staff at the blessing of the new Centre


One of the classrooms in the Centre

viewnet services 2003

The Mission of ViewNet Services is to provide and support technologies that improve the delivery, quality and effectiveness of teaching, learning and administration.

Overview

Every year that goes by sees information and communications technologies more embedded in the College's culture, becoming an underlying milieu which pervades and facilitates our teaching, learning and administration.

At Riverview, the challenge to prepare our students for the new century is directly linked to the provision of Information Technology and its associated skills. Indeed, the use of IT is connected with the Ignatian Pedagogical Paradigm (I.P.P.), wherein students 'find God in all things'.

Therefore IT is placed and taught within a specific Jesuit context and educational framework. Students are introduced to IT from Year 5, and continue to develop and embellish their understanding and skills through to the senior years.

The use of IT to support learning and teaching is our paramount objective. At St Ignatius' College, IT enables us to extend our reach beyond the traditional four-walled classroom into a virtual world which transcends the old boundaries of time and space.

Managed Learning Environments, collaborative distance education, video conferencing, parental e-communication and voicemail are all within our grasp right now. In support of the Jesuit philosophy of providing a 'broad liberal education' to all students while preparing them to take their place in society, the College is committed to a strategy of providing excellence in its curriculum through Information Technology.

Reliance on our IT resources is total, and as a result our expectations for IT availability, use and support are high. The College's Information Systems Department is charged with the responsibility of maintaining and supporting the various IT initiatives of the school. The challenges of this are enormous – the potential benefits even more so.

Background

In 1993, a team was commissioned to develop an Information Technology strategy that would maintain a leading edge curriculum for the College well into the 21st century. By the end of 1994, the platform and infrastructure strategy had been developed. This infrastructure included a state of the art fibre optic backbone capable of handling not only traditional data communications, but also video and audio. By early 1996, the cabling of over 300 data outlets, including all classrooms, offices and staffrooms, had been completed. The Junior School campus was connected by underground cable. Electronic mail was also introduced at this time.

The Present

It is recognised by the College that to maintain a strong and relevant position in this rapidly changing environment, student exposure to computer skills must transcend individual subject boundaries. The Computer Studies curriculum on its own does not suffice in preparing students for the Information Age.

To this end the College has embarked on a wide range of studies, experiences and skill development which are supported by:

- four general-purpose computer laboratories available to all curriculum areas;
- two special-purpose computer laboratories - Music and Design & Technology;
- one general reference computer laboratory in the Senior Library;
- computers in every Junior and Middle School classroom;
- CD-ROM reference collection of some 200 titles;
- access to the Internet from all computers on the network;
- a small team of IT support professionals

St Ignatius' College has continued to develop its IT resources throughout 2002 and 2003. Significant achievements have included:



Ms Emma Whiteman from the IT Department teaching staff about the use of their new computer laptops

- The commissioning of three new computer laboratories in the TAS area;
- The commissioning of a new computer laboratory for the Middle School's Therry Campus;
- The continued integration of our management information systems;
- Ongoing improvements to the College's VPN service;
- The introduction of a staff IT leadership programme, which will continue for 2004;
- The appointment of a Head of Centre – Information Technology.

The Future

The Information Technology facilities provided by the College have been carefully developed in conjunction with staff and the Information Technology Committee, reporting to College Council, with the aim of providing students with an all-round skill which will support their endeavours in higher education and later in their careers.

The College's Information Technology Strategic Plan is regularly reviewed in response to technological and educational trends. This Plan is clearly articulated with the College's Strategic Development Plan.

It includes proposals for additional hardware, the upgrade of existing hardware and software, IT professional development, and ongoing development of our Virtual Private Network and College Intranet.

The effective deployment of IT at St Ignatius' College comes at high cost, but brings with it high return. We operate in an economic climate that requires careful stewardship, and we believe that our strategies are as cost-effective as we can possibly make them.

In the world of IT there is no standing still - Riverview is committed to keeping abreast of change for the benefit of our staff and students. The curriculum and supporting computing network infrastructure - ViewNet - is considered state of the art in Australian Schools.

Mr Christopher O'Mahony
Head of Centre, Information Technology

The Counselling Service at Riverview continues to be well supported and well used by students, parents and staff. Parents may be interested to know that whilst about a third of the younger boys self refer, (with the rest referred by parents and teachers), most of our senior boys initiate their appointments.

The Counselling staff deal with a large range of issues including relationship difficulties (at home and at school), poor school performance, study skills and motivation, grief, depression, bullying, self esteem, at risk and challenging behaviour, psychometric assessments and more.

We are very lucky at Riverview to be part of a supportive system of Homeroom teachers, tutors, Housemasters and the boarding community.

This year, we welcomed Mrs Beatrijs Dewulf to the Regis campus, where she has been working with the younger boys in Years 5 and 6. Mr Ross Whitfeld and I have continued following our year groups. Ross works with the boys in Years 7, 11 and 12 and myself with those in Years 8, 9 and 10.

Once again, with the support of the Rector, the Headmaster and College staff, we have been able to run programs across whole year groups, which are not only educative and enjoyable, but allow the boys to interact with the Counsellors in a non-threatening way.

The Year 5 boys took part in the 'Friends for Children' program in Term 3. This is the junior version of the 'Friends for Youth' program, which we ran with Year 8. Both programs teach preventative coping and problem solving skills in a fun and interactive way.

In Year 7, we again ran our 'Conflict Resolution' program, which deals with rights and responsibilities, the nature and resolution of conflict and assertive behaviour.

Mr Whitfeld also conducted the 'Cool Kids' program with a small group of Year 7 boys. This focused on dealing with anxiety and problem solving. In Years 9 and 10, the ACE (Adolescents Coping with Emotions) program was run with small-targeted groups. In this, we also deal with coping skills but with particular emphasis on 'realistic thinking' in difficult situations.Whilst 2003 has certainly been challenging, we look forward to another productive year in 2004!

Mrs Lisa Wood

The Development Office 2003

The Development Office has again had a busy year as the Resource Centre for so many of the College Community groups as well as the advancement of the College in fundraising, alumni and marketing programmes. In 2003 we have been involved heavily in the following:

- the opening and blessing of the Middle School and Science Wings
- a Bursary Capital Appeal named in honour of Fr C Fraser SJ and Fr JX Ramsay SJ
- Corporate Lunch with a Rugby World Cup Theme
- Riverview in Griffith, Newcastle, Mudgee, Armidale and Canberra events
- a Nostalgia Lunch for the 1918-1940 years and the Loyola Association Lunch
- assistance with various alumni Class reunions
- the Annual Giving Appeal through the OIU Class Bursaries
- OIU Careers Expo, OIU Father/Son Golf Day and OIU Annual Dinner
- eight New Parents' Dinners which welcomed over 300 new parents to the College



The Riverview team in Griffith

- assistance with the Past Parents Lunch in the City and Annual Dinner
- a variety of other requests for help and advice

The planning and execution of all these events takes a concerted effort by the staff of the Development office as they work in close harmony with the P&F, Past Parents and OIU Committees.

We are gratefully to have such a wonderful working relationship with each of the aforementioned groups. I am also thankful to the staff of the Development Office: Rod Loneragan Deputy Director, Barbara Peatman Alumni and Special Events Manager, Sally Scanlen Administrative Assistant and in the last weeks of the year Board Member Chris Marshall in an assistant role.

The Foundation Board led by John Wilcox has been full of encouragement and offer their own expertise in a variety of ways.

The end result from a great team is the benefit gained by our students and the Riverview family. To all our donors whose generosity make so much possible, thank you.

Michael Punch
Director of Development

old ignatians union 2003

Once again I have been very fortunate to preside over the Old Ignatians' Union in a year during which both the students and Old Boys have been particularly successful and active.

Halfway through this year the Union had a new Patron bestowed on it. The rules of our Constitution state that the Rector of the College shall be the Patron and so Fr Andy Bullen SJ took on this role on his return to Riverview in July. I have had the good fortune to attend a couple of country reunions with Fr Bullen and I feel that Riverview is very fortunate to have him as Rector and also the OIU to have him as our Patron.

Fr Bullen was one of two Guests of Honour at our Annual Dinner in August. The other was Fr Mark Raper SJ (OR '60) the recently elected Provincial of the Australian Jesuit Province and the first Old Ignatian to hold this office. Both Fr Raper and Fr Bullen contributed significantly to the enjoyment and the atmosphere of the night.

Fr Raper spoke of his fresh approach to solving problems in the current litigious climate and Fr Bullen informed us of his observations of the considerable improvement in student awareness, participation and communication since his previous time at Riverview.

Fr Charles Fraser SJ, now living at Canisius College and past President and long serving Secretary of the OIU, attended the College on 14th March to celebrate his 90th birthday. He had morning tea in the T K Crowley staff room with many members of the teaching staff and was presented with a spectacular bunch of roses from the 'Fr Fraser Rose Garden'. Although he may not admit it, I am sure he enjoyed both the occasion and the well deserved attention.

The first term of this year concluded with the tragic deaths of Year 12 students Billy O'Connor and Sam Turner. It is unfortunate that such an incident was the catalyst which extracted all the very best attributes from the College staff, the general Riverview community and also from the Year 12 boys themselves.

I received a number of comments from people not connected with Riverview stating how responsive and compassionate the school, its staff, parents and students were during and after this crisis. It is good to see that the 'Ignatian way' is an attribute appreciated by the wider community.

The Old Ignatians' Rugby Football Club had another extremely successful season in 2003. They once again retained the Subdistrict Club Championship Shield and also won the Burke Cup, the Judd Cup and the Sutherland Cup. In addition they were runners up in the other three Cups in which they participated – Kentwell, Whiddon and Colts. Congratulations !

During the year the Union made a significant contribution towards the purchase of the electric 'People Mover' or Golf Cart, as some call it. The vehicle seats six people and is often used for transporting future parents and visitors on school tours. The seating on the nondrivers side can be adjusted to carry a stretcher so that injured players can be carried from sports fields or to the Infirmary. Although the vehicle is under the strict control of Mark McGinnity, I believe it is being used extensively and proving to be extremely useful around the College.



Peter Cahill with Frank Loneragan (left) and Rod Loneragan at Mudgee

Our new website is now up and running thanks to our website subcommittee chairman John Allen who has been working with James Tucker and Bryce Graham from HubOnline Global. We are slowly building a base of email addresses so that communication with Old Boys will become less expensive, quicker and more relevant to the recipient. I ask all Old Ignatians to take a couple of minutes to register on this new site at www.oiu.org.au

Our first major function this year was a highly successful country reunion at Griffith in March. Jaime McEncroe and Tony Forlico assisted in the organisation and a great roll up attended the recovery lunch at the home, with a splendid view over Griffith, of Dom and Dot Guglielmino. This was followed in May by another successful night at the Newcastle Club where Frank Ryan organised his last reunion before heading north to Queensland and once again he did an excellent job. Just one week later we were off to Mudgee where the OIU hadn't been for a number of years.

Headmster, Shane Hogan stood in for what is usually the Rector's roll and gave the report on school matters at the dinner. Frank and Jane Loneragan were kind enough to open their home for a most enjoyable barbecue on the Sunday before the city slickers faced the relatively short (compared to Griffith) drive back to Sydney.

We then had a few months breather until September, before heading north to the cold country of Armidale. Gerry Dangar was our local host and arranged a most enjoyable dinner at the Armidale Club. This was the last weekend of third term and as there was no organised sport in Sydney, the school had arranged for a busload of Year 10 boarders to travel to The Armidale School to play basketball, rugby and soccer on the same weekend. As it turned out, the weather was rather mild, in fact probably warm by Armidale standards – just as Gerry's hospitality was when we had a sumptuous barbecue lunch at his home the next day.

The last reunion for the year was jockeyed around Rugby World Cup fixtures and was held in Canberra on Friday 24th October. Fr Bullen was delighted to be able to spend a few hours in the National Gallery before the dinner and consequently said he would be happy to have a reunion in Canberra every year!

As usual there was particularly strong support from the 1940s class leavers such as David Egan, Murray Crowe and Frank Long and apologies from Don Gillespie. We are grateful to Michael Gillespie and Michael Kerr for their efforts in assisting with this reunion.

During the year the country reunions were well supported and very successful and I thank all who were involved in their organisation as well as those who attended.

Golfing activities were also well supported. Our Annual Golf Day was again held at Avondale in March and as usual was well organised by Greg Bartels, Tony Clark and Charles Cuschieri. Unfortunately, we didn't retain the trophy which we won last year at the GPS Old Boys Golf Day in August but the Old Ignatians did defeat the Joey's Old Boys at our annual clash at Pymble in October to retain The Challenge Cup . We also held another very successful Father and Son Golf Day at Ryde/Parramatta Golf

Club in October and were delighted to have the company of Fr Chris Gleeson SJ who presented the major trophy for the day – the Fr Chris Gleeson Cup.

The Old Ignatians' Union annual Careers Expo took place in May and was once again well organised by subcommittee chairman Paul Duffy with the capable assistance of John Allen. Unfortunately the Monday night event immediately followed the P & F Art & Craft Exhibition weekend which created problems in getting the Ramsay Hall ready for the Careers Expo.

It was a case of 'many hands make light work' on the Sunday evening and the following Monday morning, in helping the P & F stocktake all the items which had not been sold and to locate all items which had been sold but were waiting to be collected. Nonetheless, the changed format of having groups of speakers covering related professions rather than individuals covering particular topics generally works very well. Each group has a team leader and I thank those who were leaders and all the speakers who contributed to this very worthwhile exercise.

Our form on the barbecues this year at the Gold Cup Regatta and the 'home' football games was first class. Thanks to Paul Dorsen, we now have a system which enables us to handle almost any size crowd and with an expanded menu. This includes egg and bacon sandwiches – we have all tastes covered! Unfortunately, the 'home' football games this year were against schools with a small supporter base and so our takings were not as good as last year. If only the Joey's game had been at Riverview !

In past years, the OIU has often organised a retreat, however, this year we combined with the Old Aloysians and held a Day of Recollection at St Aloysius' College on Sunday 31st August. Fr Andy Bullen SJ presided over an interesting and rewarding day and has agreed to do so again next year. It was decided that this combined event should become a fixture on the last Sunday of August each year.

The chairman of our Younger Members subcommittee, Paul Cheok with the assistance of a number of others, has done an excellent job in promoting social and business activities for younger Old Boys. Earlier in the year a debate was held in the Ramsay Hall which included Fr Jeremy Clarke SJ as a speaker. It was a most entertaining and successful night. The Younger Members group aims to organise social events, provide a "Mentor Network" and arrange business forums. Paul would be glad to hear from any Old Boys who are interested in being involved or you can follow their activities on the OIU website.

The Union's Community Service involvement with St Canice's at Elizabeth Bay is now well established. Rob Farrell runs this subcommittee which on several Sundays of the year, organises Old Boys, members of their families or friends, along with Year 10 and 11 boys from the school, to prepare and serve a hot meal for the homeless and underprivileged. This activity provides communication and contact between students and the Old Boys and at the same time assists some of the less fortunate in our city. I thank Charles Cuschieri for his generous donation of the food for this activity.

This year's Indian Bazaar was held on a glorious September Saturday and with Gorman Field now clear of builder's equipment, many more rides were able to be set up there. Once again the day was a great fundraiser for the Jesuit Missions, thanks to the generous contribution of time, money and goods by dozens of Old Boys. Many of them appear just for this one special day of the year, not only to catch up with old mates but also as a way of showing their appreciation for what Riverview and the Jesuits had done for them while students.

Once again, the Foundation Office has provided the OIU with invaluable assistance throughout the year in helping organise the Annual Dinner, the Careers Expo, various other functions and generally providing information and secretarial services. Many thanks to Michael Punch, Rod Loneragan, Barbara Peatman, Sally Scanlen and Chris Marshall. We are very glad to see Rod Loneragan back in the Foundation Office occasionally after his unexpected health scare and we congratulate Michael Punch on becoming the CEO of the newly formed Australian Jesuit Foundation.

Bryan Curtin is chairman of our Finance subcommittee and I thank him for overseeing some changes to the Union's investments, all of which to date have been positive. These changes came about as a result of advice from several Old Boys involved in the finance industry but who are not on the General Committee.

And while on money matters, I also thank our Treasurer, Rex Hoeben for his prompt, accurate and detailed financial reports over the past few years. Tony Mulveney also assists us during the year in his role as Honorary Auditor and I thank him for his expert advice. Denis Lynch, as chairman of the Marketing subcommittee has again been a great contributor throughout the year and I thank him for representing the President at functions on a number of occasions.

Phillip De Baun continues to contribute and also act as a devil's advocate on many occasions at our Committee meetings. This year he missed the reunion at Canberra which is the first reunion he has not attended in living memory! Steve O'Halloran has completed his 13th year on the Committee, two of which were as President.

However, he feels that now is the right time to give a younger person a go, as his fifth and youngest son, Paddy sat for his HSC this year. Steve and his wife Jan have put five boys through Riverview, so he has made a great contribution not only to the OIU but he's also put an enormous amount of time into Riverview as a parent.

Len Antcliff is another on the committee who warrants a special thank you. Len is only too happy to assist in organising the Annual Dinner, golf days – and we have quite a few of those – and whatever else crops up. Simon Wells has completed his second year as Honorary Secretary and is obviously enjoying the role. He has been extremely valuable in maintaining the focus of the President during Committee Meetings, for which I am particularly thankful.

Keeping an overall eye on all matters to do with the Old Ignatians' Union is the vastly experienced Charles Cuschieri whose advice should always be sought when a difficult situation arises. Charles' generosity to Riverview and the Union is greatly appreciated and on behalf of the OIU, I thank him for his ongoing support

I appreciate the time and effort put in by all members of the Committee. Some of us are more pressed for time in relation to work and family commitments than others but whatever time you have been able to commit to the OIU has been appreciated.

During my two years Presidency I have been most fortunate to have spent a little time working with the previous Rector, Fr Chris Gleeson SJ, Headmaster, Shane Hogan and over the past few months, the current Rector, Fr Andy Bullen SJ. This experience has been invaluable to me and has made me realise why Riverview is one of the most sought after schools in this state.

I wish incoming President, Rob Farrell every success during his term and hope that he enjoys the experience as much as I have done. I thank the Committee for having given me the opportunity to be President of your Union.

Peter Cahill (OR'65)



It is traditional at this time to do a summary of the events that the P&F has run over the past year but, as this was done in the letter that was sent home to every family during the holidays, I would prefer to reflect on the last 12 months.

2003 marked the year of record growth for Riverview. It was, therefore, seen as imperative (by the Executive and the Administration) that we "shrink" the size of the College by forging closer and stronger bonds.

This year we made less profit than last year and one could, quite correctly, assume that I would make a lousy businesswoman. This executive and I were serving a community, however, not running a small business and I would like to measure the success of the year in different terms.

With the exception of the Golf Day and subscriptions to the Bursary Raffle, we had record numbers of attendees and volunteers at every P&F event this year.

Given this delightful statistic, you will appreciate that it took some effort to make less money. We achieved this by keeping costs at or below those of last year whilst at the same time paying more for food beverage and hire equipment. Our reasons for this were prompted by two facts:

(i) the College has a large Boarder representation and there is no doubt that Boarder families have been heavily hit by the impact of the drought. This was definitely a year when contact with friends and support should not be avoided because of escalating costs; and

(ii) the demographics of the College are changing. Far from being an exclusive school servicing an elite, many families work very hard to pay for the best education available for their sons. If the P&F is to be inclusive, proper cognisance needs to be paid to the financial limits of its parents.

A lot of schools complain that, as mothers return to the workforce, more is expected of those that are left. It would seem to me that the parents of Riverview have learned to do it all – work, raise families, attend meetings, chauffeur, sizzle sausages and smile and serve. Perhaps that is why our P&F has more events and raises more funds (even with me at the helm), and has a higher school profile than any other GPS school in Sydney.

It has been an indescribable privilege to serve this body. My predecessors have left very clear dance steps and much of my role was simply to follow their lead. My amazing colleagues displayed an inspiring degree of competency and willingness in all that they did and you and I were in the best of hands. Finally, the good will, energy, confidence and creative genius of the parent community gave life and momentum to all that we attempted.

On a personal note I was asked recently what I have learned during my year of office. It was a question that required a lot of thought, but I will share with you my answer:

- I have learned that leadership is about allowing others to take control and to bring their own talents to an old situation;
- I have learned that I do not have to be perfect at everything or, indeed, anything (thankfully) because there is always someone ready to catch me (not catch me out, as I had always feared);
- I have learned that it is not 'always the same old people' who volunteer for everything. Some may choose to work at lots of events, but most people find a job they can do and do it with enthusiasm and energy; and,
- I have learned to trust God. This time last year, I would have taken anyone who offered to be on the Executive. What I got was a group of extraordinary women who have become very important to me and who all have complementary skills.

Mrs Christine Robertson (President)

Boarder Parents Association 2003

The Boarder Parents Association arose in the mid 90s as part of a network of support, particularly addressing the needs of parents in relation to their son's boarding. An executive, led by a convenor and secretary as well as general committee members, provide a conduit aiming for good communication with the school.

Meetings held each term usually coincide with the Boarders' return because, owing to its very nature, attendance at the school for parents can be difficult indeed.

This past year has seen Boarding strengthen to its biggest enrolment for some years. The changes of the last few years have brought positive benefits: Kevin Fagan House, upgrading St John's House and upgrading Year 7 and Year 8s boarding house. The input and support of the BPA have contributed to developing and maintaining these areas.

The past year has seen the groundwork laid by Jan Buttenshaw (Convenor 2002) come to fruition with the BPA coming under the constitutional umbrella of the P&F, giving the Association structure, protection of a constitution and a defined role. Always addressing Boarding's unique status, the BPA now integrates comfortably into the whole school scenario. From this has flowed a greater interaction between the day and boarding communities.

Specific activities have seen a successful City Support Scheme linking Year 7 boarders to a city family with a dayboy in the same year. Year 7 benefited enormously thanks to the wonderful efforts of Jane Hegarty and Vanessa Freeman and the wholehearted Riverview response.

The annual Boarder Parents gathering the evening before the 'View/Joey's game was a great get-together. Thank you to Kim and Matt Tickner for their organisation and the ability of Boarder Parents to party! The P&F's efforts in organising the City/Country lunch saw an excellent coming together of a wide variety of parents in Kevin Fagan House.

The deaths of Sam Turner and Billy



O'Connor had an agonising impact on the Boarders – yet from that nadir rose an astonishing outpouring of compassion and support, demonstrating a courage and fortitude that perhaps, in some small way, consoled the boys' families.

To Mr Hogan and Mr McGinnity, all staff (seen and unseen) and their families who make boarding possible, our heartfelt thanks. As we move into 2004, the BPA looks forward to another rewarding year. For the 325 boarders and their families as part of the whole school community, let us pray that good health, wellbeing and the richness of learning bless us all.

Mrs Sally Deves (President)

Towards the end of last year Fr. Gleeson and Mr Hogan agreed that I could take up the challenge, together with the Rector, for promoting the Mission of the Jesuits and the Ignatian Ethos throughout the College.

The aim of the task was to maintain and develop the rich Ignatian and Jesuit tradition that should, and does permeate the climate of the College. Consequently, I took up the 'Office for Promoting our Mission in Story and Symbol'.

It was thought that we might tackle this in a number of ways.

Firstly, by using visual material or media around the college. This would mean the existing visuals could be reviewed and with the advent of the many new buildings, further visuals be introduced.

With all this in mind, one of the very early tasks was to see that there was a crucifix in every class room in the college. This was no small feat as the number of rooms had increased considerably.

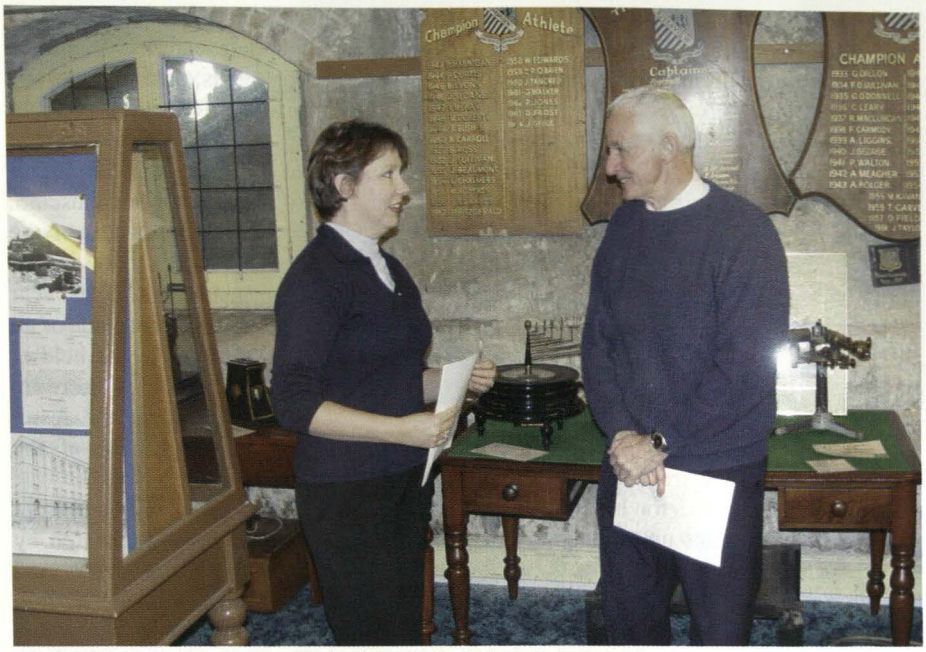
It was then arranged that these crucifixes were taken by a represented from each classroom to the opening School Liturgy of the Holy Spirit where they were blessed.

They now hang at the front of every classroom as a reminder to the boys of the fact that Christ is at the centre of our lives. The very fact that this College is under the auspices of the Society of Jesuit speaks of this.

Ignatius always strove to remind the early Jesuits that every thing we do should always be motivated by our desire for God's glory. Towards this end, there are many places around the college where one can find the letters -A.M.D.G. These .come from the Latin words, Ad Maiorem Dei Gloriam, 'For the greater Glory of God.'

With all this in mind, on every white board in every classroom throughout the college a Blue transfer with the letters A.M.D.G. was fixed.

Also at the top of the stairs near the library a large framed calligraphy with the Latin and English was hung and highlighted as a constant reminder to the boys and staff.



Mr Bob Hanley with school archivist, Mrs Cathy Hobbs-Falkner

One important aspect in promoting our Mission, is connecting the boys to the heritage of the Jesuits and the College. To do this it was thought desirable to work closely with the College archivist and to utilize all the valuable heritage that have been accumulated over the years.



So accordingly, it became possible to produce a copy of all the aerial photographs of the college that have been taken over the years, beginning with 1922. These six photos were then mounted in the foyer of the Vaughan building. It is to be hoped that a photo for 2003 will be taken showing the new Therry extensions and that this can be added to the others.

The opportunity presented itself. to have a world map produced that gives the location of all Jesuit educational establishments. It is to be hoped that this will be printed and displayed at Reception for visitors to the College to see.

At the conclusion of Semester 1 a large photographic display was put up that endeavoured to show all the activities that the boys had been involved in during the year to date. These included the opening Mass of the Holy Spirit, the College swimming carnival, athletics, careers night, debating, school assemblies and various liturgies..

Many boys were pictured and much interest was shown in this display.

Mr Bob Hanley

In The Lord of the Rings, The Fellowship of the Ring Gandalf wishes to find out about the ring which Bilbo has passed down to Frodo. This meant going beyond living memory. The ring was made thousands of years ago and no one was alive who could tell Gandalf about its origins.

Gandalf therefore decides to visit the archives of his order. There is a scene in the movie where we see Gandalf pouring over the archives to learn about the ring. He then uses the knowledge he has gained from the archives to help him decide what to do with the ring.

In the same way as was portrayed in the Lord of the Rings the archival records and museum objects cared for by Riverview Archives help to make up the memory of the school. The archival records go back to a time when no-one from that time is alive to tell the story.

But they also document a time when people are still alive but maybe their memories are fading. The archives record the important and the everyday events which take place in the school. They give us a glimpse of the past, help us to understand the present and to shape our future.

This year the resources held by the archives have again been well used by students, staff and researchers including historians, genealogists, past students and members of the wider Riverview community.

During Term 2 all of year five participated in a history lesson in the museum. The students learnt about aspects of the college history.

In Term 3 of this year Chris Hayes' Year 9 History class visited the museum for an object analysis lesson which was held in the old classroom. The classroom includes a model of a student and Jesuit master and provides a glimpse of the College's former days.

Each student was given an object from the museum to describe and research by using resources in the senior library and the internet. As a result of their research the students will write and design exhibition labels which will be displayed with the objects in the museum.

History of the Riverview Estate

As the 28th of June this year marked the 125th anniversary of purchase of the Riverview Estate by Father Dalton on behalf of the Jesuits I thought it appropriate to write something about the grounds of Riverview and how they have changed over the years.

Although the Jesuits arrived at Riverview in 1880 the history of the site, including the name of Riverview goes back a lot further than that. In the early days of the British colony ancient forests of stringy bark, blue gum and turpentine dating back 500 years grew along the Lane Cove River.

It was from these forests that the colony constructed its buildings and wharves. As early as May 1788 the area had become home to a small band of timber-cutters. By the end of the 1700s small farms were appearing in the area as the European settlement grew.

The area was also quite heavily populated by Aborigines of the Cammeragal tribe. However, by 1835, not even 100 years after white settlement began, only a remnant of the Cammeragal tribe remained. By 1907 in an essay on the Aboriginal carvings on the Lane Cove River by John Plummer in the Alma Mater it was noted that the rock carvings 'are relics of an unknown past'.

The area remained remote, isolated and

year 5 visit the archives









photos by fr rob davoren sj

heavily wooded. As well as being occupied by squatters, farmers, boat builders and timber-getters Lane Cove had a dubious reputation and offered sanctuary or otherwise for those wishing to escape the notice of the police.

The estate passed through various owners and various names. It was first named St Ives by John Robey Hatfield who leased the property in 1839. When George Whitfield (a Sydney gunsmith) purchased the property in 1842.he built a two storey stone retreat which he named Ormeau View, after the Ormeau district in his native Belfast. Whitfield met a violent death at the hands of a fellow gunsmith in 1864 and in the following year Ormeau View was put up for sale.

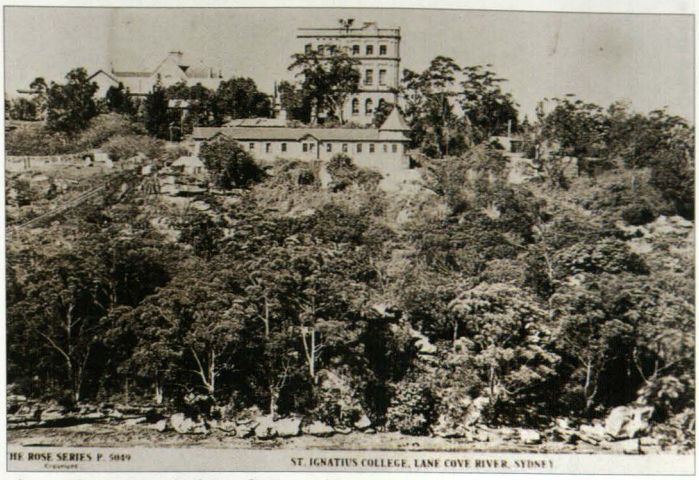
Advertisements dwelt upon the scenic location of the property, its view of Sydney Harbour in the distance, its orchard of about four acres, enclosed with a wall, and a fine open piece of land, containing about three acres known as the 'Pigeon Ground'. The purchaser was Manuel Francis Josephson, who renamed the estate, Riverview.

While the founder of the school in the real sense was Fr Joseph Dalton, the school does have two other founders. The first one being Archbishop Roger Bede Vaughan who invited the Jesuits to Sydney on condition that they found a boys boarding school and the second one being Fr J J Therry, who, on his death in 1864 left the greater part of his property to the Society of Jesus.

Archbishop Vaughan's gift of a large sum of money out of the sale of Lyndhurst, the old Benedictine College at Glebe, and the Jesuits sale of one of Father Therry's properties, Josephton, at what is now Avalon, provided much of the finance needed for establishing St Ignatius' College.



Vestments on display in the Archives
photo by Chris Fitzgerald



An early postcard of the College (late 1800s to early 1900s)

When the Riverview Estate was put up for sale Fr Joseph Dalton concluded arrangements for its purchase on 28 June 1878. Eighteen months later in December 1879 Fr Dalton was appointed foundation Rector of St Ignatius' College.

An advertisement was placed in the Catholic newspaper; The Express stating that boys aged between 8 and 12 would be received at Riverview 'as soon as possible after the Christmas holidays'. At the time of placing the advertisement Fr Dalton was certain of only himself as a member of staff.

Classes commenced in the cottage in February 1880, with the first pupils Arthur and Thomas Moore arriving on Thursday 12 February. By the 26 February 10 pupils had enrolled. In the first two years Fr Dalton, along with Fathers Gartlan and Ryan and one scholastic staffed the College.

The presence of Jesuits on the River alarmed many of the small farmers and orchardists in the area. The rigidly Protestant postmaster refused to deliver mail and telegrams to Riverview. Hearing this, the rector of All Saint's Anglican Church, Rev Philip Spry-Bailey stormed up to the post office and ordered that all communications for Riverview be delivered to the rectory.

Fr Keating, one of the early Jesuits, wrote of the arrangement, "Mr Bailey or his daughter blew a horn. They blew and blew till an answer was given on a similar instrument from the College to signify that the signal was heard, and that Dick could be sent over. It happened not infrequently in those days that a telegram spent a day or more at Mr Bailey's before crossing the river."

As the College grew it did not take long for Riverview Cottage to become cramped because it was used for sleeping accommodation, classrooms, chapel, refectory and quarters for Jesuits and employees. In order to provide better accommodation St Michael's House was built.

The building, designed by William Wardell to provide dormitories, playrooms and classrooms, was finished in the surprisingly short period of 5 months, being opened on the feast of Saint Michael, 29 September 1880. After several ad hoc changes of name the building was not formally named St Michael's House until centenary week in 1980 when it was rededicated.

Further building took place in 1882 with the construction of a wooden boatshed and in 1883 the original infirmary was built (now part of the Jesuit residence).

In its early years the College offered 'Classical and Modern Languages, History, Mathematics, the Natural Sciences and all other branches required for the Civil Service, the Junior, Senior and Matriculation Examinations.' It was advertised that the curriculum included a modern side – mercantile subjects.

By December 1882, with an enrolment of only 70 students the curriculum had been extended to include English Composition, Writing, Music, Singing, Drawing, Painting, Irish History and Oral Latin.

Lessons were taught six days a week. The day began at 6.15 am, with prayers, Mass and study before breakfast at 8.30 am and concluded with night prayers at 8.30pm. On Sundays and holidays the boys were allowed to sleep in until 6.30am.

The main building of the College was constructed in three stages from 1885 to 1930. As originally designed by Gilbert, Dennihey and Tappin, of Ballarat, the building was to be a huge square, representing four identical fronts, but only the South front was completed according to plan.

Cathy Hobbs-Faulkner
College Archivist

Student	Family affiliaton	Brother	Father	Grandfather	Grt-grandfather	Uncle	Grand-uncle	Grt Grnd-uncle
Anderson, Toby Milham	1971	Thomas Mark Yr 10	Anthony (1971-76)					
Auswild, James Ronald	1969		James Ronald (1969-74)					
Beaumont, John-Paul	1951		Paul Ernest (1957-60)			John Nicholas BEAUMONT (1951-54)		
Braund, Julian Henry	1890	Richard Thomas Yr10 Andrew Ranald yr grp 2000		Andrew Lenehan (1927-33)	Andrew J LENEHAN (1896-02) Arthur MAKINSON (1890-98)			
Brooks-Garrett, Travis John	1971		Anthony Kenneth BROOKS (1971-76)					
Bryant, Benjamin John	1903		John David (1970-75)	John James (1946-49)	Cyprian (1903-13)			
Corcoran, Timothy David	1908	Andrew James yr group 2001	David Anthony (1968-73)	James A (1944-45)	James R (1908-12)			
Cullen, Thomas Bernard	1961	Andrew Morshead Level 9 Alexander Thomas, yr group 1998	Thomas Bernard (1961-65)					
Curtis Oliver Peter	1938		Nicholas Anthony	Peter J C (1938-47)				
Cuschiere, Dominic Ignatius	1960	Nicholas yr group 1991 Jonas yr group 1996 Samuel David yr group 1997	Charles William (1960-65)					
Delaney, Michael James	1903	John David yr group 1999	David Francis (1964-69)	John PAYTEN (1937-38)	Leo PAYTEN (1903-06)			
Farrell, Edward Douglas	1974	Thomas Peter level 12 & David J yr group 1996				Ronald D ROSS (1974-77)		
Farrell, Robert Samuel	1890		Robert Michael (1966-71)	Robert Huxtable (1932-36)	Michael Thomas (1890-95)	Christopher GORMAN (1996-71)	Raleigh SMITH (1942-46) Michael LENNON 1947-51	
Farrell, Thomas Peter	1974	Edward Douglas level 12 & David J yr group 1996				Ronald D ROSS (1974-77)		
Ferguson, James Stirling	1956		Geoffrey Charles (1956-61)					
Fisher, David Francis	1950	Luke Sheridan level 10 Isaac Bremner yr group 2000 Jacob Roach yr group 2006	Michael James (1950-54)					
Fleming, Justin Archibold John	1964		Justin T (1964-70)					
Flynn, Thomas Constantine	1974	Matthew James level 10 Peter Stephen yr group 2001	Stephen Paul (1974-75)					
Ford, Andrew Michael	1960	Lachlan J yr group 1994 John L yr group 1997 Patrick Samuel yr group 2000 Joseph Walter yr group 2001	Michael James (1960-65)					
Grant, Nathan Scott Campbell	1944	Christian Edward level 9				John Berry GRANT (1944-46)		
Harpham, John Neville	1957	James David yr group 1998	Neville Douglas (1957-61)					
Harrington, Timothy John	1957	William Robert yr group 2001	Robert Ian (1968-72)					

Student	Family Affiliation	Brother	Father	Grandfather	Grt grandfather	Uncle	Grnd Uncle	Grt grnd Uncle
Hartman, John Joseph	1959	Luke yr group 1993 Alexander James yr grp 1998 Edward John yr grp 1999	Keith George (1959-63)					
Kennedy, Hugh Thomas	1935	William David level 10 Michael James level 8 Edward Alexander yr grp 2002	Thomas Keirin (1965-71)	Edward Lawson (1935-40)				
King, Edward Richard	1939	Stuart Michael yr grp 2002	Michael Richard (1965-69)	Richard Winton (1939-42)				
Lenehan, William Patrick	1945	Joseph Gordon level 7	William Patrick (1970-74)	William Patrick (1945-48)				
McKay, Angus Paul	1908	Jacob Andrew level 10 Luke M yr grp 2002	Paul Beverley (1971-76)	Michael Cox (1945-50)	John Beverley (1908-10)			
McKeon, John Patrick	1920	Richard John Level 9		John Joseph (1920-22)				John Joseph McKEON (1920-22)
McLean, Michael Lachlan	1961	Ben Alexander level 10	Donald Alexander (1961-67)					
Malouf, Marc Phillip	1973	Jarryd Anthony level 10	Frederick P (1973-78)					
Manion, Thomas Newman	1915		Newman Gerard (1967-72)	Andrew MEAGHER (1942-48)	Michael MEAGHER (1915-21)	Anthony John MEAGHER (1966-71)		
Mann, Jack Keenan	1963		John William (1963-68)					
Meagher, Jack William	1915	Toby Edward Level 8 Patrick Alexander Yr grp 2001	William Patrick (1968-75)	Andrew Michael (1942-48) James L'ESTRANGE (1938)	Michael Gerard MEAGHER (1915-21)			
Miles, Matthew William	1969	Alexander Murray level 10	Peter Cameron (1969-74)					
Montgomery, Samuel Angus	1888	Tod Peter Level 10	Robert Egan (1970-71;73)			James Owen FAHEY (1965-70)	John Francis EGAN (1934-37)	Herbert EGAN (1888-92)
Natoli, Joseph Gennaro	1983					Pierre ABIGNANO (1983-88)		
O'Brien, Jack Patrick	1922	Charles Paul yr group 2002	Paul Anthony (1959-64)			Peter John DELANEY (1959-63)	Lachlan USSHER (1922-26) Kevin FAGAN (1923-26)	
O'Brien, Michael Richard	1955	Matthew J yr group 1989 & James A yr group 1998	James Francis (1955-61)					
O'Connell, James Patrick	1901				Basil BRYANT (1901-09)		George BRYANT (1936-38)	
O'Connor William Justin (RIP)			Peter Michael (1969-1973)	William CAPE (1944-51)		Richard CAPE (1971-74)		
O'Halloran, Patrick Charles	1905	Timothy S 1993 Andrew D 1994 Christopher G 1997 David Thomas 2000	Stephen Joseph (1962-64)	Robert Emmett (1932-36)	Robert Emmett (1905-08)			
Passmore, Charles Francis	1923	James Douglas yr grp 1998 & Hugh Allan yr group 2002		Kevin FAGAN (1923-26)			Richard JULIAN (1925-29)	
Prichard, Thomas Robert	1980					Andrew Arvan PRICHARD		

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Quigley, Mitchell Stephen	1934		Stephen Kevin (1971-74)	John Leslie (1934-35)	(1980-82)			
Roche, Michael Bede	1952	John D yr group 1992 & William J yr group 1993 Paul yr group 1996	Bede John (1952-57)					
St John, Michael Joseph	1893	Mark David Francis level 10		David LONERAGAN (1937-42)	Francis LONERAGAN (1893-96)			
Shepherd, Henry James	1962	Samuel A yr grp 1991 Benjamin W yr grp 1993 Timothy M yr group 1996 Edward Robert yr grp 2000	Michael Henry (1962-68)					
Skuthorp, George Philip	1927	James Thomas yr group 2000	Philip Lamrock (1963-68)	William John (1927-29)				
Sutherland, Michael Alexander	1959	Jeremy yr grp 1992 Neal yr grp 1995 Michael HUGILL yr grp 1997 Philip Andrew yr grp 1998 David Kenneth yr grp 2000	David Paul (1959-65)					
Tait, Patrick Elias	1903	William Paul level 6 Toby Rene yr grp 2001	Paul Rene (1966-71)					Rene UNGER (1903-07)
van Beek, Thomas Herman	1968	Peter Harris yr grp 2000				Paul Anthony CONNELLEY (1968-74)		
Walsh, Andrew Patrick Gerard	1909						H BROWNING (1939-44)	A MEAGHER (1909-10;14-16) M GOONREY (1912)
Watson, Samuel Francis	1964		Peter Francis (1964-69)					
Wells, Andrew Simon	1903	Liam Alexander Wykeham level 10	Simon Andrew (1966-72)		Cyprian BRYANT 1903-13)		Peter BRYANT (1946-49)	
Williams, Sean Robert March	1967	Benjamin Harold March level 9	Stephen John (1967-72)					
Windsor, Harry Charles	1904		Gerard Charles (1955-62)		Charles BURFITT (1904-07)		Charles BURFITT (1934-40)	
Wright, David Alexander	1962	Matthew Thomas yr grp 2001	William John (1962-66)					

NB The eldest uncle is only listed: uncles who are brothers of Old Ignatian forebears are not listed



The school leaders for 2004, back row, Joel Stillone, Michael Lowe, Matthieson Hor, Michael Boyle, Xavier Hancock, Michael Ryan, James Riordan, Hugh Cashmore, William Marsh
Seated, Byron Fay, Nicholas Jones, Nicholas Baulderstone, Michael Zucker, Jeremy Chapman, Oscar Peppitt



Michael Boyle presents a cheque to Royal North Shore Hospital - funds raised by senior boarders through a car wash and sausage sizzle



James Dwyer, William Hosie, Nicholas Janu and Luke Latter - gold awards for application to studies



Cheikh Kone tells his story at a College Assembly



GPS players Paul Chidrawi, Luke Scifleet, Mitchell Cook and Ashley Radford-Sutton celebrate at the Tennis dinner.



Year 9 students take part in costume design construction at NIDA during their City Bush Experience



2004 Year 11 monitors (and a couple of friends).

term IV

Term IV, 2003, began quietly after the frenetic end to the previous term. The first day back saw the College staff reflecting on the theme: Teaching for Life, Touching Hearts, with a wonderful presentation by Fr Andrew Bullen SJ where we were all given the opportunity to let our imaginations soar.

The new Student Representative Council met with Linda Bryan to formulate goals for the year with our new College Captains, Matthieson Hor, William Marsh and Michael Boyle. Meantime the new House Captains were already showing their peers their many talents at House Meetings and in Tutor Groups.

Much talent was also shown by the Year 8s who took part in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, which played to a packed O'Kelly Theatre.

Summer sports and other activities were underway in the first weeks of Term IV, with the Co-Curriculum awards assembly for winter sports providing an incentive for students to continue to give their all.

Year 12 returned in week 2 to begin their HSC examinations and Year 11 moved up into their HSC courses. The College Assembly in week 3 saw applause for the many students who achieved gold awards for excellent application in class. Meantime, the Year 10 students began their School Certificate, followed by a week of Ignatian Service.

About this time, the Year 9 students commenced their three-week City Bush Experience - a thoroughly enjoyable learning experience for all concerned. The Year 8s also had a great time in their Men@Work programme as did the Year 11s who were involved in the play Loves Labours Lost.

The last week saw all students back in class, still interested in learning while preparing for the big finale – Speech Day, on the last day of term.



College leaders 2003/4, Michael Boyle (Captain of Boarders), Matthieson Hor (College Captain), William Marsh (Captain of Day Boys)



SRC: back row row, Alex Smith, Laurie Byrne, Ed Fernon, Linda Bryan, James Sheehan, Shane Hogan (Headmaster), Michael Everest, Andy Bullen SJ (Rector), Will Marsh, Michael Boyle
Seated, Matthieson Hor, David L'Estrange, Andrew Giannasca, Patrick Effeney, Robert Hogan. Absent: Joe Payten, Con Costi



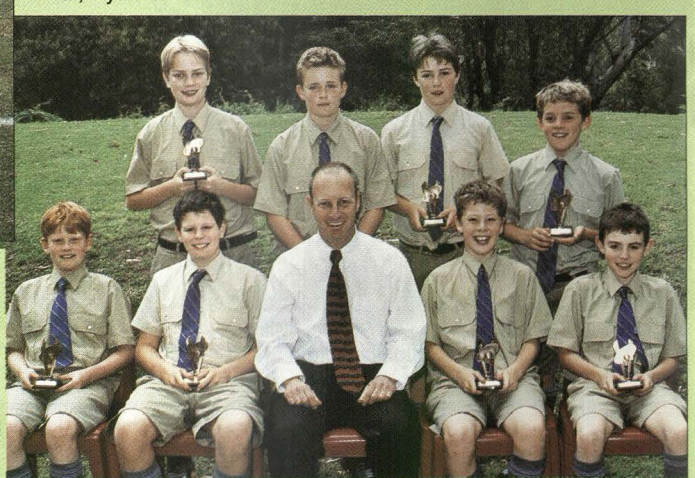
Junior cricketers get some sound advice from the experts, back row, from left, Allan Border (former Test captain), Will Dempsey, Sam Cox, Andy Bichel (current Test player), Will Flitcroft, Lewellyn Cross.
Front row, Harry Chapman, James Campbell, Henry Cook, Gordon MacArthur, William Tait, Riley Morgan, Alex Still



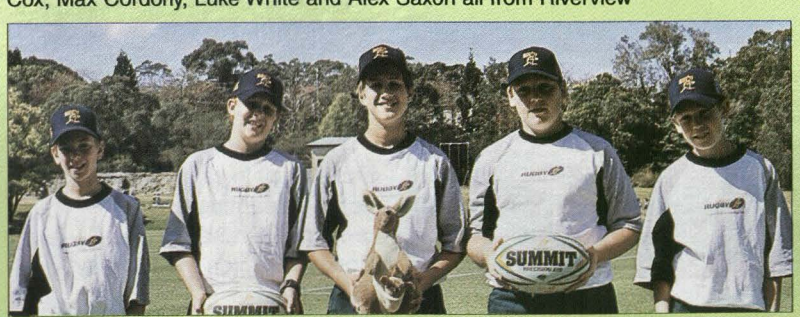
Found in Term IV: the photo of the 15C Rugby team: Back row, Richard Walsh, Michael McDermott, Robert Helstern, Geoff Ternes, Chris Rolleston, Mat Benjamin, Brendan Hay, Henry Meagher, Anton Harris (Coach): Front: Murray Hansen, Oliver Woolrych, William Mahony, James Daldorf, Tim Clifford, Stuart Robertson, Matthew Millar, Ryan Siviour



The College hosted the first Schoolboy Rugby test Match between Australia and Fij as part of a week of Rugby which took place at the College during the first week of the Term 3 school holidays. The Test Match took place on Tuesday, October 31st on a sunny Riverview afternoon. About 3,000 people watched as Fiji put up a spirited fight taking the early lead. Many of Sydney's Fijian community had come along to watch their side and the Fijians were ahead 12-7 at the main break. A great comeback by Australia in the second stanza, with pressure applied by Australia the Fijians conceded an unconverted try. The score remained 12 all until the last minute when after more pressure Australia scored a third try. The after match function hosted by Fr Andy Bullen was held in Therry Hall. The Fijians finished with some wonderful gospel singing. Later that week the final of the Australian under 16s Championship was held with NSW defeating Queensland 3-0 in a tryless match Photo above shows the Australian School Rugby side: below: David Budd (Newington), Sam Cox, Max Cordony, Luke White and Alex Saxon all from Riverview



Nine boys were selected from the Regis Campus to represent the College at the Primary Schools Annual Basketball Championships which were held at Bankstown Stadium on Thursday, October 16. The boys competed in the A Division, against various primary school teams from all around Sydney. The boys played well using a trapping defence that led to many fast break opportunities. They had wins against The Razorbacks, St Michael's and the previously undefeated Picnic Point. Their only defeat was a narrow loss to Hills Grammar. At the end of the preliminary round Riverview was top of the pool in Division A. Tournament organisers could not decide who should play Riverview in the final and as a result Riverview was awarded joint victory in the Championships, an excellent result considering that 5 of the players were chosen from Year 5.
Photo shows, back row, Tim Pascoe, Matt Robinson, Ed Davidson, David Cain; Front: Patrick Lane, Simon Parsons, Peter Rizzardini, Alex Martinez, Michael Golding. Absent: Liam Prosser



As the long road of Year 8 draws to a conclusion, we begin to reflect on the 12 months behind us. We've definitely had our ups and downs, but overall as a whole year group and as individuals we have come a long way.

It's hard to believe it was only 9 months ago that we stepped away from the comforting grounds of the Regis Campus and made our way to the scarily large senior campus. While at first the Year 8 homeroom teachers seemed like an old grumpy lot, we soon found that under their frightening appearances (especially that of Mr. Trovato) they were a sweet, caring bunch.

The bonding between teachers and students was greatly quickened by the Year 8 camp experience. The camp was divided into three different parts: surf school, boarding experience and Somerset outdoor camp.

Somerset was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Despite the fact that for half of the camp our skin was being ripped apart by giant killer red ants, the outdoor experience offered us many memorable moments. Of these, the events of absailing, high ropes, archery, and the 8km bushwalk (with double the ants) remained most in our memory.

The night where we all briefly became boarders also was a highlight. For those of us who aren't borders we got to see what really goes on in the boarding house, but we won't go into that here!

Of the three activities, surf school at Manly Beach has to be the highlight. This invaluable day at Manly not only gave us time to pick up a tan at the beach, but learn how to surf as well. Topped off with a classical Manly courtyard lunch and we had had the perfect day.



Mr Sab Trovato with Year 8 students, Oliver Oxenham, Jason Meek, John Took, James O'Brien, Mallory Barnes, Michael King, Patrick O'Neill

The annual inter-homeroom touch footy competition was another historical event of the past year. As expected the mighty teams of Mr Trovato and Mr Moar cruised to the top of the ladder by the end of the round robin. In the final the favourites Homeroom, 8-6 was upset by the unfancied Homeroom 8-3. Congratulations to Ms Phelan and the boys.

While Year 8 seemed like a fun year, it was also challenging for all boys. Through coming over to the senior school, we've been introduced to a more independent environment. We have also taken part in a number of days which have helped us grow as individuals.

Our reflection day was based on getting in touch with our inner thoughts and planning ahead for the rest of the year. This time enabled us to take a step back, think about the person we want to become and how we treat those who are so close to us. St Ignatius Day similarly focused on making boys aware of others in our community. On this day we all went out and completed community service which brought us closer to those less fortunate than us.

So, when we do sit back and reflect on the year behind us, one common thought comes to mind. What a year, guys. Let's just hope the path in front of us is just as good.

Andrew Thomas 8-6, Joe Machart 8-5

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

The Year 8 production Charlie and the Chocolate Factory was a delicious adventure into the marvellous imagination of Roald Dahl. Mr Mark Egger led the cast of 32 Year 8 boys on a busy, obstacle strewn path to O'Kelly glory in presenting Richard George's adaption of this story.

The director had no idea that his wife would be due to give birth during the middle of the rehearsal period, nor the moral dilemma encountered by boys wearing dresses or the difficulties for the boys performing two weeks out from exams.

Notable performances included the German antics of Augustus Gloop, brought to life by Ben Diserens and his annoying mother played by Nick Baistow. This double act entertained the crowd with clever improvisation and an amazing grasp of the German accent.

Willy Wonka (Joseph Payten), Charlie (Rhys Pogonoski) and Grandpa Joe (Toby Meagher) astounded the audience with their superb performances on both nights. The lucky ticket holders were portrayed realistically by Con Costi, Andrew Thomas and Gabriel Navidzadeh.



However they could not have travelled through Wonka Land without their parents played by James O'Brien, Luke Tsolakides, Andrew Fraser and Tim Murray. The many Oompah Loompas, the Bucket family and narrator (John McNicholl) brought the show together and the backstage crew allowed both nights to run smoothly.

It was a memorable experience for all involved and we would like to thank Mr Egger for his meticulous work as director and Mrs Lang for her fabulous costume design. All the Year 8 students thoroughly enjoyed the play and it was agreed that our hard work definitely paid off on the night of each performance. And those boys in dresses … they were brilliant!

Toby Meagher

Fr Geoffrey James
Teacher, pastor; born Melbourne, Victoria, 8 March, 1943; died Melbourne, 24 August, 2003, aged 60

Geoffrey James was educated at Xavier College, Melbourne, and was one of 22 who entered the novitiate at Loyola College, Watsonia in 1961. Only four remained in the Society from that year after his death.

Besides the usual ecclesiastical studies, James studied for an Arts degree at Monash University, and was assigned to regency at Kotska Hall, Brighton and St Aloysius College, Milsons Point. With his lively personality and great gift of friendship, James made life- long friends during these years.

Except for tertianship in 1976, he worked at Xavier College as a teacher, especially of religious education, from 1975-1981. This was followed, 1982-5, at St Ignatius' College Riverview, where he was a strong advocate of justice education, and involved students in service to the poor.

During the years, 1980-85, he was also province vocations promoter and was instrumental in organising Christian Living camps and reflective Ignatian retreats for students of Jesuit and local diocesan schools. As a preacher or lecturer on spiritual or social issues, he spoke from the heart and the passion for his subject was well communicated to his audience.

James had a sabbatical during 1986, where he was at various time rector of Xavier College and student at the Jesuit Theological College, Parkville.

He began a new ministry at the Victorian diocesan seminary, Corpus Christi College, Clayton, as spiritual advisor to the students, 1987-91. With a dynamic team of professors and spiritual advisors, James, with his openness to new ideas of formation and ministry following Vatican II, was well received by both staff and students.

Fresh from this experience, he was appointed rector of Campion College, Kew, the house of studies for scholastics studying at the university in 1992. But with the reorganisation of the formation process and declining numbers, the scholastics from Campion were sent to live at the Jesuit Theological College, and James became the pastoral advisor at the theologate, 1993-95. He was also chaplain to the students at Xavier College, Burke Hall.

In 1996, he began parish ministry, first as acting superior and parish priest at Norwood, South Australia, 1996, and then, 1997-2003, parish priest at the Immaculate Conception parish, Hawthorn, Victoria. He was also chaplain at St Kevin's school, Toorak.

James was one of the most human and highly respected priests of the province. He was completely at ease with people, never standing on dignity, and relating well to people. He was a wonderful companion with a sparkling personality. As a great source of fun, yet sensitive to the feelings of others, he could uplift any drooping spirits.

In conversation, he reflected well upon life, and engaged people at their own level. His freedom of spirit meant that at times he could be outrageous in dress and opinion especially with those he believed deserved to be shocked, as in his stated belief that Ned Kelly was a saint.

However, he could also be very conservative in matters liturgical and with other ecclesiastical legalities, when he believed it necessary. He was a great promoter of the cause of Blessed Mary MacKillop.

He was a most pastoral priest, with great gifts of love and empathy. He counselled many people, including women religious. He showed special talent for the bereaved and hurt, and was always ready to console anyone he knew to be in need, even if that meant travelling great distances. His funerals were occasions of much comfort. Complicated marriages were also handled with much compassion and understanding.

Just before his death, he reflected upon the state of the province by observing that he believed the students in Jesuit schools were enriched by their social service programmes. But, a constant theme in his life, he believed that Jesuits needed to touch in a more significant way the spirituality of the affluent in Australian society.

He appreciated those Jesuits who were articulate with the media, believing they were making a credible impact on middle Australia. He asked the question, what does it mean to be thinking with the Church, when so many have the option of leaving the Church?

He perceived a new spirituality and religious observance in occasions such as Anzac Day. Such a reflection was typical of James, always seeking better ways to promote the Kingdom of God.

His death occurred suddenly from heart failure following a few days of pneumonia. He was greatly mourned.

Fr David Strong SJ

speech day 2003 - report by the headmaster

Our special guest of honour Mrs Nina Riemer, Mr Neville Harpham, Chairman of College Council, Father Rector, Jesuit Fathers, Council members, Staff and parents, young men of Riverview.

125 years ago, on June 28, 1878, Fr Joseph Dalton SJ purchased the Riverview estate on behalf of the Society of Jesus.

Eighteen months later, Fr Dalton was appointed Foundation Rector of Saint Ignatius' College and on February 12, 1880, the first two pupils arrived at the College.

Looking back through old Alma Maters, it is easy to see how 1878 was a significant year in the history of Jesuit education in Australia.

Yet, in another 100 years from now, a person reading this edition of the Alma Mater would have to agree that 2003 was also quite a significant year for reasons quite different, but nevertheless, just as remarkable.

123 years ago when classes began at the school, the student population was 10; today, in 2003 the student population reached its maximum – 1528 – an increase of more than 200 on last year's numbers.

In 1879, there was just one cottage at Riverview to accommodate the students and the Jesuits. It served as a classroom as well as a dormitory, chapel and refectory.

In 2003, we opened the ONeil Science wing with 12 new laboratories, the Therry Campus with 18 new classrooms and offices, the Regis Campus with 3 additional Year 5 classes and 2 Year 6 classes, bringing the total number of classrooms at the College to more than 150.

For the past 123 years boarders have slept in buildings facing the main quadrangle – initially in the Riverview cottage and later in the Main Building that stands opposite the Chapel. In 2003 the last of the boarders, the Year 8s, moved out of the Main Building across to the Regis Campus – marking the end of an era for our boarders at Riverview.

These changes have seen our boarding numbers increase to the point that next year the demand for boarding places in all years is at a record high. This is partly due to the improved facilities but also due to the boarding staff who give so much time and care to the boys.

Historically speaking, 2003 will also be remembered as the year in which we were the first GPS school ever to win the Rugby, Debating and Soccer GPS 1st premierships in the same year. In 2003 we also won the GPS Senior and Junior Athletic Championships, while our GPS Under 16, Cross Country, 2nds Tennis and 4th IV, 3rd IV and 2nd IV, as well as the GPS swimming team all won premierships.

Add to these, those GPS teams who were runners up; the many teams who finished the season undefeated, our two World Champions in Rowing and Debating, and an incredible 4x3 pointers in a 16A Basketball game last week in the last 50 seconds by Malcolm Lynch to win the game against Joey's, and 2003 can undoubtedly be called a legendary year.

And while we excelled in sport and other co-curriculum activities throughout 2003, we also 'dared to do our best' in the performing and visual arts.

Many achievements have filled 2003 for the Visual Arts/Media Studies Department. This is because the main focus of the department is that of extending all students past what they believe to be their highest level of creative and academic achievement. The Visual Arts/Media Studies Department encourages all students to do better than their personal best.

The success of the programming and teaching of the Visual Arts/Media Studies Department is demonstrated by the number of works that are selected each year for inclusion in the prestigious ARTEXPRESS. ARTEXPRESS is an annual, statewide Visual Arts exhibition.

The selection process for this exhibition is extremely rigorous. Each year ARTEXPRESS showcases the best of the HSC bodies of work. This exhibition is held at the Art Gallery of NSW and the College Of Fine Arts, University of NSW. Selection of an artwork for this exhibition indicates that a student is deemed to be working at the highest possible level in Visual Arts.

Last year seven of our 29 bodies of work produced for the 2002 HSC Visual Arts Examination were deemed to be of ARTEXPRESS standard and were retained for possible inclusion in the exhibition. The body of work by Michael Gregg entitled Sanguineous–Self Portrait, was eventually exhibited in 2002 ARTEXPRESS at The College Of Fine Arts, University Of NSW.

This year we have produced even better results. Nine of our 2003 HSC bodies of work were retained for possible inclusion in the prominent ARTEXPRESS exhibition. As 24 students studied HSC Visual Arts, the number of works selected for inclusion in ARTEXPRESS represents over one third of our total HSC candidature.

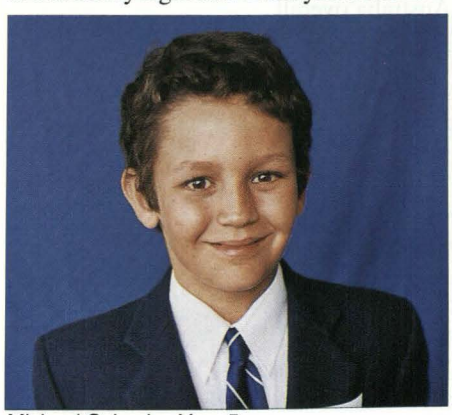
An example of academic extension that is offered to the Visual Arts students is the annual Year 11Visual Arts Field Study. Each year students participate in watercolour workshops taught by Stephen Thomas. Stephen, who travels from Hong Kong to give these master classes, was awarded the prestigious 2002 Saint Ignatius' College Dr Ann Clark Fellowship. In addition, other experts teach the boys. during the field trip workshops.

Exhibitions held throughout the year showcase the talent of our Visual Arts students. The exhibitions of 2003 included: the HSC Bodies Of Work Exhibition, exhibitions held in the Wallace Wing Senior Campus Visual Arts Gallery, and exhibitions of the Therry and Regis Campuses. The 2003 displays of works evidenced a very sophisticated standard of which the College is very proud.

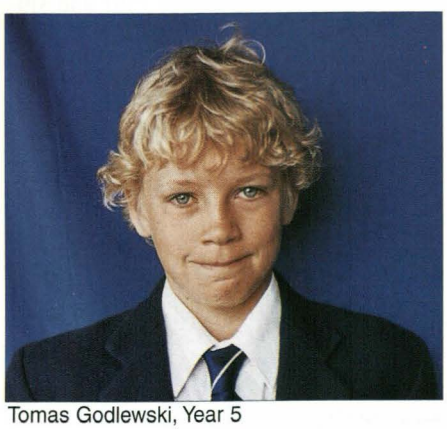
2003 was a year of significant change for Media Studies students at the College.



Jonathan Roel, Year 5



Michael Salvador, Year 5



Tomas Godlewski, Year 5



Thomas Murphy, Year 6



Thomas Pascoe, Year 6



Max Cordony, Year 6

This involved the physical relocation of the Media Studies centre from the bottom floor of the Wallace Wing, to the central floor of that same building. This move enabled Media Studies to be much closer to the Visual Arts classrooms and studios.

Additionally, the Photography darkroom had a major overhaul. Renovations have created darkroom facilities that are of a high professional standard and which will promote the achievement of excellent results.

Students and staff in Visual Arts and Media Studies are looking forward to 2004 when it's anticipated that the renovation of the middle floor of the Wallace Wing to accommodate new audio studios and other sound/editing rooms, will be completed. This, along with the purchase of new equipment, especially digital still cameras and more sophisticated editing units, will make the study of the Media Studies even more exciting and rewarding than it already is.

Congratulations to Ms Julie Stevens and her team.

Over recent years, Riverview has maintained a vigorous program of Co-curriculum Music and Drama activities and 2003 was no different. There have been many memorable performances by individuals including, Pascal Herington, Harry Windsor, Andrew Cutcliffe, that have left an indelible mark.

I would like to also acknowledge the level of commitment of all staff and students who took part in productions this year. In particular we applaud year 12 student, Matthew McDonald, who has been selected to perform his HSC Music performance at the Opera House early next year.

The introduction of Speech and Drama into Years 5 and 6 as both a classroom subject and as private tuition has had an immediate impact. The production of Wind in the Willow was excellent and a credit to boys and staff.

The brochure, Riverview on Stage ,2003 identified a vast number of major College dramatic productions. Performances have been of a high quality and well attended, with productions as varied as West Side Story, Murdering Ministers, The Outsiders and Riverview in Concert. Indeed, every year group at the College had the opportunity to take part in live theatre in 2003.

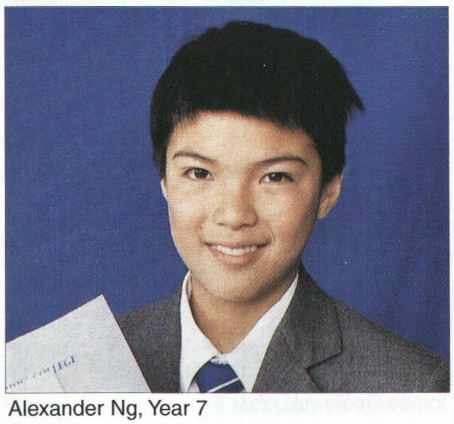
In contrast to these very these 'public performances', 2003 also saw many 'quiet achievements' – students who excelled in the classroom and those who achieved success in national Maths and Science competitions. Damian Barlow, for instance, came third in the National Australian Geography Competition, while 44 other students achieved High Distinctions, 43 distinctions and another 17 students achieved credits. The combined efforts of all the boys who participated saw Riverview placed 9th in Australia overall.

In Craig Jeffrey's Year 9 Technics class students are currently producing rocking horses that will be given away to local pre-schools (or pre-schools that the boys themselves attended) as Christmas presents from the College, thus combining our Community Service programme with the classroom and with the individual students skills.

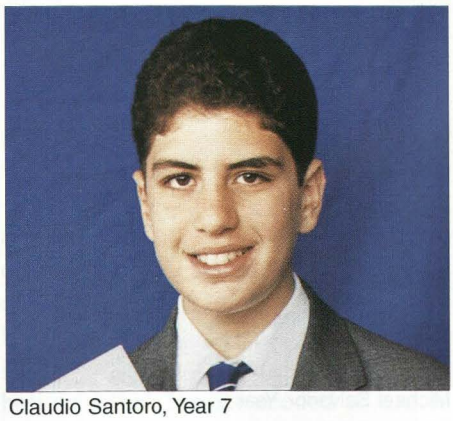
2003 was also the year in which other 'quiet achievers' found their voice. Thanks to initiatives by school captains Tom van Beek, Justin Fleming and Sean Williams, people such as Josh Rowlison, Ryan Macalyk and Mr Don Gock, told their stories — in public – at College Assemblies – and so many of us were so grateful that they did.

In a different but equally important arena, some 1000 students from Years 7-11 quietly gave of their time and their talent in Ignatian Service where the lines from the prayer of St Ignatius, 'teach me to serve you as you deserve', became a lived reality for so many of them.

2003 was a significant year for three of our Old Boys: Fr Mark Raper SJ (OR 55-60) began his first year as Provincial of the Society of Jesus; Fr Jeremy Clarke SJ (OR 82-87)began his first year as an ordained priest (he also celebrated the first school Mass for 2003, the Mass of the Holy Spirit) and for Fr Steve Curtin SJ (OR 68-74)it was another successful Indian Bazaar when a record $160,000 was raised for Jesuit Overseas Missions.



Alexander Ng, Year 7



Claudio Santoro, Year 7



Gregory MacKen, Year 7

Helping out at the Bazaar were many of our students who this year also raised several thousand dollars for several charities both at home and abroad through various House and Year group activities.

This generosity of spirit among our students was also seen in the numbers attending the voluntary student Masses during 2003. Invariably up to 800 students attended these Masses which, for the most part, were organised by senior students with the assistance of members of the Ignatian Centre.

It was not only the students, but also the entire College Community who were exceedingly generous throughout 2003. With the introduction of so many additional students, teachers and families one of the main tasks this year was to firstly welcome and then introduce our new members to the Riverview community and our Ignatian ways.

The Parents and Friends, OIU, Development Office, Ignatian Centre and current teachers and students have been wonderful role models and hosts. Openings of buildings, cocktail parties, sporting events and any other gathering have been done with warmth and true Ignatian hospitality.

While there were many happy occasions experienced during 2003, there was also a tragedy that few if any of us will ever forget. The deaths of Sam Turner and Billy O'Connor on the 12th April devastated our community, yet their funerals in Yass and Harden have bonded us for life. The strength and character of our College were tested and found to be solid as we mourned our loss and then moved forward knowing that we had been touched by two wonderful young men who will continue to travel on our journey with us.

In recent years, there has been a changed emphasis in the testing of students at the Higher School Certificate and in other public exams. There are now greater rewards for those who are more widely read and who can express themselves in more literary terms and with greater imaginative expression. This approach does not always benefit male students.

And so, this year at Riverview we have undertaken the task of better preparing our students to cope in this new learning environment. Through the testing and profiling of each individual student, we will be able to better offer individual assistance to each individual learner. By placing an increased emphasis on reading and developing public speaking skills and vocabulary we will better equip our students to express their ideas; and by encouraging the practice and development of writing skills we will help each and every student to achieve to his potential.

So much has been done this year and yet there is still so much more to achieve. 2003 has been an amazing year but we must not rest on our laurels. The desire and need to ensure that every student achieves his academic potential are critical goals.

We need to develop more respect for our academic achievers by creating a vibrant learning environment where high achievement in the classroom is given the same status as on the playing field, stage and at the lectern. This and other major issues for the future will be the focus of our Futures Program as it moves into its second phase with a series of open forums early in Term I.

At this point, I must pause and take time to thank so many significant people for their contributions this year.

To the wonderful staff who sit behind me but are always way out in front in making this school a happy, spirit filled, learning environment, and particularly to the many new staff this year, thank you. We as parents are very much aware of the endless hours you spend away from your families for camps, retreats, sporting tours and other programs and on behalf of all parents, thank you for the time you give our sons. Grounds, views and facilities account for little, what really makes a difference in your son's life, is the quality his teacher, and we are very proud of our teaching staff.

To those staff leaving us this year, thank you for your friendship and vocation, we wish you well and hope you remember Riverview fondly.

Thank you to Fr Bruce and the Jesuit Community. You are why we are here and it is in your faith and proud tradition that we are being formed.

To the College Support Staff in their many and varying roles, thank you. You suitably spoil the students and staff and we are eternally grateful for all you do. Thank you in particular to Judith Little for keeping me connected with all of you.

To the College Directors in particular thank you. It is your work, and the passionate way you go about your work that make me look good, so don't stop now. Your friendship and professionalism have been very important to me in times of great need this year.

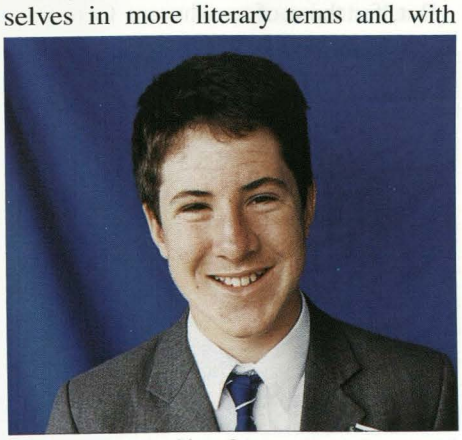
To Neville and Donna Harpham, thank you for your support, particularly to my family and myself over the past 12 months. Neville: the College is truly appreciative of your leadership, energy and the endless hours you have to share with us.

To Andy, Father Rector, thank you for being the person you are. You have moved into a new role and taken it by storm. Your love of God, life and all things of an artistic nature gives the College another wonderful model of leadership and Jesuitical individuality.

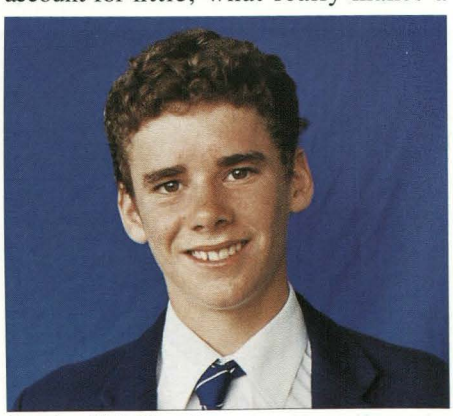
My family has been a great source of strength this year. Every bump on the Riverview road has been felt in some way by every one in the Hogan house. To Catherine, Erin, Dominic and Liam, thank you for your patience and understanding.

Finally, the reason we are all here today is for you, the students. It is you who have made this a great year : the happy faces in the morning; the friendly greetings after a long hot day; the gestures of thanks after a game, excursion or retreat; the sense of achievement when you pass a test for the first time or score full marks; the sharing of tears and laughter; the breaking of bread and the sharing of a prayer. Thank you to each and every one of you for making 2003 such a memorable year.

Mr Shane Hogan
5 December, 2003



Michael Murphy, Year 8



Damian Mair, Year 8

speech day 2003 - guest of honour Mrs Nina Riemer

May I first of all say that my 10 years on the Council have been a wonderfully stimulating, interesting and challenging time. I will always be grateful for having had the privilege, and it has certainly been a privilege, of being so closely associated with the college.

And may I also take this opportunity to say that it's very gratifying to have been part of the Council which recommended the appointment of Mr Shane Hogan as the college's first Lay Head. We chose well.

The 'Universal Declaration of Human Rights' was proclaimed at the General Assembly of the United Nations almost exactly 55 years ago, on 10th December, 1948. The Declaration is a marvellous document, one of the great achievements of the 20th century. It is a document of hope. And right at the beginning it indicates the crucial role of education .



Mrs Nina Riemer accepts a gift of flowers from Alexander Hawtin, Year 5. Photos Chris Fitzgerald

'Now therefore,' the document states, 'the General Assembly proclaims this universal declaration of human rights as a common standard for all peoples and all nations, to the end that every individual and every organ of society ... shall strive by teaching and education to promote respect for these rights and freedoms.'

The rights and freedoms are described in the 30 articles or clauses of the declaration and they are, broadly, the right to freedom of speech and freedom of belief, the right to freedom from fear and freedom from want. But that opening paragraph places the responsibility for promoting human rights on each individual, on each one of us, and it emphasises a key role for education..

This College states that its mission is 'to develop the competence, conscience and compassion that will enable its members to strive to fulfil their potential as men and women of faith, people for and with others'.

So the Declaration and the College Mission Statement have much in common. The secular document defines the human rights all decent societies should espouse and recommends education as a means of promoting those rights. The College, an institution dedicated to education, states its principal objective as being to develop people of faith who are men for others.

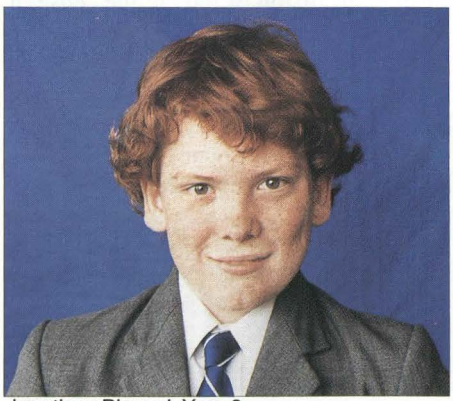
As Christians we have some fairly specific instructions about how to achieve that goal. They were given to us by someone of unique authority, that famous human rights activist, Jesus Christ. He told us to love God and to love our neighbour. And we know that the word neighbour means, whoever you encounter in your daily life. Leading by example, Jesus paid particular attention in his life to those who were a long way down the social register, the mentally ill, the poor, the sick, the outcasts, those people whose presence in society was unwelcome. His views on being just and compassionate are unequivocal.

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights was made by the nations of the world and it speaks to people of many different beliefs and to people of no belief. But the way to achieve its goal of justice and equity for all people is the same way that Jesus recommended as he challenged many of the practices and behaviours of his society. That way requires us to recognise that other people are as important as we are and that it is as important to secure their rights and freedoms as it is to secure our own.

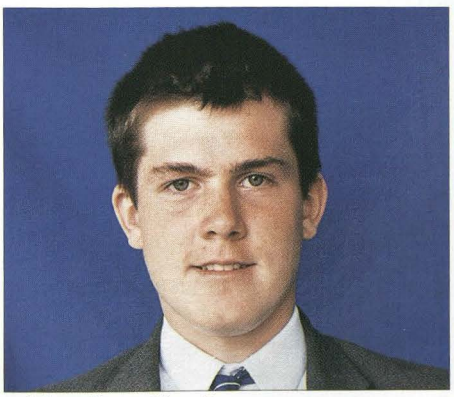
What then, of education? Well, simply, we need educated, competent and compassionate people to accomplish the task.

Education covers many different things. At one level it produces literacy and numeracy. At another it prepares students for further education or training. One of the most wonderful things about education and the thing for educators always to keep in mind is the magic it can generate – the magic of discovering new things, the magic moment when something suddenly becomes clear, something that seconds before we didn't understand at all. And the magic of being introduced to the great traditional areas of learning and knowledge and beauty that 450 years of Jesuit teaching experience have shown to be the way to broaden and inform the mind and encourage the imagination.

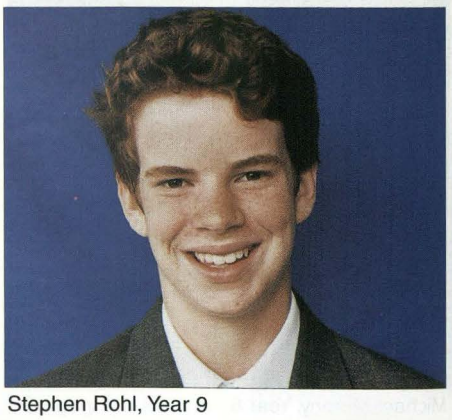
But, for those of us who are Catholics



Jonathan Bleasel, Year 8



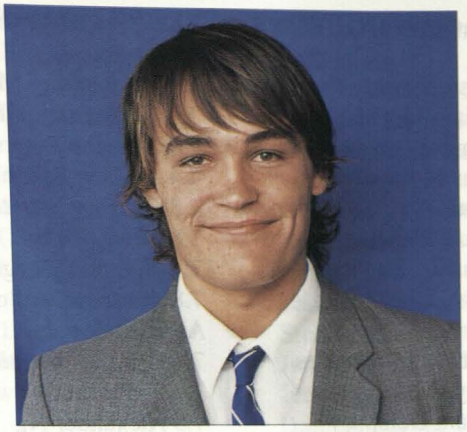
Adam Ahern, Year 9



Stephen Rohl, Year 9



William MacArthur, Year 9



Thomas Phillips, Year 10



Bryan Curtin, Year 10

and in the Ignatian tradition, that serious long term objective of education, enunciated in the Mission Statement and in the Universal Declaration, that objective of making the world better, of making society better and more decent for everyone, that objective is pre-eminent.

Society can seem to be some great single entity out there somewhere. But society is nothing more than a whole lot of individuals, you and me . We're society. And it's how each of us behaves, each day, that influences the way society behaves.

When you young Riverview men complete your education, some of you will go into business, some will become teachers, some lawyers, perhaps a few will be priests, politicians, farmers, doctors, journalists. Many of you will become husbands and fathers. And I hope all of you will discriminate between what is genuine and what is propaganda, what is doctored (spin doctored) and what is not, that you will always bear in mind what are other people's rights and freedoms.

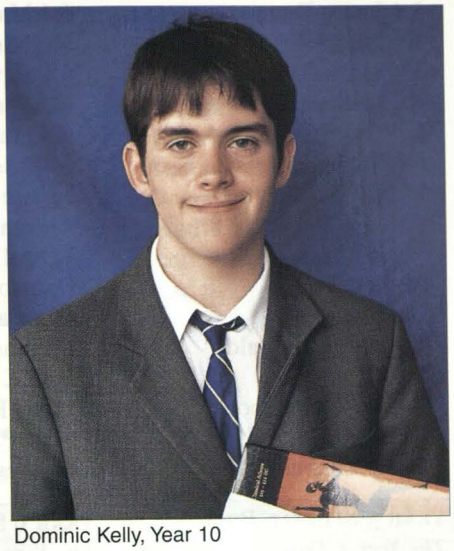
Because ultimately it's up to each one of us to create change, to alter the world in whatever way is open to us. And we can start now. We can decide, for example, to think of how what we do affects other people in our lives, we can consider the consequences for others of how we act or what we say … on the bus, in a shop, at the beach, or at a party, or in the family room, or the classroom, or the boardroom or the cabinet room.

Over the years, as a parent and then as member of council, I've seen boys grow and leave this College – so many of them already making a terrific contribution to society. And I think that each one of you here -- in fact, each person in this hall -- can make a difference for the better for people we encounter as we go about our lives. In fact, I'm sure we can do it, if we put our minds to it, and if our hearts are in it.

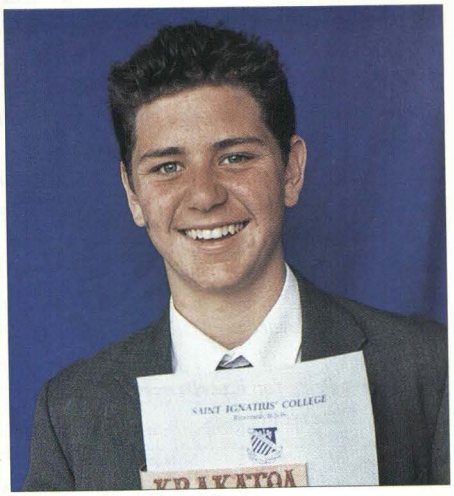
What do you think?

May I wish you all a happy Christmas and a safe holiday. Thank you for listening to me and God bless you.

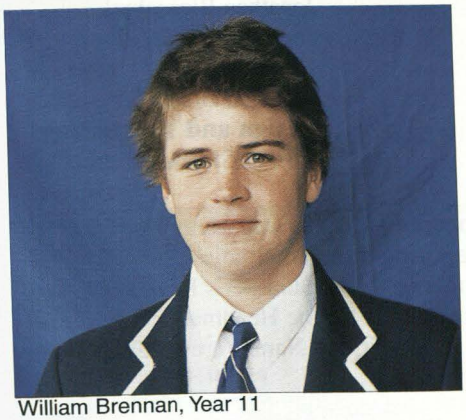
Mrs Nina Riemer
5 December , 2003



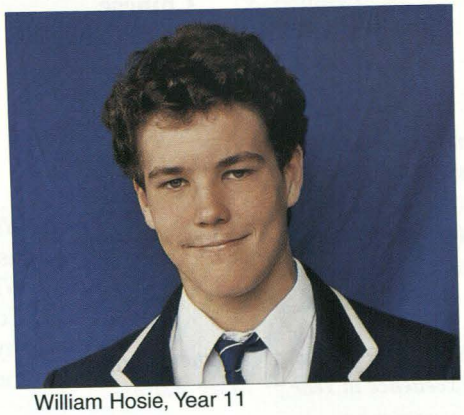
Dominic Kelly, Year 10



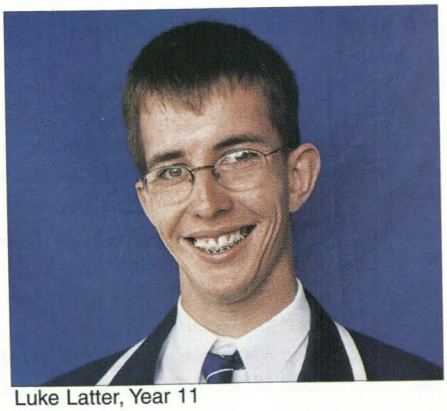
Vaughan Hay, Year 10



William Brennan, Year 11



William Hosie, Year 11



Luke Latter, Year 11

Year 5 Academic Prizes

Dux
5.1 Clark Wenborn
5.2 Jonathan Roel
5.3 Andrew Taylor
5.4 Benjamin Coffey

Proximae
5.1 Kade Fallins
5.2 William Taylor
5.3 Michael Salvador
5.4 James Wilson

Application to Studies
5.1 Thomas Godlewski
5.2 Matthew Prior
5.3 Sebastian Chan
5.4 James Duncan

Religious Knowledge
5.1 Lintyn Basha
5.2 Michael Samaha
5.3 Thomas Aitchison
5.4 Michael Wewege

Music
William Taylor

Visual Arts
Andrew Taylor

Drama
Timothy Fitzgerald

LOTE
Nicholas Kirkwood

PDHPE
James Zimbulis

Year 5 Special Prizes

The Year 5 Prize for Persistent Application in Studies: Patrick O'Neill
The Year 5 Prize for Constant Application in Studies: Andrew Taylor
The Year 5 Prize for Public Speaking: Sean Maroney
The Headmaster's Prize for Essay in Year 5: Samuel Glissan
The Year 5 Award: William Taylor
The Year 5 Prize for Excellence: Timothy Fitzgerald

Year 6 Academic Prizes

Dux
6.1 Christopher McNamara
6.2 William McGushin
6.3 Thomas Corrigan
6.4 James Molloy

Proximae
6.1 Samuel Tyrrell
6.2 Michael Costi
6.3 Lewis Holmes
6.4 Alexander Crowley

Application to Studies
6.1 Henry Cook
6.2 William Dempsey
6.3 Alexander Dale
6.4 Maximillian Cordony

Religious Knowledge
6.1 David Lynch
6.2 James Livesey
6.3 Matthew Skilbeck
6.4 Riley Morgan

Music
Alexander Crowley

Visual Arts
Harrison Chapman

Drama
Thomas Corrigan

LOTE
Lewis Holmes

PDHPE
Matthew Skilbeck

Year 6 Special Prizes

The Year 6 Prize for Persistent Application in Studies: William Myler
The Year 6 Prize for Constant Application in Studies: Dominic Hayson
The Year 6 Prize for Public Speaking: Stefan Smoleniec
The Year 6 Prize for Debating: Timothy Pascoe
The Award for Regis Campus Music: Alexander Crowley
The Headmaster's Prize for Essay in Year 6: William Kelly
The Year 6 Award: David Cain
The Year 6 Prize for Excellence: Thomas Murphy

Year 7 Academic Prizes

Aggregate
7.1 Christopher Mulcare
7.2 Hugh Sattherthwaite
7.3 Brendan Petersen
7.4 Andrew Smith
7.5 Gregory Macken
7.6 James Kelly
7.7 Nicholas Fitzgerald
7.8 Matthew Malloy

Application
7.1 Claudio Santoro
7.2 Hugh Dalton
7.3 Alexander Ng
7.4 Adam Bowers
7.5 Matthew Andersen
7.6 Alexander Sharpe
7.7 Charles Lee
7.8 Thomas Gillespie

Religious Education
Hugh Dalton = 1
Daniel MacMahon =1

Headmaster's Prize Essay
James Benecke

English
Matthew Malloy = 1
Hugh Satterthwaite = 1

Mathematics
Christopher Mulcare

Fundamentals Mathematics
Patrick Clapin

Science
Christopher Mulcare

History
Matthew Andersen

Geography
Nicholas Fitzgerald

PDHPE
Jack Freeman

Visual Arts
Joseph Neely = 1
Geoffrey Wells = 1

Music
Douglas Joseph

Design & Technology
Christopher Mulcare

Classics
Patrick Dempsey

French
Nicholas Fitzgerald

Chinese
James Cahill

Year 8 Academic Prizes

Aggregate
8.1 Henry Norris
8.2 Michael Murphy
8.3 Alistair Stephenson
8.4 James Vaughan
8.5 Joseph Machart
8.6 Andrew Thomas
8.7 Matthew Ingram
8.8 Toby Meagher

Applicationn
8.1 Damian Mair 1
8.2 Patrick Bell 1
8.3 Alistair Stephenson 1
8.4 Rhys Pogonoski 1
8.5 Andrew Cook 1
8.6 Jack Hunter 1
8.7 Luke Sheehan 1
8.8 David Watson 1

Religious Education
Edward Carroll

Headmaster's Prize Essay
Joseph Payten

English
Joseph Payten 2

Mathematics
Alexander Cantori = 1
Andrew Thomas = 1

Fundamentals Mathematics
Franco Bonserio

Science
Jonathan Bleasel

History
James Vaughan

Latin
Jonathan Bleasel

French
Raymon Mainsbridge

Foundation French
Jake Cumbers

Chinese
Marcel Walsh

Italian
David Watson

Visual Arts
Philip Barton = 1
Mitchell Dawson = 1

Geography
Raymon Mainsbridge

Music
Jonathan Bleasel =1
Joseph Machart =1

PDHPE
Jonathan Bleasel

Design and Technology
Alistair Stephens

Year 7 Special Prizes

The Prize for Persistent Application in Studies: William Tickner
The B. C. Kinnaird Prize for Constant Application in Studies: Sean Law
The Prize for Year 7 Debating: Hugh Satterthwaite
The Art of Speech Prize: Matthew Hundt
The William John Henderson Memorial Prize for Year 7 Division Boarders: Joseph Fleming
The Year 7 Award: Bede Kennedy
The Dux of Year 7: Nicholas Fitzgerald
The Cecil O'Dea Memorial Prize for General Excellence in Year 7: Matthew Barry
The Cecil O'Dea Memorial Prize for General Excellence in Year 7: Mark Watson

1. Winner of a Bryan Veech Memorial Prize for Constant Application in Studies.
2. Winner of the Headmaster's Prize for Essay.
3. Commended for the Headmaster's Prize for Essay Competition. Names are listed in order of merit.

Special Year 8 Prizes

The Prize for Persistent Application in Studies: Bryce Hay
The Art of Speech Prize: Henry Norris
The Prize for Year 7 Debating: Joseph Payten
The Kirkpatrick Prize for English Composition: Toby Meagher
The Bill Roche Prize for Year 8 Division Boarders: Joseph Payten
The Year 8 Award: Joseph Payten
The Dux of Year 8: Jonathan Bleasel
The Year 8 Prize for Excellence: Andrew Thomas

Year 9 Academic Prizes

Aggregate
Stephen Rohl
Religious Education
Adam Ahern
Application
Benjamin Aquilina
Andrew J D'Ambrosio
William MacArthur
Timothy Phelps
Michael Williams
Headmaster's Prize Essay
Liam Gleeson
English
Benjamin Williams
History
James Reoch
Science
Peter Leitner
Writing Mastery
Grant Clark
Mathematics Advanced
Stephen Rohl
Mathematics Intermediate
Thomas Gillespie
Mathematics Standard
Eamon Abdi
Commerce
Benjamin Williams
French
Samuel Morse (Year 8)
Latin
Stephen Rohl
Italian
Peter Leitner
Chinese
Ciaran Gill
PDHPE
Adam Campbell
Computing Studies
Stephen Rohl 5
Media Studies
Carl McEncroe
Technics
Patrick Warnes 6
Music
Daniel Fearnley
Visual Arts
Robert Carter = 1
Michael Falk = 1
Drama
Tyrone Lindqvist
Agriculture
Matthew Martin

1.Winner of a Bryan Veech Memorial Prize for Constant Application in Studies.
2.Commended for Application in Studies.
3.Winner of the Headmaster's Prize for Essay.
4.Commended for the Headmaster's Prize for Essay Competition. Names are listed in order of merit.
5.Winner of the David John Lincoln Brennan Memorial Prize for Year 9 Computing Studies.
6.Winner of the Anthony Nowland Memorial Prize for Year 9 Technics.

Special Year 9 Prizes

The Art of Speech Prize: Matthew Gallagher
The Kirkpatrick Prize for English Composition: Stephen Rohl
The Prize for Year 9 Debating: William Atkinson
The O'Connor Prize for Year 9 Division Boarders: Matthew May
The Year 9 Award: Patrick McCabe
The Year 9 Prize for Excellence: Patrick Warnes

Year 10 Academic Prizes

Aggregate
Jarryd Malouf 1, 2
Dominic Taylor 3
Religious Education
Jarryd Malouf 4 = 1
Francisco Hur 4 = 1
Application
James O'Brien 5
Lachlan O'Kane 5
Stuart McLean 5
Joseph Portelli 5
Headmaster's Prize Essay
Damian Barlow 7
English
Patrick Mayoh 9
History
Richard Cahill
Science
Jarryd Malouf
Commerce
Jarryd Malouf
French
Jarryd Malouf
Chinese
Alexander Smith
Latin
Bryan Curtin
Italian
Dominic Kelly
HSC Acceleration French
Geoffrey Clarke
Classical Greek
Dominic Kelly
Mathematics Advanced
Damian Barlow 10
Mathematics Intermediate
Thomas Phillips
Mathematics Standard
Jack Turner
PDHPE
Samuel Young
Drama
Anthony Baine
Visual Arts
Dominic Taylor
Music
Stuart Robertson
Writing Mastery
Vaughan Hay
Computing Studies
Michael McDermott 11
Technics
Timothy Buttenshaw
Australian Geography
Dominic Kelly
Media Studies
Patrick Dennis = 1
Patrick Lynch = 1

1. Winner of the J. J. Leahy Memorial prize for Dux of Year 10.
2. Winner of the Sydney University Year 10 Academic Excellence Award
3. Winner of the J. J. Leahy Memorial prize for Runner-up in Year 10.
4. Winner of the Brian Smith Memorial Prize for Religious Education in Year 10.
5. Winner of an Esmond Gilhooley Memorial Prize for Constant Application in Studies.
6. Commended for Application in Studies.
7. Winner of the Headmaster's Prize for Essay.
8. Commended for the Headmaster's Prize for Essay Competition. Names are listed in order of merit.
9. Winner of the Kirkpatrick Prize for English Composition.
10. Winner of the George Wootten Memorial Prize for Year 10 Mathematics.
11. Winner of the David Brennan Memorial Prize for Year 10 Computing Studies.

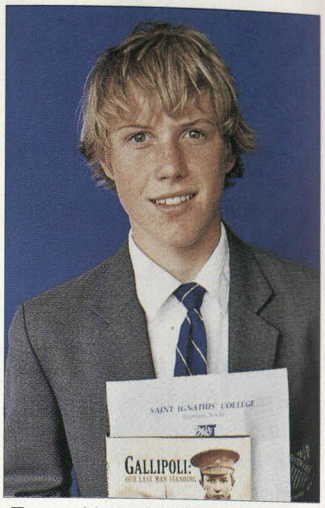
Special Year 10 Prizes

The Art of Speech Prize: Alexander Smith
The Gordon Oxenham Memorial Prize for Year 10 Division Boarders: Jacob McKay
The James K Kinkead Prize for Year 10 Debating: Dominic Kelly
The Year 10 Award: James Sheehan
The Year 10 Prize for Excellence: Patrick Mayoh

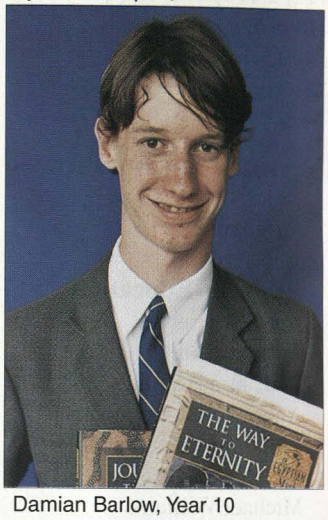
Year 11 Academic Prizes

Aggrregate
Nicholas Janu 1
David Rohl 2
Application
Luke Latter 3
Jack Dwyer 4
William Hosie 4
Andrew McManus 4
Ian Quartly 4
Studies of Religion 2 Unit
Tom Norris 6
Studies of Religion 1 Unit
Kip Koenig
Religious Education
Nicholas Janu
Headmaster's Prize Essay
Marcus Bortolotti 7
English Extension 1
Thomas McGuire
English Advanced
David Rohl
English Standard
Daniel Kelly = 1
John Walker = 1
Business Studies
Arman Soetanto
Economics
Benjamin Warnes
Geography
Robert Deves 9
French
David Rohl
Latin
Patrick Wall
Chinese
Eugene Joseph
Classical Greek
Patrick Wall
HSC Accleration Maths
Nicholas Janu 10
Mathematics Extension
Arman Soetanto
Mathematics 2 Unit
Laurence Shanahan
Mathematics General
Thomas McGuire
Physics
Nicholas Janu
Biology
Matthew Green
Chemistry
Patrick Wall
Senior Science
David Ellis
Modern History
Glenn O'Sullivan
Ancient History
Brendan Kelly 11
Aboriginal Studies
Lewis Roper 12
Agriculture
Nathaniel Hardy
Drama
Glenn O'Sullivan
Music Course 1
Dominic Woolrych
Music Course 2
Marcus Bortolotti
PDHPE
Michael McGuire
Preliminary Information Processes and Technology
Robert Dunn (Year 10)
HSC Information Processes and Technology
Mitchell Gorman
Software Design and Development
Nicholas Janu 13
Design & Technology
Timothy McBride
Industrial Technology
Luke Scifleet = 1
Brodie Stewart = 1
Visual Arts
David Mair
Photography -Video
Matthew Beardsley
Photography -Wet
Thomas Stephens
Photography-Digital Imaging
Eric Fenessy

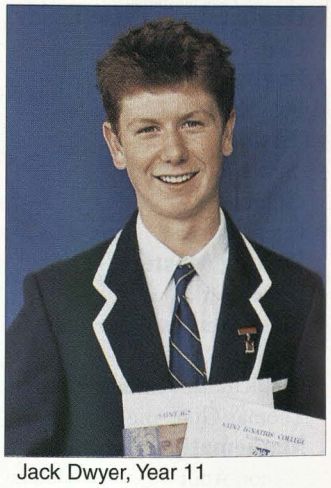
1. Winner of the Brian Hughes Memorial Prize for Dux of Year 11.
2. Winner of the Brian Hughes Memorial Prize for Runner-up in Year 11.
3. The Prize for Persistent Application in Studies
4. Winner of an Alan Bridge Memorial Prize for Constant Application in Studies.
5. Commended for Application in Studies.
6. Winner of the Lou Loneragan Memorial Prize for Studies of Religion in Year 11.
7. Winner of the Headmaster's Prize for Essay.
8. Commended for the Headmaster's Prize for Essay Competition. Names are listed in order of merit.
9. Winner of the R. Graham Mitchell Prize for Year 11 Geography.
10. Winner of the John King Branagan Memorial Prize for Year 11 Mathematics.
11. Winner of the Herodotus Prize for Ancient History
12. Winner for the B & V Toomey Prize for Aboriginal Studies.
13. Winner of the David Brennan Memorial Prize for HSC Software Design and Development.



Tyrone Lindqvist, Year 9



Damian Barlow, Year 10


Jack Dwyer, Year 11

Special Year 11 and Senior Prizes

College Chess Champion: Thomas Howes

The Brendan Lane Mullins Prize for English Composition: Peter Sherrah

The Brendan Lane Mullins Prize for English Composition: oel Stillone

The Father Anthony Walsh, S.J. Prize for Year 11 Debating: Jack Dwyer

The Michael Bryant Prize for a Year 11 Country Boarder: William Brennan

The Jack Smyth Prize for Year 11 Division Boarders: Michael Boyle

The Year 11 Award: Patrick Wall

The John McGlinchey Memorial Prize for General Excellence in Year 11: Matthieson Hor

In 2003, we said goodbye to:

Stephen Brown	Year 8 Homeroom teacher
Denis Kelliher	Dalton Housemaster
Kevin Turner	Year 7 teacher
Matthew Powell	Network Engineer
JoAnne Kragelund	Year 8 Homeroom teacher
Tim Young	CiT Help Desk assistant
Craig Painter	Teacher - TAS
Genevieve Hanlon	Teacher - TAS
Clair Scott	Agriculture Assistant Term 3
Jamie Smith	Year 8 Homeroom teacher
Kate Browne	Middle School Curriculum Co-ordinator
Jo Schuster	Teacher - Science
Brian Piper	Year 11 Crdntr, Teacher- Science
Peter Burke	Year 6 Homeroom Teacher
Craig Jeffery	Claver Housemaster - Teacher TAS
Jenny Chalker	Teacher - Mathematics
Carol Kenny	Teacher - Mathematics
Julie Rogers	Teacher - Music
Michael Cooper	Gartlan Manager/PDHPE (Term IV)
Bruce Maclachlan	Teacher - HSIE
Keiran Coffey	Agriculture Assistant
Kerry Tremaine	Teacher - HSIE (Term IV)

External Appointments for 2004

Guy Masters	Head of Faculty – HSIE 'People'
Stephen Boyle	Religious Education Teacher (Term 1- LSL vacancy)
Caroline Brown	D & T Teacher (Term 1 - LSL vacancy)
Kevin White	D & T Teacher
Robyn Smart	Music (Maternity Leave 12 months)
Scott Kitchener	IT Help Desk
Frances McMahon	Careers Counsellor (12 month vacancy)
June Wall	Executive Librarian
Jenni Manna	Agriculture Teacher
Belinda Madin	Physics & Junior Science
Greg Skeed	Mathematics – Job Share (Donielle Gale)
Jeremy McComb	PDHPE (on exchange from Canada)

Internal Appointments for 2004

Greg Haines	Head of JCMurray Centre for Advanced Learning
Katie Bindley	Middle School Homeroom Teacher
Liz Phelan	Middle School Homeroom Teacher
Brett Bastin	Teacher - TAS
Trish Weekes	Middle School Curriculum Co-ordinator
Sebastian Trovato	Assistant to Director of Middle Schooling (Therry Campus)
Jenny Richardson	Assistant Head of Faculty – Science (Middle School Science Crdntr)
Kiersten Check	Teacher -Science
Don Gock	Claver Housemaster
Bernie Winters	MacKillop Housemaster (12 months)
Belinda Clark	Dalton Housemaster (from Term 4 2003)
Vance Lowry	Business Studies Co-ordinator
Greg Whealing	Economics Co-ordinator
Phillip Amata	Assistant Year 7 Co-ordinator (Sport)
Terry Shore	Assistant Year 7 Co-ordinator

Year Co-ordinators 2004 Senior School

Daniel Hyde	Year 9 Co-ordinator
Venta Protas	Assistant Year 9 Co-ordinator
Duncan Warlters	Year 10 Co-ordinator 2005 (in Canada on exchange in 2004)
Michael Lane	Acting Year 10 Co-ordinator (12 months)
Andrew Szabo	Assistant Year 10 Co-ordinator (12 months)
Anthony Connellan	Year 11 Co-ordinator
Declan O'Donoghue	Assistant Year 11 Co-ordinator (12 months)
John Newey	Year 12 Co-ordinator
Sharon McLean	Assistant Year 12 Co-ordinator (Term 1 & Term 2)

LSL Term 1 2004 and Extended Leave 2004

Andrew Moon	LSL
Peter Wakeling	LSL
John Harper	LSL
Deirdre Agnew	12 months leave 2004
Duncan Warlters	12 months teacher exchange - Canada
Gary Johnson	LSL January 2004
Annabel Thistlewood	12 months Maternity Leave 2004

Welcome Back 2004

James Rodgers	LSL
Michael Turner	LSL
Rob Stuart	LSL
Tony Morris	LSL
Donielle Gale	Maternity Leave
Mirella Di Giorgio	Maternity Leave
Vince Toohey	12 months teacher exchange - Canada

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Back cover: section of a mural, reflections of Riverview, painted by Year 10 Visual Arts students: Dan Aquilina, Adrian Bott, Edward Callanan, Nicholas Clift, Jackson England, James Evans, Adam Fitzgerald, Alex Fraunfelter, William Gray, Joseph Greathead, Alain Guglielmino, Jack Kennedy, Simon Long, Timothy May, Edward McCoy, Henry Meagher, William Miller, Christopher Mohen, Tom O'Dell, Anthony Power, James Sheehan, Kimon Tellidis. Photograph by Chris Fitzgerald.
This page: a tribute to Sam Turner and Billy O'Connor, Year 12 students who were killed in a car accident on April 12, 2003. Photograph by Chris Fitzgerald.

