

STRAIGHT SCOTCH

NEWSLETTER

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A Note From The President

Old Collegians Week

This was the highest attended Old Collegians Week for many years and I would like to thank all of those Old Collegians who attended the various events during the week and the College for their ongoing support of our Association.

Special thanks must go to Chris Codling ('60), Matthew Stubbs ('97), John Forbes ('90) and Sean McGregor ('89) for their tireless efforts to ensure the week was a great success.

If you attended the dinner, I encourage you to complete and return the feedback questionnaire to ensure that we continue to provide first class events.

Old Collegians Scholarship

I am proud to announce that the Old Collegians Scholarship has been awarded to Year 10 student Susie Kenny, the daughter of Kym and Wendy (nee McWhinnie '74). Susie lives on the Eyre Peninsula near Yeelanna and will be a Boarder in 2006. Susie is a keen sportsperson and is looking forward to the expansion of sporting and academic opportunities offered by the College. Having met Susie, I think that she will be a very valuable member of the school community and a very worthy recipient of the scholarship.

Interest Groups

Congratulations to Geoff Heard ('69) and his committee and coaches for another successful football season. This year the football club embraced seven 2004 school leavers who enjoyed their first year as SOFC members.

Nicole Chaplin ('88) and Sonia Roberts ('88) once again co-ordinated three winter netball teams who all played off in the finals - the B Grade won the Grand Final for a second season in a row.

Thank you to everyone who responded to our competitions in the first edition of Straight Scotch. Congratulations once again to Bob Farrelly ('66) who submitted the winning entry, Straight Scotch and to Andrew Pym ('90), Vanessa Lewis ('87), Andrew Jennings ('73), Anna Bartel ('00), Phillip Korehn ('89) Christine Bove ('88), Sally Legg ('99), Melanie Williams ('99), Lara Waterhouse ('99) and Kenneth Kimber ('04) who were the first 10 people to register their details on the community register at www.scotchoc.com.au.

We hope all our winners enjoyed their wine from the Scotch Premium Dozen.

The Pipe Band is absolutely outstanding and it is a pleasure to listen and watch them play. I encourage you to support them and if you need pipers at any function contact Matthew Stubbs ('97) on 0402 106 055.

Other News

Shane Ion ('85) has decided to 'hang up the boots' on the Old Collegians Committee after six years of dedicated service. We wish Shane and his family all the very best for the future and thank him for being such an important part of the Old Collegians community.

If you would like to visit the Archives Room contact John Forbes ('90) on 8274 4314 to arrange a tour. The digitalisation of the archive information will commence at the end of this year and I will keep you informed on progress.

Todd Roberts ('88)

2005 Old Collegians Annual City Dinner

Adelaide Convention Centre, 5 August

Old Collegians young & old turned out on Friday 5 August to attend the 2005 Old Collegians Annual City Dinner.

Pre-dinner drinks were served and guests were treated with a musical welcome thanks to the Scotch College 'Funk Band' before Old Collegians President Todd Roberts ('88) welcomed all those attending.

Guests included a wide cross section of the Old Collegians community, including those from the Gratton era, present & former staff members right through to the 2004 School leavers.

Larissa Tallent ('84) delivered the Selkirk grace and Kym Ryder ('91) proposed a toast to College prior to Acting Principal Cheryl Bauer responding with her inaugural address to the Old Collegians.

Tony Fuller ('60) once again entertained those assembled with a memorable 'Ode to the haggis'.

Haggis & dinner was followed by some fantastic entertainment from the Scotch 'Funk Band' together with Old Collegian's Dominic Legg ('04) trumpet, Barnabas Smith ('04) drums, Liz Gregory ('04), Frank Sweet ('04) trombone and Stephanie Keoghan ('04) vocals. While the highlight of the evening for many guests was the Old Collegians Pipe Band

performance combined with the College 'Funk Band' which left plenty of those attending with goose bumps. The dinner provides a great opportunity to catch up with former school mates and embellish a few stories. Guests ate, drank & danced their way into the night there was even the appearance of a conga line!

Many thanks to all those who attended an enjoyable & successful dinner, we look forward to a bigger and better function again in 2006.

Sean MacGregor ('89)

2004 Old Collegians 50 Year & Before Reunion

This year saw a fantastic attendance of over 140 Old Collegians from 1955 and before alumni's. Due to record numbers, lunch was served using both the facilities of the Boarder's Dining Room and the Drawing Room. Many interstate and country guests attended including two Old Collegians who attended their first reunion in over 70 years.

OC Sports Afternoon Results

Tuesday 2 August, 2005 saw another fine afternoon of sporting matches between Scotch and the Old Collegians.

Old Collegians showed they had lost no form with outstanding results in the football, basketball, soccer and mixed hockey. Scotch held their own by winning both the volleyball and netball games. Many thanks to all who participated.

Golf Day

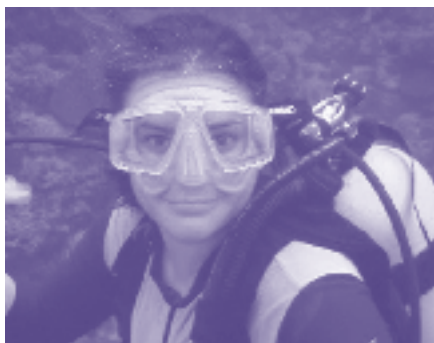
The largest ever attendance of 52 players hit off at the Old Collegians Golf Day at Kooyonga Golf Club on Friday 5 August 2005. Congratulations to Ben Smith ('98) who won the inaugural Trophy donated by the McLeay Family, after winning on a count back from Phil McLeay ('69). Especially well deserved as Ben had flown in that day after a 27 hour flight from the UK.

Chris Codling ('60)

Look out for all the coloured photos from Old Collegians week in the next Scotch Reports.

Did you know? Scotch College won the Head of the River four times in six years between 1939 and 1944.

Name: Anita Butler



Alumni year: School Co-Captain 1990

Other Family Members who attended

Scotch: Father: Alan ('62), Sister: Nadia ('95)

Current Residence: Honiara, Solomon Islands

Current Occupation: Diplomat / Public Servant (Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade)

Position: Deputy High Commissioner, Australian High Commission, Honiara, Solomon Islands

How has Scotch influenced you? Scotch gave me a strong sense of confidence in myself and a firm appreciation of the variety of possibilities in life. Scotch taught me that you don't have to define yourself too narrowly or limit your interests and experiences - you can't do everything at once, but you can do almost everything.

What are your fondest memories of your time at Scotch? Long sunny afternoon drama lessons reading plays on the lawn under the trees near the amphitheatre; hanging-out in the theatre at lunch-time; late night play rehearsals in the amphitheatre and the smell of Shakespearean flares; the sound of the megaphone drifting across the oval on sports day and the smell of grass and dirt from the running track; being the first to break the water of the freezing pool early at early morning swimming training; sailing up the Coorong; the feeling of the end of term and the possibility of a fresh start.

Who did you think was most likely to succeed? I think I assumed we all would.

What's the worst thing you got away with as Co-Captain? Absolutely nothing. Being so completely square at school is one of my biggest regrets. The only vaguely bad thing I did was to be too loud in the dorm after lights out at Year 12 leadership camp, and I certainly didn't get away with that I can still remember the brutal ticking off I got from Diana Hill. I was mortified.

Who was your favorite teacher at school?

There were many, most especially Andrew McKinnon, Jeremy Clark, Jim Rosevear, Andrew Jefferis, Amanda Lewis, Peter Nolan, Ken Webb and Doug Bell.

What was your favorite subject whilst at school? Drama

What has been your greatest achievement?

Forming and developing Honiara's first jazz band, 'The Soltones'. (I'm also pretty proud of my contribution to the Regional Assistance Mission to Solomon Islands, which has restored peace here and set the country on the road to economic recovery, but that's been more of a communal effort!).

Who did you admire the most while at school? Amanda Lewis, one of my drama teachers, and who I wanted to emulate. Also Margaret McClelland and Miranda Murphy, whose presence on stage and wit in general inspired me.

Have you continued any involvement with the school eg. Reunions, Annual Dinners, Past or Current Parent, Community Dinners, Interest Groups? Very little, sadly. I like reading

Scotch Reports, was part of several Scotch Players tours of Under Milk Wood, and went to one Old Collegians Dinner in Adelaide years ago, but unfortunately there haven't been any reunions in Vietnam or Solomon Islands where I've been for the last seven years. (Although about three months ago I did see an old Scotch rugby top being worn by a Solomon Islander, which must have come out of one of the barrels of second hand clothing that make their way here. It made me feel very nostalgic.)



Name: Scott Edmonds-Wilson

Alumni year: School Co-Captain 1990

Marital Status: Married to Nicole

Other Family Members who attended

Scotch: Father: Alan ('58), Brothers: Nigel ('93) and Rohan ('96)

Current Residence: Geelong, Victoria



What are your fondest memories of your time at Scotch? Outdoor education at Goose

Island and Flinders, playing footy in the mud on main oval, Bill Doyle's geography lessons, Robbo's (Nick Roberts '90) hangers in front of the Pav, Woony's (Peter Woon '90) Romeo with a broken collarbone, Jocko's (Jock Gilchrist '90) tie and braces at the Blue and Gold (check out the 1990 Cluaran), Mitch (James Mitchell '90) playing squash instead of soccer, Forbesy (John Forbes '90) and his Falcon and Mollo's (Grant Mollison '90) last minute swotting.

Who did you think was most likely to succeed? Brett Rosevear ('90) and Stefan Lashchuk ('90). I always thought that they'd go into the comedy business together.

What's the worst thing you got away with as Co-Captain? I was squeaky clean (except perhaps for jumping out of the girls boarding house window when I shouldn't have been there).

Who was your favorite teacher at school? Bill Doyle.

What was your favorite subject whilst at school? Geography (and Sport).

What has been your greatest achievement? Marrying Nicole.

Who did you admire the most while at school? Jim Rosevear, Bill Doyle and Doug Baker.

Have you continued any involvement with the school eg. Reunions, Annual Dinners, Past or Current Parent, Community Dinners, Interest Groups? Been to a few annual dinners while I was still in Adelaide

Went to the 10 Year Reunion in 2000 and have been to a community dinner in Melbourne.

If you would like to hear from a particular Old Collegian, please contact John Forbes ('90) on (08) 8274 4314 or e-mail him at jforbes@scotch.sa.edu.au

Did you know? Congratulations to Todd Roberts ('88), President of the Old Collegians Association who has just been promoted as Partner at Ferrier Hodgson.

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Your Reunion

If you are interested in being involved in your Alumni reunion for 2006, we are currently looking for convenors for each relevant year group:

- **2001 Alumni – 5 year reunion**
- **1996 Alumni – 10 year reunion**
- **1986 Alumni – 20 year reunion**
- **1981 Alumni – 25 year reunion**
- **1976 Alumni – 30 year reunion**
- **1966 Alumni – 40 year reunion**

Please contact John Forbes ('90) in the Development Office on (08) 8274 4314 or via email jforbes@scotch.sa.edu.au to register your interest.

Have You Heard?

Rachel Fyfe ('94) writes "Living and working in London for the last 3 years for a children's heart surgery charity called Chain of Hope. Travelling the world with friends and family".

Ian Steele ('64) writes "I am currently based in New York, working as a media advisor to the United Nations and its specialized agencies".

Michael Beven ('87) writes "I am in Darwin these days with a few of our year. Cameron Arnott ('87) and Dave Beaumont-Smith ('87) are still here. Marcus Benny ('87) and Richard Bouly ('88) recently left to return to their home towns. I have done many things in Darwin, from motor mechanic, restaurant manager, yacht building and sailing to major event managing and other ratbag stuff. I have recently sold my Mexican restaurant and have started in motoring with the NT News (News Limited). Interesting work.

Would love to catch up with anyone coming to the NT. We all love this place and would help in any way".

Interest Groups

Introducing the Scotch Old Collegians and Community Choir

From October 2005, a new and exciting performance opportunity is available to all Old Collegians and members of the Scotch community.

The Choir will be a male and female four part choir, featuring Soprano, Alto, Tenor and Bass. Repertoire will include a balance of popular songs, well known 'classical' pieces, seasonal songs, barbershop and songs of worship. First performance will be A Taste of Christmas on Wednesday, 7 December 2005, 6pm in the Chapel. Rehearsals will commence every Tuesday evenings from 18 October 2005, 7.30pm until 9.00pm in the Drawing Room or Chapel. To register your interest, or for further information, please contact Marie Morton in the Performing Arts office on (08) 8274 4210.

Old Collegians Web Site

We have had an enormous response from Old Collegians registering and updating details on the database at www.scotchoc.com.au.

To keep in touch or reacquaint with old school friends, check out the many diary entries of our Old Collegians at www.scotchoc.com.au. Log in and take a look at the photos from the 2005 Annual City Dinner.

Upcoming Events

Back To The Blue And Gold

Don't miss out!

The biennial Back to the Blue and Gold will be held on Saturday 8 October at the Morphettville Racecourse. \$65.00 per head with gates opening at 8pm and food and drinks served until the finishing post at 1am.

Part proceeds go to St Vincent De Paul supporting Fred's Van.

Thank you to our sponsors: Eden Living, MYLK Bottle, Tucker Creative and Kwik Kopy.

Tickets selling now. Contact John Forbes ('90) in the Development Office on (08) 8274 4314, via email jforbes@scotch.sa.edu.au or sms 0407 979 711.

Everyone welcome!

Scotch Spring Soiree

Join the Scotch Community for a night of food, wine and celebration at the Spring Soiree. Saturday 29 October 2005 from 7pm until late at the Scotch Pavilion and Main Oval.

Experience 5 restaurant courses for \$50 per person from the Scotch community groups: Preschool & Junior School, Middle School, Senior School, Old Collegians and Staff.

Boutique wine available by the glass.

Tickets on sale now at the Development Office. Contact Sue Fox on (08) 8274 4317 or via email at sfox@scotch.sa.edu.au.

All welcome!

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Did you know? When the houses were first introduced at Scotch in 1921 they were purely to foster keen participation in sports and were named after their House Masters e.g. Lees, Willsmore etc. In 1929 the system of Clan names started.