

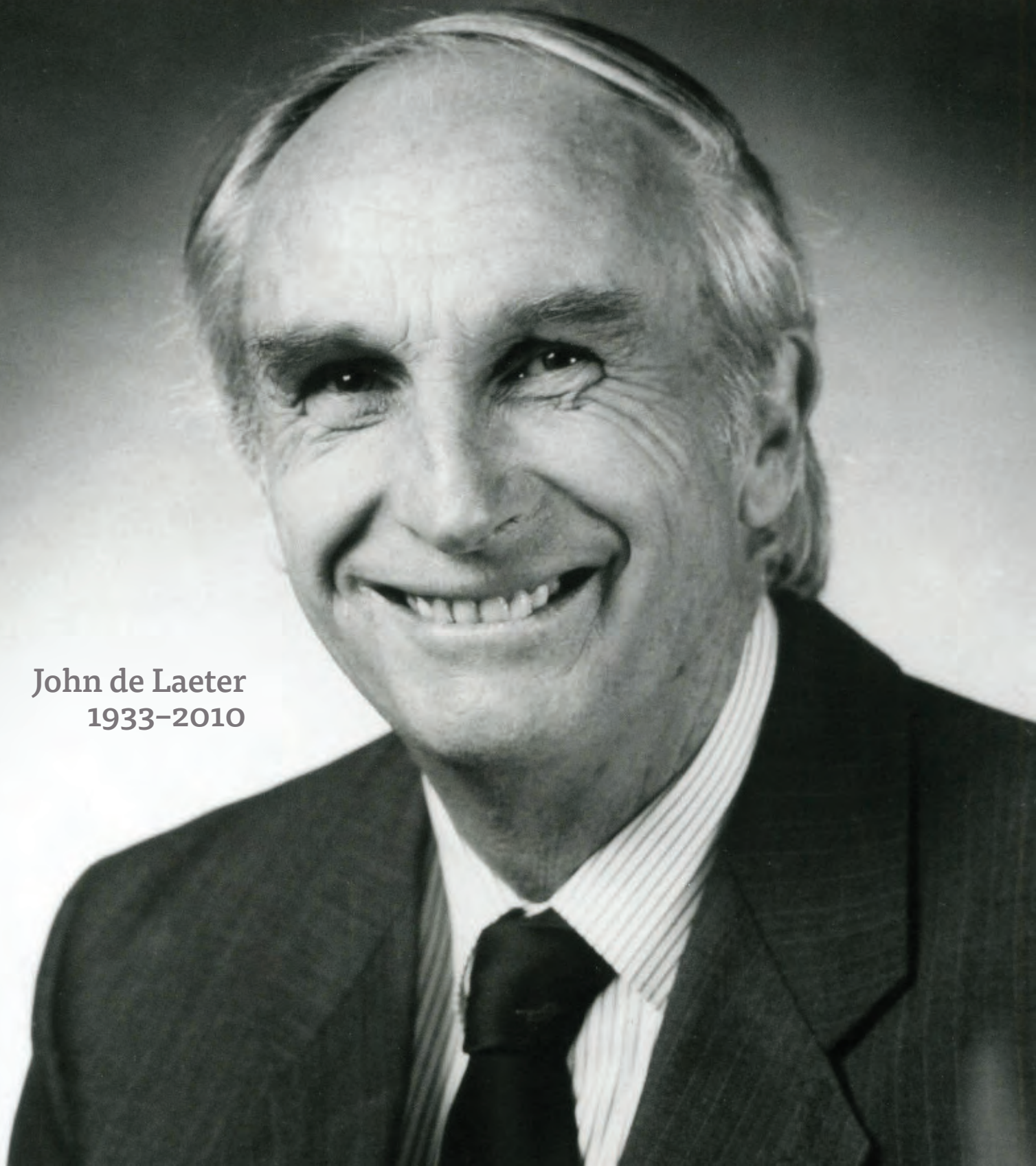


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The year 2010 marks the end of an era in many respects, with a number of long-serving, highly valued stalwarts leaving the College. It has also been a time of leadership renewal, with a number of staff moving on to promotional positions both in and out of the education field. See page 5.

Frank Wood, currently Administrative Assistant to the Heads of School, from the College at the end of this year after a 47-year association with Wesley. Frank is an icon of Wesley College. He is calm, balanced and objective; he is unflappable; he is a wise sounding board – he's modest and genuine. No one will ever replace Frank Wood!

Long-serving staff also leaving the College at the end of this year were Gillian Venables, Les Ware, Benton Jukes, Greg Miller and Jean Frost – who, together, have accumulated nearly 100 years of service. Those who left Wesley earlier in the year were Geoff Kay, Stephen Webber, Maureen Sawyer, Ken Pride, Damian Kelly, Graham Lawson and Andrew Macdonald.

Different people, different personalities, different skills – all of these bring a richness to the College, to the classroom and to the Wesley community.

The College is, in essence, its people – past, present and future. While Wesley is 'for the students', it is in many ways the staff who embody, model and articulate the values and ideals of the College. I am sure there are thousands of young (and some not so young) Old Wesleyans who are grateful for the lasting impact these fine members of staff have had on them.

With the College about to enter the next phase of its strategic plan, it is also a time of broader change and renewal. In the Junior School a lot of work has been done on the English and Mathematics curricula in preparation for the release of the Australian curriculum documents. We have also undertaken extensive work on a more explicit instructional model, carefully balancing it with a play-based/inquiry-based thinking curriculum. More intensive phonics and number-based instruction (drilling) with an 'I Do, We Do, You Do' approach will occur as grounding is needed. Literacy support resourcing will also start to shift to an earlier intervention model and be more closely aligned with the class program.

In Middle School, there will be further embedment of the principles that ensure a strong subject discipline orientation, together with an explicit inter-disciplinary alignment/integration focus. The development of our social emotional learning programs continues and next year Aussie Optimism will be taught by the tutor (core teacher), enabling the language and relationship contexts of this program to be transferred across more effectively into daily school life.

Next year, one of our signature programs, Katitjin, will transfer into Year 8 (meaning that we will have two programs running in 2011). This will enable a stronger link into the total Year 8 program and will make it a culminating Middle School experience. One of the great benefits of this is that the tutor will undertake the Katitjin program with the boys. It is interesting to note that the Brumby Labor Government in Victoria announced a \$210,000,000 initiative that would see all Victorian state schools undertake a similar program if re-elected.

Perhaps the most exciting initiative for 2011 will be the opening of our new Middle School building. It includes a multi-purpose indoor centre that will increase our sporting, PE, performing arts and community spaces; specialist performing arts, visual art and Indonesian classroom spaces; an Indigenous Cultural Centre; and, most importantly, Years 5 and 6 floor spaces. These floor spaces will consist of three general-purpose classrooms, a Science lab, a Design/Project lab and a 'learning street' that acts as a connector and breakout space. This building is the first one at Wesley to be designed to comply with a four-star green rating and we are thrilled with the final outcome of this project, partially funded by the federal government (BER stimulus package).

In Senior School, attention will focus on the implementation of the One-to-One Technology Model in Years 9 and 10. It is common knowledge that the youth of today are digital natives – they have grown up, around and in technology. The challenge from an educational perspective is to use technology as a learning enabler/enhancer.

In the Senior School 2011 will be when we put the finer detail into the modified care-based structures that will be introduced in 2012. The House-based system will remain in place, although the mentor-based model of care

with a staff-student ratio of 1:12 will effectively operate as the major mode of care – as opposed to the current 1:95 ratio, with the Head of House as the primary point of contact. A social emotional learning program will also be introduced as part of this change, with the service, vocational and health education elements of the current activities program being subsumed into this. With the associated shift of Katitjin into the Middle School in 2012, this will mean more academic time for Year 9 students and no loss of time for the Years 10 to 12 cohorts. A more detailed paper outlining the changes will be provided in the early part of 2011.

I thank all members of the Wesley community for their continued support. The notion of community at Wesley College is a very real one and I am fortunate to see elements of this on an almost daily basis.

David Gee

Entrance to the new Middle School Pavilion



L-R: David Gee with Michael Freiberg (see story on page 4)



Emeritus Professor John de Laeter, AO, PhD, DSc, BSc(Hons), BEd(Hons), HonDTech(Curtin), HonDLitt WAust, FTSE, FAIP, passed away on Monday 16 August 2010, at the age of 77. His life was dedicated to science teaching, research and science advocacy and he fought for science in his time as a lecturer, a researcher and as a concerned citizen.

# Vale – John de Laeter

John de Laeter was born on 3 May 1933 in South Perth and attended Forrest Street Primary School before winning a scholarship to Perth Modern School. He went on to achieve first class honours in physics and education at UWA.

Whilst he was teaching at Bunbury High School in the late 1950s, he attended a science teachers' conference in Sydney and "heard two of the world's experts battling it out on how the universe began – the Big Bang Theory versus Steady State Cosmology", Professor de Laeter recalled in an interview a few years ago. "It inspired me and I decided there and then to go back to university and do a PhD in physics and get involved in these astrophysical questions."

## HIS TIME AT WESLEY

John de Laeter was Chair of Wesley College Council from 1988 to 1994. Prior to this he had served a long term on Council between 1974 and 1984. His brother **Ross (50–52)**, his sons, **Mark (73–77)** and **Robert (81–85)**, attended the College and his grandson, Luke, starts at the school in 2011 in Year 3.

Professor de Laeter identified a number of initiatives and these were implemented successfully during his period as Chair. These included an emphasis on strategic planning assisted by the introduction of a sub-committee system of the Council; the refinement of the management and operations of the College to reflect modern, best management practices; the decision to employ a full-time chaplain and to elevate the role to one of high profile; an introduction of diversification of cultures within the Boarding House; building upgrades including the science laboratories and the building of the preparatory school wing and resource centre, which Professor de Laeter referred to as "the jewel in the crown".

## Wesley College is a richer place because of John de Laeter

### HONOURS

In March 2009 Professor de Laeter was recognised for his contribution to science by being entered into the WA Science Hall of Fame. In April 2002, Professor de Laeter's academic work was recognised when Curtin University renamed its internationally renowned mass spectrometry centre as the John de Laeter Centre of Mass Spectrometry. He received the Order of Australia in 1992; he had a small planet named in his honour and the physics laboratory at Wesley was named after him in 1995.

In his various roles with the Department of Physics at WAIT (Western Australian Institute of Technology – now Curtin University) he negotiated with the university, businesses and Government of Western Australia to invest in several visionary projects, all of which have

become outstanding successes: Technology Park (Chair, 1988–1993, and then Patron); the renowned Science and Mathematics Education Centre at Curtin; the Scitech Discovery Centre (Deputy Chair, 1988–1996, and then Patron); and the Gravity Discovery Centre at Gingin (Foundation Chair). He also served as President of the Western Australian Conservation and Environment Council for three years.

Professor de Laeter played a central role in the way technology was developed and applied in Western Australia, and facilitated collaboration in science between government, industry and universities. He has helped advance science education and influenced the direction of physical

sciences research in Western Australia. Throughout his career, he led groundbreaking research, including measuring the atomic weight of 12 elements and mapping the geological ages of many regions of Western Australia.

Wesley College is a richer place because of John de Laeter.

He is survived by his wife Robin, daughter Catherine and sons Mark and Robert.

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Michael Freiberg  
being questioned  
about the Games by  
some Year 4s

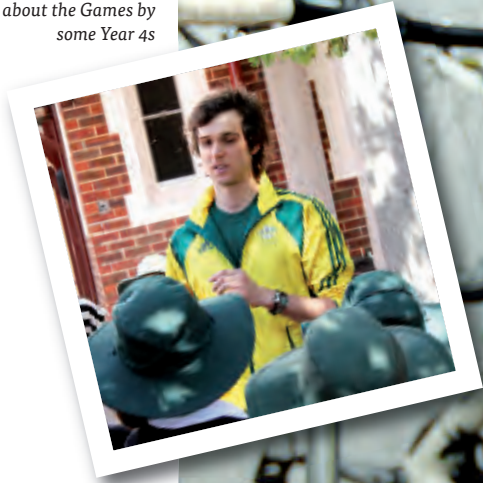


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# MICHAEL FREIBERG WINS GOLD AND SILVER

Cyclist, **Michael Freiberg (98-07)** returned to Perth after the Commonwealth Games in Delhi with two medals – a gold in the team pursuit and a silver in the men's 25km scratch race. Australia dominated the cycling in India, winning 12 of the 14 events at the Indira Gandhi Velodrome. As would be expected, Michael was over the moon when he won gold in the team pursuit and the unexpected individual silver medal in the 80-lap scratch race. As soon as he returned from India, Michael was approached to join Fly V Australia Pro Cycling team.

Michael was at Wesley for ten years, starting in 1998 in Year 3 and graduating in Year 12 in 2007. When looking through Wesley Archive, comments that keep cropping up are that he was always a confident, thoughtful and competent student. His Year 6 teacher, Maureen Sawyer, commented on his ability to think through issues and ask questions. He won a string of progress certificates and endeavour awards in a variety of academic areas.

Hardey Head of House, Alan Phillips, says that Michael was, "a focused and respectful young man" and says, "I'm not surprised about his success as he showed initiative and independence throughout his school days".

He emerged on the national competitive cycling scene in 2005 (when in Year 10). In 2005 he represented Western Australian in the National Road Cycling Championships. In 2006 he again represented the state at the National Junior Track Cycling, was a bronze medallist at that meet; and then a silver medallist at the State Championships in the 2000m individual pursuit and a silver medallist in the hill climb event.

In 2007 he won a bronze medal in the U19 Track Cycling Championship.

Prior to being selected in the Australian Commonwealth Games team, his career highlights were winning the U19 Australian Road Time Trial Championship in 2008 and being selected in the Australian team for the 2008 World Junior Road Championships.

Following his Games' success, Michael returned to Wesley to address the Senior School assembly. He talked about not knowing what he wanted to do with his life whilst he was at school, nor what type of university degree he wanted. He realised the process of learning was the most important part of learning. He went on to say, "my education is what has given me the edge, to be able to deduce accurate

information from poor information, good recommendations to utter rubbish; I use my physics background to calculate aerodynamic drag and pacing strategies, my maths background to interpret power levels and training intensities. All of this gives me an edge as I am constantly able to understand the technicalities which are now integral in elite sport". He went on to say, "The question you need to ask is not 'will I be successful in life, but which part of life do I want to be successful in'".

Before Michael left for India, he said, "Now I've got the door open, if I can get my head in there and put in the good result, I'll definitely be earning myself points and getting in the team for the Olympic Games in London in 2012. That's the stuff dreams are made of – just being able to represent your country on the number one stage in the world with absolutely everyone in the world peaking for that event, so you've got to bring together everything you've got." Sunday Times 23/8/10

You certainly put in the good result, Michael!

Signing with Pro V Australia in 2011 will also provide an opportunity for Michael to fulfil his other dream – competing in the Tour de France.

# We Will Miss You...

## FRANK WOOD

Frank entered Wesley in 1963 as a Year 8 student, the son of Mr and Mrs Frank Wood (Senior). Mr Wood (Senior) had been appointed as a PE teacher at Wesley with particular responsibility for the, then, new pool. Frank's parents were both heavily involved in the life of the school – his father being a Senior Resident Housemaster and the family lived in the Boarding House accommodation.

Frank left Senior School in 1968. During this time he gained the respect of his teachers and the other boys, represented the College over a number of years in several sports, most notably lifesaving, swimming, football and cricket, won a number of prizes and, perhaps most significantly, a Torch Emblem for Service to the school in 1968 as a Prefect and for his contribution to sport and voluntary service to the school sports store and the Commerce Club. Frank was a Sub-prefect in 1967 and a full Prefect in 1968.

An indication of Frank's school achievements:

Year 9 – member of swimming team and received a swimming Emblem; lifesaving bronze medal; member of cricket and football 2nd teams.

Year 10 – cricket 1st XI and received a cricket Emblem; swimming team; under-16 football.

Year 11 – Prizes for under-16 swimming runner-up, lifesaving, Law Society shield team, services to sport; Colours in swimming and lifesaving.

Year 12 – prizes for 1st XVIII football and lifesaving; Colours for football, swimming, lifesaving; swimming open champion (aeq); Emblem for cricket; captained the 1st XVIII football, swimming and lifesaving. He was also a member of the 1st XI cricket team.

References by staff refer to “a modest attitude to his successes”, “quiet and serious in his manner”, and “a young man of excellent personal standards and considerable personality”. His Headmaster, Clive Hamer, perhaps, prophetically, noted that “he would make an excellent teacher”.

Frank completed his teacher training and in 1973 he returned to Wesley Prep School (as a 'distinguished Old Boy') as the Grade 5 teacher. In 1974 he adopted a role as Sports Master for Prep (while teaching Grade 6), a role he continued from 1975 to 1977 while teaching Grade 7.

In 1980 Frank “rejoined Wesley after two years teaching secondary school sport” and in 1982 was appointed as the first Sports Master of the Prep School, a role he combined with team teaching of upper Prep School classes for the next four years. From 1985 until 1990 Frank was full-time Prep School Sports Master, but in 1991 joined the staff of the Senior School PE Department (later Physical & Health Education Department) as a Sports Master, a role he retained until 2000.

In October 1988 he was appointed Assistant Housemaster in Boarding and from August 1999 until 2000 he was specifically Assistant Head of Tranby House. In 2001 Frank became the Administration Assistant to the Heads of Schools and continued in that role until his retirement in December 2010.

## STEPHEN WEBBER

After almost five years of outstanding service at Wesley, Stephen Webber, Head of Senior School, left the College at the end of 2010 to become the twelfth Headmaster of Guildford Grammar School. Mr Webber is an outstanding teacher and administrator and has brought strength, compassion, empathy and great insight and understanding to his role at Wesley. He has been instrumental in developing a culture of respect, acceptance of diversity and sensitivity in Wesley's Senior School and his wisdom and judicious consideration is evident in all he does. His philosophical approach is student-focused and community-minded: his departure from the College will be Wesley's loss and Guildford's gain.

Many Wesley students have much to be thankful and grateful for through their experiences of Mr Webber's leadership and guidance since 2006. His outstanding leadership qualities reach far beyond his office as Head of Senior School. At the coalface and in the classroom, his talents in both physics and basketball have been valuable to many students in a more personal context. He is, in essence, a man with a golden heart, a true educator in the total sense of the term.

To take the next step in his career and be appointed Headmaster of a PSA school in WA is testament to Mr Webber's many qualities. I have little doubt that he will make a wonderful Headmaster – and I sense that the rivalry between our two schools just got fiercer – in a friendly way, of course!

## “No one will ever replace Frank Wood”

Frank Wood with the Law Shield for Lifesaving in 1968



Frank Wood at his farewell assembly



Stephen Webber



### GEOFF KAY

After almost 13 years of distinguished service, Geoff Kay left Wesley College as Head of Middle School, at the end of Term 3. He has taken up the role of Head of Middle School at Tranby College, a co-educational Uniting Church School in Baldivis.

Commencing here in 1998, Mr Kay was the foundation Head of Wesley's Middle School and was thus involved in the planning and development (from the construction phase) of the Year 5 to Year 8 Middle School. He is widely regarded as one of Western Australia's leading middle schooling educators and was recognised more broadly in this fashion by the Middle Schooling Association of WA last year. He has led the development of a wonderful culture in the Middle School, a place where boys feel safe, nurtured and want to learn. Many wonderful initiatives have developed during Geoff's time at Wesley, with the more recent curriculum developments really setting the scene for the next phase of improvements.

Our Middle School is founded upon a set of clearly defined developmental principles and many boys have much to be thankful for by having Mr Kay touch their lives. He is a beautiful man who has always placed the person at the centre of his thinking.

However, the opportunity to work at Tranby College in the next phase of his career is apt. He was involved in the staff selection process there when it was being set up and sees this as a wonderful opportunity to give something back, while remaining a deeply valued and respected member of the Wesley community.

### GILLIAN VENABLES

Gillian Venables leaves the College after 15 years of outstanding service to Wesley College. She will be moving to Harvey to be closer to her family. Gill has been a wonderful contributor in a number of areas over many years, occasionally having to hold the very fabric of the Junior School community together. She has an excellent understating of lower primary literacy issues and a wonderfully caring nature.

Gillian came to the Prep School (as it was then) from Guildford Grammar in 1995 as a Pre-primary teacher. In 2000 she was made Assistant to Head of Manning House. She is a dedicated teacher of young children with excellent organisational skills and an easy manner with all people.

### JEAN FROST

Jean Frost has been at Wesley since 1986 and has worked in both the Trenaman Library and the Junior School Library, so is well known to most of the staff and students.

Her love of 'things library' has been very evident over the years with her photography skills and her creations of many original displays for both libraries, especially the Book Safari, which featured many of her own photos of Africa. On numerous occasions, a damaged book that was destined for the rubbish heap was given a new lease of life with Jean's remarkable mending abilities.

Jean's long history at Wesley has seen her move from typing up catalogue cards to working with three different library management systems and the use of the Internet for cataloguing. The love and care that Jean shows our younger students is very evident when one visits the Junior School Library – and this will be sorely missed!

### LES WARE

Les Ware retires after 31 years of wonderful service to the College, in particular through his significant leadership role as Head of Science. Les started at Wesley in 1980 and has been Head of Science since 1988 – a long haul in anyone's language. During the 1980s he took on coaching responsibilities and management of tennis teams and coaching of hockey 8A and 9A teams. During the 1990s Les continued as manager of various tennis teams and coach of Year 9 hockey.

Les is much admired by the students as a teacher who has their best interests at heart. He always strived to make science fun and engaging and created a positive atmosphere in his classes. Les has led the department through significant curriculum changes and has taken a lead role in the Academic Committee, particularly through the Assessment, Monitoring and Reporting Project. In 1996 he was made an Associate Life Member of the OWCA.

As a stalwart of the College, Les Ware is a wonderful man with a creative and open mind. He is 110% reliable, dependable; a person who makes things happen efficiently and without fuss – and for that he deserves our sincere and hearty thanks and congratulations.

Geoff Kay

Gillian Venables

Jean Frost

Les Ware



**MAUREEN SAWYER**

Maureen Sawyer joined the Prep School teaching staff in 1992 and then taught Upper Prep; Year 5 in 1993–94, Year 7 in 1996–97 and Year 6 in 1998. She was also the organiser of the Junior School Chess Competition during the 1990s.

At a staff morning tea earlier in the year, her friend and colleague, Suzanne Lawrence, had the privilege of farewelling Maureen publicly. Below is a taste of what she said:

*Maureen is known for her great warmth and wisdom as well as her passion for the English language. Many boys are now aware of the difference between “Can I go to the toilet?” and “May I go to the toilet”! That will be a Sawyer legacy.*

*She has been a mentor for many young teachers and all have nothing but the highest regard for her. What better way for them to begin a teaching career!*

*Maureen leaves to spend more time with her family, especially her two grandchildren.*

*Maureen, you have made a fantastic contribution to this school. Every boy who has had you in their lives is privileged to have been taught by you and to have known you.*

**BENTON JUKES**

After 19 years of dedicated service, Benton Jukes has decided to steer his career in another direction. Benton started at Wesley on a part-time basis in 1989 and 1990 helping to run the sailing program. He officially joined the Maths Dept in 1991, but continued the sailing program until 1993. Whilst he taught a range of subjects in Mathematics, including Year 8 to Year 12 Applicable Mathematics, his strength and success came from the many years of teaching Year 12 Discrete Mathematics. He was part of a team that took Wesley to being regularly

named in the top ten schools in the state for that subject. He has also been recognised for his skill in getting Year 8 students off to a good start. He has coached and managed various football teams and has also been heavily involved with the swimming program.

For nearly all of his time at Wesley, he has been passionately involved with staff matters: as a social events organiser, to membership of the Common Room Committee (chairing it for five years). Benton was also a member of a voluntary sub-committee of the Assessment, Monitoring and Reporting Committee, helping to develop our current Assessment, Principles and Practices.

From 1991 until 1999 he was a tutor in Dickson House. He took over the role of Head of Jenkins House in 2000 and had the satisfaction of his House winning the Klem Cup in 2006.

Benton leaves Wesley after 19 years of loyal and dedicated service to the College.

**GREG MILLER**

Greg Miller has accepted the appointment of Head of Junior School at Helena College, commencing at the beginning of 2011. Greg commenced his teaching career as a Year 3 teacher at Wesley’s Junior School in 1996 and has brought an excellent understanding of primary education to our endeavours.

Throughout his role in the classroom, firstly as Science Coordinator, and more recently as an Assistant Head of Junior School, his calm, warm, easy-going, though nonetheless focused and committed approach has been appreciated by all. His innovative presentations, whether a ‘dinosaurus’ classroom, science experiments, project work, or maths and science evenings, have resonated with students and their parents.

Since 2002, when he took over teaching a Year 4 class, he has, along with other colleagues, introduced innovative ways to encourage Year 4 students to develop leadership skills, responsibility and independence.

Helena College has a wonderful man to head their Junior School and having been at Wesley for 15 years, we can be happy for Greg that he is moving on to a promotional position.

**KEN PRIDE**

Ken started at Wesley in Year 4 in 1971 and graduated in Year 12 in 1979. From his first year he excelled in swimming and lifesaving, in particular. In 1971 Ken captained the Wesley 2nd team, which won the Daniel McDaniel Under-11 competition in lifesaving. In the same year he became an outstanding swimmer for his House, Mofflin, was the Under-9 champion, broke two records in the Inter-house swimming competition and won two events in the Inters.

By Senior School he had moved on to cricket and football. In 1976, in second year, Ken was a member of the second year ‘A’ football team, Vice-captain of the second year ‘A’ cricket team and a member of the 2nd XI team. By 1977 he joined the 1st XI, won the Under-16A cricket prize, and was part of the swimming and water polo teams. In 1978, apart from 1st XI cricket, he was a member of the 1st XVIII football and the swimming team. In his final year, 1979, Ken was Vice-captain of the 1st XI, a member of the combined PSA cricket side and Captain of Mofflin cricket team. One of his best achievements was 6/16 in the first innings of Wesley’s PSA match against Guildford. In 1979 he again represented the school in football, won Colours in cricket and an Emblem in swimming.

Ken joined the OWCA Committee at the 1997 AGM; he succeeded Don Carter as President in 1999 and became the Director of the OWCA in 2003.

His other interest is lawn bowls and Ken is now CEO of Bowls WA.

Maureen Sawyer

Benton Jukes

Greg Miller

Ken Pride



# History Links Across the Campus



**L-R:** Brett Woodfield (10C), Harrison Pateman, Waverley Edwards (both PP2)

The close proximity of the three sub-schools on the College campus provides numerous opportunities for students to share their learning across year levels. This recently occurred when the children in Mrs Moseley's and Mrs

Johnstone's Pre-primary classes and Mrs Warriner's Year 10 History students were investigating and setting up their own class museums. During Term 3, the Pre-primary students' investigations took them to the Western Australian Museum and the Wesley Archive.

During their visit to the Wesley Archive, Barbara van Bronswijk, Wesley's Archivist, introduced them to aspects of the history of the College through displays, photographs and old furniture. The children were particularly interested in a display of photos of the early school, which were combined with old cameras relevant to that period.

The display of school hats and caps through the decades was as popular as ever – the students universally agreeing that they are glad they don't wear the boater or pith helmet!

Another highlight for the Pre-primary children was the opportunity to sit in the headmasters' chair – the recently restored jarrah chair that past headmasters have used for assembly and ceremonial events.

The younger students then set up their own class museum and extended an invitation to the Year 10 History students to visit their museum.

At about the same time, Mrs Warriner and her Year 10 History students were completing their own 1920s–1930s museum exhibit project and they enjoyed the chance to share ideas with the younger members of the school community. Each senior student was personally escorted through the museum and received a detailed explanation of the items which the children had brought in from home. The Year 10 students reciprocated the invitation and the Pre-primary children ventured up to the Senior School and explored the older students' museum.

**L-R:** Mrs Gail Ruoss, Meg Richardson, Taylah Gee (both PP2)



## Farewell Mrs Hamer

Mrs Joan Hamer, wife of the fourth Headmaster, Clive Hamer, passed away on 12 August 2010. She was 80 years of age.

Born Joan Muriel Ashcroft in August 1930, she was a milliner when she married Clive Hamer in August 1949. Four children, Angela, Janine, Nanette and Mark, were all born before the family moved to Wesley College for Clive to become the fourth Headmaster in Term 2 1965.

Mrs Hamer was highly supportive of Clive in his work at the College: she attended official functions; volunteered to work in the Canteen and in the Uniform Shop; served afternoon teas at sporting events; as well as holding social functions for staff and Council members. Coming to WA from a very close – and mainly boarding school – community in Orange in New South Wales, where nearly all staff lived on campus, the Hamers held regular – and legendary – social functions at their residence on the campus.

Their home (now named Maloney House, next to the Ward Wing) was the site of many a party with guests involved in a circuit of games (charades, board games) through the evening; if a guest played a musical instrument, they were asked to bring that to the party; if it was hot, swimming was on the cards, as was a barbecue. Joan was also a member of the Wesleyana Club (a group of mothers of former students who meet at the College once a term) and was a prominent member of the College's Art Acquisition Committee.

The large landscape painting by Wim Boissevain in the Readhead Room in the Joseph Green Centre was acquired to mark the Hamers' retirement from the College.

Recently, an Old Boy who was attending a reunion at the College, told of the time when he was given detention by Mr Hamer and was sent "straight to Mrs Hamer". His punishment – spending a lovely afternoon picking oranges and making marmalade in the Hamer kitchen!



# Sunday Evening Jazz

Just the right amount of sunshine, sitting underneath the trees on Jenkins Quad, chatting with friends and emptying picnic hampers. Throw in a couple of hours of jazz – what could be better! What a great afternoon and evening it turned out to be on Sunday 24 October.

Close to 200 Old Boys, parents, staff, students and their families relaxed on the lawns of Jenkins Quad, enjoyed each other's company (and picnic hampers) whilst listening to the wonderful sounds of Wesley's Jazz One and Two led by Kieran Hurley and Mark Underwood, the fantastic Wesley Soul Band, featuring students James Cohen on vocals and the rhythmic talents of Mark Beasy and Andrew Myer.

As the sun started to sink and the city skyline lit up, we were entertained by the Wyvern Jazz Band, led by Old Boy **Jeremy Trezona (93-05)**, which features many of our Old Boys and with 1998 'Old Girl' Lucy Commander on vocals.

As well as being a night to showcase the College's jazz ensembles, it was also a fundraiser for the Wesley College Organ Restoration project. Approximately \$2,500 was raised and this will boost the Wesley College Organ Restoration project. The Chapel organ is well on the way to being restored to its former glory. Thank you to all who attended. Your contribution is very much appreciated.

James Cohen (12G)



Wyvern Jazz Band led by Old Boy Jeremy Trezona



L-R: Mark Underwood, Benjamin Lim (9G), Matthew Brice (803), Hamish McCamley (9J), Matthew Chan (10G)

## GOLD IN WATER POLO

Two Wesley College boys returned home elated after winning the 16 and Under Water Polo National Club Championships in Hobart on 3 October.

Jordan Kremers-Taylor (10D) and Winton Huck (11H) were both members of the Melville Water Polo Club side, Melville Sharks, the team that claimed the gold medal after beating Queensland team Brisbane Barracudas 8-4. This is also the second straight title for the Melville Sharks.

The Sharks, captained by Jordan, only held a narrow two-goal lead in the third quarter, but controlled the fourth quarter to ensure victory, with Jordan scoring three of the eight WA goals.

As if winning the gold medal wasn't exciting enough, the boys had only just returned home when Jordan was named a member of the Australian squad. After being named in this squad, Jordan said that his ultimate goal was to be able to play at Olympic level.

L-R: Winton Huck and Jordan Kremers-Taylor with their gold medals



## MASTERS AND APPRENTICES

Artists from as young as four years old to 17 years old as well as award-winning professionals, had their works standing side by side at Wesley College's Masters & Apprentices Art Exhibition 2010, which was held over the weekend of 16 and 17 October.

Old Boy **Dr Peter Stafford (65–70–72)** opened the exhibition on the Friday evening. Dr Stafford is based in Fremantle and is a trained dancer, actor and musician who has created many collaborative performances with architects, filmmakers, musicians, sound artists, dancers and visual artists. As well as his own creations and those he works on with others, Peter nurtures emerging artists in these fields by lecturing at various universities and teaching privately.

Members of the public wandered through the exhibition over the weekend and marvelled at the thought-provoking and inspiring artworks from students from Kindergarten to Year 12. Standing alongside these works were paintings and sculptures from exhibiting artists.

Headmaster David Gee commented after the exhibition and said, "Once again it is great to see visual arts at Wesley being so alive and exciting – something that we nurture and celebrate. All our students are so fortunate to be guided by such skilled artists who are their teachers. Art will always be that mediating factor that speaks all languages."



**L-R:** Peter Stafford with Ian Ong (12C) and Headmaster David Gee

**Below Left:** Peter Stafford with Brandon Narkle (12T)



## SCHOLARSHIPS 2011

The College Council and the Headmaster, David Gee, congratulate the following scholarship recipients for 2011:

### YEAR 7

**Council Entrance Scholarship**  
**Yang Chen**, St Mark's Anglican Community School  
**Clifford Lee**, Wesley College  
**Alex Rohl**, Wesley College

**Council Music Scholarship**  
**Roman Shao**, Maylands Peninsula Primary School  
**Eric Tian**, St Augustine's Primary School

**Philip and Phyllis Goatcher Scholarship**  
**Declan Smeed**, Kondinin Primary School

**RW Ritchie Scholarship**  
**Hiva Mousavi**, South Perth Primary School

**Clarkson Scholarship**  
**Ryan Teh**, Anglo-Chinese Primary School, Singapore

**ES Craft Music Scholarships**  
**James Caldon**, Regent College  
**Yang Chen**, St Mark's Anglican Community School  
**Alec Fuderer**, Wesley College  
**Josh Li**, Wesley College  
**Thomas Mahoney**, Wesley College

### YEAR 10

**Mildred Manning Scholarship**  
**Matthew Jonas**, Kent Street Senior High School  
**Nikola Surla**, Ursula Frayne Catholic College

# Trenaman Library... A New Vision

The Australian Bureau of Statistics records that in Australia, there are about 130 million books sold each year, 4500 magazines, 800 news publications and thousands of government documents available. With the World Wide Web and Internet there are more than twenty million sites. Unlike a library, there is no catalogue for access. Even the best search engines are capable of locating less than 50 per cent of what's available on any given topic. Welcome to the information era!

Information technology has changed the nature of human connection and the transmission and consumption of knowledge. So how do we live successfully in an information society? How can we distinguish knowledge from data, true from the untrue, real from the rumour? The answer is our library. School libraries are places for education and self-help. They offer opportunity for all and they are dynamic, changing places.

Thanks to a very generous donation, the refurbishment of the Trenaman Library has moved it from a 1970s floor plan to one which caters for the needs of students and teachers in an 'information anytime, anyplace' environment.

There is the new online area for students to access information from the Internet, databases, emails, movies, DVDs, books, magazines. The reading area, nestled amongst the books, encourages quiet contemplative reading, with furniture that is comfortable, colourful and movable and allows for the ideal groupings for the work in hand to be organised easily. The booths allow for small groups to share and discuss ideas as well as boys reading or doing crosswords, Sudoku, digital storytelling or moviemaking. There are also study carrels for boys working independently.

## A fabulous learning space...

As you walk into the library, what will catch your eye will be the creative graphics, the bright chairs in front of the current information displays – the magazines, newspapers and screen, showing news, book trailers, photos and information. This is an area where students and teachers come and go quickly – read the paper, find what they need and move on. There are special tables for thinking and drawing on. Another 'quick use' area is the 'print and go' computers, where boys can come in, plug in their USB drives, print and leave. These computers can also be used for a quick information search with no need to log on.

The refurbishment itself was a truly collaborative process, beginning with careful research into library spaces around Australia in keeping with the thinking about learners in an information era.

It is a fabulous learning space. Come in and take a look.

**Janelle McGann**

*Director Teaching & Learning*



Library as it was in 1979



# P&F Friend Raising and Fundraising

Once again, the annual Wesley Ladies' Lunch was a great day, with a spring carnival atmosphere and this year it was held at the Esplanade River Suites, Como, on 19 November. With 180 ladies attending, there was a fair amount of chatter and laughter, especially during the 'vintage bridesmaid dress parade' - definitely a trip down memory lane. The winning 'frock' was a lovely lime green stunner provided by Julie Brunner and the winner of the Best Hat was Deirdre Main.

Ladies were asked to bring along items for comfort packs that could be given to the Fremantle Women's Refuge. Once again the generosity was amazing and we were able to donate a very full car load of items ranging from toiletries to beauty products.

The P&F holds many events during the year, such as the Sundowner Cocktail Party at the beginning of the year, Golf Day and the Ladies' High Tea. These

events aid the important friendship-raising role of the P&F. They are also avenues for the equally important fundraising, so that the P&F can continue to contribute to the life of the College. This year the P&F provided funding and assistance to College events, and equipment and assistance (financial and otherwise) to the many support groups and teaching areas within the College. They also assist a number of community groups, such as the Fremantle Women's Refuge and Little Feet for Africa, as well as parent seminars and ventures, such as the Scholaris portal sessions for parents.

The Ladies' Lunch is always a fun and highly enjoyable day for ladies of Wesley to round off the busy school year.

**Back L-R:** Kathy Vigor, Rowena Teo, Angela Munsie, Miranda Hitchings, Blanche Everett, Veronica Whittleston

**Front L-R:** Sandra Ardeshirian, Michele Sayce, Gina McCarrey, Jane Case.



**L-R:** Jennifer Rogers (President), Gay Diamond, Rae Edwards, Thelma Bevilaqua, Doris Strahan

## OUR WESLEYANA LADIES

On 29 October there was plenty of catching up with old friends, when approximately 30 ladies from Wesleyana met for their spring luncheon, held at the RAAF Club in Bull Creek.

This year, the Wesleyana ladies donated two bench seats, which are in front of the Ward building in Coode Street. Each is dedicated to the memory of former much-loved teachers, Mildred Manning and Frank Wood Snr. These benches are certainly being put to good use by the boys and staff - of which Mildred and Frank would have very much approved!

The first meeting of Wesleyana took place on 7 May 1963, so the fiftieth anniversary of the group is coming up in 2013. The group would like to hear from former members of Wesleyana to add your stories to our history and help us celebrate. Please contact Laurel Smith on 08 9367 8906.

As a reminder, Wesleyana meets on the third Friday of every second month starting in March (except school holidays). To start off the 2011 school year the group will have a get-together for coffee at the Boat Shed, Coode Street jetty on 18 February at 10.00 am. All mothers and grandmothers are welcome.

Note: The Wesleyana Club is a group of mothers of former students of the College, who meet formally at the College. This usually involves a guest speaker, morning tea and an update by the Headmaster on College activities. In the past, this group has raised funds for various College and community projects.



**L-R:** Jane Crane, Robyn Zylstra, Gina McCarrey, Karen Speak, Michele Sayce, Joanne Rochow, Sandra Moo, Heather Manifold

## OUTSTANDING STRINGS

Wesley College's String Orchestras received the award of 'Outstanding' and were given a '1' for every aspect of their performance at the ABODA Orchestra Festival in August.

To top it off, the Senior String Orchestra entered the Premier Division of the Strings Section, which is the highest division they could enter. Only two other schools entered this division, which shows the standard required to perform in this division. The judges paid special mention of the students' fine rhythmic skills and the gusto of their performance.

Wesley College's Head of Strings, Rex Carr-White, commented on the qualities displayed by both groups and made special mention of the Senior Strings Leader, Benjamin Edwards (12H), saying, "As Concert Master, he displayed true leadership qualities throughout, especially in the Mozart *Divertimento*, which was performed without a conductor".



The Senior String Orchestra, which includes students from Years 7 to 12, has competed in the Premier Division for the last six years and, during this time, they have received one 'Excellent' and five 'Outstanding' awards.

Wesley's Intermediate Strings also performed in this festival in the B Division, which is the highest division that any WA 'primary' orchestra entered. These students, ranging from Years 5 to 8 performed alongside high school orchestras from other schools, so they were extremely proud to be one of only two schools to achieve an 'Outstanding' award.

Head of Senior School, Stephen Webber, was thrilled and said, "The College is extremely proud of the performances of both these ensembles. They performed at an outstanding level, reflecting individual skill and wonderful teamwork. Through extensive practice they took personal and collective responsibility for their performance and strove for personal best. The boys played with passion and obvious enjoyment, which was felt by all audience members, and by their success, the adjudicators were equally impressed".

## Artist in Residence

Accomplished set and costume designer, Max Hurley, spent a week at Wesley College encouraging students about the possibility of a career within the broad spectrum of The Arts.

Max Hurley (father of Head of Arts, Kieran Hurley) travelled from Queensland and spent a week in the Arts Faculty as an 'Artist in Residence' between 21 and 25 June. Max is an accomplished set and costume designer, having designed countless productions for companies such as the Queensland Light Opera Company, Twelfth Night Theatre Company, Brisbane City Youth Ballet, Queensland Youth Ballet, Queensland Ballet, Queensland Opera and the Brisbane Arts Theatre. He has a permanent exhibition of his set and costume designs on display at the Queensland Performing Arts Complex (QPAC).

It is hoped that this visit enlightened and enthused students within the Visual Arts and Drama departments to the possibilities of a career within the many areas of The Arts. He also worked with

the Junior School on the collaborative design of the sets and costumes for their production of UP2US, which was premiered at the College in August 2010 (see story on UP2US Concert on page 24)

As a visual artist, he has displayed his works with galleries such as the Verlie Just Town Gallery, Phillip Bacon Gallery, Armstrong Gallery and the

Landsborough Gallery. His works are currently in many private collections both in Australia and overseas.

This is the first in what is hoped will be a long series of Artists in Residence coming to the College in the future.



Max Hurley with L-R: Simon Durack, Isaac Ledger (both 504)

# The Wall of Hope... Now a Reality

## FOLLOWING A DREAM

Tom King (11D) was recently offered a two-year U18 squad scholarship with Liverpool Football Club. Liverpool selected only about eight 16-year-olds from around the world to join the U18 squad.

Tom began his soccer career at the age of six, playing with Melville Soccer Club. At 11, he moved clubs to play in the youth premier league and was one of two lads selected from Western Australia to spend a week training in Sydney with former Australian coach, Raul Blanco. He played at a number of clubs over the next few years, always looking to get the best possible coaching. He was selected in the Western Australian state U14 and U15 sides and played in national championships held



**L-R:** Riley Smythe (601),  
Tom King, Adrian Pal (602)

each year at Coffs Harbour. At 14, Tom was invited to join the Western Australian National Training Centre (NTC), where he has been coached by Kenny Lowe, who is currently assistant coach at Perth Glory.

While Tom is on the scholarship program with Liverpool, education remains a focus to ensure that all the boys have options should they need it. Tom has started studying for a Btech National Diploma in Sports Science at the local college with the other Liverpool football club scholars.

Tom and his father, Robin, have always supported Liverpool, which adds the perfect touch to a very happy story.

Sadly for Wesley, Tom left the College as a student in June 2010 to pursue his dream. Happily though, Tom as an Old Boy will 'never walk alone,' with the Wesley community following his soccer movements.

*Wall of Hope bricks  
awaiting their plaques*



The 'Wall of Hope' has now been turned into a reality, thanks to the incredible generosity of Scott Park of Redink Homes, who donated the materials and labour; without such assistance, the Wall could not have been completed in its present form. In addition, a substantial

grant from the Wesley P&F will be used for signage, plaques and insignias. It is now coming to fruition and has been built as part of the brick rotunda on Jenkins Quad.

The history of The Wall of Hope and its fundraising story goes back to 2008. It was the major fundraising effort for that year, where donations of \$500 per brick or, larger donations for a 'larger brick' saw the College raise a total of over \$140,000 that year as its contribution to the Cancer Council of WA through our involvement in Relay for Life. In addition, there was a major auction, which raised approximately \$50,000; a wine raffle raising \$3,000, and \$9,000 was also raised by students doorknocking within the community. Since that time, other individuals and groups have 'bought a brick in The Wall' ... and with the efforts over the time, Wesley has now contributed over \$250,000 to the Cancer Council of WA.

The Wall will be a permanent reminder of the importance of the College community's involvement with the WA Cancer Council and in Relay for Life and it will ensure we remember those who have lost their battle with cancer or those who are survivors, having won their battle with cancer.

The bricks are of travertine and the cross and bible are travertine and granite. The Wall is being constructed to reflect all past donations, but also has the potential for others to make future donations and 'buy a brick' in the Wall as we continue to support the WA Cancer Council as one of our major causes.

It is aimed to have an 'official unveiling' of the Wall on a date early in 2011 and all donors and families will be invited to attend.

### **Peter Reidy**

*Relay for Life Coordinator*

*Daniel Miles from Impress Natural Stone  
working on the travertine and granite cross*



## The Archive Collection Expands

During this year the Archive has been the recipient of an unprecedented number of interesting and varied donations from all eras. Each and every donation received adds depth and interest to the collection and enriches our understanding of the history and heritage of the College.

To illustrate this, I am pleased to acknowledge and thank the following:

- The family of Reverend Joseph Green BA, BD, for the donation of his academic gown and hood. Reverend Green, after whom the Joseph Green Centre was named, was a former Chaplain, member of College Council and Chairman of Council from 1945 – 1952. The gown is thought to date from the 1930s and will be the focus of a textile conservation project to enable it to be safely exhibited on particular occasions.

Several of the donations are linked to former Headmasters, in particular;

- Mrs Jean Yule's donation of her father, JF Ward's (Headmaster 1923 – 1929), tiny pocket diary of 1924 (see photo bottom right), in which he recorded the title of the books he read, gives an insight into his interests – books on educational theory, psychology and psychoanalysis on the one hand, and on the other titles by English poets (Browning, Tennyson and Wordsworth amongst them), Shakespeare, Dickens and Conrad. Then, perhaps more reflective of Mr Ward's personal interests, the many titles by writers who appear to have been particular favourites – Sabatini, PG Wodehouse, RL Stevenson and AA Milne.
- Mr Clive Hamer's (Headmaster 1965 – 1983) donation of an extensive collection of personal papers, including his Honours and Masters theses, lecture notes, literary reviews and publications.
- Dr Roderic Kefford (Headmaster 1984 – 1996) and Mrs Margaret Kefford's

return to the College of memorabilia associated with their time at the school.

- Old Scholars also continue to make a valuable contribution. In the OWCA pages of this edition (page 30) you will find reference to the Pat Markham Collection (**Pat Markham 35-40-39**), donated by Mrs June Markham. The College Archive has recently undertaken the refurbishment and resilvering of Pat's trophies (see photo left) and work is underway to conserve his flying jacket.
- We have also recently received a second deposit of items from **Mark Sheen (89 – 93)** who successfully climbed Mt Everest in 2007. Mark added to his initial donation by giving the Archive his climbing boots, crampons and ice axe.

Other donations have added to the Old Scholar's Library of books written or illustrated by Old Wesleyans.

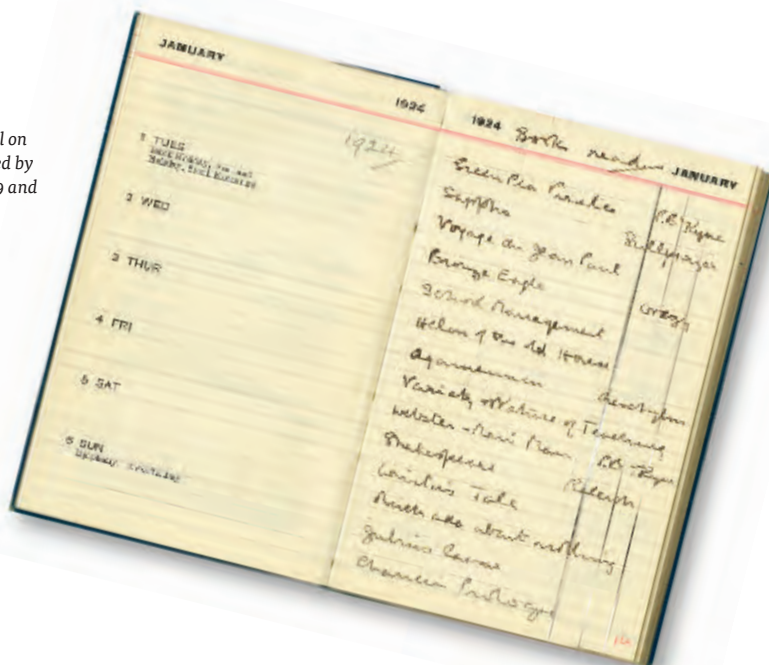
Recent additions have included *Australian Botanist's Companion*, by Alex George; *Boans for Service*, by David Hough; *Land of Vision and Mirage*, by Geoff Bolton; *The Queen's Other Realms*, by Peter Boyce; *Home and Dry*, by WS (Bill) Cooper; *Solo to England*, by Barry Markham.

Thanks to everyone who gave books or contributed items and papers. The College is very grateful for your contribution.

**Barbara van Bronswijk**  
Archivist



John Frederick Ward, headmaster 1923-29. Oil on canvas on board. Painted by Margaret Johnson, 1949 and hangs in the Goatcher Auditorium.



# From the Head of Senior School

As I prepare to leave Wesley College after five rewarding years as Head of Senior School, it is an appropriate time to stop, reflect and give thanks. My decision to move to Guildford Grammar School as Headmaster is in keeping with Wesley's fine motto 'By Daring & By Doing', as I know that there are many challenges that lie ahead. However, I feel well prepared to face them, thanks to the experience I have gained at Wesley.

Highlights for me have included: the myriad of community service initiatives, exceptional Arts performances and Arts Days, memorable sporting victories and defeats, moving Chapel service addresses, such as **George Oakley's (03-08)** – address, celebrating wonderful academic achievements, Valedictory Dinners, the Moorditj Mob dancing and the Chorale singing at assembly, Grandparents' Days and Speech Nights ... and of course the list could go on!

One defining thread through all these events has been the sense of connection and community evident in the College, and the celebration of boys' unique and special talents. On the whole, boys enjoy coming to Wesley and the staff enjoy teaching them, which creates a positive learning culture and vibrant dynamic.

I have greatly appreciated the support I have received from all members of the community, but in particular I would like to thank Headmaster David Gee for his visionary leadership, shared passion for education, guidance and friendship. I also thank Debra Hyde for her professionalism and tireless work in juggling the complex demands of the Senior School Office and day-to-day support. It has been a privilege to work closely with Frank Wood on many challenging scenarios and to have enjoyed the benefit of his wisdom and experience. He will be greatly missed from Wesley.

The parents at Wesley offer fantastic support and I have always appreciated the positive relationships formed with the Senior School P&F representatives, House representatives and Parent Support Group members, who give generously to the College.

My son, Jordan, will be in his final year at Wesley in 2011 and my wife, Lynn, continues in her role as Indigenous Student Support Teacher, so whilst I will be focused on my new role, I will still remain connected to life at Wesley. I will take with me many fond memories and cherished experiences. I look forward to catching up with staff, parents and students next year and to take part in the friendly banter that no doubt will fly around at our sporting contests.

**Stephen Webber**

*Pictured with Stephen Webber are L-R: Wesley Moore (Chair of SRC), Darren Wee (Vice-captain of School), Adam Carter (Captain of School) and Reagan Cake (Captain of Boarding)*

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING PREFECTS-ELECT FOR 2011:

Captain of School	Adam Carter
Vice-captain of School	Darren Wee
Chair of SRC	Wesley Moore
Deputy Chair of SRC	Lachlan Blair
Captain of Boarding	Reegan Cake
Captain of Cygnet House	Harley Royce
Captain of Dickson House	Samuel Barendse
Captain of Grove House	Matthew Pallot
Captain of Hardey House	Seigo Fukuyama
Captain of Jenkins House	Thomas Crane
Captain of Mofflin House	Harry Brown
Captain of Tranby House	Declan Rendell
Captain of Walton House	Cambell Nalder
Captain of Arts	Simon Matthews
Captain of Sport	Sam Rundle
Middle School Prefects	Richard Goodheart
	Winton Huck
Junior School Prefects	Umar Badat
	Aaron Nguyen





# Erica Can Now Go To Uni



Thank you card that Erica sent the Year 11 Walton students

Wesley's Year 11 Walton boys have spent 2010 raising money for a Cambodian student to attend university for a year. Her name is Erica and she lives in Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

Erica is 20 years old and met Mr Peter Ng, father of Ansel in Year 5 and Anderson in Year 8, who was visiting Cambodia with the Faith Community Church on a community service mission to build a water tower and distribute food to Roong Village, Cambodia. Students from Phnom Penh helped out as translators and Erica was one of them. She had just finished high school, but could not afford to go to university. She also looks after her two brothers and three sisters. Her parents had agreed to allow her to go to university and not look after her siblings, if she could secure sponsorship.

Erica now attends the Build Bright University, where she is studying English Literature. She is still involved in community work with her church and is very focused on helping the poor.

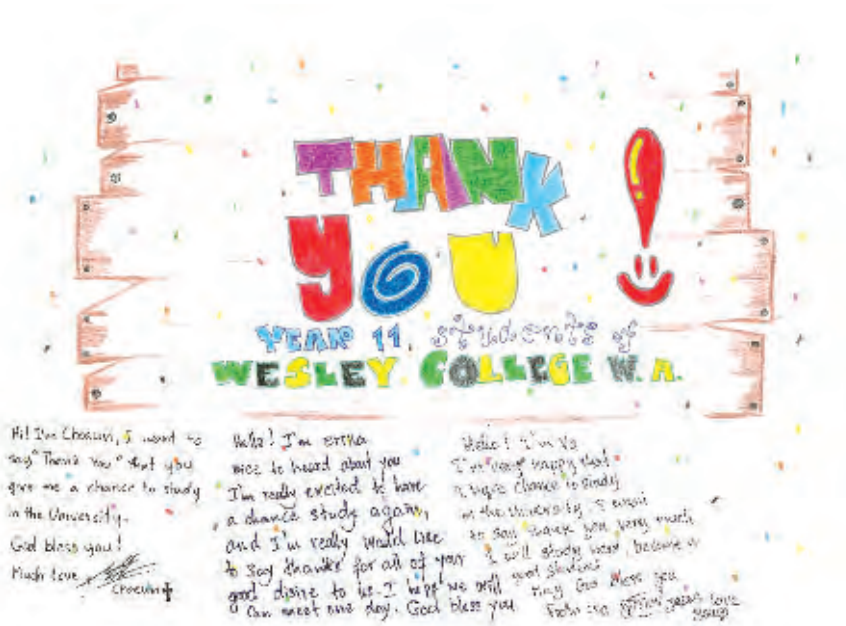
Walton's Year 11s held a cake sale during Term 2 and a 'Build a Burger' function during Term 3 and managed to raise \$805, which paid for Erica's studies for a year and also for her living expenses.

During Term 4, the boys committed to doing jobs for family, friends and neighbours in order to each raise \$50, which will go towards paying for Erica's university fees and subsistence costs for 2011 and will hopefully also be enough to buy her a laptop.

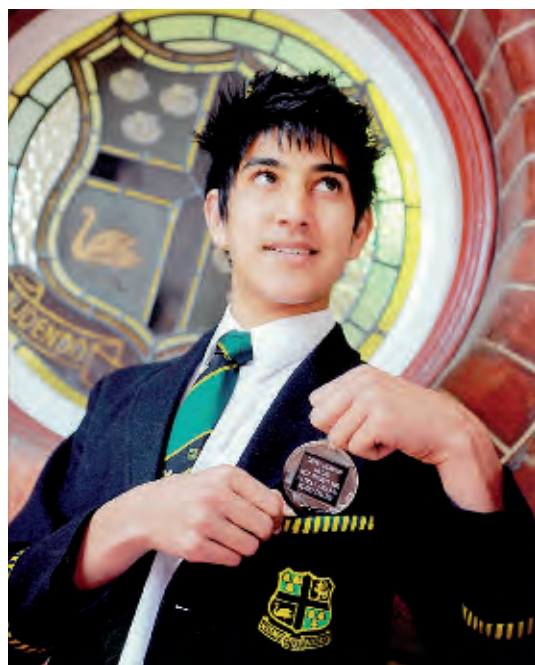
In 2011 we look forward to continuing with our community service projects and have set ourselves a goal of raising \$5000. We challenge the other Year 11 tutor groups to equal or better our efforts!

**Silke Smith**

Year 11 Walton tutor



11W boys handing over the cheque to Peter Ng



## NATHAN POKETS A MEDAL FOR ACCOUNTING

In August, four Wesley students: Bernard Hoogenboezem (12D), Yusuf Nosarka (12W), Wei Lee Poh (12C) and Nathan Amaral (12J) graduated from Curtin University's Accounting 100, which is part of the 'Excelerate' program – a unique program that provides exceptional Year 12 accounting students with the opportunity to complete a customised, industry-based accounting unit at that university.

Topping the unit with a mark of 89%, Nathan Amaral pocketed the Denis Horgan Medal for 2010, which is awarded to an individual student who attains the highest overall mark.

Only 70 specially selected Year 12 students from around the state were selected for this program.

After receiving the medal, Nathan said, "the unit provided really valuable industry experience and the course gave me a much greater perspective of the job".

# WESLEY RULES



Declan Rendell's winning work

Wesley College students took out first and second places in the Open Division of the metal craft competition in the creative craft display at the 2010 Perth Royal Show.

Declan Rendell (11T) won first place and Ben Rae (10J), was awarded second place. The boys should feel especially proud as they were up against adults in this division. Congratulations Declan and Ben and, of course, their metalwork teacher and adviser, David Townsend.

Other students who had their metalwork on display were Jesse Rose (10M), Joshua Munns (11T), Bradley Hall (11H), Lewis Edwards (10T), Ronan Doig (10H), Jack Davoren (9M) and Samuel Beresford-Long (10M).

Well done to all!

## Winning a Business Challenge

On Friday 17 September 2010, Wesley College entered six Years 10 and 11 students in the inaugural ECU Business Experience ... and WON.

Accompanied by their teacher, Kathy Krajcar, the winning students were Jack Coughlin (10J), Darren Sweeney (10H), Darren Wee (11W), David Silberman (11W), Meng-Yeow Lim (11M) and Wesley Moore (11J).

Seven secondary schools from the Perth metropolitan area participated in this challenge. The schools were asked to nominate a team of six students from Years 10 and 11 for the whole day

event, which was not only a valuable learning experience, but provided the opportunity for them to meet like-minded talented individuals from other schools as well as be exposed to a tertiary environment.

After a stimulating session on communication and role-playing a communication structure, they were given four hours to prepare a marketing plan for a wholesale fundraising business selling licensed plastic figurines. The boys were then given ten minutes to present to a panel of four judges in the council chambers. These judges were university professors and business industry leaders.

Wesley's marketing plan was a genuine team effort and each boy had his own contribution towards the presentation. Wesley Moore acted as the host for the presentation and he formally welcomed each of the judges by their names, which apparently we were the only school to do so. The judges thought the boys' marketing plan was 'outside the square' and had an edge over the other schools.

The judges assessed schools on the quality of their solution, creative logic, teamwork and presentation skills.

The day concluded with an awards reception held in the ECU Art Gallery. Each student from the team received an Apple iPod Nano, as well as the school being provided with a cheque to the value of \$750.00.

**Back L-R:** Jack Coughlin, David Silberman, Darren Sweeney, Meng-Yeow Lim, Darren Wee  
**Front:** Wesley Moore



## From the Head of Middle School

It has been three years since I last worked in the Middle School and, while returning this term has been both invigorating and rewarding, many things have changed in that relatively short period of time. However, the core philosophies and commitment to early adolescence remains solid. I have discovered a group of dedicated staff who are committed to engaging and supporting our middle years' students in ways that inspire them to be successful and to achieve their best.

But what are those middle schooling values that have remained unchanged; and how are they being shaped into action?

As a pre/young adolescent group their needs are somewhat different to others. Their developmental stages will be variable across physical, emotional, intellectual, social, cognitive and moral platforms. Each young person will be a matrix within themselves, and our programs must be sufficiently flexible to enable each individual the room to move and grow within them.

Physically we are dealing with the challenges of the increasingly earlier onset of puberty. Coordination capabilities are often at their optimum challenge levels at the same time.

Cognitively young people of this age are reaching a stage where their capacity to learn is influenced by the focus of their brain development. Depending on the emotional environment they have experienced in their previous years, their brain and moral

development takes significant strides at this point. Assisting them to grapple with moral and value-based issues in a productive way will lay the foundation for their continuing effective development as young adults. Socially they are in a period of transition. The question of social initiation and development is one with which many educators and some parents are currently grappling.

Social boundaries are also a source of conversation for many educators and parents. Many of our young people seem to be growing into a world where the word 'responsibility' is being increasingly used, and misused,

*The 'middle years' are a truly exciting and challenging time.*

and the word 'boundaries' is being forgotten. Emotional vulnerability also needs to be recognised and addressed. Self-esteem and self-worth, which manifest in self-confidence at either high, low, or, usually, fluctuating levels, is also an area of considerable challenge at this age.

The 'middle years' are a truly exciting and challenging time. Our students are trying to contend with raging hormones, growing awareness of self and others, developing cognition and other significant changes. We, as adults are trying to assist these young people to channel their time and energy into the most productive pursuits which will ultimately benefit themselves at a personal level, and also contribute to a more positively resilient community and culture. We

must realise that to build resilience in a child does not require the moulding of a super kid. What's needed is to find one or two things (what psychologists refer to as 'islands of competence') at which the child can succeed and derive a measure of self-confidence. An excellent middle school should put a premium on encouraging students to master something even if they struggle in an academic subject – a sport, music, some place they can go where they are of value. We need to remember that as an age group they are only 18% of the population, but 100% of the future.

**Andrew Manley**



# A Sustainable Action Plan

## MATHEMATICALLY ENTERTAINING

Over one hundred parents, students and their siblings took part in an evening of mathematics at Wesley on 8 September. What a fantastic turnout, with the Joseph Green Centre staffroom filled to capacity.

Participants were actively engaged in mathematical activities for a full hour and a half. The aims of the evening included raising awareness of what it means to work mathematically and experiencing a differentiated learning environment with families and friends enjoying mathematics together.

For a warm-up problem, 18 volunteers, each with a number between one and eighteen were given the task to pair up with another number to make a square number (e.g.  $10+15=25$ ;  $5 \times 5$ ). After a few minutes of confusion, audience help and increasing energy and understanding, most managed to find a suitable partner. Rather than providing an answer, the discussion centred on what questions the activity raised, such as this comment from a parent, "Was it possible for everyone to find a suitable pair to form a square number?" Head of Mathematics, Ian Sheppard, then commented that he would feel successful in his role at Wesley if students asked such questions about the maths in which they engage in on daily basis.

The success of the evening was best illustrated by the following paraphrased comments and observations of participants:

*It was fun. It wasn't maths.* (student)

*The collecting of data, looking for the patterns and then communicating what we found was an interesting process.* (parent)

*We got further working in groups.* (student)

Given the interest and success of this initial session, another workshop is likely to be run early in 2011.



L-R: Peter Fleming, Ky Meers (601)

L-R: Bryce Kenyon Quigley, Alexander Black (both 702)

Eco-villages, a sustainable house, worm farms, compost bins and self-watering gardens were just a few of the action plans on show at the Sustainability Expo put on by Wesley College's Year 7 boys in July.

The Year 7s have culminated their term's work on global issues into a Sustainability Expo, which was held at the College on the second last day of Term 2. At the beginning of the term, the boys could choose any topic but the brief was that whatever they studied, they needed to come up with an action plan and a real life outcome from their work.

The six main groups that the boys worked on, and displayed at the Expo were Eco-villages, Dolphin Dudes, Food Sustainability, Design and Technology and Information Technology.

Many parents came along to view the displays and classes from Junior School to Senior School wandered through the exhibition.

Dolphin Dudes L-R: Ted Kingston (704), Nicholas Marris (704), Abel Brown (702), Tyler Becker (704), York Shellard (704), Thomas Cork (702)



Junior School students visiting the Expo L-R: Cooper Whitefield, Victoria Sandford, Molly Baguley, Sarah Shipman (all 102)

# Planning and Teamwork... A Great End Result

In 2009, the Years 5 and 6 teachers began planning for a 'production unit' which would allow the boys to perform and work collaboratively. Early in 2010, the theme selected was The Rio Carnival. This theme was then developed around the idea of a bid for the 2016 Olympics. Brazilian facts, issues, sport, music and history were showcased through a variety of mediums.

Central to this was the focus on the 'process' behind the task, rather than just the final performance.

From this point on, the boys took charge. Learning how to collaborate, negotiate, compromise and work cooperatively to a tight schedule were key skills that the boys developed over the course of this project.

The Year 5s were thrust into the management of the production. This included making and designing the props and costumes. The film crew kept an ongoing blog and regularly took photos of the production tasks. The catering group organised refreshments for the evening of the performance. The marketing group designed posters, tickets, brochures, a seating chart for the Goatcher Auditorium and provided ushering on the night.

The Year 6s were divided into three groups: drama, music and dance. Each group individually wrote or choreographed their parts of the performance. Many hours were spent designing and rehearsing for this event.

The dancers showcased Brazilian animals and birds from the rainforest, which is being affected by pollution. Throughout the production, the musicians transported parents to Brazil with Latin music and percussion, including songs called *Crunchy, Crunchy, Crunchy*; *Carnival Drumming*; *Water come a me eye* and *Mbiro Jam*. The actors tied the whole performance together with interesting facts about Brazil.

The boys invited their parents to the performance by way of a personalised letter. Playing to a packed house, the boys showed what true teamwork can achieve – a fantastic end result performance. As a Years 5–6 team – we can't wait to get started again next year!

## Liz Efthymou and Gemma Johnstone

Year 6 and Year 5 teachers

Connor Snashall (504)  
working on the set



**Top:** Gemma Johnstone leading some dance practice

**Above: L-R:** Dylan Farrell, Alex Cain (both 601)

## From the Acting Heads of Junior School

To place another before yourself is an act of kindness, generosity and respect. When thinking of Junior School students, the concept of serving others is achieved, on a modified scale, through a variety of creative ways. The 2010 community-based, year-level projects have again been a successful part of the Junior School program. It allowed the children to think of others in the community and to undertake a range of activities which directly raise funds that are given to nominated organisations. The chosen organisations this year were:

Kindergarten – Kanyana Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre

Pre-primary – Perth Zoo

Year 1 – Operation Santa Christmas Appeal

Year 2 – Redkite

Year 3 – Literacy Backpack Appeal

Year 4 – RSPCA

Through their actions and endeavour, and the wonderful support of our parents, the students are able to contribute to others. It also allows the teachers to raise an awareness in the students that it is important to look out for others, including animals and the environment.

The Year 4 African Doll Project was yet another example of how a simple concept can be turned into helping others. After hearing about the plight of orphans in South Africa, the students were inspired to make dolls to send to children in KwaZulu Natal. A significant aspect is that this occurred after seeing pictures of orphans. The students reflected on their own lives, and how fortunate they were, and the process of making dolls for the children in Africa became a focus for them in Term 3. For many children in Africa, these dolls will be the only toy they will ever have.

Our Junior School students are full of spirit and are keen to please others. When this energy is directed to useful purposes it is amazing what can be achieved. Through the combination of quality teachers and support from home, our Junior School is capable of achieving much greatness. Positive modelling and reinforcement of worthy causes will instil a sense in our students to lead purposeful and meaningful lives, and to consider others before our self.

As the festive season is now upon us, we take this opportunity to wish the Junior School community a joyous and restful break. It is an opportune time to consider others who are less fortunate than ourselves and to be thankful for the wonderful things that we have.

**Gregory Miller and Candice Box**

*“The way to gain a good reputation, is to endeavour to be what you desire to appear.”* **Socrates**

Junior School staff: **Back Row L-R:** David Gee, Cassandra Stewart, Ollie Johnstone, Tracey Coad, Erin Comenos, Kirsty McDougall

**Third Row L-R:** Marie Metaxas, Karen Tamblyn, Candice Box, Jean Frost, Gail Ruoss, Debbie Hirte

**Second Row L-R:** Nicola Fletcher, Indah Hixson, Caroline Moseley, Sharon Naysmith, Kirri Moore, Gillian Venables, Anne Crawcour, Susan McNamara, Annie Boehm

**Front Row L-R:** Jim Howard, Michael Crane, Greg Miller





# Fun on the Track

TOUCHS JOININ 23



THE WESLEYAN SUMMER 2010 PART 1

It was a perfect day, weather-wise, for the Junior School House Athletics Carnival on 15 October. What made it even more perfect was the fantastic enthusiasm and energy from the students, the encouraging parents and supportive staff.

Everyone represented their House with pride and performed very well in a range of individual and team events. When it came time for the parents and staff races, there was no holding back and, in some cases, there appeared to be more evidence of 'enthusiasm' than skill!

Though competition was fierce and the lead changed a number of times during the day, Jenkins came out overall winners closely followed by Grove, Walton, Mofflin, Dickson and Hardey.

**Top L-R:** Chelsea Wulff (302), Lachlan Steedman (401), Sarah Shipman (102)

**Middle L-R (students):** Thomas Trainer (401), Matheson Gee (402), Samuel Richardson (301), Sophie Williams (402)

**Bottom L-R:** Thomas Drake-Brockman (301), Ted Rose (301), Gareth Evans (302)

# UP2US

“honouring young students and supporting their learning journey”

With 2010 being the International Year of Biodiversity, it was important to draw the children's focus this way, so the theme of the Junior School's biennial concert just had to be something along those lines. Each year level focused on a different aspect of the environment and how to best support biodiversity within plant and animal life. Their findings were represented in music, dance and verse, creating an excellent variety of items. The concert was given the title *UP2US* by our clever Annie Boehm in Junior School Reception.

The Kindy children took us to the jungle with their version of *The Lion Sleeps Tonight*. Pre-primary had looked at Antarctica. Dressed smartly in penguin costumes, they sang and then danced to *Beyond the Sea*, with expert choreography by Mrs Moseley – with a very overwhelming ‘cute’ factor! Year 1 told us a story, *Save the Day – Save the Animals* in verse and movement about the impact of cane toads. They ended their item with a song in the form of a promise about ‘kids saving the Earth’. Year 2 presented *Mug-A-Bug* devised by the theatrical Mr Crane about Troy Cooper, the boy who learned to respect and care for bugs. Year 3 brought our attention to the devastation that results from trees dying. The Year 4 item began with rousing drumming, summoning the audience to Africa and a time ‘when the earth and sky were new and ruled by animals’.

These items were linked by a story devised by Mrs Jackson about two Wesley College children who come back from the year 3010 to the year 2010 to thank their ‘ancient ancestors’, the current Wesley students, for looking after the environment so well that life on Earth in 3010 benefits from much-sustained biodiversity. The children from the future, magnificently played by Lauren Bryce and Ben Stagg, talked with the talented Mia Ward and Scott Berryman, the ‘current’ Wesley children. Their conversations formed the linking story between the class items. The concert ended with a grand finale of all the Junior School students on stage singing *Tomorrow's Children*, with the message to ‘think of tomorrow's world as we live today’.

The Junior School was supported in this production by many people within the Wesley community. The many magnificent costumes were made by parents. Years 11 and 12 Media and Drama students helped behind stage and Old Boy **Lachlan Bowyer (05–09)** was stage manager. The set for the production evolved from a group of Junior School students working with Max Hurley, a recent Wesley Artist in Residence.

The professionalism and attention to detail of all those involved in this production is a testament to the way the Wesley College community honours these young students and supports their learning journey.

**Louise Jackson**

*Junior School Performing Arts teacher*

**Right: L-R:** Benjamin Stagg, (401), Lauren Brice (402), Mia Ward (402)

**Far Right:** Kyle Monteiro (402) painting some of the set

**Right: L-R:** Demetra Vitsas, Emily Coffin, Chelsea Wulff (all 302)

**Centre:** Ted Rose (301)

**Far Right:** Scott Berryman (401)

**Right: Front L-R:** Harrison Haney, Ethan Loke (Kindergarten)

**Far Right:** Arman Puri (301)

**Right: L-R:** Eva Ledger, Tolulope Sorunmu, Sophia Jacka (all 202)

**Right: L-R:** Thomas Steverlynck (401), Matheson Gee (402), Michael Riches (401)

**Far Right:** Boris Nazar (Pre-primary)







# Making Dolls For Africa

The Year 4 students were so motivated after hearing about the plight of orphans in South Africa, that they made dolls to send to children in KwaZulu Natal.

In Term 2, the students and their teachers listened to a talk given by the Schools Project and WA Coordinator of Uthando Doll Project, Lynne Tognolini, who shared her experiences of time spent with orphans in South Africa. Ms Tognolini said to the children, "Through playing with these dolls, the orphans in Africa have the opportunity to experience delight and to unleash their imagination. They may also express their grief and loss, and come to better understand things that trouble or confuse them. Play also enables children to develop physically, intellectually, emotionally, socially and spiritually in a more robust way."

This talk affected the students greatly as they compared their lives to those children of the same age in Africa. Pictures of the orphans were shown and the Wesley students were struck by the sadness in many of their eyes. Upon seeing the images and hearing the stories they wanted to be involved in any way they could. Lynne spoke to the children about the making of the dolls. It was clear that for many children in Africa this might be the only toy they would ever have.

Putting their thoughts into action, on Wednesday 28 July the Year 4 students invited members of their families to come into the classroom and work as a community to create a special toy for the Uthando Doll Project – a gift from the Wesley Junior School community to the KwaZulu Natal children and their communities – making many created dolls that carried a message of love, hope or joy. As 'uthando' is the Zulu word for love, the students and staff at Wesley hope that these creations will bring some love and joy to the children's lives.

One of the students, Nicholas Manley, said, "The project was really good because I got to work with my granddad and make something for kids in Africa who don't have as much as us."

*KwaZulu Natal (KZN) is home to one quarter of South Africa's children. Two in every three of them live in poverty and 1.5 million are younger than six. The HIV and AIDS pandemic affects everyone, and the ravages of the pandemic increase the vulnerability of all children. Children need the loving care of at least one adult for optimal growth and development. When one in five children has already lost one or both parents to AIDS, the care-giving capacity of families is stretched and at times overwhelmed. While nutritious food, clean water, shelter and education are essential for a child's wellbeing, so is play.*

Taken from <http://www.uthandoproject.org/>

See also <http://www.uthandoproject.org/docs/Uthando-Project-March-2008.pdf>

**Right:** Conor Mannix (401)

**Below:** Mia Ward (402)

**Below Right L-R:** Luke Shipman (402), Kyle Van Dyk (402), Jill Shipman, Therese Shipman



# From the Head of Boarding

boarding house

The Wesley College boarding community has seen a number of changes occur throughout this year. Cultural change has been one of the buzz phrases used in 2010. Our boys have concentrated on 'raising the bar' in their academic pursuits, in their attention to detail in everyday activities in the house as well as other areas around the College. Although not always easy, it has been wonderful to see so many boys embrace the notion of doing what is 'the right thing to do'. Something as small as picking up a piece of paper that has been dropped on the carpet or emptying a bin that is getting close to overflowing can make a big difference to the overall tone of the house.

As I write this, the Year 12 exams have just ended and the Year 11s are busy studying for theirs. Recently a Year 12 boy commented on how good it has been to have such a quiet environment during exams. Boys' consideration for others during study times makes preparing for exams that much easier and good preparation usually leads to success down the track. This behavioural 'culture change' is one of the things that has brought about a definite improvement in the academic culture in the Boarding House.

I consider myself lucky to travel to the various field days and meet Wesley Old Boys – of all ages. I love listening to the many jokes and reminiscences about the 'old Masters' or the 'high jinks of old'. When pondering on these conversations I realise that a great deal of change has taken place. Once upon a time we had to chase the boys back in from playing footy or other physical pastimes to have showers and get ready for dinner and study. Now, we often have to kick them outside and get them off social networks and game sites. Dinner used to be an all-in, table-by-table procedure. Now it is more casual, cafeteria-style, relaxed dining with coffee, latte and hot chocolate machines at their disposal. Boarders used to have access to the old gym in the Hamer building which is now classrooms (small ones at that). Now they have access to not one, but two state-of-the-art gymnasiums, a

50-metre swimming pool, excellent weights room and floodlit tennis courts, thanks to the Wesley Sports Club. This allows boys to have access to the facilities at times when most other schools would not.

Many Old Boys ask whether the boarders get access to any of the girls' schools as they "didn't get enough access"!! My thoughts go to the boy who commented to his mum that the next time he goes out to dinner with the Penrhos girls at a restaurant he will not be ordering spaghetti bolognaise – this was a good 'practical' learning opportunity which will last him a lifetime. It seems to me that the answer would be, when do they not get to mix with girls' schools. There always seems to be something organised.

There are occasions when day boys come and stay in the Boarding House for short periods of time. This year the Captain of School, Cooper Rogers, and Vice-captain, Jarrad Zylstra, stayed for a week to immerse themselves in the boarding culture. They commented after that they had a wonderful time and that boarding was so different to what they expected. A Year 11 day boy boarded for a couple of weeks and, because he thought it was fantastic, he is still trying to convince his parents to let him stay permanently. The barriers that, perhaps, used to exist between the day boys and boarders are no longer there.

Times have changed and will keep changing. Our challenge is to help our boys understand and deal with these changes the best way possible.

**Mike Dempsey**

Mike Dempsey with boarders  
**L-R Back:** Clint Chivers (801), Benjamin Latham (907), Michael Spratt (804), Alby Munns (704), Jimmy Chun (11T) **L-R Front:** Harley Royce (11C), Reegan Cake (11T)



# What Does it Mean to be a Wesley College Boarder?



**L-R:** Tighe Drayton (12C), Thomas Dallimore (12C), Aaron Scott (12T), Blaine Boekhorst (12T), Aden Tapscott (12T) – Boarders' Ball



**Adrian Butterworth (9C)** – Year 9 boarders' camp at Dwellingup



**Dominic Cooke (10T)** – Year 10 boarders' camp at Dwellingup

Many times over the year I found myself thinking of the answer; thinking of what I shall take out of my time in the Boarding House. Challenges in life are ubiquitous; however, none may be as challenging as being away from family members for a long period of time. To think back to Year 10, my entry into the house of 150-plus boys, not knowing a single person, I knew this challenge would be my hardest yet. Two weeks into my boarding life, I was having the most fun I had ever experienced. It is hard to explain the feeling experienced in a tight-knit community such as the Boarding House, but in one word, it would be 'passionate'. When thinking of passion, one usually directs one's mind straight to sport, to hobbies, or to work or school, but I experienced one facet of passion in the Boarding House that I had not yet been subjected to: the passion for life. Living in the Boarding House, it is extremely easy to see how boys have the passion to succeed, to achieve, and to enjoy every task they take on. Establishing friendships is most evident; the passion in mateship is something you might never understand unless you have experienced that of the boarding community. To see the boarders slugging out a tug-of-war with spirit, playing chess (when, let's face it, they don't have a chance), or simply wrestling on the front lawn with a smile on their face; you could not find a greater amount of passion for simply living the life they are given.

I have had to adapt to new rules or changes in culture through my time in the boarding community, but one thing I have not seen change, is the passion that I alluded to. There has not been a moment in the Boarding House when I have questioned if the opportunity of being a boarder is ever not appreciated by the boys. So to answer the question, "what does it mean to be a Wesley College boarder?" I can only reply by saying that it means being thrust into an environment where the bonds you establish are those of life, the experiences in which you take part are memorable, and the opportunities given are those that shape you to be the person you aspire to be. I have thoroughly enjoyed my experience and I am sure that every other boarder seizes their opportunity while in this community and appreciates their time there. It has been a privilege to be a part of the Wesley College boarding community for the last three years – one that I will never forget.

**Aaron Scott**

*Departing Captain of Boarding 2010*

Boarders' Ball

**Back:** Jack Silver (12T)

**Middle L-R:** Jarrod Rodney (12C), Omar Mohd Nadzmi (12C), Jackson Hughes (12C), Thomas Hayes, (12C), Jamie Williams (12T), Thomas Patterson (12C), Bryan Barnett (12T), Brandon Narkle (12T)

**Front L-R:** Mitchell Harland (12T), Charles Mallard (12T)



## YEAR 12'S NEW COMMON ROOM

The Year 12 boys have reported that the newly refurbished Year 12 Common Room in the Boarding House is now a comfortable place to relax and enjoy the company of mates.

The dishwasher was a sensational idea!!

**L-R:** Lachlan Siviour (12C), Brett Hill (12C), Blaine Boekhorst (12T)



# From The President

## REUNIONS AND EVENTS

In the latter half of the year, the OWCA office again assisted with a number of very successful reunions, in particular that of the 50-year reunion of the Class of 1960. In the planning for almost a year, the organising committee, led by Captain of School, Bob Ginbey, enjoyed three events, which were all well attended.

The first was at the Valedictory Breakfast, where the College hosts the outgoing Year 12 boys and their fathers on their final day of school. The link with our 'newest' Old Boys and those celebrating their 50th anniversary was not lost and certainly added to the morning. With over 350 in attendance, it was remarked that "there was certainly nothing like this done for us in 1960". The breakfast was followed by a luncheon at Royal Perth Yacht Club and capped off with the more formal cocktail evening with partners on the Saturday night. It was a well-planned and hence well-attended series of events and a blueprint for the more significant reunions into the future.

Other reunions held during the year were for the classes of 1950, 1955, 1958, 1970, 1980, 1985, 1990 and 2000 (see photos and stories page 40 onwards).

Old Boys attended many events during the year, some of which were the various sporting competitions, the Pioneers' morning teas, Pioneers' Day and their visit to Katitjin and the successful Jazz Concert in October.

Since the June edition of *The Wesleyan* the association has undergone some quite significant changes in its operations. It was agreed by the OWCA Committee that the growing Mildred Manning Scholarship Trust (MMST) would further benefit by having its investments managed by a well-qualified Investment Subcommittee drawn from the ranks of the College's Endowment Fund, OWCA Committee and MMST Trustees. Similarly, the association's investment portfolio would also move to this model, in order to receive the benefits of consistent monitoring of those investments, with the added benefit of potential economies of scale and, hence, better outcomes for all parties.

This move has seen the vast majority of the College's and associated entities' investments fall under the management, either directly or in an overseeing role, of the College Endowment Fund. With this, the OWCA Committee is free to concentrate on issues specifically relating to Old Boys and we look forward to conducting further events and announcing a number of new initiatives in 2011.

**L-R:** Graham Percival with Terry Mulroney at the 1950 60-year reunion



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In addition to the changes in the management of the investment portfolios, the OWCA Office has moved to become part of the College's Community Relations team. Incorporating the marketing, community relations, archive, fundraising and enrolment functions, the OWCA will bring Alumni Relations into the mix. The staff, now operating out of Maloney House, will now meet all of the non-academic needs of the College community and by working collaboratively seek to offer further benefits to the many entities that make up our community outside of the classroom.

### CHAPEL ORGAN RESTORATION

Many Old Boys ask me about the progress of the restoration of the chapel organ. At the time of writing, over 350 Old Boys had pledged almost \$97,000 – a wonderful achievement, which has ensured the work has remained on time and on budget. One of the major events in 2011 will be the re-commissioning of the organ, to which all donors will be invited. It will likely be in the style of a semi-formal cocktail party following an appropriate recital. If you have yet to contribute, please make your wish known to the OWCA Office, or go to [www.wesley.wa.edu.au/owca](http://www.wesley.wa.edu.au/owca)

### FAREWELL AND WELCOME

In late October we bade farewell to our Director, **Ken Pride (71-79)**, who after seven years with us resigned to take up a position as Chief Executive Officer of Bowls WA.

Ken has been a major driving force in the OWCA over a long period of time. His immense knowledge, effort and service will be missed. But how do you sum up a man who has lived and breathed Wesley from a very early age?

Ken's time at Wesley as a student has been covered in this edition of *The Wesleyan* (see page 5 *We Will Miss You* article).

After leaving school, he played 'A' grade football for Wesley, where he kicked 100 goals in a season to be the association's leading goal-kicker – a feat rarely obtained. Later, he went on to be President of the Wesley Curtin Amateur Football Club. He started on the OWCA committee as the representative for the Wesley Amateur Football Club and then joined the OWCA Committee in 1997.

He succeeded Don Carter as President in 1999, alongside John Maloney, and became Director of the OWCA in 2003.

But this is not purely about a man doing his role. Ken lives and breathes Wesley.

He intimately knows the families of hundreds of Old Boys. He knows the grandfathers, the fathers and the sons. He has been there to acknowledge the births, the birthdays and deaths in these families.

One of Ken's pet projects has been the emergence of the Pioneers' Club. If you are an Old Boy, who left the school 50 years ago or more, you are invited to become a Pioneer. Your year group is invited to a luncheon where you become the baby members of, what is, an elite group. In other words, our more senior members are shown the respect that they deserve in our society, which doesn't happen very often these days!

Ken's knowledge of the Pioneers and their families is also immense and, unfortunately, irreplaceable. This role is not just a job. It requires a passion, a deep knowledge and love of people, a desire to serve, an ability as a public speaker and, most of all, a great love for the school.

Ken – thank you for your outstanding service to our association. You will be sorely missed as you take up your new role as CEO of Bowls WA. We wish you well and, no doubt, will see you at future OWCA events.

We are excited to welcome **Beau Wardman (00-04)** who takes up the position of Alumni Manager in January 2011. Beau has a Graduate Diploma in Marketing and a Bachelor of Commerce from Curtin University. Beau has worked as an accountant as well as a number of positions in the football and sporting arena. Beau will continue with his football coaching responsibilities at the College as he takes up this position. Beau will be a part of a new and exciting era for the OWCA as we set out to maintain our existing relationships and look to improve our communication with Old Boys across the board. Please see story on Beau on page 32.

**Graham Percival**

## Order of Australia Awards

The association congratulates **John Ryan (55-59)** and **John King (65-70)** who were each awarded OAMs in the Queen's Birthday Honours list in June. John Ryan's citation noted his award was for Service for sport in Western Australia and John King's for Service to surf lifesaving and to the community of WA.

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# Vale – David Innes Dick (32–36)

## MARKHAM COLLECTION EXPANDS

The OWCA was very pleased when June Markham, widow of Pat Markham (35–40–39), on behalf of the family, donated more items of great interest to the College Archive.

Pat's battle jacket and cap from his stint in bomber command during World War II, in addition to his University of WA blazer and Full Blue in Athletics pocket, were added to a number of items donated in recent years.

Pat Markham was joint Captain of School in 1940 with Neil Truscott (36–40) and had a distinguished career in many fields, including a much-cherished period on the teaching staff of the College as a Senior Housemaster. It is planned to display the many items of College and other memorabilia, which have been donated by the Markham family, in coming months.



**L-R:** Pat Markham, Mildred Le Souef, FG McCormack, c1942

**L-R:** Jarrad Zylstra (Vice-captain of School 2010), John Gibson (1958), Aaron Scott (Captain of Boarding 2010), Rob Robinson (1948), David Dick (1936), Doug Lawson (1952), Brian Ray (1954) Keith Collins (1937), Cooper Rogers (Captain of School 2010)

The College community was saddened to hear of the passing of our oldest Captain of School, David Innes Dick, who was joint Captain in 1936.

David was born in Boulder on 21 November 1918 and with his younger brothers Alec (36–39–40) and Ian (36–44) formed the basis for one of the College's most enduring family dynasties. Sport would always form a major part of the family's history, with David's uncle Billy captaining Carlton to the 1913 premiership. The exploits of the Dick brothers on the hockey field are legendary, with David representing Western Australia from 1946 to 1949 and for many years was a tireless worker (and outstanding player) for the South Perth Cricket Club, based as it is today at Richardson Park. His guile as a teenager in winning the annual Swim Thru City of Perth was testimony to the preparation he always emphasised. With the event almost cancelled due to foul weather, the course was reversed, with swimmers required to go from Crawley Baths to Barrack Street. With most keeping close to Mounts Bay Road, and therefore coping the inevitable chop, David swam to the middle of the river on a 45-degree angle, effectively surfing his way to victory. In his own words, "I had walked one-third of the way back to Crawley before the second place-getter had finished".

His record at school was significant.

The Valet of the 1936 *Western Wyvern* details that D I Dick entered the College in 1932, was in the 1st XI cricket team 1933–36 (Colours 1935, V/Captain 1935, Captain 1936), 1st XVIII football team 1934–35 (Colours 1935, Captain 1935), Life Saving 1934–36 (Colours 1934–36, State Team 1936), Swimming team 1932–36, (Colours 1934–36, Captain 1935–36), General Sports Committee 1935–36, Citizenship Committee 1936, Prefect 1936, Captain of Walton House 1936 and Joint Captain of School 1936.

That would have been a fair blazer pocket!

David was an outstanding sportsman, a fine leader of the College and an Old Boy who maintained a very strong affinity with his school. We always enjoyed his presence on Anzac Day and, in particular, Pioneers' Day, where, in 2010, his attendance with a number of past Captains of School this year was a highlight for all.

He will be remembered.

**Prefects 1936 Back Row L-R:** AK Collins, RV Blatchford, GG Ferguson, F Corser **Front Row L-R:** KF Hall (Joint Captain of School), Headmaster DR JL Rossiter, DI Dick (Joint Captain of School)



The OWCA Office receives many letters and emails from Old Boys, some happy and some sad, but always interesting. An email came our way recently via **Eric McKay (47-12-54)**, from **Barry Gratwick (47-51-54)** and his wife, Lorraine after they attended the funeral service for **Dick Goerling (49-52-54)** who passed away on 22 October 2010. With Barry's permission, it is below, for you to read:

*Today Lorraine and I attended Dick's funeral service at the historical early settlers' cemetery in Pinjarra, which is where members of the Goerling family are buried. It was a very simple ceremony with about 250 in attendance.*

*Dick was very popular in the district and was also very well regarded in the Gascoyne area, where his family had originally been station owners and where he had purchased a property in more recent times, adjacent to the Pardoo Station actually. His first wife, Maxine, to whom he was married for 50 years had pre-deceased him a few years ago and when he moved back to the district he met up with Betty, an old friend of Maxine's who Dick married only a short while ago, maybe only a year I would estimate.*

*Station owners from the Gascoyne district were in attendance as were people from his new home in the Waroona district. I spoke at length with Dick's son, Brad, and with his brother, David, also an Old Wesleyan and learned that Dick, just three weeks ago, was mustering cattle for a former neighbour on the Brick House station where he became very ill.*

*He died of lung cancer and of a very aggressive strain. Insidious and disgusting disease is this one, a real equaliser in anyone's terms. It was a gravesite ceremony and all in attendance participated in the*



## FAREWELLING DICK GOERLING

*Photo taken by Rebecca Burt, Brickhouse Station, Carnarvon*

*traditional handful of sand into the grave; in this case it was red dirt from the Gascoyne district, which one of the neighbours had brought down especially for this purpose.*

*Dick was well known for his love of animals and in particular his horses and his dogs, the latter of which he always had two or three hanging off the back of his purpose-built 'bull bar wagon' he used in the Gascoyne.*

*His parents moved from the north-west to Pinjarra in the late 1920s and took up property which stretched from the Pinjarra railway line up to the Darling escarpment and which of course was required and sold to Alcoa for the aluminium processing plant and*

*refinery. Dick had moved to Williams in the early '70s and from there to the Carnarvon region where he took up his station property. There was a photograph displayed of him in his Drover's stetson and this, the hat, was buried with him.*

*Altogether a very simple but moving service, there were lots of tears and stories of old times at the refreshments later at the Pinjarra race track facilities. I am glad we attended.*

**Barry Gratwick**  
29 October 2010

...tears and stories of old times...

# Wardman

## An Umpire On The Rise

Following a rise up the WAFL ranks, local umpire **Beau Wardman (00-04)** was selected to umpire in the 2010 NAB National 18s Championships across Australia. The field umpire commenced umpiring in 2004 at Wesley College and joined WAFL ranks in 2006 after being elevated from the Talent Academy and debuted in WAFL football in 2009.

Wardman umpired four games across the carnival in Sydney, Perth and concluding games in Melbourne at Visy Park and Skilled Stadium in Geelong. "It was a fantastic opportunity to meet like-minded umpires from across Australia, learn from them about their preparation and pathways into umpiring", Wardman stated. Throughout the carnival, umpires had the opportunity to train with AFL umpires, engage in meetings with AFL coaches Rowan Sawers, Jeff Gieschen and leading umpire Hayden Kennedy.

Beau was named the best field umpire for the carnival and umpired the championship decider between Vic Country and South Australia.

Beau has also been an active contributor in the greater football community, combining his umpiring with coaching and development roles in WA. He currently has a role at Wesley College as the 1st XVIII assistant coach and was involved earlier in 2010 with the Perth 16s Development Squad.

Beau graduated in 2004 and has been an active contributor to sport at Wesley coaching football, cricket and athletics within the College. His keenness to see people fulfil their potential has seen great improvements in the teams he has been a part of. He attributed his commencement of umpiring to Frank Wood, who asked him to umpire Years 8-9 games on a Friday afternoons whilst at school. "Umpiring and coaching is a great opportunity to remain actively in the game, and whilst I wasn't going to reach the highest level as a player, these were alternatives I was keen to pursue", Wardman concluded.



Beau Wardman



The Old Wesleyan Chapel in Launceston Tasmania

## THE TASSIE CONNECTION

An email arrived in the OWCA Office in July from Old Boy **Neville Bird (66-71)**. It makes an interesting read:

*Just arrived back in Perth, having spent the last two weeks driving to Tassie with son **Graham (97-02)**, helping him set up over in Launceston where he has snagged a job as flying instructor/charter pilot with the Tasmanian Aero Club.*

*As we didn't yet have permanent accommodation, and the Penny Royal Hotel/Motel couldn't provide a room on Saturday the 10th, due to Hawthorn's 'home' game, we were fortunate, through one of Graham's new Aero Club contacts (Steve Stronach) to be offered a night in his guest house in Evandale (about 5km south of Launceston Airport).*

*You can imagine my surprise while organising this by phone with Steve when he advised the name of his guest house was The Old Wesleyan Chapel!!*

*Regards, Nev*

*Footnote: If there are any Old Boys in Launceston, please contact Graham (swizzlestick@gmail.com). His new address is 21C Trevitch Place, Prospect TAS 7250.*



## Roger Strickland Remembered

**Roger Strickland (77-81)** was an Australian anthropologist and diplomat with the Australian High Commission in Port Vila in Vanuatu who was killed in a plane crash on the island of Espiritu Santo 19 years ago at the age of 27. Late in July 2010, Mary and Lester Strickland (41-44-46)

accompanied by daughter Helen, granddaughter Jennifer and Roger's widow, Chrissy, were invited to go to Vanuatu to the opening of the Roger Strickland Nakamal, 'a meeting place', which is dedicated in Roger's memory. The ceremony was incorporated to accompany Vanuatu's 30-year Independence Day celebration.

Roger was born in Quairading, attended Quairading State School and then came to Wesley from Year 8 to Year 12. In 1979 he was awarded the OWCA Trophy for All-Round Attainment. In his final year, Roger was Vice-captain of School and won the P&F Citizenship Prize, was Open Champion in Athletics, won the Sportsman's Award, the 1st Rowing Prize, the John Stewart Prize for the greatest contribution to rugby and the Kenneth Slatyer Prize for Physical Education. In the Prefects write-up in the 1981 Year Book it was written, "Roger's impressive array of talents include 'accurate' close range cockie shooting, leading the first eighteen in a magnificent season as well as spearheading the Wesley athletics challenge. The 'twinkle toed Quairading Kid' has really hit the straps this year".

Current teacher, Peter Trend, taught Roger at Wesley and he remembers him as, "an able and conscientious student (as in double maths, physics, chemistry), a good Aussie Rules player and a fine cricketer – mainly as an opening (seam) bowler". Peter also said, "Roger was a compassionate individual with a well-developed concern for others, so his work in the South Pacific reflects this social conscience and willingness to enact his beliefs".

He then went to UWA and received a Bachelor of Science with first class honours. Following university he worked for the Australian Broadcasting Commission's station 6GN in Geraldton, whilst awaiting entry in the Department of Trade and Foreign Affairs. His first official appointment was in Apia in Western Samoa and his second posting was in Port Vila in Vanuatu, where he was employed as the Third Secretary for the Australian High Commission. He mixed with the local community and was invited to coach the local, indigenous Ifira Cricket Club – a rare opportunity for an expatriate.

On the morning of 25 July 1991, he flew from Port Vila to present a speech to the residents of Large Moli Island. Whilst on a five-hour transit on the island of Espiritu Santo, he boarded an aeroplane with local foresters to check on the local field workers' workshop's progress. The plane crashed on ascent, killing all nine on board.

Roger and Chrissy Martens were married at St Paul's Cathedral in Ipswich on 18 August 1990, while stationed in Vanuatu. Chrissy also worked at the High Commission. Sadly, they had not celebrated their first wedding anniversary when he died. Roger is buried in the Quairading Cemetery.

The President of the Vanuatu Cricket Association, Mark Stafford, described Roger as a man of great affection for Vanuatu, "Roger had the ability to communicate at all levels and quickly gained respect of many citizens".



### Top

**Prefects 1981 Back L-R:** M Briotti, S Webb, R Hughes, M Vitilich, R Brown, S Thompson; **Front L-R:** N Bridge, M Webb, R Strickland (Vice-capt), Mr Hamer, R Main (Capt), D Mitchell, A Miller

### Middle

**L-R:** Mary Strickland, Chrissy Strickland-Bromley, Lester Strickland, Helen McKenna (Roger's sister)

### Above

The Roger Strickland Nakamal (Meeting Place)

## Lots of Jazz at Wesley

One of Wesley's favourite sons returned home and spent some time back at his old school doing what he loves and does best – playing and sharing his love of jazz with others.

On 27 July, Wesley Arts Faculty was fortunate to host a jazz workshop when **Matthew Jodrell (90–96–97)**, returned from his home in New York to appear on behalf of the Perth Jazz Society. Members of Wesley Jazz One, as well as the students of the level 2 jazz course and the Year 9 contemporary music course, listened and played along as both Matthew and bassist Pete Jeavons guided them through songs and exercises in the art of improvisation. Students played a variety of improvisation games in the two-hour workshop, including rhythmic and melodic mimicry, call and response, and question and answer, before ending with a jam session on Duke Ellington's classic tune, *C-Jam Blues*.

*Matthew Jodrell – a dab hand at drums with students L-R: Ian Cawood (Yr9), Benjamin Lim (9G), Simon Matthews (11G), Jonathan Maltman (9H)*

The workshop allowed students to engage with the music as both listeners and players and showed that the art of jazz playing is not as hard as many may believe, but, like anything, requires practice. It was a wonderful experience for everyone present to hear two such wonderful and accomplished players, with the interplay between the trumpet and the double bass being so tight.

Matthew Jodrell studied at WAAPA, graduating in 2000, winning the Bob Wyllie Scholarship for best graduating student. At 16 years of age, he became the first Australian student to be invited to perform at the hallowed venue of Carnegie Hall in New York. In the Young Australian of the Year Awards for 1998 Matthew won the Arts Award for Western Australia and also won the overall award of The Young Achiever of the Year Award for Western Australia. Matthew was one of six national finalists for the James Morrison Scholarship in 1996, 1997 and 1998, winning in 1998.



*Matthew Jodrell*

In 2003 Matthew recorded the CD *On The Edge* with James Morrison at the Sydney Opera House. In 2004 Matthew recorded his debut album, *Blues In The Night*, featuring Joe Chindamo and James Morrison.

In 2008, Matthew travelled to New York, where he recorded an album with Dale Barlow, as well as auditioning for Master of Music programs. He subsequently was accepted into the Juilliard School of Music on a full scholarship.



## VISITORS TO WARRAWAGINE

When the OWCA invited Old Boys to attend the Sunday Evening Jazz Night in October, we received a lovely email by return from Robin and Lyle Mills from Warrawagine Cattle Company.

*Thanks so much for the invite but a bit far, from east of Marble Bar and, having just about finished mustering for the year, have a lot of repairs and waters to fix in coming weeks.*

*We had a wonderful visit from Christopher Lawson-Smith (52-59), Trevor Raston (55-57-59) and John Kelly (55-59) and wife Anne a few months back. While they were here, we were able to get Robert Barwick (54-56-59) and wife Anne out from a station near Port Hedland where they were helping out a friend, so we had a wonderful reunion.*

*Since then we have had Des Broun (55-58-59) and wife Beth call in for a few days as well so it has been a good Old Boys from the Class of '59 get-together year for us way out here.*

*We were very sad to read of the passing of Mrs Clive Hamer recently, as she was a favourite of our sons Geoff (75-77-79), Chris (78-80-82), Scott (79-81-83) and Brendon (80-82-84) while they attended Wesley in the late '70s and early '80s.*

Regards

Robin and Lyle Mills, Warrawagine Cattle Co

*Note from the Editor: It was great to catch up with Geoff Mills (75-77-79) when he popped in to visit us at the Wesley stand in the Education Pavilion at the Dowerin Field Days in August 2010.*



**L-R:** Chris Lawson-Smith, Robin Mills, John Kelly, Trevor Raston and Robert Barwick at Warrawagine around 20 June 2010



Enjoying the view at the Telstra tower at sunset



...THE BOYS HAVE RETURNED

## Against the Grain Update

In the 2010 winter edition of *The Wesleyan*, we did a story of Old Boy **Craig Parsons (78-81-82)** and his mates who were travelling to various parts of Australia on their quad bikes.

Well, they did it and, 5,444 kilometres later, are back home with some amazing stories to tell. Below is an excerpt from their website on the seventh day of their trip. Read on ...

*Day 7 – 98 km out of Laverton*

*At 7.30 am we were ready for the 120-km drive to the first fuel stop. At 9.30 am we actually drove away. Why each morning two or three hours are lost in chatting, last moment toilet visits, filling water bottles, etc., is still a mystery. We need to work on this! Nonetheless we arrived at our fuel point around lunchtime. After refuelling, we quickly finished the final 100 km to a roadhouse pronounced 'chook-gorilla'. They make the best burgers in Australia and our team ate 15 of them!*

*Around ten kilos heavier, we hit the road for the 60-km dash to tonight's campsite. We planned to sleep on a side road found by Jim (Cairns) on Google Maps, and due to an amazing coincidence this same side road was occupied by Barry Wood, a long distance grader driver and old school chum of Jim's. A happy coincidence made even more joyful because Barry had a washing machine and a hot shower. We invited Barry for dinner and had a great night around the camp fire yet again.*

A documentary is now being put together and will be screened soon. Keep an eye out for that.

Craig thanks all in the Wesley community who supported their cause and sent messages of support. Have a look at their website [www.againstthegrain.org.au](http://www.againstthegrain.org.au) for more stories from their trip and to view their documentary promo.

## Following Father's Footsteps

**Old Boy Russell Page (74-76-78) has followed in the footsteps of his father, Kevin Page (49-53), in what is possibly an unprecedented event in RAAF history.**

Two generations of Air Force Commanding Officers came together when No 25 (City of Perth) Squadron assumed responsibilities (from Combat Support Unit), for airfield administration and management and air base operational support at Pearce Air Force Base. The Commanding Officer of Combat Support Unit Pearce, Wing Commander Russell Page, became CO of 25 Squadron and, by so doing, followed in the footsteps of his father, Squadron Leader Kevin Page (Retired), who commanded the squadron from December 1973 to January 1978. Also, coincidentally, both gentlemen are navigators.

When asked what his father might think of this turn of events, Russell said, "he often speaks of 25SQN with great admiration and a glint in his eyes as he reflects on the great achievements the squadron made under his leadership, including being awarded Freedom of the City of Perth, and the camaraderie and escapades of those he felt privileged to command".

Kevin's two other sons and his grandson also attended Wesley: **Stephen (75-79)** and **Malcolm (80-84)** and Russell's son **Phillip (08-09)**. And, if that's not enough, Stephen coaches volleyball at Wesley during the season.

Squadron Leader Kevin Page (Retired) (standing) and Wing Commander Russell Page (seated).



Following the previous two editions of *The Wesleyan*, the College received some interesting letters about some of the articles in the magazine. Stories in these editions triggered the memories of some members of our extended community and the excerpts, below, from their reflections tell the story:

### LETTER FROM JOHN COHEN OAM

John Cohen, OAM, wrote to Wesley Archivist, Barbara van Bronswijk following the story in the December 2009 edition *Wesley's First Girls* and the reference to the 'refugee from Germany' (himself). Read on...

*"What memories! The flashback of that 'refugee from Germany' who taught Barbara Hargrave and Nancy Rossiter German. It's ages ago, but how well I remember lanky Barbara, sitting next to Nancy in the last row of 'Remove', making such a difference to the then single-sex culture of Wesley.*

*But what of that 18-year-old, 'Jewish refugee student teacher' – not much older than the Prefects at the time – who, somehow, had found a niche in a Methodist school? At the time, I had been working as a labourer in a factory, attending Perth Technical College at night-time to improve my English. Having been thrown out of school at 14 years of age by the Nazis, my scholastic level was about Form 2 with, of course, no teacher training or any other training – except for boxing!*

*Remember that we are talking about the late 1930s; a time well before multiculturalism and respect for other faiths and cultures has become an accepted feature of modern Australian society. I must pay tribute to Mr Collins, then Senior Master, for his tolerance and guidance. It must have been a great challenge to him to, somehow, accommodate me as member of staff, considering that I was so totally unprepared for the task. That also goes for the rest of the staff who, at the time, gave me such support and goodwill in moments of despair and loneliness. I had lost contact with my family in Germany, and had no idea what had become of them. There was Mildred Le Souef to mother me, and Mick Gamble and Vic Cooper to encourage me. For a long time, I was like a*

## FORMER HEAD BOARDER VISITS

Former Head Boarder of 2006, **Murray Pens, (02-06)** just happened to drop by the school while he was visiting Perth, at the same time as the staff farewell morning tea for Head of Senior School, Stephen Webber. What luck! He was able to pass on his best wishes to Stephen in his new role as Headmaster of Guildford Grammar School.

Murray was at Wesley from 2002 until 2006. At present he spends his time working between the family properties, Blue Pools, in Moonyoonooka (out of Geraldton) and Mount Gould Station, Meekatharra.

Headmaster David Gee with Murray Pens



# Triggered



**Back:** R Gamble, Mrs Rossiter, Mildred Le Souef, H Trenaman, G Rossiter, K Hicks, V Cooper

**Front:** P Markham, F McCormack, H Williams, J Cohen

'fish out of water' – everything was so new and strange to me. One day I was a labourer, and the next I was addressed as 'Sir' by the students. Of course, there was Dr Rossiter, who took me into Wesley, and gave me a chance to make something of myself. I still feel a very strong sense of gratitude for the opportunity that Wesley had afforded me – it has been a touchstone throughout my later life.

And what does this say about Wesley's culture, then and now? As in my own case, Wesley had taken a lead in giving effect to its deeply enshrined philosophy of reaching out to 'the other' as part of its Christian ethos.

And how has this affected me personally in later life? As an executive member of the Australian Council of Christians and Jews, and the Jewish, Christian, Muslim Association, for many years I have been involved in 'building bridges' between people of different faiths and cultures – the influence of Wesley has been with me ever since those faraway days.

PS If any old Wesleyans are still with us – I am now 90 years of age, but so many of my old students have passed away – please drop me a line, or email [jcscco@sme.com.au](mailto:jcscco@sme.com.au) I'd love to hear from you. I am still in touch with former Prefect Neil Truscott and (Major-General) David Butler. I am also attaching a photo (above) of the old Wesley staff – remember what a small school we were."

*Editor's note – see story on the 'Remove' Year in this edition on page 38*

## Prefects 1940

**Back:** NK Dougan, DA Coats, BF Rudeforth, AJ Dodd, HE Mofflin, GC Hughes, V Horner

**Front:** F Feakes, HN Truscott\*, Headmaster  
Dr JL Rossiter, PMA Markham\*, JR Anstee  
\*Joint Captains of School



## LETTER FROM NEIL TRUSCOTT AM

Former Captain of School, **Neil Truscott AM (36–40)** also wrote, to the then OWCA Director Ken Pride, following the story *A Life in Hockey* (page 34) in the Winter 2010 edition of *The Wesleyan*, and he wanted to document a bit about the beginning of hockey at Wesley. Neil's email address is [hnruscott@bigpond.com.au](mailto:hnruscott@bigpond.com.au) if anyone would like to contact him. Again, read on ...

Dear Ken,

The recent references in *The Wesleyan* (*A Life in Hockey* Winter 2010 page 34) have brought to mind that I had something to do with the beginning of hockey at the School in 1940.

I was absolutely useless at football – the sort of ability that would have earned me 19th place in a third House team. But I wanted to do something in the winter term. I went to Dr Rossiter, using my position as Captain, to discuss this with him. "Perhaps", I said, "there could be a place for hockey". His reaction was positive, "Do something about it". Sam Lynn, the father of John, had already indicated he was prepared to help. Jones, the French master also played hockey and could help. After that it is very vague in my mind.

I remember the hockey shirt – green and black – and playing in the School team – as full back – and I remember we played on pretty rough surfaces but not much more than that. Nor can I remember who were the other members of the team. We seemed to be quite enthusiastic, though, and I thought it should be on the record, as it were.

All the best,  
Neil

# A School Mystery – The ‘Remove’ Year

BY JOHN DEACON (45–49)



In 1945 I started my time at Wesley College and was admitted to Fourth Form. I soon discovered that after finishing this form a student did not proceed to Fifth Form, but rather a mysterious Form with the name Remove Form. This was followed by the displaced Fifth Form, then Lower Sixth and finally Upper Sixth form. Upper Sixth Form corresponds to the current Year 12 and this puts Remove Form at the current Year 9 level.

Some years after leaving Wesley College, I puzzled over this Remove Form. From where were we removed? Enquiries from other school contemporaries and teachers gave no answers.

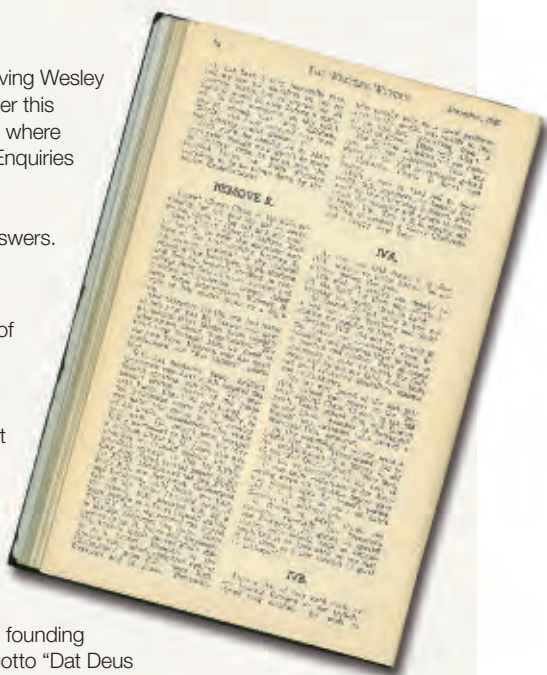
Ken Pride (OWCA Director) and Sheila Robinson (Manager of Publications & Communications) threw themselves at this mystery and sent emails to some of the great public schools in England.

As far as can be determined, Westminster School, founding date 1179, school motto “Dat Deus Incrementum” (God gives the increase) was the originator of Remove Form.

Two classes at Westminster were called Upper and Lower Shell years. This was because they were taught in a shell-shaped alcove at the north end of the school.

Leaving the Shell was akin to being removed from the shell, rather like an oyster, and hence the next class was called Remove Form. Other schools followed and adopted the Shell and Remove idea for their classes.

It pleases me that this anachronism ‘Remove Form’ has been abandoned and stays solely with the College Archivist, Barbara van Bronswijk.



## Matt Dean - Reflections on Boarding

Matthew Dean was a boarder at Wesley during 2006 and 2007 who has returned to the Boarding House as a resident staff member.

Amongst alumni from any boarding school, it would not be uncommon to hear the phrase, “Things are much better now than when I was a boarder. I am now quite often asked, “How have things changed since you were a student?” When speaking to friends and families who have had connections to boarding schools, I would hear how much the place that many called home for their schooling days had changed — while I can still see the great things I remember from my time in the Boarding House, I now see significant changes in many facets of boarding life.

While things like a great recreation program, generous leave options, outstanding facilities and a great sense of mateship are still similar to when I was a boarder, there has been a noticeable change in culture. There is a greater level of respect for other students, staff and the facilities, which is reflected in day-to-day interactions in the Boarding House (and, of course, the noise levels).

There have also been significant improvements in the nightly prep routine — the Boarding House is much quieter in the evenings and there are more school facilities open to boarders out of school hours. There are constant improvements happening in terms of furniture and facilities for the boarders. The catering has also improved markedly!

Looking at boarding from a new perspective, I can see there are (and were in my time) many people working behind the scenes to make life as good as it can be for the boarders and that constant improvements are taking place. I’m sure these improvements will continue, and while I have great memories of my time in boarding, like all those before me, I’m sure in a few more years I will be joining those in agreeing with the improvements that have taken place ‘since I was a boarder’.

**L-R:** Andy Gray (2010 Middle School Boarding Coordinator), Suzanne Lawrence (2010 Year 11 Boarding Coordinator), Matt Dean



# Pipe Organ **Refurbishment** Update

The refurbishment of the Chapel organ is moving along as funds permit and we are hoping that it will be completed early in 2011. However, there is still more work to be done, and your donation will be one that will be heard every time this magnificent organ is played. If you would like to be a part of this restoration, please donate now. Go to [www.wesley.wa.edu.au/owca](http://www.wesley.wa.edu.au/owca)

The OWCA sincerely thanks the following donors whose contribution has boosted the Organ Refurbishment Campaign since the last edition of *The Wesleyan*. Because of you, and those donors who contributed earlier in the year, the Chapel organ is well on the way to being restored to its former glory.

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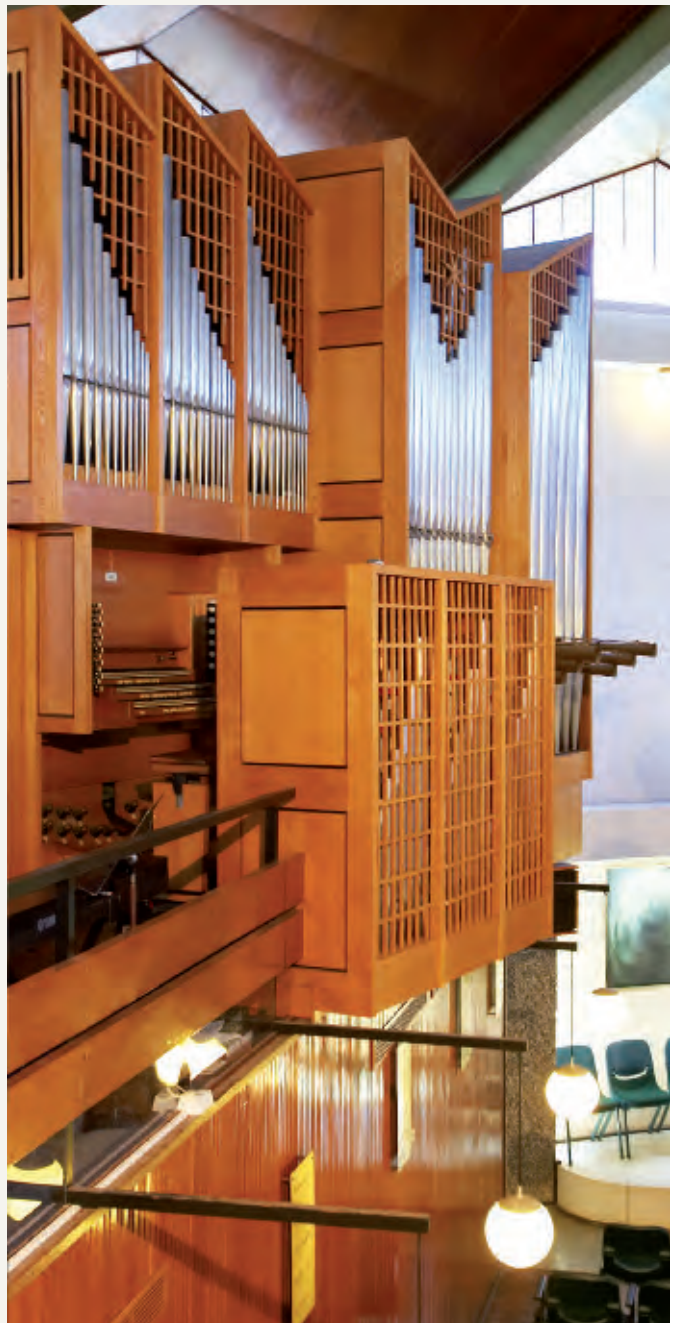
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*Detail of the action for the horizontal trumpets*

*One of the six chests, this one carrying pedal pipes. The wooden boxes are the 'boots' of the largest pedal reed pipes*



## WELCOME BACK TO THE GENTLEMEN FROM 1950

Sixteen Old Boys, who left the College 60 years ago returned to the Wesley grounds on Friday 5 November to have lunch with their friends from the past, catch up on what they all had been up to and, perhaps a bit of comparing of the times, then and now.

The Old Boys were welcomed by current OWCA President Graham Percival, who joined them for lunch in the Readhead Boardroom. Reverend Bryan King did the honours with 'grace' and then it was down to a lovely lunch and refreshments around the boardroom table.

Many of the 16 had travelled from other states and the country regions to attend, including Peter Foster from Metung in Victoria and John Warham from St Ives in New South Wales.

During the many reminiscences, it was discovered that seven of the group had been boarders and, in fact, because it was during and just following World War II, three of those were boarders whose parents lived in Singapore or Malaya (Peter Foster, George Gowland and George Peet). Peter Foster's parents lived in Singapore so he was a boarder for 12 years from the age of seven. He recalls travelling back to Singapore during the holidays in a converted old cargo boat, which took eight days to get there!

The Old Boys also recalled the layout of the College as it was in 1950 – a far cry from how it is today!

Terry Mulroney and Bryan King spoke of the many likeable characters they had as teachers and spoke of Pat Markham with great fondness.

The group was joined by Headmaster, David Gee, who gave them an update on College activities and what was happening with the many buildings, as well as Wesley's plans for the future.

By 3.30 pm the room was still alive with discussion, so several of the group headed off to continue the reunion elsewhere!

Gentlemen, we look forward to seeing you in ten years' time – your 70-Year Reunion should be a ripper!!



Terry Mulroney

L-R: John Gray, Bryan King, Peter Foster, Lew Eborall, Derek (Blue) Hepworth



L-R: George Peet, Peter Archer, Bryan King



L-R: Gordon Gowland, Peter Crisp



# The '55ers meet up in Gidgegannup

**Max Hardman (47–55)** and his wife, Bea, were heading back to the west from Melbourne and wanted to catch up with old schoolmate **Kingsley Hebiton (51–55)** and his wife Maxine. Planning for the catch-up got under way, and, as things developed, Kingsley decided to invite the whole class (or those that were contactable).

In the end, on 6 November 2010, 14 Old Boys from the Class of '55 and their partners travelled up to Kingsley and Maxine Hebiton's 'Bush Retreat' in Gidgegannup and had a barbie!

The bush provided a relaxed atmosphere and there was a lot of happy chattering and reminiscing about 'school days'. What a great day!



**Back L-R:** Des Seymour, Alan Morcombe, Alex George, Max Hardman, Warwick Wild, Kingsley Hebiton, **(front left)** Roger Bulstrode, Graham Cohen, Laurie Sprunt, Kel Bulloch

## Some of the reunions held during 2010 were:

### 10-YEAR REUNION

**HELD AT RIGBY'S BAR  
ON 2 JULY 2010**

### 1990 20-YEAR REUNION

**HELD AT THE MOSMAN  
PARK BOWLING CLUB  
ON 20 OCTOBER 2010**

### 1958 52-YEAR ANNUAL GET-TOGETHER

**HELD AT THE SUBIACO  
HOTEL ON FRIDAY  
10 DECEMBER 2010**

### 1985 25-YEAR REUNION

**HELD AT THE KARALEE  
TAVERN ON SATURDAY  
11 DECEMBER 2010**

## 1951 60 Year Reunion

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## 1960 50-YEAR REUNION



### At the breakfast

**Back L-R:** Hugh Collins, Rod Cann, Ron Thorogood, Bruce Milne, Cam Ansell, Peter Adams, Trevor Nixon, Rod Lyall, Andrew Barr

**Seated L-R:** Ivan Bennett, Peter Stevens, Bob Ginbey, Kingsley Preston, John Jeffreys

**L-R:** Cam Ansell, Ron Snowball



*“a wonderful feeling of fellowship”*

Over the weekend of 22 and 23 October, the ‘boys’ who left school in 1960 caught up at various events to celebrate the anniversary of their last year at Wesley as students, 50 years ago.

The keen early risers of the group joined the current Year 12s and their fathers at the Valedictory breakfast where they listened to an address by **Scott Stevens (95-99)**. On the same day, there were 43 who attended a very enjoyable lunch at Royal Perth Yacht Club. The next day, on the Saturday evening, 24 gentlemen and their ladies enjoyed their last official get-together at a cocktail party in the function room of the Joseph Green Centre. Some even came along to

the Jazz Evening held at the College on the Sunday. Over the course of the weekend, as well as catching up on what they are all up to nowadays, there was a lot of remembering and talk about the past.

Peter Adams and Kerry Hill returned to Perth for the occasion from the UK and Singapore (respectively), Chris Boyton and Ron Thorogood from New South Wales and Mike Black, Tim Clayton, Bary Fowler, Robert Jarvis, John Jeffreys and Ronald Snowball from country WA.

On his return to the UK, Peter Adams sent one of the organisers, Bob Ginbey, an email, which (with Peter’s permission is reproduced below. It probably says it all!

Dear Bob,

*Now that I have been home a week, and just about got myself slotted back into the GMT time zone, I couldn’t let the occasion pass without thanking you and the rest of the committee for organising such a wonderful 50-year reunion. It really was something very special, and by arranging it over several days, it enabled us to build on, and develop, the contacts we were renewing with friends from the past.*

*Perhaps for those of you who live in Perth, and maybe meet up from time to time, and attend functions at Wesley, a reunion of this kind may not have seemed particularly exceptional, but for those of us who had looked forward to it for years, and had to travel halfway around the world to be there, it was quite a momentous event, and I really am most grateful to you all for ensuring that it not only met, but far exceeded, all expectations.*

*Whether it was because we are all approaching that landmark of three score years and ten, or whether it was just a natural nostalgia for the carefree days of our youth, but there seemed to be a great warmth that enveloped us all, and a real desire to reach back and re-establish the bonds that we had experienced in those now far-off days. But whatever it was, it evoked a wonderful feeling of fellowship that I found deeply enriching, and made the whole endeavour and enterprise so rewarding.*

*The possibility of another get together in five years’ time was suggested. Maybe that might be too soon to emulate the specialness of this occasion, but whether in five years or ten, I look forward very much to joining you all to once again indulge in memories that will clearly remain with us for the rest of our lives.*

*With all good wishes and grateful thanks,  
Peter (Adams)*



**L-R:** Robert Jacka, Rod Lyall



## Other reunions held were:

### 1980 30-YEAR REUNION HELD AT THE SOUTH PERTH BOWLING CLUB ON 18 SEPTEMBER 2010.

Andrew Bockman,  
Mark Bradbury, Peter Bockman



Rex Atkins, Clint Ranford



Mark Hayter,  
Phil Campbell



Simon Spiller,  
Dale Wheatley



### 1970 40-YEAR REUNION HELD AT THE UNIVERSITY CLUB OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA ON 29 OCTOBER.

**Back Row L-R:** Angus King, Bill Robertson, John Luscombe, Kim Bradbury, Peter Shack, Peter Samson, Mark Hamblin, Alan Shakespeare

**Middle Row L-R:** David Pallot, Alan King, Greg Mercer, Tony Collins, Peter Van Veen, Oliver Hood, Stuart Locke

**Seated L-R:** John Wellington, John Irvin, Douglas Basham, John King

# CHITTER CHATTER

**Stanley (Stan) Jackson (40-41-43)** left school to join the RAAF and spent 18 months in New Guinea. After the war Stan farmed in the central Narembeen wheatbelt area and served as a local shire councillor for 12 years. He retired to Perth in 1978 and enjoyed playing lawn bowls for many years. Stan moved to Bunbury in 1998 and joined the local bowling club, where he was honoured as a patron. His wife passed away in 2004 and he now lives with his daughter and son-in-law in Bunbury.

**Fredrick (Lloyd) Davey (39-42-44)** worked for the Commonwealth Bank, farmed in Ballidu, ran a floor covering business in Northam and was also a full-time Uniting Church pastor. He is now caring for his sick wife and disappointed that he cannot attend Wesley functions.

**Frank McGill (42-42-45)** retired from farming in Calingiri in 1992. Frank now lives happily with his wife, Win, in Como. He is not so happy lately, though, following the performance of the West Coast Eagles but is hopeful for better days ahead!

**Michael Hawson (41-46)** was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease 18 months ago; around the same time he moved to his present home in Mundaring and is enjoying 'country' life. With four children and grandchildren, he is constantly kept on his toes!

**Joseph Stone (46-46-48)** is a property researcher in his own company, the Property Research Institute Pty Ltd, with their licensee Barry Ives Real Estate, focusing primarily on investment properties.

**Neville Wight (55-56)** graduated from UWA in 1962, and then joined the Ford Motor Company in 1963. He spent time in the USA in a graduate training program. After a brief period with Solarhart WA in 1976, he rejoined Ford in mid-1977. He was a minister in the Carnegie Church of Christ from 1994 to 2000, and then retired to Anglesea in Victoria before returning to Melbourne in June this year. With wife Pam and three sons, Neville spends his time with the church, fishing, family and golf (although not necessarily in order of preference!).

**Len Blyth (58-61)** and **Allister Blyth (94-98)** have moved their accountancy practice of Blyth Partners, after many years in West Perth, to Unit 21, 22 Railway Road Subiaco and can be contacted on 9388 8100 or len@blythpartners.com.au and allister@blythpartners.com.au

**Geoffrey (Geoff) Holmes (59-63)** has been an architect and builder for the last 32 years and plans to retire in 2011 to become a 'grey nomad'. His son Andrew, with son-in-law Adam, have taken over the building company and daughter Roslyn has, as an architect, joined forces with a local architectural practice. Geoffrey has been honoured by the Master Builders' Association who presented him with a Harold Smith Award for his services to Albany's building industry.

**Peter Ward (65-72)** who, after many years in television production, continues to live in Canberra and now works with Centrelink's Strategic Communication Section. Although still travelling around Sydney and Melbourne with work, not much brings him to Perth these days, but a stint over the festive season in 'the west' is not out of the question. Peter has two sons, Simon, who is now 24 years old from his first marriage and Joshua who was born in 2002.

**Greg Parnham (67-73-75)** is working for a kitchen renovation company based in Rockingham. Greg grabbed the opportunity to work for this company after they renovated his kitchen and he was so impressed with their workmanship. (See also photo and notice in Pitter Patter on page 46)

**Cliff Kemp (77-80)** is a licensed surveyor and has previously worked in 12 countries up until the birth of his daughter, Jasmine-Jean, in Holland in 1994. Having now returned to Perth, he works for Property People Surveying, specialising in metropolitan land developments. Cliff enjoys an annual snowboarding trip to Japan, running and his motorbike.

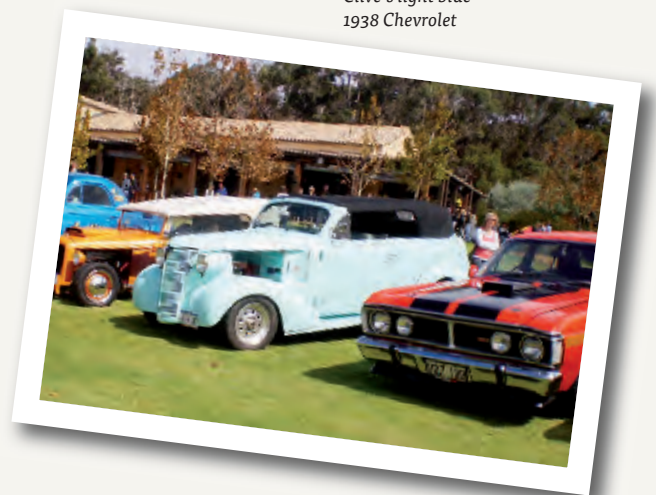
**Grant Barker (74-80)** has returned to Australia after spending the past 20 years in Europe (mainly Austria). He is now a partner with Accenture, based in Melbourne. Grant and Heike were married on 4 October 2008 at Red Hill on the Mornington Peninsula and their son, Lukas Frederick, was born 2 January 2010. Grant is keen to renew acquaintances with any Old Boys who live in Melbourne on grant.barker@mac.com (See also Pitter Patter on page 46 for a photo of little Lukas.)

**Russell Stacey (79-80)** resides in Quairading. Russell recently spent eight weeks visiting Sibbertoft, a village located in the centre of England. Whilst there, he worked the tractor during their harvesting period carting grain from the harvester back to the farm yard. The locals took Russell to all the events in the surrounding villages and he also still found time to experience all the London tourist sites. The last time Russell was in England was in 1983 for one week; this recent trip certainly made up for his whirlwind tour 27 years ago.

**Craig Jenvey (77-79-81)** left WA with his wife Vicky in 2006, bound for Melbourne. After an 18-month stint there they moved to Brisbane where they are now settled. Craig is the Distribution Manager for RACQ Batteries Queensland. They have three sons, two working in the aluminium smelter in Gladstone and the youngest studying aircraft maintenance and engineering at Brisbane Airport.

**Clive Blowers (77-80-82)** commenced work for WorleyParsons in June this year, initially working on various Rio Tinto projects. In addition, Clive was part of the organising team for the running of the most successful Regional Hot Rod Nationals held at Easter 2010, with nearly 350 hot rods in attendance.

Clive's light blue  
1938 Chevrolet



Grant and Heike



**Shane Bulloch (78-82)** is currently Queensland State Manager for Victorian company Comdain Infrastructure, which specialises in utility service provision, engineering and construction. Shane and his wife Kathy have three beautiful daughters: Brittany 21, Eliza 11 and Sophie 8.

**Richard Jones (79-82-83)** has been working on the oil and gas platforms in Australia and overseas. He has been happily married for 13 years to Melanie and they have three beautiful children: Imogen 17, Rhys 11 and Olivia 8. They are about to move to Bali to live for the next five years.

**Andrew Lian (82-84)** left Woods Bagot in September last year and spent three months finishing extensions at his home. He started Jubilee Living, specialising in delivery of fast-track modular accommodation to camps and hotels throughout mining towns around Australia. Andrew is married to Jasmine and they have three children aged 6, 12 and 14.

**Michael Sier (81-85)** left Austal Ships in 2006 and is now Managing Director of Pelagic Marine Services Pty Ltd who, through the Rottnest Barge Service, carries the freight to Rottnest on their landing barge Spinifex.

**Robert McWilliam (82-86)** is running his own private registered training business, New Online Learning, since returning from South Africa to live in Geraldton in June this year. Robert married Alida Oosthuizen in Johannesburg in July 2009.

*Rob McWilliam and Alida Oosthuizen on their wedding day*



**Kingsley Hortin (82-86)** moved to Canada in June 2001 and took up the position of Senior Ventilation Engineer for Falconbridge's Kidd Mine in Ontario. After 18 years in mining, a shift in 2008 to consultancy work saw a move to Sudbury, Ontario. At present most of the work he does is based in Chile, with a roster of four weeks in Chile and one week in Canada.

**Brian Hartley (76-80)** has moved back to Perth from Bunbury and commenced work with Calibre Rail as the lead Civil Engineer on the Oakagee to Jack Hills rail line; a new 560-kilometre link from the Oakagee port to new mines in the mid-west.

**Christopher (Chris) Firms (90-94)** married Rebecca Newton on 2 January 2010. Chris has been working in Aquaculture for the last 15 years. In his spare time he enjoys his hobby of restoring early Holden cars.

**Mark Williams (85-96)** is living in Sydney with his wife, Heidi, and their family, having been there since January 2005. Mark is still an equities research analyst covering the transport sector, although the name on the front door changed from ABN AMRO to RBS almost two years ago. Most importantly in his life now he has two beautiful daughters, Samantha born in February 2009 and Stephanie born in September 2010. He has enjoyed watching Samantha grow and is now excited that he gets to do it again with Stephanie!

**Ashley Parnham (93-96-98)** has been owner and Executive Chef of Scusi Restaurant in Mandurah since he started the establishment in

December 2005. The restaurant has just taken out the coveted Prix D'Honneur for Excellence in Health at the recent Gold Plate Awards and has won this award for the last four years. A huge achievement for any restaurant! (See also photo and notice in Pitter Patter on page 46)

**Shannon Carver (89-00)** married Catherine Taman in Chelsea in May 2008. Shannon is working in IT and is hoping to come home for Christmas this year because the English Christmas was so bad last year they promised themselves a warm Christmas every couple of years.

**Benjamin Pazolli (95-06)** is in the process of completing his Bachelor of Engineering and Economics at the University of Western Australia - more specifically in the electronic engineering program and majoring in Economics and Money and Banking. Besides his studies, he is currently a member of the professional Perth post-rock band Hi'Helo as a synthesiser player.

**Matthew Rudland (03-07)** has completed his Bachelor of Health and Physical Education.

**Christopher Robertson (05-08)** left Wesley and has been studying engineering at UWA.



*Chris Firms and Rebecca Newton on their wedding day*

# PITTER PATTER

The College community congratulates the following Old Wesleyans:

**Nathan Ganley (88-92)** and his wife Jeannette welcomed twins, Noah and Maya, born 2 May 2010 in Mallorca Spain.

*Big brother Kane (5) cuddling Noah and Maya*



**Grant Barker (74-80)** and his wife, Heike, have a son, Lukas Frederick, who was born 2 January 2010.

*Grant Barker and son, Lukas.*



**Ashley Parnham (93-96-98)** and his wife Amanda welcome the birth of their first child Brodee Phoenix, born 16 July 2010. Brodee is also the first grandchild for Greg (67-73-75) and Jill Parnham.

*Ashley (rear), Greg and baby Brodee.*



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# In Memoriam

Condolences are extended to the families of the following Old Wesleyans whose deaths are known to the OWCA:

David Dick (32-36) - 30 July 2010.

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Francis George (Lionel) Green (33-37) - July 2010.

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Walter Allan Forward (Allan) (36-36-39) - 8 August 2010.

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Norman Mercer (36-38-40) - 23 June 2010.

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Gordon Charles Hughes (36-40) - early 2010.

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Peter Hill (36-40-43) - 3 June 2010.

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Philip Malcolm Emrose (39-41-43) - 26 June 2010.

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Gilbert (Gil) Ridgway Nicol (39-42-43) - 9 September 2010.

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Jack Miles (44-45-47) - 18 October 2007.

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Gordon Freeman (45-46-47) - 14 October 2010

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Beverley (Bev) Bernard Barrett (44-46-48) - 28 October 2010.

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Adrian Andreas (45-49) - 12 May 2010.

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Bruce Benney (48-52) - 27 July 2010.

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Michael Allison (47-53) - 17 June 2010.

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Kenneth Haley (49-52-53) - 13 June 2010.

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Richard Goerling (49-52-54) - 22 October 2010.

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Cliff Perry (53-56) - August 2010.

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Rodney Owens (52-56) - 13 May 2010.

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Edward John Toomey (Ned) (51-54-56) - August 2010.

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James Derek Adams (52-56-59) - July 2010.

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George Arthur Hatwell (64-68) - July 2010.

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Owen Gavan Brownley (66-68-70) - 10 November 2010.

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Geoff Boobbyer (70-74) - August 2010.

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Ryan Kuhl (88-89) - 20 July 2010.

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Andrew Hutchison (99-03) - 21 September 2010.

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Our sincere condolences to the following Old Wesleyans:

Wally Green (38-43) on the passing of his brother, Lionel (33-37).

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John (62-66) and Greg Mercer (66-70) on the loss of their father, Norman Mercer (36-38-40).

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Arthur (38-39-41) and Phillip Hatwell (70-72-74) on the loss of their son and brother, George (64-68).

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Len Blyth (58-61) and Allister Blyth (94-98) on the loss of Hilda, their mother and grandmother, in May 2009.

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Tony Dick (67-71) on the loss of his father and Alec (36-39-40) and Ian (36-44) on the loss of their brother, David (32-36).

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John Andreas (74-78) on the loss of his father, Adrian (45-49).

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Quentin (89-93) and Tristan Hess (94-98) on the loss of their father, Armin, in July 2010.

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Gavin Hill (91-95) on the loss of his grandfather, Peter Hill (36-40-43).

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Mark (73-77) and Rob de Laeter (81-85) on the loss of their father, John, in August 2010.

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Mark (68-77) and his father Clive Hamer (Headmaster 65-83) on the loss of their mother and wife, Joan, in August 2010.

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David Boobbyer (77-82-83) on the loss of his brother, Geoff (70-74).

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Peter Adams (52-58-60) on the passing of his brother, James (52-56-59).

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Ian Hutchison (69-73) and Michael (97-01) on the loss of their son and brother, Andrew (99-03).

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Jonathon (70-72-75), David (dec) (71-73-76), Blake (dec) (68-71-73) and Annabel on the loss of their father, Gil Nicol (39-42-43).

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John (77-81), Garry (83-87-88) and Rodney (75-77) Barton on the loss of their mother, Dorothy, who passed away in November 2010.

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Adil Bux (77-81) on the loss of his father, Sadiq, on 19 November 2010.

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John (40-44) and Horace Harler (36-42) (dec) on the loss of their sister, Edith, on 17 October 2010.

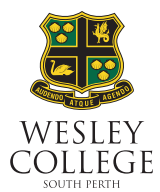
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L-R: Katherine Trager, Zushawn Mubarakai, Edward Harding (all Kindergarten)



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