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Trinity Congratulates

Premier's VCE Awards 2012

The following boys were awarded Premier's VCE Awards for their performances in the VCE last year: **Ben Greenham** (Literature), **Christopher Hargreaves** (Renaissance History) and **James Ooi** (English).

James Ooi

As well as receiving a Premier's VCE Award, at the same ceremony James was named a Top All-Round High Achiever. Later in the year, he was presented with an Australian Student Prize for Academic Excellence. Trinity congratulates James on these wonderful accolades.

Sam Karopoulos

You are not experiencing déjà vu. For the second year, Sam Karopoulos of Year 12 has won the 'TARGET 2030-Automotive Design Awards' Secondary School Division Model award. The presentations by the VACC occurred at Federation Square BMW Edge. Sam used advanced CAD/CAM technologies to manufacture his uniquely designed model which is currently on display in the Fragment Gallery.



Sam Karopoulos

ASB Economics Competition

Congratulations to Diarmuid Healy (Year 12) for winning the Senior Division of the 2012 ASB Economics Competition for Victoria in the Australian School of Business, University of New South Wales Australasian Competition.

Anand Bharadwaj

Junior School Captain, Anand Bharadwaj, made history by becoming the youngest winner of the World Youth Scrabble Championship held in Malaysia in December 2012. Beating 83 competitors from 14 countries, Anand not only won the title but also the best player awards in three categories – Under 12, Under 14, and Under 16. His sights are now set on qualifying for the World Scrabble Championships (open to adults) in 2013. As well as being good with letters, Anand's skill with numbers has seen him chosen to represent Victoria and Australia as an Ambassador in the Commonwealth Bank Australian Maths Challenge in September this year and at the World Education Games in 2013.



Anand Bharadwaj

Sport

Darcy Taylor (Year 12) won the 2012 Australian Elite Junior Diving Championships in the 1m and 3m Springboard Diving. He has now qualified for the World Juniors in October.

Luke McDonald (Year 12) was selected for the All Australian Under 18 Football team after the recent Australian Carnival.

Hugh Curnow (Year 11) participated in the 2012 NAB AFL Under 16 Championship where he was awarded the inaugural Mark Browning Medal, presented to the Division Three 'Best and Fairest'.

Jethro Mahon (Year 8) won two gold medals at the Victorian Biathlon Championships at Mount Hotham. Biathlon is the only sport that combines the two very diverse disciplines of cross-country skate skiing and small-bore target shooting.

Aidan Filshie (Year 8) was selected for the Victorian Under 13 Boys' Hockey team.



Luke McDonald

Goethe Institute Award

Harry Tibballs received one of the three Goethe Institute and Association of German Teachers of Victoria (AGTV) Year 10 Awards. Only six students were selected for an interview from applications throughout Victoria. The award was officially presented at the German Day Out program at Federation Square.



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Front Cover: Mowgli (Samuel Sims) and Baloo (Jack Lear) in *The Jungle Book*

Photographs of *The Jungle Book*, *Grease* and *Toad of Toad Hall* from <http://www.philiproberson.com.au/>

From the Headmaster

The core objective of any school is to ensure that its students are taught well in class, and that their academic progress is optimal. Surrounding this central focus sit those objectives that relate to the so called co-curricular program, which is now viewed as part of the central curricular development of students.

Many regard such programs to be just as important as the core academic programs. Indeed, if Trinity is to achieve its role as developing young men so that they emerge from the School as well educated, well-adjusted human beings, capable of forming positive relationships and able to make a worthwhile contribution to local and global communities, such 'co-curricular' programs are of much importance.

As young people grow and develop, their journey is significantly more meaningful if they have an understanding of those who are challenged due to difficult life circumstances. Being able to place oneself in another's shoes and to be able to offer support, is an important part of growing up and maturing.

One of the twelve key principles which guide Trinity's day to day operation is that of 'Outreach' which is overseen by Mr Tom Delahunty. This principle is articulated in the Operational Plan (2012-2016) with the words... 'Trinity Grammar School will endeavour to provide facilities, resources and programs of the highest quality. As it is a centre which is blessed with a degree of privilege, it has a responsibility to reach out, by way of service, into the wider community'.

School programs have been developed in a range of areas to enable students to grow in relation to this principle. Such programs are listed below:

- Visiting elderly people living at Carnsworth Nursing Home by Junior School students - this activity is co-ordinated by Mr Chris McLean.
- The Gardens Project undertaken by Trinity boys in partnership with North Balwyn Rotary Club.
- Year 9 Community Service Week held during the last week of Term 2 each year. Arrangements for this week are under the direction of the Reverend Tom Stokes.

- Visits by Junior School boys to the Lombadina community, two hours north of Broome, and return visits by the Lombadina students to Trinity. These visits have been organised by Mr Chris McLean.
- Visits by Senior School boys to Lombadina. Such visits have been led by Mr David Ponsford and Ms Diana Salvitti.
- Science and Design Technology projects organised by the Head of Science, Mr Peter Razos and small groups of Senior School boys twice each year, at the Oenpelli School in Arnhem Land.
- The development by Senior School students of close associations with the Arabunna people whose land lies in the Lake Eyre region close to Maree and Leigh Creek. Such associations have been fostered by Ms Jenny Poore.
- A visit by Mrs Genevieve Read and Mrs Sally Ward from the Early Learning Centre to the Nganmariyanga Pre-School, east of Port Keates in the Northern Territory.
- Annual visits to Papua New Guinea by Senior School students who walk the Kokoda track and visit villages and schools in Eastern and North Eastern New Guinea. Recently students have raised money to equip the Design Technology room at the Wesley School on Fergusson Island. This program is co-ordinated and organised by Mr Christian Gregory.
- Annual visits by Senior School students to Ligao High School in the Philippines. Staff members from Ligao High School have spent time at Trinity and it is hoped that students will also make such visits in the future. The Reverends Matt Campbell and Tom Stokes have initiated and maintained this contact.

As well as these projects which are organised through the School, we have identified over 250 boys who voluntarily give their time to the community in response to needs such as gardening for the elderly and visiting of people who are confined to their homes.

It is important that Trinity reciprocates with respect to the visits referred to



Tom Cazalet in Vietnam

above, with equal hospitality to people from these communities. Trinity is committed to making available five scholarships for indigenous students to study in their senior secondary years at Wellington Street. Not only do such scholarships open up new opportunities for recipients but the school community becomes better informed through sharing educational experiences with Aboriginal students. It is also important that other groups of indigenous students are made welcome whenever possible.

Over recent years, Trinity has been encouraging of selected teachers spending time teaching in remote schools which educate Aboriginal people. Mr David Ponsford provided wonderful service at the Lombadina School over a three year period. He became well known for the vegetable garden he developed which led to all kinds of new learning for the Aboriginal students. Mr Joe Hewett, previously Head of English at Trinity, accepted the challenge of co-ordinating the boys' Middle School Program at Nganmariyanga School. Having seen him in action first hand, I can attest to him providing exciting new opportunities for the Aboriginal children he is teaching – Mr Hewett arranged for a group of Middle School students from his School to visit Trinity during the final week of Term 3. Mr Hewett's wife Meg runs the Prep School at Nganmariyanga and both provided wonderful hospitality to our ELC teachers when they made their visits earlier this year.

Yes, understanding and being involved in outreach is a vital part of the developmental experience of our boys. Our core values reflect the importance of such activities and the phrase 'self for others' resonates strongly within our School. May this ever be thus!

Richard Tudor

Mr Rick Tudor
Headmaster



Music

The end of Semester One was highlighted by the Year 7 Eisteddfod, held for the first time in the South Room. Every Year 7 student performs in the Eisteddfod, and the opportunities for the demonstration and sharing of musical skills and leadership are countless and varied. Students rehearse for one term to prepare for this major performance. Each Year 7 group sings as a full class, performs either in an instrumental or dance ensemble, features one class member as a soloist, and announces their own items. Adjudicators comment on musicality, provide positive and constructive feedback, and rank the classes according to the number of points accrued. The winning class and the most outstanding soloists are engraved on the Eisteddfod plaque for posterity!

In July the Senior Choir joined forces with other boys' choirs to perform at the Opening Ceremony for the International Boys' School Conference held at Scotch College. The Combined Choir performed an original work which featured the National Anthems of all countries

represented at the conference, and the choir's outstanding singing resulted in a standing ovation from the enthusiastic audience. Trinity was also represented in the Orchestra with Edward Wang playing the oboe.

The Trinity/Ruyton musical for 2012, *Grease*, recreated the 1950s in song and dance. This theatrical extravaganza was held in Ruyton's Royce Theatre and performed to capacity crowds on every night.

The senior percussion students participated in a workshop held at Ruyton, where orchestral and contemporary techniques were explored.

There can never be too many performance opportunities and the fortnightly after-school recitals, initiated by Mrs Therese McCoppin, have now made this experience available to every student in the School. Boys perform any item of their choice, or a piece for a forthcoming examination before a welcoming audience. This activity is highly recommended for all musicians at Trinity.

August is traditionally a huge month for music, and this year was busier than ever. The annual series of recitals, run by our instrumental staff, commenced in the Music School, and almost every afternoon/evening in Term Three a performance occurred.

The Senior Guitar Ensemble performed in the Guitar Extravaganza at MLC, where similar ensembles were able to enjoy, compare and evaluate their own presentation in this fine venue, and the Woodwind Quintet continued their award winning tradition through local Eisteddfods.

Trinity was heavily involved in the Melbourne Schools Music Festival, held at Robert Blackwood Hall, Monash University, with eleven ensembles participating this year. The Stringers, Marles String Orchestra, Junior Concert Band, Mitre Band, Intermediate Band, Symphonic Wind Ensemble, Big Band, Stage Band, Trinity Strings, Senior Strings and Orchestra all gave fine accounts of their respective repertoire. Our school has an excellent reputation at this event for high level musicality and outstanding behaviour.

August concluded with the Chamber Soiree, a delightful event held in the Trinity Chapel and featuring our most outstanding small ensembles, including the Junior and Senior Guitar Ensembles, Intermediate and Senior Saxophone Ensembles, String Trio, Clarion, Woodwind Quintet and Chamber Choir.

The final day of winter (and a blue moon) was celebrated with Southside Jazz; the largest annual event run by the Trinity Friends of Music. Patrick Jaffe (piano soloist), Junior Jazz Ensemble, FBI, Big Band, Stage Band and the Trinity Staff Band performed to a relaxed audience in the South Room, which had miraculously turned into an atmospheric and ambient jazz club for the night.

Term 3 concluded with the sensational Junior School musical, *The Jungle Book*, which involved every student on stage.

Planning is well underway for the Term Four performance calendar; the Year 8 Eisteddfod, Junior School Concert, Year 12 Farewell Assembly, Founders' Day Fair, Christmas Service at St Paul's Cathedral, and the Junior and Senior Presentation Nights.

Ms Michelle Stanic
Director of Music



The Strings at work



Ben Hu, Harrison Rule Tim Yang

The Trinity/Ruyton Musical *Grease*

'We go together,

Like rama lama lama ka dinga da dinga dong'

The cast of *Grease* looked as though they were having so much fun and savouring the final years of their own high school lives.

The music and choreography were outstanding, especially the 'chorus' pieces: each face was expressive, the voices tuneful and the movements synchronised. The band did itself proud; hidden away from the limelight, the musicians nevertheless played a central role and their renditions of old favourites had the audience members humming along as the songs took them back to the first time they ever saw *Grease*. The musical is a little different from the film, with which we are all no doubt familiar; however, the songs and storyline are essentially the same. Sweet Sandy and cool Danny enjoy a summer romance and then are unexpectedly (for Danny, at least!) reunited at Rydell High, where we meet Kenickie, Rizzo and the rest of the gang.

The main actors were outstanding; it was hard to believe that earlier in the day they were sitting in class in their Trinity and Ruyton uniforms. Once they got on stage, the swagger, the hair, the jackets, the accents – the T-Birds came to life, while the Pink Ladies were perfect and a wonderful contrast



Some of the cast of *Grease*

to the toughness of the boys. The costume department did a wonderful job and its attention to detail certainly enhanced the authenticity of the production.

The Trinity/Ruyton Musical highlights the wonderful benefits to student life that the Coordinate Program allows. Students from both schools build bonds through the hours of preparation and rehearsals that must go into putting on a quality production such as *Grease*. The annual school musical is always well attended; indeed, this year the shows sold out so quickly that extra performances had

to be offered. This is testament to the hard work and creative genius of the Director (Mr Tim Schwerdt), Producer (Mrs Christine Lucas-Pannam), Music Director (Mr Paul Smith), and of course, the cast and crew.



Max Greenham, Daniel Beratis, Liam McCoppin, Neil Kemister and Danny Smith

Toad of Toad Hall

Mr Stewart Lucy, and all the staff, parents and students who assisted in creating this marvellous Middle School production of *Toad of Toad Hall*, should be delighted with the wonderfully witty performances provided by this talented cast of young actors. Toad, Ratty, Mole and Badger were so appealing; managing the word play and characterisation with ease. The make-up and costumes, courtesy of so many dedicated parents, were superb. Furthermore, creative set design, lighting and props added to the experience for the audience.



Above: The cast and organisers of *Toad of Toad Hall*

Left: Spencer Hines (Rat), Angus Thomson (Toad) and Samuel Ginsberg (Mole)

In the first edition of *The Mitre* in 1907, there is an article which states: *'One of the most fruitful causes of school vices, large and small, is loafing. A man who has nothing better to do in life than to look on is always a poor creature, generally useless, often dangerous. Boys should have something to do, and hence the justification of the compulsory games of the great schools.'* Nowadays, sport is far more than a means to prevent boys from 'loafing'.

A key component of life at Trinity, the School's sporting program is extensive and tries to accommodate the diverse interests and talents of our boys. The sports on offer range from the niche rogaining and lawn bowls to cricket and soccer. The main aim of the program, run by Director of Sport Mr Brendan Mahony, is to challenge all boys to perform at their best in whichever sport they choose and the focus is on the quality of sportsmanship.

The 2012 winter sport season has ended and Trinity performed well in many areas. The First XVIII football team not only completed the season undefeated (for the first time in over 50 years), but the boys went on to win the AGSV premiership on home turf at Bulleen. On the day of the grand final, an extremely damp Saturday, the turnout of boys, families, staff and Old

Boys was amazing. This wonderful enthusiasm was rewarded on the siren as the score stood at Trinity 17.9.111 to Marcellin 7.8.50. The players, naturally, were jubilant – as were the supporters; this marked Trinity's first grand final win since 1976! Congratulations to all those boys, especially co-captains Seb Nicolosi and Luke McDonald and also to their inspiring and patient coach Dr Steven Maus and his support staff, Ms Di Salvitti and Mr Tony Spassopoulos.

Soccer at Trinity is growing in popularity and this year, the First XI completed the season in third position (the best result in 15 years). Cross country attracts many boys, three of whom: Chow Lui, Nicolas Paidoussis and Mitchell Dyer, were picked to represent Victoria in the Australian Cross Country Championships. Rugby is a sport with passionate players and even more passionate supporters. Mr Peter Lewis has returned from his exchange to England and has put his heart and soul back into Trinity rugby. The First XV performed well, finishing in fourth place. Furthermore, Bulleen played host to the Victorian Schools' Rugby Union finals. Thousands turned out to see this spectacle (between St Kevin's and Melbourne Grammar); including several headmasters, the State Premier (Ted Baillieu) and former

Wallabies captain Stirling Mortlock.

The following boys were picked to play for the AGSV against the APS teams: Jay Kennedy-Harris, Tom Cutler, Sebastian Nicolosi (vice-captain), Luke McDonald, Hugh Curnow, Hugh Beasley - football; Ben Mitton (vice-captain), Riley Maddock, Angus Hamilton (emergency) – hockey; Lachlan Smale (vice-captain), Daniel Milborrow, Hamish Smylie (emergency) – soccer; Mitchell Dyer, Ben Lawler (emergency), David Munday (emergency) – cross country.

Now, the School sporting fraternity is preparing for the athletics and water polo season. Increasingly, this is seen less as the 'off-season' and more as an opportunity for those serious about their sport to maintain and hopefully improve their skills and fitness. Indeed, the House Athletics competition, held in August, saw much enthusiasm on both track and field and some exceptional results were achieved. Existing school records were broken by Matthew Harcourt (U14 High Jump – 1.71m) and Damon Zethoven (U15 Triple Jump – 12.98m and U15 Hurdles – 13.36 sec). Daniel Smith (Year 11) received the 3000m Simon Malaspina Trophy and the overall winner was Hindley House.



The victorious First XVIII with Dr Steve Maus, Ms Di Salvitti and Mr Tony Spassopoulos

Sport

Mark Yeoman, Hugh Curnow, Sam Holloway and Tom Cutler



Oliver Donoghue

Hugh Davis, Callum Goldby, Nick Carter and Mitchell Sampieri



David Munday, Scott Sarah and Ben Lawler



Alex Sheldon and Lachlan Cho



Ben Mitton, Alex Faithfull, Angus Hamilton and Will Hamlyn



Tom Noonan and Sam Tomkinson



Luke McDonald and Alex Polidoros



The Grand Final scoreboard at full-time

Junior School

Junior School Musical – The Jungle Book

The Jungle Book is a vibrant, exciting musical and Trinity Grammar Junior School's interpretation of this classic tale, directed by Ms Antoinette Dillon with Mr Wayne Cross as Assistant Director and Mr Richard Allen as Music Director, did not disappoint. It opened with a burst of music, movement and colour from the gorgeous Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 students (directed by Mrs Sue Skillington) who sang with clear, sweet voices and much enthusiasm. Their animal skin costumes and face paint looked stunning against the vibrant jungle backdrop. The children performed three songs with aplomb, finishing with 'The Lion Sleeps Tonight' – what fun!

The story of Mowgli is poignant and relevant: the journey of a young boy as he learns to stand on his own two feet – with a little help from his friends,

of course. All the lead actors played their roles with maturity and used humour to great effect. Shere Khan's entry provoked shrieks from the monkeys on stage and hisses from the children in the audience, while Baloo endeared himself with his 'gentle giant' persona.

The choreography (coordinated by Ms Emma Martin) was excellent – in particular, a group of boys who danced in synch to 'Jai Ho'. Their dancing was complemented by effective use of lighting to enhance the show. Movement was also used skilfully in the scene with Kaa the snake, where six boys worked a long puppet snake; one sang and the others provided the chorus. Throughout this musical, all performers sang with confidence and enunciated their words beautifully. There were lots of old favourites for the audience to tap its feet to including, 'Bare Necessities', 'I wanna be like you' and 'That's what friends are for'.

In putting on a production such as 'The Jungle Book', teachers hope that the students will gain much from the experience of working together towards a common goal. Mirroring this experience is that of the dedicated group of parents and staff who worked hard behind the scenes to ensure the whole operation ran smoothly. Costumes were created, sets were constructed, props were sourced, rehearsals were undertaken – and people worked tirelessly. Junior School is fortunate indeed to have such a supportive community of parents and staff.

The Vultures



The Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 students in *The Jungle Book*



The main cast of *The Jungle Book*



Grandparents' Day in the Junior School

At Trinity, we recognise the unique role that our grandparents have in many children's lives and, for that reason, Friday 7 September was a very special day at Trinity Grammar Junior School. On this day, more than 600 grandparents and special friends visited the boys and girls from the ELC right through to Year 6. Watching the children interact with their visitors was just wonderful. Excited boys from Prep to Year 6 enjoyed the opportunity to show their guests around the school with the grandparents also enjoying a fantastic morning tea served by our Junior School parents in the East Room. All the children from the ELC to Year 6 then put on an entertaining musical presentation in the South Room.



Visit from Djarindjin Lombadina

During Term 3, the Junior School boys played host to a group of students from the Djarindjin Lombadina community in Western Australia. The visiting students stayed with Junior School families and attended regular classes with Year 6 students.

However, they also participated in a number of exciting excursions. The action-packed week included an outing to Mount Buller and a visit to Etihad Stadium to watch St Kilda take on Greater Western Sydney.

The overriding aim of the trip was for new friendships and connections to be forged between these students from very different parts of Australia. The boys all seemed to enjoy each other's company and embraced this opportunity for new experiences. Nine of our boys will visit the Djarindjin Lombadina community in the first week of the Term 3 holidays where they will have another chance to further develop the friendships already formed.



The boys from Djarindjin Lombadina at the snow



Great excitement in the Science and Technology Department

Early Learning Centre

We are in the fortunate position that no matter what the weather is like, the children with whom we work love to be outdoors: exploring, building, climbing, socialising, dramatising, appreciating nature and enjoying all that they discover in our playground.

During the Term 2 holidays, the outdoor space had some much appreciated work carried out. This not only enhanced the area, but also provided many more opportunities for the children to enjoy the great outdoors.

This past term was filled with many special experiences, including a performance by *David the Music Man*, a drama workshop, visits from *Wild*

Action with a selection of Australian animals and, during the last week of term, a very brave dog was the star of the *Responsible Pet Education Program* held for the Four Year Old Group to educate them about how to safely interact with dogs.

Grandparents' Mornings were another highlight in a busy term and there was a clear sense of pride exhibited by all children in sharing their space with some of the most important people in their lives.

This year sees the first group of boys who began in the Early Learning Centre complete Year 12 at Trinity Grammar School and it was with

much pleasure that we invited 13 boys back for a special morning tea to celebrate this event. The current children could hardly believe their eyes that such tall young men could ever have been four or five years old. Those fourteen years have certainly passed quickly.

We have followed their progress through the School with great interest and we wish them, as we do all the Year 12s, all the very best for their exams and for the future.

Mrs Genevieve Read

Director of the Early Learning Centre



Alex Wong with his grandparents Gladys and Tony Wong



Three wombats - Tommy Skillington, Aakash Srivastava and Imogen Thatcher - in the drama workshop *Tiddalick*



Charlie Cheshire and Sebastian Nicolosi with some ELC children



New Zealand author Craig Smith



Tom Tillyard with his grandparents Elsa and Lindsay McMillan



Dame Margaret Guilfoyle who opened the ELC in 1999



Ross Stefanatos with grandparents Bob and Marcia Symons



Will Johnson with grandparents Bruce and Judy Candy



The Year 12 students who started in the ELC

Trips and Tours

Papua New Guinea

The Papua New Guinea trip is coordinated by Mr Christian Gregory for Year 11 boys and it takes place in the July holidays. It offers experiences that will be remembered fondly and change the participants' world views. It also involves a lot of hiking.

Spectacular views and picturesque villages are the reward for hours upon hours of hiking. Completing the Kokoda Trail is not so much a physical challenge as a mental one. Our bodies had to do the work but it was our minds that really pushed us on when we were tired, hungry, muddy, tripping and slipping on roots and muck and aching from the repetitiveness of walking.

The Trail experience is also a highly historical one. Having varying degrees of prior knowledge, we learnt a considerable amount about the Japanese landings in Milne Bay, their advance over the Owen Stanley Ranges, Australian resistance from Owers Corner with much fewer troops, the adversity suffered by both sides and about inexperienced Australian boys becoming heroes. We also saw monuments devoted to sacrifice, mateship, courage, and a stone that played the role of surgical table for a plethora of suffering Australian soldiers. Hiking on the same Trail as those who fought during World War Two gave us a surprising sense of connection with those soldiers and their experiences.

Mid-way through the trip came the day that all boys had been anticipating with excitement and some trepidation. We were sent to individual villages to live with the local families for three nights. Every family is allocated a plot of land designated for farming, or 'gardening'. The gardens are fundamental to their way of life, representing their ability to survive. Yams were the most popular food and, it being harvesting season, were served for breakfast, lunch and dinner. At meal times, after dark and in between the jobs that needed to be done, we sat around the small table and told stories, seemingly for hours. All sorts of stories were exchanged, from tales of giant clams and octopi to the Mermaid of Milne Bay.

The experience was unique for each boy and, needless to say, unlike what most Australians get to encounter in Papua New Guinea.

Sam Macalister and Zac Freeman



Right: Corey Mangos and mud!

Below: David Munday, Jon Thomson-Settle and Dominic Barro looking a bit nervous

Bottom: The group at the start of the Kokoda Trail



Trips and Tours

Snowsports

Mount Hotham was enveloped in snow and bathed in sunshine as Trinity families, staff and friends enjoyed the annual snowsports trip organised by Ms Geri Coughlin. The 94 participants spent the first week of the July holidays skiing, snowboarding and having fun. For many students, this period provides important preparation time for the Victorian Interschool Snowsports Championships. Similarly, the Mount Buller Day Trip also allows students to attend lessons and race training, enabling everyone from beginner level to advanced, to develop their skills on the slopes.

This training evidently paid off for Jethro Mahon, Jono Lawler and Harry Jacobs (all Year 8) as their team qualified for two events in the National

German Excursion

On 24 August, the Year 8 German students went to the Cuckoo Restaurant in Olinda for a smorgasbord buffet containing all sorts of German and other European foods - the dessert buffet was certainly the favourite with most boys! There were foods such as schnitzel, sauerkraut, bee sting cake, black forest cake, pancakes as well as many other delicious delights. While most boys would have been content with just the food, it didn't stop there. The live German music and dancing was a great way to burn off a few kilos after our colossal meal.

Ethan Katz



At Cuckoo restaurant

Cross Country Championships (Division 3 and Classical). Nicholas Koppert (Year 4) also qualified in the Cross Country Classical.

The three Division 4 snowboarders - Oscar Percy (Year 5), Lachlan Marsh and Aiden May (both Year 6) - achieved huge success: a team first for the Snowboard GS and Snowboarder X at both the State

and National levels. Another very successful snowboarder was Riley May (Year 9) who won two individual silver medals at the State level and was placed fourth in the Snowboarder X at Nationals. The only Alpine skier to qualify for Nationals was Alex Percy (Year 6), who finished 15th in the National competition.



Aiden May, Lachlan Marsh and Oscar Percy were the winning team in SB GS and SBX in both the Victorian and National Interschools

German Exchange

As German exchange students from Marianum School, Fulda, we stayed with our host brothers Fred Hiskens and Neil Kemister and their families for eight weeks from 15 June to 9 August and attended Trinity for six of those weeks.

We were welcomed warmly by the Trinity boys and teachers and soon found friends.

School wasn't as difficult as usual because we were exchange students, so we really enjoyed going to school. We particularly liked the House system and the fact that we could choose our own subjects. Marianum and Trinity have lots in common but there are also some extreme differences.

As both of our host brothers took part in *Grease*, we watched the rehearsals and the performances and loved the show - we both think everyone in the musical did a wonderful job!

Our host families showed us lots of Melbourne and the surrounding areas

and made it possible for us to spend one week of our holidays in Sydney and the second one in Central Australia.

Saying goodbye after eight amazing weeks was the hardest thing for us.

But Fred and Neil will come and stay with us in December and we are looking forward to our time with them in Germany.

Sophie Kress and Anne Kraemer



Fred Hiskens and Neil Kemister with their exchange students Sophie and Anne

Confirmation and Boarders' Service

On Sunday 19 August, 11 boys from Years 7 to 10 received Confirmation as part of a Confirmation and Boarders' Service held in the Trinity Chapel and officiated by Bishop Stephen Hale. The boys each received a special gift to mark the occasion. According to Year 7 student Jack Furey, 'A real highlight of the day was when everyone sang the hymns; this was amazing with everyone singing their best.' Congratulations to Matthew Baumgartner, Thomas Bobbera, Tom Dobrotwir, Jack Furey, Samuel Hoppe, Anthony Larkey, Joseph Williams (all Year 7), Nicholas Clark and Alexander Thomson (both Year 8), who renewed their commitment to the Christian faith at this service, as well as Max Ford (Year 10) and Lewis Malay (Year 8) who were baptised and confirmed.



Boys receiving their Confirmation with Rev Matt Campbell and Bishop Stephen Hale

Parents' Association

The move to our new look Trinity website was completed last term. This is an exciting time as it marked the first step to the *Trinity Connect* secure portal concept which has the potential to provide parental access to the Trinity intranet portal. This portal will be an evolving project and we look forward to its initial release in the very near future.

Carolyn Turner and the Green and Gold Ball Committee again need to be commended on their outstanding efforts organising the very successful Winter Solstice Ball. Many Trinity parents wined, dined and danced the night away.

Other activities have also been organised by various parent groups in the School. The Friends of Art hosted the NGV Winter Masterpieces Napoleon: Revolution to Empire Breakfast event, Friends of Music coordinated the perennially popular Southside Jazz and Friends of Drama organised a well-attended group outing to *Queen Lear* at the MTC.

Ladies – don't forget to mark in your diaries the Oaks Day Lunch on the 8 November. This is a lovely way to catch up with other mums for a fun event.



Year 12 parents at the Green and Gold Ball

The wonderful Fair Committee, chaired by Roger Bobbera, has been working throughout the year on the planning and preparation for this great family/community day. This year, the Founders' Day Fair is on Sunday 18 November. It is a whole school

community event and the Parents' Association encourages you to volunteer in whatever capacity you can.

Ms Lucy Muchic
President



Nicola Smylie, David Smylie,
Lynette Julian and John Rogerson



Jenny Lyle, Garry Ringwood,
Deb Ringwood and Rod Lyle

The progress of The Richard and Elizabeth Tudor Centre



From the School Council

Over last few months the School Council has been occupied with many issues both at the local and the national level.

Nationally the issue that has the attention of the Councils of all independent schools is the Government's response to the Gonski Report into school funding. As I write this the Prime Minister has issued the Government's formal response which is expressed in general terms and does not as yet give schools the certainty that they all need. The Prime Minister has promised that all independent schools will receive an increase in funding under the Government's plan. What is not clear is whether that promised increase is commensurate with the funding indexation that independent schools receive under the current plan.

The Government's response also, critically, needs the support of the States and Territories which at the moment is far from certain.

What does appear certain in this fluid policy environment is that the Government and Coalition both accept the crucial role that Catholic and independent schools play in the Australian education system.

At the School level the Council has been reviewing progress on the Richard and Elizabeth Tudor Centre for Contemporary Learning which is moving along at a rapid pace as we approach the end of the year. Those of you who have visited the School will have seen how this landmark building, designed by Peter McIntyre (an OTG and former Council Chairman), has been asserting its unique presence on the main School campus. We all look forward to it being ready for the beginning of the 2013 School year.

Also at the local level, Mr Robert Utter and I have been consulting with School staff and other stakeholders to gather as much insight about the School as we can, as we get ready to appoint a Head to lead the School from the beginning of 2014 following Mr Tudor's retirement. In addition to School staff, we have met with the Parents' Association and the Student Executive, and by the time this edition goes to print we will also have met with the OTGA and the Staff Association. These meetings have been wonderfully enlightening and will equip us well as we undertake our search.

On behalf of the Council I wish you all well for the remainder of 2012 and I look forward to reporting to you again early next year.

Mr Garry Ringwood
Chairman of School Council

Lincoln University 'Land the Trip'

James Campkin-Smith of Year 12 is thrilled that he took the time to enter the 'Land the Trip' competition as his essay won him a fully funded visit to Lincoln University in New Zealand. The five recipients from around Australia

were able to experience the personalised environment of this unique land-based university, enjoy tours of Christchurch and speak to current students and lecturers about the courses on offer.



The Year 12 Colloquia

Three colloquia are held each year and organised by one of the Vice-Captains. All Year 12 students attend and sit at tables with their peers and staff. They enjoy a formal dinner, served by Year 11 students, a musical item and a number of speakers, including a guest speaker invited from outside the school community. These are 'grown-up' occasions and illustrate the fact that these boys are now the leaders of the School.

The first Colloquium for 2012 was held amidst the incredibly busy first term. Everyone present was transfixed by the guest speaker Mr Jeff Maher. Mr Maher heads the Arson and Explosives squad at Victoria Police. However, he spent 27 years as a detective, 15 of which were spent in charge of homicide. He was involved in over 200 homicide prosecutions and he chose one particularly well

known case to illustrate the passion, the attention to detail and ultimately the tenacity needed to succeed in such a role. Other highlights of the evening included Year 12 International Student Yiqing Fei, displaying his wonderful sense of humour, giving a snapshot of his life as a young Chinese student who moved to Melbourne to study English and immerse himself in the Australian way of life.

At Colloquium number two, the Year 12 students welcomed Mr Mark Squirrell to the School. He thrilled the audience with talk of his unique experiences in the wars of the Middle East and his inspirational ascent of Mount Everest. His roles with the Australian Special Forces and World Food Organisation provided the audience with plenty of insight into the fulfilling nature of service to others, motivating the cohort to explore the opportunities that volunteering and

working in charity have to offer.

The guest speaker for the final Year 12 Colloquium of this year was Professor Grant McArthur who presented a fascinating talk on his research into aspects of cancer and some of the significant breakthroughs being made by his team at the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre. Professor McArthur's presentation had the audience captivated as he detailed the amazing recent progress made by his team that has brought the world ever closer to curing cancer. Entertainment was provided by, among others, Ed Rasmussen and Dennis Wang who performed the year level's favourite hymn *Lord of the Dance* on guitar. All in all, the third colloquium, much like the previous two, proved to be very successful and enjoyable evenings.

Congratulations to Sebastian Nicolosi for organising the Year 12 Colloquia this year.

From the OTGA President

The OTGA Committee has been working hard over the last few months to improve its profile in the School community and to improve its relevance to Old Boys. It is therefore pleasing to see an increase in the number of participants on the Old Boys' Facebook page, more people getting involved in OTGA winter sport and the introduction of the Drama Club. We have provided close support to the expansion of the Cricket Club, promoted more Old Boys' work in indigenous affairs and given a scholarship to a TGS teaching staff member to work in Arnhem Land. Significantly, for the first time in many years, we had an Old Boys' Dinner, themed around the Olympics and OTG Olympians, on the night of the London opening ceremony.

There were four OTG Olympians present, Mr Ray Weinberg (OTG1944) - Athletics, Mr Robert McIntyre (OTG1973) - Winter Olympics, Mr Scott Ferrier (OTG1992) - Decathlete and Mr Andrew Smith (OTG1996) - Hockey - Bronze Medallist. All generously spoke of their unique Olympic experiences. The highlight of the night, for me, was the discussion MC and former Olympian Alison Inverarity had with the great Ray Weinberg, who was able to provide insight into the relevance of the Olympics just after the global trauma of WW2 and also to make links with London 2012. Ray gave those of us who have seen 'a few more games than others' a couple of great stories for our memories. The keynote speaker was Winter Olympic Gold Medallist Steven Bradbury, who used a combination of humour and wit to provide an inspirational tale of persistence to achieve success. Thanks to Tim Sharp (OTG1994) and Clint Hillas (OTG1996) for their efforts in organising such a great event.

The OTGA continues to focus on providing opportunities for the OTG community to get together in circumstances relevant to the School and the wider community. We will have a CBD lunch on December 7 and a young OTG drinks night at the Nevermind bar in the period before



Alison Inverarity and Ray Weinberg



Tim Sharp and Clint Hillas

Christmas. We will remain engaged with the various sporting and special interest groups to help them prosper further in 2012.

Finally, I would like to thank Old Trinity Grammarians for the pledges made so far to the OTG Careers Centre within The Richard and Elizabeth Tudor Centre for Contemporary Learning. I encourage those that have not yet seen the new building to view the photos by joining our Facebook page

<http://www.facebook.com/groups/2369824256/> and to consider the undoubted value that this facility will provide present and future Trinity students. It has been an interesting and challenging year to date and I, with the rest of the OTGA Committee, look forward to our work for the remainder of the year.

Jeff Hooper
OTGA President

Reunions

Recently the School hosted the 1972 40 Year Reunion and will shortly host the 1982 30 Year Reunion as well as an OTG Reunion Dinner in Sydney.

The 1972 Dinner was well attended with **Don Campbell (1966-72)**, **Rod Lyle (1968-72)** and **Jeremy Duffield (1963-72)** making a big effort to contact past students from their year level. Former staff **Roger Kennedy**,

David Bevan and **Chris Howell** were at the dinner while **Brian Macfarlane** called in for drinks.

A number of guys travelled from country Victoria while **Ken Syme (1964-72)** came down from Queensland. All agreed they wanted to catch up again well before the next 10 year reunion!



1972 Reunion



Bruce Rigby, David Bevan and Chris Howell



Mark Wilkinson, Donald Campbell and Jeremy Duffield

Reunions planned for 2013

Gold Mitre Lunch: 1932 - 2013
Thursday March 21
(for those who left School 50+ years ago)

2008 5 Year Reunion BBQ
Wednesday March 13

2003 10 Year Reunion Dinner
Friday May 17

1993 20 Year Reunion Dinner
Friday May 31

1983 30 Year Reunion Dinner
Date to be confirmed

1973 40 Year Reunion Dinner
Date to be confirmed

2012 1 Year Reunion BBQ
Date to be confirmed

If you have any questions or would like to assist with the organisation, please contact Sharon Kendall by email: kendalls@trinity.vic.edu.au

The Trinity Grammar School Business Directory is up and running on the new TGS website

<http://business.trinity.vic.edu.au/>

If you wish to advertise please follow the links or contact Mr Noel Stevens for more details
stevensn@trinity.vic.edu.au
or phone 9854 3600

In Memoriam

We were saddened to hear of the passing of the following members of the Trinity Community.

Past School Council member **JOHN HOLBERTON** passed away in early August. John was on the School Council from 1985 until 2003 and was the Treasurer for most of that time. John's three boys, **PHILIP (1960-68)**, **SIMON (1964-72)** and **MARK (1962-70)** attended Trinity as did his grandson **MATTHEW (1996-2000)**. We thank John for his wonderful contribution to TGS.

ALAN COHN (1927-34) was one of our oldest Old Trinity Grammarians.

CLIFF MILTON NISBET (1934-35) also passed away earlier this year.

ALAN GOBLE OAM, MD, FRCP, FRACP (1938-42) was an outstanding medical practitioner and was dedicated to the research of heart disease. He was awarded his OAM in 2011 for services to medicine as a cardiologist and to the National Heart Foundation in Victoria.

DREW MACKIE FORSYTH SNEDDEN (1965-68) died very suddenly at home in London on 26 August. He was a rower, cyclist and rugby player at Cobham RFC. Drew attended the reunion in London last year and according to his wife Nicky, he greatly enjoyed receiving *The Trinity Grammarian* and keeping up to date with what was happening at his old school.

Olympic Celebration Dinner

The OTGA held a most successful Olympic Celebration Dinner at the Boulevard Restaurant in Kew on Friday July 27 for all Old Boys. Four of the School's Olympians were in attendance, with former Olympian Alison Inverarity as MC and Gold Medallist Steve Bradbury as Guest Speaker. Steve Bradbury delivered an entertaining speech and it was terrific to see so many recent leavers at the Dinner. Well done to **Tim Sharp (1987-94)** and **Clint Hillas (1991-96)** for their organisation of the night.



Alex Hasiotis, Alex Syme, Joel Sansom and Billy Syme



Chris Jackson, Sam Horsburgh, Taylor Gale, Tim Daniell and Alex Heuston



Scott Langdon, Antony DeBoos, Gareth Carwardine, Damien Scalzo and George Plain



Scott Ferrier, Alison Inverarity and Jeremy Sutcliffe



Gil Van Der Venne, Jay Arrowsmith and Noel Stevens



Richard Baumgartner and David Baumgartner



Tim, Ray and Christopher Weinberg



Alison Inverarity and Steve Bradbury



Sam Smith, Lachlan Tyson and Alex Paterson

OTG Football

The 2012 Premier Division season has concluded and we find ourselves sitting in ninth position on the ladder. Anyone who knows anything about the VAFA knows that means relegation. After three years of holding ourselves in the top flight we will play in Premier B in 2013. Though of course there is disappointment associated with relegation, there is also much hope provided by the many young faces that were selected for the senior team in 2012. Gabe Hamilton (18 games), Andrew Kyriacopoulos (16 games), Ben Howell (14 games), Ed Weatherson (11 games), Alex

Hasiotis (11 games), Jake Steinhart (nine games), Tom Bennett (six games) and Alex Heuston (five games) are all Under 19s and played important roles in the senior side during the season. Brendan Iezzi, despite an injury interrupted pre-season, led the team brilliantly and was ably supported by Nick Howell, Jack Osborn, Kristian Butler and Robert Humann. Andrew Ramsden kicked 53 goals for the season and again showed why he is not only one of the most feared forwards in the game but one of the champions of the VAFA.

Next season is going to provide everyone with a new challenge. We

must improve! A drop down in division doesn't guarantee success so we must approach the pre-season with enthusiasm and commitment. Everyone is looking forward to welcoming the premiership winning Year 12s to the club for their first experience of amateur football. It was great to see Trinity win the AGSV premiership for the first time since 1976. To beat Marcellin College the way we did was a great credit to the players and Dr Steve Maus!

Please visit www.oldtrinityfc.com.au for news and information regarding pre-season and the 2013 season.

Adam Andrews



Oscar Fairweather and James Gilfillan

OTG Cricket

Following a positive 2011-12 season, the Old Boys Cricket Club is adding a second team for the upcoming season. The second team will play in the newly created MCC Club XI second division. The Club plays on high quality turf wickets against traditional rivals such as Old Scotch, Old Carey and Old Xavier in the MCC Club XI Competition. We are looking for more players so if you are interested in playing, please contact Hugh Krantz at hugh.krantz@gmail.com. The season begins in early October and games are played on Saturday afternoons.

NOTICE: ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Old Trinity Grammarians'
Association**

Tuesday November 13 from 8.00pm
Hudson House
53 Wellington Street, Kew

Agenda:

President's Report
Treasurer's Report
Election of Office Bearers
Other Business
All Welcome

All Old Trinity Grammarians and their families are warmly invited to the

OTG Founders' Day Service

**Wednesday November 14
from 6.30pm**

Chapel of the Holy Trinity

A light supper will be provided at the conclusion of the Eucharist. For catering purposes please contact Sharon Kendall on 9854 3665 or by email: kendalls@trinity.vic.edu.au

Congratulations to **TIM SHARP** (1987-94) who announced his engagement to Sally Kortekaas a few weeks ago. Tim is the Vice-President of the Old Trinity Grammarians' Association.

JAMES TYSON (1987-99) married Kate Roberts on 9 June. James' brothers **LACHLAN** (1993-05) and **STUART** (1990-02) attended Trinity as did father **LEWIS** (1956-68) and uncle **BRUCE** (1961-69).

Senior Chaplain **RUSSELL JOYCE** (1961-67) was awarded an OAM (Medal of the Order of Australia, Military Division) in the 2012 Queen's Birthday Honours List. Russell, who is also the vicar at St Peter's in Brighton Beach, was awarded his OAM for Meritorious Service in the field of Chaplaincy in the Royal Australian Navy. Russell has made a lasting and positive impact on sailors, soldiers and airmen at HMAS Cerberus for two decades.



Senior Chaplain Russell Joyce

Congratulations to **IVAN BACKMAN** (1950-56) who was awarded an AM (Member in the General Division of the Order of Australia) for service to the transport and logistics industry through roles with the Australian Logistics Council, as an advocate and mentor, and to the community. *Please see back page article for further details.*

Congratulations to **LUKE POWER** (1989-97) on reaching his 300th AFL Game for the Brisbane Lions and Greater Western Sydney. Luke has captained both clubs and played in three Premierships with the Lions. He is admired by all his fellow players for his determination, skill and sportsmanship. Luke is Trinity's first 300 Game player and one of only 66 AFL players to reach this milestone.

ANTONY DeBOOS (1992-99) is now working at the PlayCorp Group and does some work for the AFL. His brother, **JONATHON** (1990-97) is a Senior Associate with law firm Clayton Utz.

NICK VERGINIS (1986-93) and his wife Sarah welcome their new son Hector, a brother for Isaac. Nick is working and living in the UK.

Congratulations to **NIC HENNING** (1993-98) who took out the 2012 OTG Inter Community Tipping Competition. Nic finished on 160 points winning the 51" HD plasma TV. Enjoy!



Mrs Sharon Kendall with Nic Henning

Sydney Reunion

Damian Waldon, James Cornell, Noel Stevens, Des Bright and Kirk Docker



Trinity Fair

Sunday November 18, 2012
10:30am to 4:30pm

Junior and Senior School Ovals

Lots of entertainment all day

This year will be the 20th year of the Founders' Day Fair. The Fair has become a highlight of the School year and, as always, will be held the second weekend after the Melbourne Cup. This year it will be on the Sunday to allow for Saturday sport and the usual setup. Many parents work all year preparing for the Fair, including the Fair organising committee, the craft group, the garden group, the produce group. Furthermore, many parents volunteer to help out over the weekend.

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Let's celebrate 20 years of the Fair and almost \$1.5 million dollars raised over those 20 years!

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The Fair will be located on the Junior School Taffs Oval with the rides on the Senior School Birrell Oval.

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On the Saturday evening preceding the fair, **Saturday November 17, 2012**, a special event, the **House DVD Competition**, will be held on the outdoor stage. This competition involves each of the eight Senior School Houses making a short DVD, perhaps a song clip or a scene. There will also be some 'talent' acts between the film clips. The night will commence at around 7.30pm and conclude at approximately 9.30pm (a meal and drinks will be available for the audience). We invite all boys, families and friends to attend and join in the spirit of the evening!



Rohan Brown interviews Ivan Backman



Rohan Brown interviews IVAN BACKMAN AM (1950-56). Ivan was awarded an AM for service and contribution to the transport and logistics industry, in particular the Australian Logistics Council as an advocate and mentor, and for service to the community. He is also an ambassador for Whiteline.

How did you get involved in the Australian Logistics Council (ALC)?

I had retired from Linfox (MD) and K&S Limited (MD) and had been the President of the Victorian Employers Chamber of Commerce and Industry when I received a call from the then Deputy Prime Minister, John Anderson. He wanted a neutral (non-political) Chair of the ALC. It was only supposed to take 12 hours a year but it was more like 30-40 hours a week, pro bono. I was Chairman for seven years and was also on the Trinity School Council for much of that time. I hope that we positioned the ALC as the peak national body for Australia's transport and logistics freight industry representing major road, rail, sea and air logistics providers.

Tell us about your early days?

Dad was a truck driver with a strong work ethic and was also Verger at St Columb's Church, Hawthorn (in fact, my uncle was in the very first Trinity class in 1903!). We were a working class family. It was recommended that I try out for St Paul's Choir and Colin Campbell Ross and Lance Hardy gave me a chance to be in the Choir for four years - until my voice broke. I enjoyed the Choir, even though it meant catching the train back to Kew four days a week. We had two, sometimes three services on Sundays, but I still managed to play sport at Trinity.

What sort of student were you?

I preferred Humanities and John Leppitt was an outstanding teacher. Alfred Bright ('bone dome') was the Head, but the School was very small, less than a third of the size it is now. There were only 13 in our final year which was a great advantage for us. I played football and tennis for the Firsts. I was lucky enough to win a Commonwealth Studentship and so started my tertiary studies to become a teacher.

Where did you start teaching?

I started teaching Commerce at Rushworth High, the smallest high school in the state. I taught typing and shorthand, (often to rock music) and I loved being totally involved in a small town. Teaching taught me people skills. I received a promotable teaching mark, and then moved to Balwyn High where you were just a 'rung on the ladder' and promotion was not likely. There were 2000 students and no sports gear so I, as Sports Master, needed to become ingenious in obtaining sports gear. By the time the Principal found out, it was too late, it had all been labelled 'BHS'.

How did you join Linfox?

Newly married, I spent five years with Blakistons in Melbourne and Sydney. After that, I spent five years with Mayne Nickless, based in Sydney, then Cubico, gaining experience in management positions and joined Linfox in 1978. Linfox was technically insolvent, but we won a number of major contracts to take over distribution (outsource) from other companies. I joined Linfox at a good time, the company expanded and won contracts to distribute Coca Cola, Caltex and Coles. I became the MD and then Deputy Chairman of Linfox. Linfox was a great place to work, but after 18 years there, it was time to move on. I then took on a number of board positions and was MD of K&S as well as President of VECCI.

What are your interests?

I am married to Yvonne and we have two children. My son Cam (1983-88) attended Trinity for six years and was School Vice-Captain. The School was very different in my day from when Cam attended and now, more than 25 years later, Trinity's offerings and options are fantastic! It has grown in size with vastly improved facilities. Cam studied Commerce, spent a

number of years in PNG in Lae running a chain of hardware stores and now he works in Melbourne as General Manager of Doggetts.

You were in Kuwait for nine months?

Linfox won the contract to transport 4000 tonnes of cement daily from Kuwait to Iraq (Baghdad and Basra) at the time of the Iran/Iraq war. It was dangerous and exhilarating, and just when we had the logistics working well (Linfox had to recruit, house and look after 150 migrant drivers), Saddam Hussein cancelled our contract - much ado about nothing!

What does ALC do?

The transport and logistics sector of work in Australia accounts for 14.8% of GDP (gross domestic product) while farming and mining take up 10% of GDP. The purpose of the ALC was to be the over-arching body encompassing all aspects of logistics, rail, road, sea and air. There are so many problems - port blockages, traffic congestion, different railway gauges in different states and lack of uniform regulation. Anything over 200km should be delivered by rail, but in Australia, most things go by road which is more expensive, but often quicker. Melbourne is Australia's busiest port, but the tyranny of distance makes logistics difficult. Four truck loads can go to Perth with one load to come back, so the cost of transport is not evenly distributed. The ALC needed to unify transport and logistics regulation to benefit the national interest, not just one sector.

If you had your time again...?

I would still go into the transport/logistics business and, with lessons learnt, would do it better. The opportunities are enormous. I would like to have spent more time with my family and maybe to have played more sport, however, no pain - no gain. I am not necessarily materialistic; rewards have come from hard work and effort. We lived in Doncaster and now Heidelberg but our favourite place is our property at Jamieson where I can get away from the pressures of urban living.

My advice to a young person at the School, or starting work is 'commit and own what you do' as 'what you put in - you get out' and also 'find a sector that interests you and a mentor who has had success in that sector'.