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From the *Principal*



Dear Terrace Family,

Welcome to the final edition of The Terracian for 2017. Yet again, this edition has a kaleidoscope of stories that feature the diversity and richness of the Terrace Family.

This year Terrace students have again shone in and out of the classroom. The recent Celebration of Excellence was a showcase of the talent and recognition of the success and achievements of the students. The talent in music,

academics, sport, culture and spirituality was very much evident for all to see.

As another group of young men prepare to leave the College and become Terrace Old Boys I wish to acknowledge and congratulate the 2017 Year 12 cohort. They have been fine Terrace Gentlemen and I know that they will be noteworthy Old Boys also. They will continue the tradition of Old Boys such as Mr Peter Donnelly, Mr Paul Gallagher and Mr Frank Cullen who feature in this edition.

On the cultural front, Terrace students have excelled during 2017. Events such as the Jazz Night at Boggo Road Gaol, the Art Show and winning the State Finals of Theatresports are some of the cultural highlights this year.

The Gregory Terrace Old Boys Association (GTOBA) continue to strongly support the College with

their reunions, Golf Day, and the Br Barry Buckley Breakfast. This year the GTOBA has financially supported three students through the Edmund Rice Bursary Program and contributed to the refurbishment of College Hall, which was officially opened at the Vintage Terracians Morning Tea in November. As a College community we also farewelled a number of Old Boys including Mr Paul Brannelly, Mr Bryan Smith and Mr John Abbot.

As the Christmas season approaches, I take this opportunity to thank all the Terrace Family, past, present and future, for their support throughout 2017 and I look forward to an even more successful 2018.

Michael Carroll

Dr Michael Carroll
College Principal



► College staff stand proud at the Celebration of Excellence

Celebration of *Excellence*



18000 Strong has been the theme our Year 12 students have adopted this year. The significance of this theme is that 18 000 young men have journeyed through Terrace over the last 142 years. The students of 2017 will form part of this legacy of Terrace Gentlemen.

At this year's Celebration of Excellence Dr Carroll spoke about the legacy the Terrace Gentlemen will leave and the evening displayed just what a legacy it is. This year, as with each year that passes, Terrace strives to improve. The students are willing to work harder and the staff are willing to help the students achieve these outstanding results with their own hard work and dedication to the College. This is part of the culture of Terrace.

At the Celebration of Excellence, held at the Brisbane Convention Centre on 6 November, the outstanding success of the students was celebrated. The night was also an excellent opportunity to showcase the diverse and rich talents of the Terrace Family. The

night reflected on the year and acknowledged the achievements across the community and celebrated our musical excellence.

In his speech on the night, Dr Carroll reflected on the 'Culture of learning' at Terrace.

This culture has translated into outstanding academic results across all levels as evidenced by the strong NAPLAN and OP results and the record numbers of students receiving academic medals. The Year 12 cohort from 2016 received 31 OPI's and a median OP score of five. These are extraordinary results. The 2017 cohort has been very dedicated to their studies and I am confident that they will also be rewarded with good results.

The Laurence Healy Memorial Prize and Blessed Edmund Rice Award – Dux of the College was awarded to Patrick Sharkey. Patrick also received Firsts in Chemistry, English, Mathematics B and Physics, equal first in Japanese and Mathematics C, an Academic Excellence Award

and the Reverend Father Bernard O'Shea Memorial Prize. The Proxime Accessit was awarded to Callum Waite.

Overall it was an outstanding night of recognition of Academic, Cultural and Sporting success, a significant achievement and testament to the College. At the end of his speech Dr Carroll affirmed the College Mission.

I believe that in 2017 we have been true to our Mission and I look forward to the journey that 2018 and beyond holds for each of us. I believe that Terrace is well-placed as we prepare for the future journey together. This journey will present us with opportunities and challenges. However, I am equally confident that the Terrace Family will continue to work in partnership and so ensure that we promote excellence and provide a quality Catholic Education the Edmund Rice tradition.

Congratulations to all the students on their hard work and achievements in 2017.





From Accountant to Papal *Knight*



In 1975, Year 12 student Paul Gallagher (GT, 1969 – 1975) pondered on the centenary year of the College and the 100 years of history that came before him. Now, as an Old Boy of the College, 42 years later, he wonders where that time went?

Paul did not waste that time. After leaving school he became a chartered accountant and later partner at BDO Brisbane. Last year, husband and father of four, Paul received a Papal

Knighthood in the Order of Saint Gregory the Great for his work on Boards and Committees in the Brisbane Archdiocese. Paul said, *"It was indeed a great but surprising honour."*

Paul has served on many Committees and Boards throughout his professional career. This includes charities, Church and School Boards. Paul was a member of the Gregory Terrace Board including two years as chair.

"During my time at Terrace, through my professional career and with my family I have always been inspired by those who give their time and resources freely to others. My wife Barbara and I have been blessed with a great life, wonderful family and many opportunities. It is therefore encumbered upon us to give something back."

Having left Terrace with a sense of social justice and the opportunities allowed by a great education, Paul has been able to maintain a consistent involvement in the community, including Terrace. He has given his skills in finance, accounting, governance and risk assessment to the Archdiocesan Finance Council, the Archdiocesan Ministries and Services Council, Brisbane Catholic Education and Catholic Church Insurance.

"I have received more than I have given and there are many who do much more but I thoroughly enjoyed my community involvement particularly my post school involvement with Terrace."

Paul is pleased to see that the next generation of Old Boys are already taking up the challenge and he applauds their community engagement.



► Paul in his Year 12 class photo, fourth from the left in the back row



► Paul in the 1975 Open Swimming team

Professor Peter Donnelly, Terrace Rhodes Scholar



Professor Donnelly is proudly one of Terrace's 18 Rhodes Scholars and has made his mark in the world of genetics. Peter was a student at Terrace from 1968 to 1975, graduating as Dux of the College. He also took part in Debating, winning the Magee Oratory Prize, was a member of the Chess Club and played in the 2nd XI. After leaving school, Peter was awarded the University Medal from the University of Queensland and was awarded the Rhodes Scholarship, the ninth Terracian to have done so at the time. Peter was presented with the Prince Alfred Trophy at Terrace on 13 March 1980.

Peter studied for a doctorate in Mathematics at Oxford University. His work has focused on genetics and genomics for the last 15 years. In 2006, he was elected as a Fellow of the Royal Society and of the Academy of Medical Sciences and an Honorary Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries. He did not think that maths would lead him into the genetics or see him elected as a Fellow.

He has played a leading role in some of the major national and international genomics projects, including the HapMap Project, and the Wellcome Trust Case Control Consortium. The main

paper from the Consortium, which he chaired, won several awards, including Scientific American's Research Leader of the Year, The Lancet's Paper of the Year and the Amadeo Prize. Peter has also conducted a TED talk which has been viewed over a million times.

Peter is currently the Director of the Wellcome Trust Centre for Human Genetics and Professor of Statistical Science, at the University of Oxford. His research involves the analysis of genomic data to understand human disease, human biology, and human history.

Peter's current work involves genome-wide association studies, leading the Wellcome Trust Case Control Consortium (WTCCC) and a subsequent consortium, WTCCC2. These involve collaborations of several hundred scientists studying a range of common diseases. WTCCC was the largest study of its kind and was responsible for the discovery of many novel genetic associations, and won several major awards and prizes.

Peter has been working in collaboration with large Biotech companies to help them refine their selection of drug targets. This can be done because the database that Peter's company has developed can be searched

to identify changes and genetic variations and learn about the possible safety concerns and effects of a drug before a trial



process begins. This is making a significant difference to drug development, which will continue to grow. Peter has said: *"Already there is evidence that this kind of genetic analysis can double the success rate of a drug going through the development process"*.

If you would like to read more about Peter and what he is achieving please go to:

<http://www.afr.com/business/health/maths-professor-peter-donnelly-is-set-to-save-big-pharma-billions-of-dollars-20170807-gxqxc6#ixzz4wwylqwWj>

<http://www.well.ox.ac.uk/home>

Terracians making Theatresports *history*

► *Written by:* Mrs Nicole Kirsch



This year Youth Theatresports began a new era in impromptu theatre by initiating the first Junior Grand Finals. There were 140 teams and over 35 schools involved.

We are proud to say that our Junior Team B won. The team, The Red Cravats, was comprised of a mix of Years 8 and 9 students, Harry Jones, Jack Rigley, Hayden Greer, Noah Fenech and Will Pickering. They demonstrated ongoing

determination and commitment across an extended season from Term 1 to Term 4 to bring home the trophy as the Junior Champions.

The Junior history making event was followed by the grand final victory of the Senior A team, the Bretzfast Club. The team drew the Senior Grand Final, finishing their season by bringing much laughter to those who had the opportunity to watch them.

The Theatresports season has been a welcome addition to our cultural calendar and all of our participating teams, both Senior and Junior, have demonstrated a high level of game play and commitment. All students are commended for their efforts and thanked for the enjoyable acts they have presented.



Athletics in 3D



► L-R: Mr Simon Cook CEO Little Athletics Queensland, Mrs Leanne Enoch Minister for Science and the Digital Economy, Mr Leon McBride, and Mr Noel McBride

Technology is rapidly developing across the globe and the need to stay current and updated is essential. Terrace's own Track and Field coach, Mr Noel McBride has, with the help of the Teaching Athletics team, found a way to stay current and help others with the development of the coaching app, Athletics3D.

Noel joined the Terrace Track and Field coaching team this year, coaching high jump, shot put and discus. He comes to Terrace with extensive coaching experience both in the school curriculum and as a private coach. More importantly, Noel brings with him a passion and drive to help those around him succeed, and not necessarily with a podium placement, but

with their own personal best. Through his vast experience, Noel has realised that success isn't measured in medals, but the sense of achievement and the confidence that doing well brings.

The team at Teaching Athletics realised that for coaching to be successful in the long term, they needed a way to help athletes retain the knowledge they had received during a coaching session. Thanks to an Advance Queensland Sports Science grant, the team have developed an app that aims to stop the loss of knowledge

by communicating proper technique clearly and intuitively using interactive 3D imagery.

Collaborating with Little Athletics Queensland and Olympian Cedric Dubler, it will feature technically accurate 3D animations of track and field events that can be viewed from any angle, in slow motion and freeze frame. The app will include supporting drills and progression videos relating to all events and a unique augmented reality technical analysis tool. Athletics3D will be a valuable resource for coaches and athletes and will be released prior to the 2018 Commonwealth Games.

Noel has also written a book titled *Be Your Own Hero* where he discusses invaluable lessons that can be learnt through participation in sport which enhance the development of many life skills such as; commitment, discipline, passion, persistence, self-belief and motivation. The book encourages individuals to unleash the best in themselves by applying the principles of sports to all areas of their life.



New coaches for *Terrace*



► *Mr Tom Barker, 1st XV Coach*

Terrace Rugby is pleased to announce that Mr Tom Barker has been appointed as our 1st XV Head Coach for season 2018. He will work closely with the Terrace Director of Rugby, Mr Tyron Mandrusiak and will continue to ensure the consistency of skill execution, terminology and performance leading to a whole school approach and an exciting new era for Terrace Rugby. Tom said:

I look forward to the opportunity to play a significant role in developing the obvious talent and enthusiasm of the young rugby playing men of Terrace.

Tom is an experienced career rugby coach with coaching roles and success in Australian Rugby at National, Super Rugby, Queensland Representative, Club and Schoolboy levels. Highlights in Tom's career include the following.

- Rugby Coordinator / Assistant Coach - ACT Brumbies, 2001 Super 12 Champions
- Assistant Coach Australian = Under 21
- Selector/Manager Australian 7s
- Technical Director / Coach - NEC Rugby, 2002 All Japan Champions
- USA Club (Bats) and Stanford University Rugby Coach
- Six GPS Premierships (Nudgee College and ACGS).

- Two Premier Grade Premierships
- Gregory Terrace A/B Head Coach Performance teams.

Tom's playing career included representing the Wallabies on tour in New Zealand, the Queensland Reds, Australian 7s, and as well as playing for Queensland Under 19, Under 21 and Schoolboy teams.

Terrace Football is also pleased to announce their new coach Mr John Kosmina. John comes to Terrace with an extensive background in playing and coaching Football. His career spans 40 plus years, playing for clubs like West Adelaide, Sydney City, Arsenal, Adelaide City, Sydney Olympic and APIA Leichardt Tigers. He is currently Senior Coach at Brisbane City Club which is in the National Premier League and will be coaching the Football Senior teams at Terrace, working closely with the club to create a Football philosophy that will be unique to Terrace.

John has also been inducted into the Football Hall of Fame and has a medal named after him which is given out in the National Premier League for player of the match in the NPL Grand Final each year.

Following a review of the 2017 Football season the College has entered into a partnership with Brisbane City Football Club.

Structurally the program will encompass three distinct areas of development. The 1st Development Squad will target those boys from Year 10, 11 and Open who are earmarked for 1st Football representation.

The second grouping of boys is the Performance Program targeting young men in Years 7, 8 and 9 who make up the top 25 of each year level – with the goal of one day progressing into the 1st XI.

The third group is targeted at those young men who are happy to simply participate with their mates and enjoy the game. This Participation Program covers the Years 7 to Opens teams in divisions C to F. Alongside the Participation Program is the Years 5 and 6 program specifically aimed at skill development in our younger members of the school.

John will be joined by Mr Mitchell Edwards from Brisbane City who will work closely with the Performance Program and develop a common coaching course, football language and style of play throughout the entire program.

Mr Brian Hastings will guide the Years 5 and 6 program and the Participation program.

Both the Football and Rugby programs are looking forward to exciting seasons in 2018.



► *Mr John Kosmina and Mr Mitch Edwards*

Frank Cullen

Architect & *Old Boy*



► *Frank in his 1925 Senior photo*

Frank Leo Cullen was born in 1909, at a time when Brisbane was growing and changing as a city. The nephew of Archbishop James Duhig, Frank attended Terrace in 1920, finishing Senior in 1927. After school Frank went to the architecture firm of Henessy and Co. and articulated as a pupil. In 1936, he opened his own architectural firm which later became Cullen, Fagg, Hargraves and Mooney.

Frank is responsible for the design of over 200 churches, school, monasteries, convents and other church related buildings in Queensland (and parts of Northern New South Wales). He designed churches and schools across Brisbane and Terrace is home to several of these designs.

Frank's first design for the school was in 1936 when he designed a new floor for the Junior building. He had to place an extra story on the building to fit three classrooms. To do this the roof had to be lifted and the new classrooms built underneath. Frank or his firm were then responsible for the Rowing shed at New Farm in 1958, The Senior school in 1964 (opened by his uncle Archbishop Duhig), the middle school in

1971, Centenary building in 1975 and the Manual Arts building in 1982. He also designed the Grandstand at Tennyson in 1965.

The work done by Frank Cullen is an important link to the growth of Brisbane and the work done for the Catholic Church in Brisbane. University of Queensland PhD candidate, Mr Paul Dielemans is researching Frank Cullen and his place in Brisbane architectural history. His research aims to document the school and church-school buildings designed by Frank Cullen in a functionalist style for the Catholic Church in Interwar to post-war Queensland, tracing the evolution in their design and style and examine correlations with educational policy. The project will be significant, as it will document the role of the Catholic Church in the dissemination of modernism in Australia and parts of regional Queensland. The role of the local Catholic parish community in the funding and development of these schools is also important in promoting the social importance of parish schools that also acted as multifunctional community hubs.

Paul received his BSc(Hons.) and has had a 30 year career in the gold mining industry as a geologist and environmental scientist that led to work throughout Indonesia, PNG and Australia. He has also obtained a MSc and a Postgrad. Dip. in Mineral Resources (Environment) furthering his unique understanding of the "architecture and materiality" of the Earth. A Diploma in Digital Imaging has enabled him to reincarnate himself as an architectural photographer (accredited with the AIPP) and a sessional lecturer at CATC Design School. His project is called, *Catholic Schools in Queensland: The modernist designs of Frank Cullen* and can be found at www.atc.architecture.up.edu.au/catholic-schools-queensland-modernist-designs-frank-cullen.

Paul requires assistance with his project, if anyone in the Terrace Community can give Paul further information on Frank Cullen and his drawings, photographs or personal connections through work, he would be most grateful for the assistance. Email: p.dielemans@uq.edu.au



Jailhouse Rock

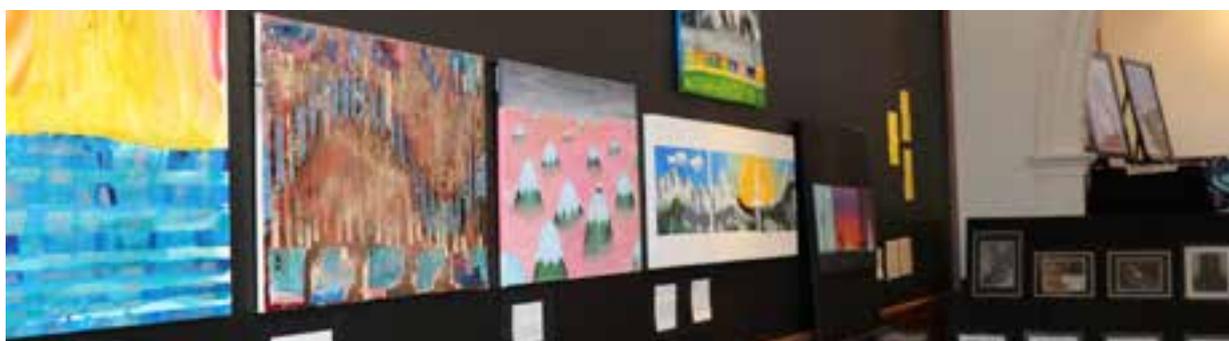
Over 300 members of the Terrace community spent the night in jail on 20 October. Luckily it was just to enjoy one night of excellent music in the confines of Boggo Road Gaol. Jazz Night is the showcase event for Terrace Music and a chance for all the Jazz ensembles to play for an audience. The ensembles were joined by Brisbane's number one Elvis impersonator Dean Vegas and his Tribute to Elvis. At the end of a very wet week, the fine weather prevailed for a night enjoyed by all.





Terrace Visual Art student and staff exhibition

Congratulations to the talented artists of Terrace, who displayed their artwork to the College community over three days in the newly refurbished College Hall. There was an incredible pool of talent with artwork available to buy by silent auction.



Terrace Ladies Group Spring *luncheon*

On 1 September, Hillstone at St Lucia was alive with the sound of laughter, the clinking of champagne glasses and the air fresh with the many bouquets of spring flowers beautifully arranged by the TLG. Over 500 ladies attended the event and raised almost \$25 000 to contribute to the new building fund. It was a wonderful day enjoyed by all involved.



Terrace *Flashback*

The Terrace Family has always found joy in getting together and sharing experiences. Gathering outside of the usual school hours whether it be for sport, mass or a social activity, has been the driving force of what makes Terrace a strong and inclusive community.



1982 – Terrace Family Fun Day, parents and students gather at Tennyson for a day full of activities for the whole family, including this very hard fought game of tug-of-war.



1938 – Golf Day used to be for more than just the Old Boys. Here the students gather for a day of healthy competition on the golf course.



1966 – Supper in College Hall. A traditional gathering of parents and Christian Brothers over tea and cake.



1978 – 25-year Reunion for the Old Boys of 1953. Reunions are an important part of the Old Boys' Association and are always well attended. See page 28 for photos of this year's reunions.

Donations from our Vintage *Terracians*



Not only is the Vintage Terracians Morning Tea and excellent day for our Old Boys to catch up, but an opportunity for them to donate their Terrace memorabilia to the Museum and Archives. The Terrace Archives have purpose built storerooms to keep items in the best condition possible for preservation. Items may also be taken out of storage and used from time to time for display in the Museum.

Thank you to Mr Leo Carroll (GT, 1950 – 1956) for donating several yearbooks, a school badge and his brother Mervyn Carroll's (GT, 1939 – 1945) 1945 Senior Public Certificate. Thank you also to

Mr Ken Buckley (GT, 1952 – 1953) who donated his 1953 blazer. The blazer is in wonderful condition and will make a welcome addition to the collection.

Throughout the year the Archives and Museum have received some wonderful donations from Old Boys and their families. These donations are a gift to future generations of Terracians and help to preserve the history and tell the story of Terrace.

If you have anything you would like to donate, please contact:

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Past yearbooks now available *online*

The College Archives has recently made digital copies of the College Yearbooks from 1901 through to 1989. You can view the yearbooks and search through the PDFs using Adobe Reader.

The books are available on the Terrace Image Library and available soon on the Old Boys' Website.

If you haven't already signed up for the Terrace Image Library, now is the perfect time to do so. There are over 116 855 images and 690 videos for the Terrace community to access and download. If



you would like access to the Terrace Image Library you can find details on Parent Lounge or please contact the System Administrator, Ms Bianca Anderson for details. Due to privacy, the log in details cannot be published.

Do you have old yearbooks



at home? The College is looking for yearbooks from 1932 through to 1935.

Please contact College Archivist, Ms Bianca Anderson.
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Dr Ron Hambleton

OAM



St Vincent de Paul Society and internationally through the provision of voluntary dental services.

Ron has been a member of the St Vincent de Paul Society since 1955, when he joined not long after he left school. He is a member of the Queensland Overseas Development Committee, representative of the Diocesan Council Overseas Development, Regional President, Rosalie Branch (two terms), President St John's Wood and Gap Branch (six years) and Member since 1953.

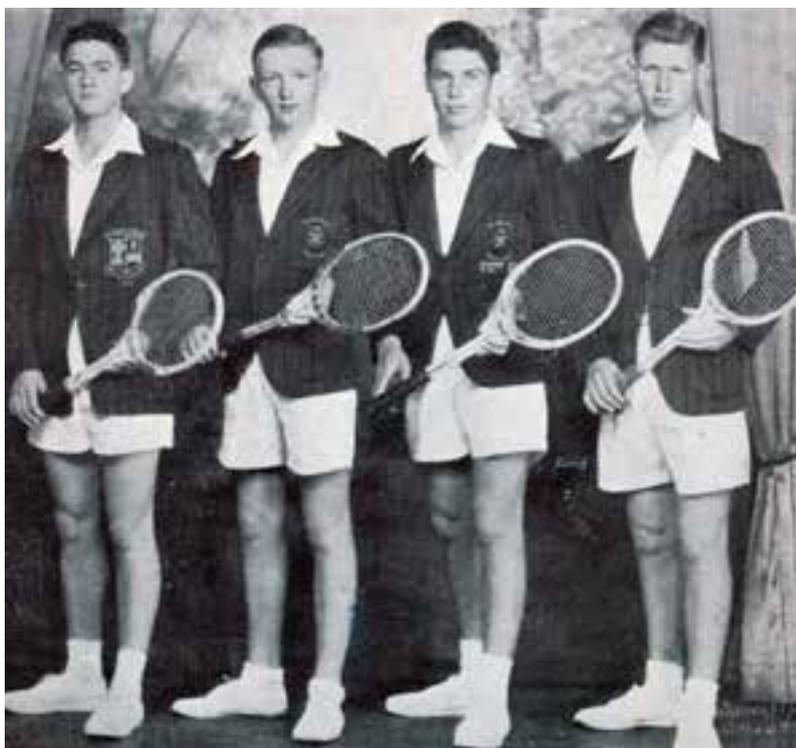
He conducted a dental clinic at the Raihu Health Centre, Aitape,

PNG, August-September 2001; set up dental surgery, July-August 2000; assisted the Sisters of the Good Samaritan Foundation/St Vincent de Paul Society, sourcing and staffing a dental van for East Timor, February-April 2001. Ron also arranged the donation of a dental van by Queensland Health and then raised funds to equip the van. He served as a dentist for four weeks, 1993 at the Madras Institute to Rehabilitate Retarded Affliction, Madras, India.

Ron is a true Terrace Gentleman in every sense of the word, a good sport and a generous spirit.

Dr Ron Hambleton joined fellow members of the class of 1955 in College Hall on 10 November for the annual Vintage Terracians Morning Tea. In the pocket of his jacket Ron was carrying the medal he won for placing as runner up in the 2017 Gardnar Mulloy Cup, played in Florida this year. The Gardnar Mulloy Cup is for the men's 80 category and part of the official internationals seniors competition. Ron has been a champion tennis player his whole life, starting at Terrace as a member of the 1st IV in his Senior year taking the team to the premiership win.

Ron has also achieved great things for his community, both in Australia and internationally. He was awarded the Order of Australia Medal for his service to the community through the



► *The 1st IV 1955*
L-R: Ron Hambleton, R Robertson, J Sully, A O'Sullivan

Vale

The Terrace Family mourns the passing of three great Terracians. All great men and great sportsmen who were proud members of the Terrace Family and who will be missed by all who knew them.



Mr Bryan Smith – GT 1981 – 1985

Bryan passed away in September, aged 51 after a sudden battle with cancer. Brian immigrated from Ireland as a child and attended Terrace, graduating in 1985. At school Brian was a member of the 3rd XV and afterwards went on to play club in Townsville.

Bryan later moved to Melbourne where he played for the Melbourne University club in the late 80s and 90s and was an early Victorian Rugby Union Development Officer. Bryan worked for over ten years with the VRU. His ability to manage youth on and off the field was excellent and he was mentor to many up and coming players. He was a generous youth coach, coaching the Victorian Under 21, Under 19 and Women's teams. While coaching Victorian Schools teams, Bryan was head coach in 1997, 1998 and 1999 of the Schoolboys at

the Australian Championships. In 2003 and 2006 Bryan was on the coaching staff of the VSRU UK, Ireland and Sri Lanka tours. He was one of the great touring staff of all time, an asset to the players and a superb companion to all staff.

Bryan was a stalwart of the University club, he was a great team man and club player. His love of rugby and teaching were well combined at club level and in his career and he held a well-earned respect and brotherly love from his many friends in the Victorian rugby community. He met his wife Pauline and moved to the Bairnsdale area to teach at Nagle College. He was a keen fan of the Rebels and travelled up to attend matches every year, while keeping a passionate interest in the growth of rugby in Victoria.



Mr Paul Brannelly – GT 1950 – 1953

Paul passed away on 4 July 2017, aged 81. When Paul started his first year at Terrace in 1950 it was to be the first of a life-long association with the College. When he graduated in 1954 he was College Vice Captain, Captain of the 1st XI and Captain of Athletics in 1953 and 1954. Paul unfortunately broke his ankle just prior to the GPS Athletics championships where he was the favourite for the 800m and one mile race.

Paul stayed with his love of athletics and was selected to represent Queensland in the Melbourne Olympic trials in 1956, he was selected in the Olympic Games training squad the same year. The Cross Country Senior prize is named after Paul and his dedication to sport and to the Terrace Family.

Paul was a pioneer in the world of insurance, amongst his many accolades was the building of the largest independent insurance agency in the Southern Hemisphere and the introduction of Income Protection Insurance to Australia.

He was also a man of deep and enduring faith. When next you visit the site of Pugin's chapel at St Stephen's look at the stained glass windows at the top of the rear wall. In the bottom of the windows is an inscription that reminds the visitor that this was the sight of the original St Joseph's College. Paul was the driving force behind the fundraising for the windows.

Paul will forever be a true Terrace Gentleman and will be missed by all those who knew him.

Vale *(cont)*

► *Written by:* Mr David Toohey GT, 1969 - 1977



Mr John Abbot, GT 1970 - 1978

In August, the Terrace community lost one of its sporting legends. A Rugby great to most, but to those of us who knew him, we lost a great mate.

John William Abbot was born on 28 January 1960 and started at Terrace in 1970 as a Year 5 student. John was immediately recognised for his sporting prowess and played in the Rugby and Cricket A teams for most of his time at Terrace. His intimidating physical size masked his blinding speed and unbelievable agility. Although he was regularly one of the biggest players on the field he could out sprint, out step and out smart any opposition player.

Lunchtime handball often saw John staying on the court the entire break, demolishing all opponents. Those who attended Terrace at the time would remember these games as epic duels between John and rival players, like future AFL first grade player Brett Grimley (GT 1970 - 1977). They would return to class covered in sweat and with red swollen hands.

John was an integral part of the 'Golden Age' of Terrace Rugby. The task ahead of the 1977 team was immense. Terrace had not won the undefeated title for 48 years.

In 1977, the Dream Team was Brisbane State High School. They had a team of stars and were set to win their fourth GPS Premiership. The BSHS captain, Wally Lewis, met John and the team head on in the last game of the season at BSHS, both undefeated till that game. They defeated BSHS 14-7, one of the greatest days in the history of Terrace sport.

John returned for the 1978 season, this time as captain. He provided the leadership and respect expected of him and through a very tough season and again brought home premiership honours. Facing Brisbane Grammar School, Terrace had not won on their home ground for 14 years. John was nursing a back injury but ignored this to lead the team to a 17-16 comeback at the end of the second half. This also became one of the iconic games in Terrace Rugby history. John was made a College prefect in 1978 in recognition of his leadership.

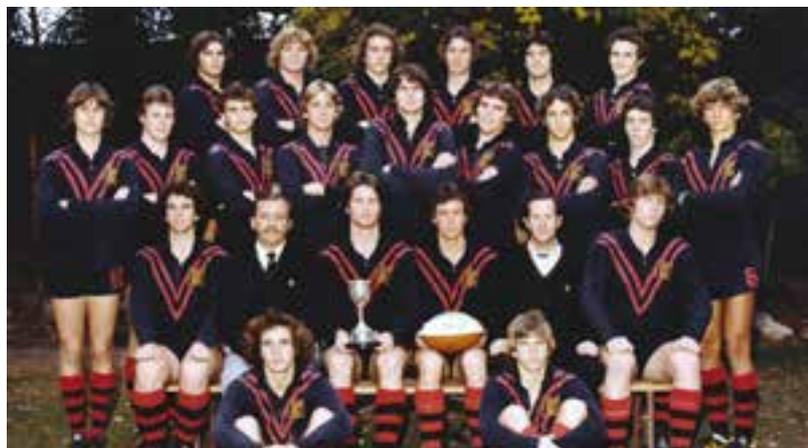
After leaving Terrace, John studied Electrical Engineering and worked for Queensland Rail. Unfortunately, he suffered a fall on a staircase and the



resulting head injury plagued him for many years. He moved to Toowoomba and lived with family till his untimely death on 24 August.

His funeral in Toowoomba was attended by 20 of his classmates and five Terracians as pallbearers. His two 1st XV jerseys and two premiership pennants draped the coffin and the service was conducted by family member Fr Jim Cronin. John is survived by his sisters Mary and Annie and his brother Jim (James).

His family have kindly donated the jerseys and pennants to the Terrace Museum where they will be on display as a reminder of his part in a Terrace Rugby legacy.



► *John holding the premiership cup for the 1978 team.*

From the Foundation

Building on a strong *'foundation'*

The Gregory Terrace Foundation saw fundraising efforts continue to go from strength to strength throughout 2017, all thanks to the generosity of parents, Old Boys and friends of the College. We believe that support for the Foundation is growing in response to our new approach to engaging with our parent body, including the introduction of small group special events, or "Principal's Receptions". These events offer parents and Old Boys the opportunity to hear first-hand about the College's plans from Dr Carroll and consider how they might 'join the journey' through Foundation support.

The Campaign, which provides tax-deductible support for both the Building fund and/or Bursary fund, has been well received, and is clearly having a galvanising effect within our community. As we go to print our Campaign total has reached \$7 922 963 in pledges, with new pledges of just over \$1.6 million made in 2017. Thank you to every family behind the 896 pledges for putting Terrace in

this tremendous position today and for generations to come.

It is a wonderful time to be part of building Terrace's future. Construction of the first stage of the GT2020 Master Plan is about to begin and this year the Foundation granted \$265 000 to the College for the new building and the securing of further pledges towards this important project.

In conjunction with creating a modern and stimulating learning environment for our boys, the Foundation is also dedicated to funding the College Bursary program for boys whose families are not in a financial position to afford a Terrace education (see page 20). The Bursary program is currently providing for 19 young men to attend Terrace thanks to the \$304 000 grant provided in 2017. I would like to acknowledge and thank the GTOBA for its ongoing commitment to providing funding for three of these boys.

The 2017 Annual Giving Appeal has raised \$137 592 in gifts from

131 donors including a \$50 000 gift from the GTOBA towards the College Hall upgrade, and 40 Year 12 families who made a Valedictory gift from their enrolment bond totalling \$35 700 – thank you.

We are fortunate to have a committed Foundation Board and two dedicated Foundation staff members in Mrs Lea Walker-Franks, Director of Development and Mrs Carol Stephens, Administrative Officer who play such an important role in Terrace's development. Finally, after six years on the Foundation Board I have decided to leave early in 2018. It has been a privilege to serve and I would like to thank my fellow Directors, staff and donors for their support and contributions. The complete 2017 List of Donors will be printed in the first Terracian of 2018.

The Foundation... Building Terrace's Future.

Mr Simon Keyser
Chair Gregory Terrace
Foundation



▶ **L-R:** Mrs Lea Walker-Franks, Mr John Clifford, Mr Adam Read, Mr Simon Keyser, Br Ted Walker, Mrs Louise Griffin, Mrs Andrea Splatt, Mr Damian Wright, Mr Justin Byrne, Mrs Mary Macuga, Ms Christine Maher, Mr Chris Ryan.
Absent: Dr Michael Carroll, Mr Brendan Menegazzo, Dr Tony Mills, Mr Anthony Joseph

Campaign update

Old Boys step up to the *fore*



► *Guests gathered to learn about the College Bursary program.*

College Principal Dr Michael Carroll, in conjunction with the Gregory Terrace Foundation, held an historic event on Thursday 28 October. Over 50 Old Boys and guests gathered to learn about the College Bursary program and consider support to secure its sustainability. The 'Bursary Ambassadors' who invited guests to join them at the event were Mr Bernie McKeering (GT, 1984 – 1991), Mr Damian Wright (GT, 1975 – 1983), Mr Andrew Baker (GT, 1987 – 1991), Mr Anthony Joseph (GT, 1986 – 1993), Mr Chris Green (GT, 1981 – 1988), and Mr Michael Pollard (GT, 1977 – 1982). Old Boys ranged from 'the patriarch' Mr Paul Gallagher (GT, 1969 – 1975) to Mr Chris Power (GT, 2011 – 2015).

At the event, Dr Carroll explained how our bursary approach today is the modern version of what many knew as 'Christian Brothers' Support' and shared how this touched his own family with his father, Mr Leo Carroll (GT, 1950 – 1956) receiving support to become a Terracian. Mr Chris Power, a

proud graduate of the program, addressed guests in an interview style led by Mr Chris Ryan, College Dean. Mr Chris Power spoke about his initial struggles with transitioning from a tiny school into the College and how through pastoral care, mateship and time he is glad he came to Terrace.

The event was hosted by Perpetual, thanks to Old Boys Mr Andrew Baker, Mr Chris Green and Mr Michael Pollard. Andrew explained the link between Perpetual and Gregory Terrace, *"As Australia's oldest and largest Trustee Company, Perpetual has been working with community organisations for over 129 years. We manage funds for NFP organisations, Philanthropic Trusts and Aboriginal Communities. It is in this capacity that we are engaged to manage the funds of the Terrace Bursary Endowment - a role that we are very honoured to have in assisting the creation of a lasting legacy. We get to see first-hand the significant social impact that is delivered via providing*

a quality education for those in our community that may not have access to the same resources as others. This is the same goal the school has for the bursary, and again, we are pleased to support in raising funds to allow future gentlemen of terrace to attend such an excellent educational institution that is Gregory Terrace."

Over \$150 000 has been pledged from this event so far, which is added to the \$10m+ Join the Journey campaign total (see page 19). It is fitting that the gift tipping the total over the \$7.8m milestone was from Mr Chris Green who said, *"It was a great night, and it's nice to know my gift tipped Terrace over the next milestone - I'm a proud 'Old Boy' who's happy to be giving back"*. Chris hopes that his gift is the beginning of a '1988 Class Bursary' with their 30-year reunion in 2018.

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Terrace ambassadors in the USA

► *Written by:* Mrs Lea Walker-Franks | Director of Development



► *Included in the family picture above is the youngest brother, David Breene (GT, 1980 - 1987) who resides in Melbourne and their sister Nicola Mullins (nee Breene). It is wonderful that the Breene family tree carries on at Terrace with Nicola's son Patrick Mullins currently in Year 9.*

A growing branch of the Terrace Family are those residing and/or conducting business in the United States as people travel for sporting, study and work opportunities. All stay for varying amounts of time, including settling indefinitely. Mr Jonathan Breene (GT, 1977 - 1984) and Mr Michael Breene (GT, 1978 - 1985) are brothers who are both living in Miami, Florida and are Old Boys who wish to maintain their connection to Terrace, even from a distance.

In 1994, Jonathan moved to the United States and in 2006 became the Founding Partner and CEO of The Setai Hotels and Resorts, which has grown to become a worldwide company. Michael relocated to the US in 2000 and joined his brother as a partner at The Setai Group. Both Jonathan and Michael earned a Masters in Real Estate Development from Columbia University. The brothers have also partnered with Adrian Zecha founder of iconic hotel companies such as Regent International and Beaufort Hotels,

to build hotel projects in various locations around the world.

Jonathan said, *"I found my years at Terrace were filled with wonderful role models such as Br Buckley and Br White as Headmasters and fantastic teachers such as Br Poncini, Br Parry and Br Hanley. They taught us a great balance between religion, education and sports. I look at my years at Terrace with such fond memories and certainly feel it has given me a great grounding for my life after school."*

To develop a Terrace network in the US for young and 'older' Old Boys alike, the College is establishing a 'Terrace US Ambassador' group. Jonathan and Michael have agreed to become founding ambassadors with the aim of developing links between Terracians and with other Australian ex-pats residing in the US, as well as anyone connected to Terrace who regularly travels there for business, such as Mr Gary and Mrs Lorlie Cunningham. The Cunningham's have business

ventures in the US and now that sons Mitchell (GT, 2000 - 2004), Peter (GT, 2001 - 2005) and Xavier (GT, 2010 - 2017) have graduated they plan to visit more regularly. Lorlie and Gary have also agreed to become founding 'Terrace US Ambassadors' to help set up the network.

Plans are in place for an event on the west and east coasts every two years in association with the Australian Independent Schools USA Foundation, enabling each Terracian network to be broadened. Initial events are in **San Francisco on Saturday 29 September** and **New York on Saturday 6 October in 2018.**



► *Mr John Breene (GT, 1949 - 1952) proudly stands with son Michael at his graduation.*

Jonathan explained, *"I recently went back to Tennyson with my family and it was great for my three boys to see the remarkable grounds, the great Rugby played by all the teams and how the Terrace school spirit is as strong as ever."* Michael added, *"Living now in the US, I realise how special and unique our schooling at Terrace was."*

If you would like to receive an invitation to these US events please email Mrs Lea Walker-Franks, Director of Development at LeaWalker-Franks@Terrace.qld.edu.au to update your contacts.

GTOBA *President*



► *Sitting: Mr Oliver Macklin, Mr Joe Tooma, Mr David Toohey, Mr Anthony Karam
Standing: Mr Aaron Previte, Mr Anthony Crombie, Mr Harry Tynan, Mr Nick Cornish*

The GTOBA Annual Dinner at the end of September this year returned to the traditional format of a sit down three course meal preceded by drinks and finger food. It was an extremely enjoyable night at the spectacular Blackbird venue in Eagle Street, with over 100 Old Boys from the 1950s through to 2016, including three past Headmasters, Br Buckley, Br White and Dr McManus in attendance. As well as the exceptional food and drinks, Blackbird offered a sensational view from the Story Bridge along the river to the Kangaroo Point cliffs. The Old Boys were entertained by Mr David Toohey's insightful, funny and poignant recollections of how life at Terrace has changed over the past 50 years. As David pointed out, imagine what the reaction today would be if we saw Gregory Terrace cadets on public transport taking home with them their vintage .303 Lee Enfield drill rifles! The evening was also an opportunity to celebrate 40 years since the GT 1st XV's Rugby Premiership of 1977, which was the beginning of a golden era in Terrace Rugby, winning five consecutive

premierships through until 1981.

Again, this year in October, we acknowledged the outstanding contribution to Gregory Terrace of proud Old Boy and past Principal, Br Barry Buckley through his legacy of diligence, ethical behaviour and innovation. The Br Buckley Breakfast at the Brisbane City Hall was sold out again this year with our guest speaker Mr Cameron Clyne, whose career through NAB and now as head of the Australian Rugby Union, exemplifies success in community and business life, made possible by a strong commitment to diligence and ethics. The "fireside chat" style discussion between our Master of Ceremonies, Mr Ian Eckersley and Cameron was enlightening, engaging and extremely informative. One of the poignant messages was from an answer to a question asked by a mother of four Terrace boys: *"Don't be afraid to let our boys make mistakes, it's an important part of learning"*.

Another question to Cameron was whether the Wallabies might have a chance of beating the All Blacks in the upcoming Brisbane Bledisloe Cup match. His answer

gave us some confidence, noting that Terrace has provided more Wallabies than any other Queensland GPS school, he assured us that the Wallabies are also still on a learning curve and that anything is possible. As history now records, the Wallabies did beat the All Blacks in Brisbane in October 2017!

Many thanks to all Old Boys and other Terrace community members who supported the Dinner and Br Buckley Breakfast this year. We look forward to seeing even more people at these classic signature events in 2018.

Mr Joe Tooma
President Gregory Terrace
Old Boys' Association



Br Barry Buckley *breakfast*

The morning of 12 October saw members of the Old Boys' Association and the Terrace Family gather at Brisbane City Hall for the Br Barry Buckley breakfast, with special guest speaker, Chairman of the Australian Rugby Union, Mr Cameron Clyne.



Vintage Terracians

On 10 November College Hall was open to welcome and celebrate our Vintage Terracians, those who attended Terrace 50 plus years ago. This is a popular event on the Old Boy calendar and an opportunity for Terracians to catch up with old friends outside of their school reunions.

This year there were over 120 Vintage Terracians in attendance, including three past principals, Br Barry Buckley, Br Tony White and Dr Brendan McManus.



▶ Mr Brian Cox and grandson Jack Curtain (Year 5)



▶ Br Tony White, Dr Brendan McManus, Dr Michael Carroll and Br Barry Buckley



▶ The College blazer still looks good after all these years.

Vintage Terracians (cont)



▶ *Mr Michael Thomsen, Br Brian Grenier, Mr Brian Levitt*



▶ *Mr Kevin Carmody and Daniel Dodds (Year 8)*



▶ *Mr Kevin Carmody and Daniel Dodds (Year 8)*



▶ *Mr Dennis Sheehan*



▶ *Mr John Hogg, Mr Peter Carroll, Mr David Stirling*



▶ *Mr Geoff Stenson, Mr Ross Stenson, Mr Wally Tutt*

GTOBA Annual Dinner

On 29 September, the Old Boys held their Annual Dinner at Blackbird Bar and Grill in Brisbane. It was an opportunity for Old Boys from across generations to get together. It was a night enjoyed by all.



GTOBA Golf *Day*

On 25 August 102 Old Boys and ladies from the Terrace Family, gathered at the Brisbane Golf Club for a fun day of golf. The \$20 200 raised by the day goes towards the College Bursary and to small building projects such as College Hall and Tennyson.



GTOBA Reunions

This year Terrace has opened its doors and welcomed back Old Boys for their 50, 30, 25 and 20 year reunions. These events are always well attended and enjoyed by all. If you would like to organise a reunion in 2018 please contact gtoa@terrace.qld.edu.au



▶ 25 year reunion



▶ 30 year reunion



▶ 50 year reunion



▶ 20 year reunion



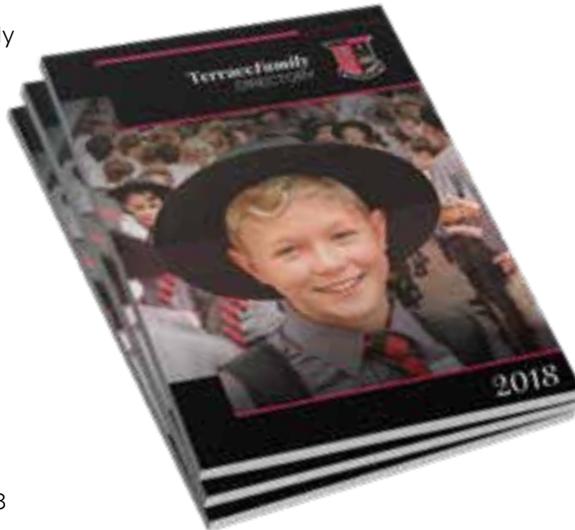
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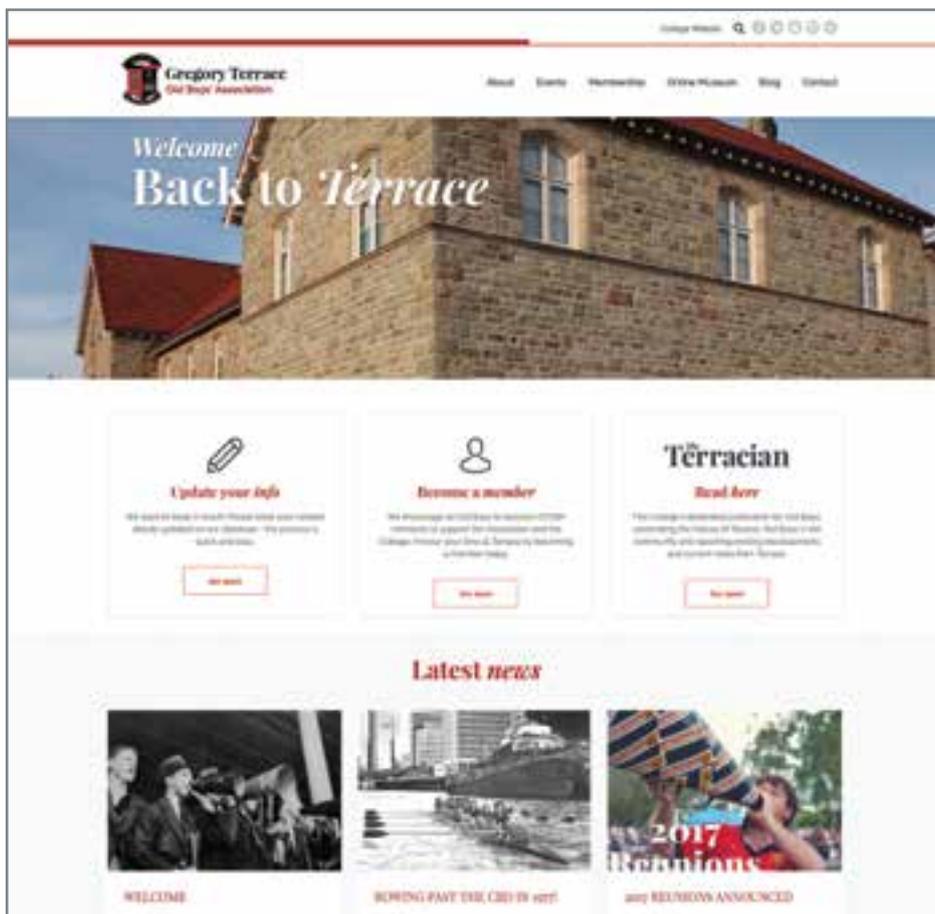


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The GTOBA web site is now live at www.gtoba.com.au

The site provides archival footage, photographs and news about Old Boys.

There is a dedicated section with details of all GTOBA events and an online form to update contact details.

Be sure to bookmark the page now and visit regularly to keep in touch with the GTOBA.

For information or content submissions please contact GTOBA@terrace.qld.edu.au

Rest in *Peace*

The Terrace Family is asked to pray for the repose of the souls of:

Mr John Leonard ALBIEZ,
GT, 1948-1952.

Mr Basil William Edward (John) BIRGAN, GT, 1954-1955

Mr Paul Anthony BRANNELLY,
GT, 1950-1953

Mr Bertram Thomas Young CURRAN, GT, 1955-1963

Mr Brian FITZSIMON
GT, 1939-1945

Mr Alan Keith HOARE,
GT, 1942-1946

Mr Benjamin Robert MARTIN,
GT, 1993-1997

Mr Royce MILLER QC,
GT, 1945-1949

Mr Christopher PETRIE,
GT, 1958-1966

Mr Francis Michael RYNNE,
GT, 1945-1946

Mr Bryan SMITH – GT, 1981-1985

Mr Gerald Patrick TAYLOR,
GT, 1952-1953

Mr Peter Frank WADLEY
GT, 1942-1949

Mr John Bernard WEBB,
GT, 1969-1974

Mr Michael James WYVILL,
GT, 1958-1961

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Mr Ed Williams, GT, 1959-1967,
Mr Syd Williams, GT, 1960-1969,
Mr Tony Williams GT, 1966-1974.
Grandmother of, Mr Robbie
Mason GT, 1993-2000, Mr Peter
Mason GT, 1994-2001,
Mr Tom Howard, GT, 2004-2011,
Mr Joe Howard, GT 2006-2013.

Save the *date*

TLG Welcome Mass and Morning Tea
Friday 2 March

College Open Day
Wednesday 7 March, 4-7pm

Careers Expo
Tuesday 22 May

St Joseph's Rugby Lunch
Friday 27 July

TLG Fashion Parade
Friday 7 September

GTOBA events

GTOBA Mass and AGM
Sunday 11 February

GTOBA Class of 1956 (plus those in that class
from 1947-1955)
Thursday 15 March
Norman Hotel, Woollongabba
Informal lunch
Contact: Mr Jim Russell | jimruss31@gmail.com
07 5575 6045

GTOBA President's Drinks – Wests Rugby Union Club
Friday 23 March, 6.30-8.30pm

GTOBA Annual Dinner and Back to Tennyson Day v ACGS
Saturday 11 August

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