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President’s Report
During 1995 the Collegians’ Committee turned its attention to preparations for the jubilee year of the College in 1997. It is anticipated that this project will consume much of the Committee’s time during 1996.

The first event for 1995 was a Barbeque for the students playing and spectating as part of the InterCollege Cricket Competition.

Although numbers of participants were down at the Quiz Night the number of prizes on offer and items to be auctioned was most decidedly on the increase with many bargains to be had.

“The Net” was shown as the film at the Film Night and proved quite popular particularly as ticket prices were below the price offered ordinarily at the Box Office with the added incentive of more chicken sandwiches than you could possibly eat washed down with champagne.

An extremely well received function proved to be the Port and Choc Evening at which Paul and Rebecca Crawford were the Guest Speakers. The Common Room was standing room only as Paul and Rebecca regaled their audience with tales of their time spent at College.

Having served for two years as the President of the Collegians I have indicated my intention not to stand again in that position. I am pleased to report that the Collegians is currently well served by a young and enthusiastic committee which is determined to forge strong links between Collegians and the College.

The ultimate reward for the commitment shown by them would be for all Collegians to endeavour to attend the Jubilee Ball in 1997 and help make it the social event of the century.

Carolyn Anderson
1995 President

Stop Press

The Collegians, Council and Foundation are busy planning celebrations for the College’s Golden Jubilee.

The focus will be the Anzac Day weekend, April 25-7, 1997. Start preparing now so that you can be here and celebrate with friends from your happy student days.

Pick Up!
The 1993 Vesta will be ready for you to pick up after 1 March. The 1995 College photo is ready to be collected now. The 1994 and 1995 Vestas are in preparation.

Community News
Amy McLean (90-92) and her husband Dr Steven Zadow were married in October 1995. They met at the 1991 St Ann’s Beach Party! If you met your life partner at St Ann’s, please let us know as we are compiling a register as part of the Jubilee celebrations.

Lisa Koenders (93-5) will begin her career with Price Waterhouse.

Dallas Ransom (90-4)'s baby is due any day now. You could congratulate Dallas when you see him, driving his car with the numberplate "Jazzie".

Nicole Koenders and Ashley Hams (both 91-4) became engaged on 17 November.

Elise Wilson (89-91) is working as a psychiologist with Alfreda Rehabilitation and will be married in March 1996.

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Obituary

Jason was born in Whyalla in 1972, but by the time he finished Year 12 in 1989 at Immanuel College he had attended schools in Whyalla, Port Augusta, Port Pirie and Adelaide. This really epitomises Jason’s interesting and varied life which included a three-year residence at St Ann’s between 1990 and 1992.

Jason was an idealist, but he was also a person who acted on his beliefs and attempted to change the world for the better. He was very active in the campaign for independence for East Timor and was a dedicated volunteer for Community Aid Abroad.

It was announced at Jason’s funeral that CAA would be instigating an annual Jason Porter Oration, at which a prominent speaker would address an issue of global concern, in recognition of Jason’s tireless work and dedication. Jason would have been very proud, as are all his family and friends, that he has received this wonderful recognition.

Jason (a.k.a. Widjimar, Two Shots) left an impression on many of the people he met at St Ann’s while studying for his Economics degree, not least the love of his life, Beka Heddy (92). He was part of the 1991 Herbert editorial team which did such fine and controversial work. Jason also represented St Ann’s at cricket and debating, which he undertook with unbridled enthusiasm.

Jason’s greatest strength was his individualism and the manner in which he lived his life the way he thought was right, without any regard for appearances. A humorous example of this is when he unashamedly wore his girlfriend’s tights around College!

Liberty and humanity for all people were the goals that Jason held close to his heart, creating his great interest in the welfare of the oppressed peoples of the third world. In pursuit of this interest Jason travelled to India, to research his thesis for his Honours Politics degree on the unique subject of the comparison between the teachings of Ghandi and developmental economic thought in the third world. This he did successfully, and he came home with a greater understanding of the way the poor had to live in the third world.

He also starred as an extra in a Cowboys and Indians movie, where the whites were the bad guys!

His beliefs in the goals of liberty and humanity took him to Indonesia in December with the intention of travelling on to East Timor to see the appalling situation there first hand. Once again Jason was being a doer and not just a talker.

Jason passed away on 31 December 1995, after being involved in a motor vehicle accident in Indonesia. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Jason’s loving family and friends.

For me now, there is a hole in my life which will never be filled. Jason was a fantastic friend who taught me that the individual can and must make a difference, if we are to have any chance of making this world a better place in which to live.

Rest in peace my friend, knowing that you have touched and inspired many people. We will never forget you.

Graeme Jackson

Jason’s family would appreciate that, in his memory and to support his vision for a fairer world, donations be made to Community Aid Abroad, 5 Kuit Street, Adelaide
Community News cont.

Teresa Crowe (89-92) has landed herself a permanent teaching job at Karralathan Area School on the West Coast. Congratulations Teresa! Your students are very lucky.

So are those of Linette Spencer (88-91), now teaching in Queensland and studying part-time as well.

Klee Benveniste (nee Badcock) (71-2) and husband Garry had a son David in 1994 when Klee was 41. She hopes to graduate again in 1996 with a PhD from Flinders University School of Medicine, 20 years after graduating with a BA from the University of Adelaide.

Jerome Ho (87, 90) is studying for his PhD in cellular microbiology at ANU.

Dr Bill Ellis (81-4) has taken up a teaching position in Applied Mathematics at Cornell University in the USA.

Alex Brooks (94-5) has taken up a University of Adelaide Exchange Scholarship at the College of William & Mary in Virginia, USA.

Nicole Lucas (nee Couch) (88-90) and her husband are living in Victoria.

Dr Fung Cheung (84-7) was married in 1996, and so was Meera Parameswaran (84-7).

Dorothy Harris (47-8) and Ken Fowler, who visited the College recently, were the first St Ann’s-St Mark’s marriage. Ken proposed beside the oleander hedge near the Rose Garden, and the engagement party was held in 1947 in the Gilmore Sitting Room. They met in Dr (later Sir Archibald Grenfell) Price’s history tutorial, and now live on their rural property in the ACT. They are looking forward to the Jubilee celebrations.

Philip Martin (87) is now working at Purves Clarke Richards in Melbourne.

Travellers:

Guido Mihatsch (89-90) is living in Spain, Kristine Clarke (90) visited Europe, Catherine Ordway (89-90) will be attending a conference in Vancouver, Russell Lee (86-7, 89-90) is in Germany, Liz Harnett (90) has visited Myanmar (Burma), Nick Hately (87-90) (now Head of the PE Department at Canberra Grammar School), Matty Batty (90-2) and Andrew Mills (92-3) have all visited Indonesia, and Graeme Brasher (87-8), Carolyn Hodder (85-9) and their children Dan and Rebecca have returned from Canberra to Adelaide where Graeme will be teaching Chinese at Pembroke School and Carolyn will be completing her degree at Flinders University.

Foundation News

The family of Junichi Tamakoshi (93-6) has given a magnificent start to 1996 for the Foundation by becoming members at the Benefactor level. The College thanks them very sincerely for their generosity.

During the latter part of 1996 a series of Decade Dinners will be held at the College in anticipation of the Jubilee Year Celebrations in 1997. A dinner for students who were at the College in 1947-56 will be held in June, 1957-66 in July, 1967-76 in August, 1977-86 in September, and 1987-96 in October.

Convenors for the dinners are needed. If you are interested in helping or attending, please contact the College on (08) 267 1478.

Thank you so much to everyone who contributed towards the Library in April. Your generous response was very much appreciated.

The Morella Calder Fund has been generously supported. You will be pleased to know that the inaugural Morella Calder Prize for a Student of Law will be offered in 1996. You may still contribute to this Fund if you so wish.

A major Project inaugurated by Council for the Jubilee is the writing of the history of the College. Dr Pauline Payne (nee Schomburgk, 58), commissioned to write the history, has already commenced work by interviewing Mrs Villeneuve-Smith and Mrs Beare, dedicated early supporters who are now both in their nineties. The Foundation wholeheartedly supports this project and welcomes any contribution you would care to offer.
NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
6.30 pm 13 FEBRUARY 1996
St. Ann’s Common room

1. PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST AGM FEBRUARY 1995

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

4. TREASURER’S REPORT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

6. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE AND ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVES
   - Returning Officer
   - President
   - Vice President
   - Treasurer
   - Secretary
   - Members and Association Representatives
   - Public Officer

7. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS FOR 1996

8. PROGRAM FOR 1996

9. PROGRAM FOR 1997

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING/CLOSE OF MEETING

WINE TASTING AND CHEESE

Nomination Form

I Nominate .................................................. of .................................................................(address)
for the position of ..........................................................

I .................................................. agree to this nomination

Signature of Nominee: ..........................................................

Signature of Proposer: ..........................................................

Signature of Seconder: ..........................................................

Date: / /1996

1. I/we .................................................. will be attending the AGM and wine tasting on Tuesday 13 February 1996 at 6.30 pm in the Common Room.

2. My new Address is: ..........................................................

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3. Collegians’ News Item:

4. I wish to purchase:
   ..... Wool Caps @ $25 each + $2.50 Postage
   ..... Cotton Caps @ $15 each $............Total