1997 Jubilee Celebration Dinner 26 April 1997
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From The Advertiser Wednesday 28 November 1947: "Engagement was celebrated at a late afternoon party at St. Ann's College Brougham Place, North Adelaide, on Tuesday of student Dorothy Harris (47), Gawler, and Ken Fowler, St Mark's College."

Yvonne Hutchinson (47-48), Fay Copley (47-48), Ken and Dorothy, John Hopton and Moreen Fowler.
President’s Report

As I write there are only 129 days to go until the biggest event in the history of St Ann’s College, the Jubilee Celebration Dinner. I am sure you are all as excited about the big night and the other events of the weekend as I am.

I encourage everyone to order your tickets for the big event as soon as possible so that you do not miss out, as tickets are going like hot cakes.

The five decade dinners have all been held and were a great success, with the finishing time of each dinner getting later and later as the decades went by. A big thank you to all those people who helped with the organisation of the dinners, as they did a terrific job.

I would like to thank the members of the Collegians Committee, who this year put in lots of hard work to make sure all this year’s events went well and that preparations for next year are well under way. A special thank you to Ashley and Nicole who have contributed a great deal of time and effort over the last two years, and especially this year as President of the Collegians and Convenor of the 1997 Jubilee Celebrations respectively. They shall both be greatly missed.

Next year should be absolutely fantastic and we would love as many people to become involved as possible. The Collegians Committee is always looking for new members and so I hope to see as many people as possible at the Collegians AGM and WINE TASTING at 7pm on 13 February 1997.

Goodbye for now, I am sure I will see you all this year.

Graeme Jackson
Acting President

Jubilee Accom.

There will be some accommodation available at the College for travellers from afar. Ring Chris to book on (08) 8267 1478.

Cover Photo: November 1947

The first engagement party at St Ann’s College - Miss Dorothy Harris (47-48) and Mr Ken Fowler.

"After fifty years the original 16 or 17 who were present when the doors opened on Day 1 are dispersed by time and tide - to England, Europe, America, and Heaven (presumably). Our two daughters both of whom attended St Ann’s for a time [Rosalind Fowler (70), the first second-generation Collegian, and Jane Fowler (72)] are all in favour of our making the trip [to be part of the Jubilee Celebrations]. They themselves are busy with young families, and look to us to represent them.

I am enclosing the photo taken at our engagement party [in what is now the Gilmore Sitting Room]. . . I am intrigued by several things which date the photograph - the RSL badges on Ken and John for a start. Both St Mark’s and St Ann’s had contingents of older students from the Forces.

Yvonne Hutchinson (47-48) [the first Social Secretary of the College Club] and Jean Forrest (47) [the first Secretary of the College Club] were ex-servicewomen - Betty Sherwin (47-48) the widow of a serviceman killed in action. I myself was prevented from joining up by being in a reserved occupation, and was older also than the group who came fresh from school.

Sherry was the drink to celebrate with in those days, and we all smoked.

After all, were we not fully grown, and thus immune from the evil effects of tobacco? One would not dream of going out without "lippy" on. Eye make-up was unknown. Ah me! . . .

All being well, we will be with you next April.

Yours sincerely
Dorothy Fowler
(nee Harris)"
Paul Felici (89-93) has a job interview with Scotland Yard. Andrew Harnett (87) has been appointed to the International School in Hong Kong. Liz Harnett (90) has spent her summer holidays travelling in Europe with her husband, Rob Thomas. Jodie McDonald (85-86) married recently. Indira Naidoo (86) is a celebrity as well as an ABC newsreader. Donovan Newton (89-90) was the all-time biggest winner on Sale of the Century. Adrian Yong (77) is Executive Director of InnoSabah, the most dynamic stock and futures brokers in Sabah, Malaysia. The Principal and her family met up with Adrian in Kota Kinabalu during an adventure holiday in Borneo over the New Year. They also met the family of Shirley Lee (95-96) who was the top student in third-year Dentistry in 1996. Congratulations Shirley! David Bassanese (86) is an influential senior economist with Bankers Trust. Philip and Kristen Martin (87) are expecting a baby soon, as are Narelle Semmens (84-86), Lesley Elliott (84-87), Mandy Shalley (nee Griffin) (83-87) and Al Duhring (84-86) and their husbands. Belinda Hoult (nee Proctor) (85-88)’s second child, Eliza, was born last year. Jodie Berkefeld (93-94) has a job as an engineer with Newcastle Water.

On Monday, 21 October, most of the Collegians Committee descended on St Ann’s to indoctrinate the current students into the wild and wicked ways of the Collegians.

After a fantastic St Ann’s formal dinner (the last of the year), the majority of students retired downstairs with the Collegians, purely to learn all about our scintillating events and to listen to Nicole and Ashley’s riveting speech. I can assure you it had nothing to do with the healthy supply of the magnificent and delicate St Ann’s port and an overwhelmingly large supply of chocolates (well done JD) which attracted the masses into the common room.

All those who came were not disappointed as Ash and Nicole regaled the listeners with stories of magical evenings and enchanted balls to come. Once this shameless marketing was out of the way, Ash and Nicole explained what College life was like back in their days, all the way back between 1990 and 1994. Needless to say, most of what was said cannot be reprinted in this forum.

When the talk was over, an appreciative crowd gave the presenters a healthy round of applause, and all the people present went their own separate ways content in the knowledge that the Collegians was the most magnificent, entertaining and down-right cool organisation in the world, and well worth the compulsory joining fees.

I am also informed that drinking and munching went on well into the night, particularly in the case of a certain medical student who shall remain nameless (Tom).

Port and chocolates will be back in ’97 (10 March) bigger and better than ever.
The Last “Never Ending” Decade Dinner 1987-96

It was all go in the St Ann’s Dining Room on the evening 19th October where the most recent batch of Collegians had gathered to the fray for good times revisited. Not much seems to have changed in ten years. Even the Right Honorable Member of our Parliament partook in the traditional schlock of fuzzy amber to the chants of the crowd. Perhaps he aspires to be like our former Prime Minister with a drinking record and shocking hairdo. Perhaps not!

College stalwart Margaret is still smiling in the kitchen and does not look a day older than when we stole her milk and bread with regularity. Andrew Leibie still has a very deep voice. Andrew Brooks still has the occasional bad hair day and Dr Will Thompson can still consume beer faster than gravity will allow. He is currently undertaking research using isotopes to develop a faster method of beer ingestion and absorption into the circulatory system. Dave Wildy is still a Beast beneath his smooth exterior, the McGowran brothers are still proud Alice Springs boys and all the now ‘old’ collegians have not forgotten how to have a good time.

The 1987 to 91 Skulling team demonstrated their supremacy on the high table but unfortunately depleted all remaining beer stocks. The resourceful crowd was not disheartened and proceeded to that familiar drinking establishment, The Cathedral Hotel, which thankfully had not become a South Wing of the Women and Children’s. Festivities and fluids flowed frantically until the lights went out at one.

Back in the S.A.D. room, fine wine??, women/men?? and song continued. A wide array of St Ann’s personalities paraded their surfing prowess on the H.T. Dr ‘Malibu’ Brooks was nothing but smiles to see all her former students having such a good time and didn’t have a bad time herself. Many a fine tune was revisited from great artists like John Denver, Neil Diamond, Ram Jam and Peter Allen once or twice. Fortunately Andy Brooks left Mega Death at home.

It did appear that all players had a good time. Most of all I would like to thank everyone who attended the dinner and made it the success it was.

Craig and his kitchen team presented food of a standard former students have not seen in the S.A.D. room and thanks also to Dr Brooks, Chris Irvine, the Collegians Committee and Andrew Southcott MP for daring to speak before such an unruly bunch.

See you all at the Jubilee Celebration Dinner in April 1997!

Report from the Convenor, Richard Sinclair (88-91), who is now working with Yalumba Wines in Sydney.

Community News continued

Andrea Simpson (nee Campbell) (65) has just joined the Council of the University of South Australia. Melisa Wu (89-93) has gone to work in Queensland; John Chung (91-94) has been appointed to her former position in the dentistry practice of Michelle Thow (83-5). Tracy Crisp (86-90) and Rupert Jones (86-89) are travelling in South America. After following Trotsky’s footsteps in Mexico they are learning Spanish in Guatemala in preparation for a visit to Cuba, more or less contemporaneous with the Pope. Jacki Reichelt (nee Kearslake) (85-88) is thriving at her dental practice in Cooma.

Caroline Smith (86-89) and Robert Casson on the Big Day December 1996
Community News continued

Margaret Bennett
Elaine Bernard
Ann Berry
Patricia Bertelswee
Kaye Best
Anthony Berglas
Charlotte Berry
Deborah Black
Susan Blight
Margaret Boden
Lesley Bloomfield
Joy Bolitho
Choon Boon
Diana Boswell
Margaret Bourne
Michelle Bowker
Mary Boyd Turner
Mariwyn Brady
Anthony Breen
Helen Brooking
Diana Brown
Pauline Brown
Diane Browning
Helen Brown
Elizabeth Brownschweig
Margaret Buchanan
Patricia Bull
Anne Burger
Stephanie Burns
Mary Burston
Verity Butcher
Jill Busteed
Desnee Butler
Virginia Butler

1977-86 - “The Naughty Years”

Chris Madden was charged with the task of bringing together Collegians from the “naughty” decade. A time when sporting prowess meant “just turning up” and “study” was an obscene word. He managed to assemble 40+ shady characters willing to participate in a night of revelry at the College on Saturday 7 September 1996. Fast approaching middle age was cast aside as the diehards partied until 3:30 a.m. Van Gogh was there along with his mates - Murph, Prowse, Moose, Lyn the dentist all the way from Tassie, Rick Selway, Peter Horvath from Sydney, the list goes on.

Photos and reminiscences were shared. Everyone agreed it was a night to remember and promised to do it all over again at the Jubilee Dinner in 1997 - bigger, better and longer.

Special thanks to Chris Madden for doing a wonderful job as convenor.

Find a Friend A’s & B’s

Do you have any idea of the whereabouts of the following "lost" Collegians? Please let us know.

Helen Abbott
Nicholas Abbott
Sonni Abdullah
Mohamed Abidin
Christine Adams
Binti Alias
Christine Anderson
Beverley Anderson
Cecily Andrew
Janet Annear
Elizabeth Angel
Kathryn Anson
Michael Anstey
John Aquilala
Elizabeth Bagshaw
Julie Baillie
Glenys Baker
Elaine Balcott
Anne Baldock
Nguyen Ngoc Ban
Elizabeth Banks
Marie Ballinger
Elizabeth Barnes
Kathy Barnes
Stephen Barrett
Robert Barron
Margo Barton
Wilga Bartlett
Shirley Bates
Katherine Baulch
Jeanette Beaufey
Margaret Beiers

Library

There is a change in policy regarding Collegians’ access to the Library. To enhance security of the Library the doors are permanently locked. Current residents have 24-hour access using their room key. Although borrowing rights are restricted to current residents, Collegians continue to have access to the library while the Librarian is at the College, 9 am to noon on weekdays.
NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
7.00 pm Thursday 13 February 1997

St Ann's Tutorial Rooms
1. Present and apologies
2. Minutes of the last AGM 13 February 1996
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 1997
8. Program for 1997
9. Any other business
10. Date of Next Meeting/Close of Meeting

Wine Tasting and Cheese

Nomination Form
I nominate ........................................ of .............................................................. for the
position of ........................................... I..........................................................agree to this nomination.
Signature of Nominee .................................................................
Signature of Proposer .................................................................
Signature of Seconder ................................................................. Date / /97

Tickets for Jubilee Celebration Dinner
Please send me ___ tickets at $60 each, ($40 if you are a 1996 or 1997 resident).
Name.................................................................
Address ................................................................. Phone (office hours) .................
Please forward cheque to: St Ann's College Inc.Jubilee Dinner
187 Brougham Place
NORTH ADELAIDE, South Australia, 5006