A significant recent event is the resignation of Mrs Rosemary Hill-Ling OAM from the Foundation Committee. I have been honoured to sit on the Foundation alongside Mrs Hill-Ling, and know her contributions to St Ann’s to be both varied and great. She has been a loyal supporter and a wonderful contributor to this College.

When she resigned, Dr Brooks read from a letter Mrs Hill-Ling had written in 2011 on inaugurating her scholarship because we wanted the scholarship to go to someone who would as nearly as possible replicate Mrs Hill-Ling herself. She grew up in Jamestown, was the first girl to come to St Ann’s who had not attended a private school, and the first girl who completed secondary education at Jamestown High School and subsequently graduated. The Principal also read from the citation she had written when nominating Mrs Hill-Ling for the Order of Australia Medal. “She had come to the College in 1952 as a student and her CV shows that she graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree at the University of Adelaide and a graduate diploma in education. She was an experimental officer in mathematical services at Weapons Research Establishment, a tutor in pure maths at the University of Adelaide 1966-1980, and a secondary teacher of maths at Scotch College.

“She served as a member of the Council of St Ann’s College for 30 years, first as Collegians’ Association representative, and then as Elected Member in her own right. She was Deputy Chairman of Council 1983-1993 and again 2003-2008. She embodies the classic virtue of self-effacing service to the community. She is the first to volunteer to help the sick and aged. She exemplifies the devotion to service of her generation and richly deserves acknowledgement. She achieved tertiary qualifications at a time where this represented a huge obstacle for rural women. She was determined to help young people from rural and regional South Australia from then on and has continued to do so effectively all her life. All her community service has been in a voluntary capacity. She embodies the finest qualities of an Australian volunteer. She has helped countless students. We will miss her very much.”

I am thankful for the opportunities and experiences of St Ann’s, as a student, tutor and Committee member. I know St Ann’s is carefully and creatively planning and am excited about its future.

It has been a privilege and honour to be on both the Collegians and Foundation Committee.

Steven Smith
Collegians Representative on the Foundation
President’s Report

Last month I attended my brother’s wedding in sunny Darwin. It was a beautiful 25 degrees, no wind, no clouds and stars shining bright. As my brother lives in the Northern Territory and coming from a relatively small family I didn’t know a whole host of people. Despite that I spoke to many new people and in particular I had a lovely conversation with a lady who I found out attended St Ann’s College in 1993.

In addition to having somewhere to live while attending university, meeting new friends and all the other main benefits we enjoy, I point out the connection that we as St Ann’s Collegians all enjoy, the common link to St Ann’s College.

The connection that we all have as St Ann’s Collegians is a lasting connection and has no boundaries, extending from Adelaide, Melbourne, Katherine and pretty well everywhere else in Australia to a significant number of international locations. We all have that connection and I encourage you all to grow and utilise your connection as much as possible.

Which leads me to the work that the committee is doing. The mentoring program referred to has been magnificent and I make special mention of the Vice President, Daniel Willson, for all his hard work.

We look forward to engaging with as many St Ann’s Collegians as possible in the future particularly through our mentoring program, mentoring dinners and other initiatives.

Matthew Ormsby
President

Dr Jeremy (“Crazylegs”) Lung (06-10) just got married to Megan Neum

Dr Sophie Halpin (08-11) and Ben Madigan (10-11) are engaged

Voon Siong Wong (03-6) was married last year to Hayley

Michael Higgs (02-4) and Kylie Steer (03–4) were married at Grange Golf Club in March 2015

Jay Reid (06-8) is engaged to Prue Robson
Our mentoring program is continuing to gather steam, with our first mentor-mentee icebreaker cheese and wine event held on 13 May at College.

The program involves pairing current students with a Collegian who studied in a similar field, allowing the mentee to begin developing their professional network and to learn from someone who has (successfully) walked a similar path before.

At our event in May we launched the program for the first time in full, with 50 students attending to meet a significant number of mentors. The connection has been very rewarding for many participants.

We’re always looking for more mentors, so if you’re keen to join please contact Dan Willson on 0488 557 656 or at danwillson1@gmail.com.

Dan Willson
Vice President

Foundation Dinner

June had come and it was time to pull out the winter clothes … unless of course you were lucky enough to be a guest at St Ann’s Foundation Gala Dinner. Then it was time to get dressed up and head to the Botanic Gardens for a night of dinner, drinks and dancing. This year’s major fundraising goal was raising money for St Ann’s upcoming “Enterprise Deck”, the collaborative study centre connecting the Tutorial rooms with the Mayo dining room.

Dinner was provided by the wonderful team at Adelaide Botanic Gardens Restaurant. Drinks included the Botanic Ale, a beer which has its roots firmly stuck into the Botanic Gardens. Entertainment for the night was provided by the very talented Rachael Beck, whose achievements include acting roles in both Home and Away and Hey Dad…! as well as in numerous theatre performances, the most recent being Chitty Chitty Bang Bang in which she had to kiss Hugh Jackman every night for a year! After Dancing with the Stars she turned to hugely entertaining us dancing with Robert (“Bob”) Kennedy.

The night was a resounding success with a total of $45,700 being raised, thanks so much to our generous supporters.

Andy Reid
Committee Member

The Association’s investments have performed solidly, with both Argo and AFI showing modest capital growth as well as paying consistent dividends. This continues to provide the Collegians with the opportunity to invest in improving facilities.

As a result of our financial position, the Collegians were able to donate over $5,000 to the College Foundation during the year to date, through the sale of shares. This continues our trend of financial support to the Foundation, having donated over $39,500 in the past 4 years.

The financial outlook for the Association remains very positive, and we continue to seek opportunities to support the College and the Foundation in improving the lives of students, present and future.

James Graham
Treasurer

Foundation News

The St Ann’s College Foundation exists because St Ann’s College receives no funding from any government, religious or educational body and depends entirely on student fees and our generous benefactors.

Part of the vital work of the Foundation is to encourage corporations and individuals to establish bursaries and scholarships. For instance, in 2015 the College was able to offer two additional scholarships to benefit young women who seek tertiary education. The donation for these scholarships was a result of the College being bequeathed part of the estate of a former student.

It’s certainly an exciting time at St Ann’s with proposals for the Enterprise Deck taking flight, including plans for dynamic study areas.

On Monday 17 August the Development Assessment Panel of the Adelaide City Council approved our application to build the Enterprise Deck, a collaborative high-tech learning centre for our students. It will go between the tute rooms and the dining room, and as we lose the balcony we will extend the Mayo Dining Room out over the tennis court.

Steven Smith
Collegians Representative on the Foundation
Graduations

Pik Kaye Lai (10-11) with her fiancé Nathan Lam, her parents Wing Yong Lai and Siew Yin Hew, and sister Pik Seen Lai (05-8) Law

Clancy O’Donnell (10-11) and Dajana Vujica (10-12) with Professor James Crawford CMG QC whose address referred to Morella Calder, commemorated by a prize won at St Anne’s by both Clancy and Dajana

Emma Hamilton (10) and Emma Lush (11) Arts

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Dr Mark and Mrs Carol Hill-Ling with their daughter Carly graduating with her PhD

Arbaaz Tareen (10-14) with parents AK and Sanober Tareen and sister Sabah Tareen (14+) Engineering

Kate Taylor (07-10) Commerce

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Sam Talbot (10-12) Arts

Natalie Morrall (10-13) Health Sciences

Olivia Lien (10-11) Dentistry

Jessica Bartetzko (09-11) Architecture

Scott Bentley (11-14) Engineering
Graduations

Megan Field (12-13) and Tatum Lawrie (12-13)
Nursing

Dajana Vujica (10-12), here at Grad with brother Miro (12-14) and their mother, has recently been employed as a Deputy Associate to Judge Cole in the Federal Circuit Court

Jordan Babolka (12-13)
Psychological Science

Dr Lachlan Mackinnon (09-12)
Medicine

Giau Vo (13-14)
Health Sciences

Kelsey Birkin (12-13)
Oral Health

Lara Francis (03-5) is State Opera marketing manager, excited about the current performance of Gounod’s Faust

Dr Brendan Stagg (11-12)
Medicine

Hayley Weber (11-12)
Education

Googie (Giuffre 86-8) Gundolf, together with Peter Tonkin (87-88), revisited their old haunts and loved every minute of it. Googie visited her old room, 333, for the first time in 27 years and it made her feel 18 again (not that she needs it!) Googie runs a ski resort in Austria and still draws on her accommodation experience at St Ann’s
2015 saw the incoming of 80 first-year students embracing the “Baboon” within themselves throughout the semester. O-week was a big success with the theme Baboon Island, with first-years enjoying the inaugural Port and Choc with some lucky ones actually finding the secretive chocolate for once. Other events included chicken and champagne, speed dating and a tropical-themed pub night.

To spice up St Ann’s open show, the theme was Bollywood and the night was a huge success, with boisterous decorations, great food, colourful garments and henna tattoos for as far as the eye could see.

Intercollege sport has always been a great way for St Ann’s to broadcast their selection of great sports players and amazing supporters through their passion and tenacity on and off the pitch. This year, the boons showcased this with valiant efforts in the tennis, table tennis, debating and netball. However special mention must go to the swimming team on an amazing 2nd place, along with the male football team coming 2nd with a win against St Mark’s which according to the records hasn’t been accomplished since 1992. The volleyball team however pulled off 1st place taking the cup and a party back to the boons at 187 Brougham Place.

As with every year, St Ann’s sends students to the National Association of Australian University Colleges (NAAUC). This year St Ann’s sent 3 delegates to investigate the workings of the conference held in Brisbane. It will be quite intriguing to see what these students learn and bring back for their fellow Baboons.

As the semester wrapped up, the Boons of 187 picked up textbooks, pens, calculators and coffees instead of football boots, guitars and the infamous “goon sack” to prepare for all the exams and assignments that were coming their way in the mid-year exam period. We wish them all the best for their studies and hope their hard work has paid off.

Kristofer Sjostrom
Student Representative

Quirky Pub Night

Ben Stoeckel (15-)

O-Week Sunday at the Dan

Swimming - Go the Boons!
No wonder we won the volleyball. Compared with Aquinas crowd.

Victorious Boys - Cricket v Aquinas - Tom Wilsdon (15-)

Bollywood

St Ann’s 2015 Volleyball Champions
Paul Crawford (73-5) of Commercial Motor Vehicles Pty Ltd was named Ernst & Young Australia Entrepreneur of the Year 2014 for Central Region Industry.

Paul Crawford is the joint Managing Director of the CMV Group, a family business founded by his grandfather in 1934. The CMV Group runs operations in franchised automotive dealerships and horticulture, predominantly in South Australia and Victoria. Today the CMV Group is one of Australia’s largest privately owned companies, employing more than 1,300 staff. The group is a leader in the motor industry, setting high benchmarks for others to follow, especially in the area of skills training. Paul has introduced a fast-growing national contracts maintenance business and is considering expansion of the core CMV Group offerings beyond South Australia and Victoria.

What the judges said: “As a third-generation family business, the CMV Group is a South Australian icon. Since taking the reins, Paul Crawford has been instrumental in the company’s success, changing the business model to achieve spectacular growth. Paul and the leadership team have also taken an innovative approach to fourth-generation management opportunities for the family which will help ensure the long-term sustainability of the business.”

Catherine Ordway (89-90) has just accepted a Professor of Practice sports management position with La Trobe and will be flying in and out of Melbourne teaching intensive Masters classes.

Kirsty (Price 04-6) Chown is living her dream as a flying nurse with the Royal Flying Doctor.

David Homburg (86-9), principal of Hassell Architects and SA Chapter President of the Australian Institute of Architects, says “It’s about making the pie bigger for architects ... We can become a lot more involved in the transformation of the city.”

Loyola Wills (13) of the Wagadagam people of Torres Strait was CEO for a Day of telecommunications giant Telstra under an initiative of the indigenous organisation GenerationOne. She also has a cultural obligation as the eldest child to support her family.

Kelly Wellington (04-5) from Wirra Wirra is teaching in the University of Adelaide’s online open course (MOOC).

Nicole Stockdale (99-00) is part of the neonatal support group Women Who Have Been There that was last year boosted by a $1,000 Messenger Community Grant to take warm meals to parents of babies in the Flinders Medical Centre neonatal unit.

Troy Forrest (92-3) and his business partner Andrew Smith have launched a Kickstarter campaign to promote their business, Parcel Nest, a secure system without combinations, codes or passwords for the delivery of parcels to people who are not at home when the delivery service arrives.

Graeme Jackson (90-94) is now Commissioner of State Taxation.

Brodie Ryan (04-6) won a top award in the State defence sector. He is System Safety Platform & Delivery Lead of the Air Warfare Destroyer (AWD) Alliance, a key leadership position within the AWD system safety program.

Deb Miller (96-01) is an Industrial Advocate with the Finance Sector Union of Australia in Melbourne.