

THE PATSMAN

March 2003

FROM THE PRESIDENT

It gives me great pleasure to present this report on the activities of the Association for the year ended 31 December 2002.

I believe it has again been a very successful year with the committee meeting a great number of the objectives it set itself at the commencement of the year. We are increasing our membership particularly through the "cradle to the grave" scheme operating very well through both colleges. Also good progress is being made on the computer database which not only provides us with the membership roll but will enable much better contact with Old Boys through the internet. More work on this project is needed and this is a prime objective for 2003. We acknowledge that a lot of Old Boys are not members of the Association but we propose during the 2003 year to try and reach these through special mailouts.

In general activities we had quite a varied year with scholarships of \$1000 each being presented to a Year 9 student at both Town St Pats and Silverstream. Also grants of \$5000 were made to both colleges by the Association. In the case of Town, the funds were used for the redevelopment of the former priests' residential accommodation to provide what is known as the 200 block. At Silverstream, the funds were used towards the cost of the new Pavilion. Executive members attended the blessings and opening ceremonies of both ventures and presented the grants from the Association.

The usual varied programme of social activities took place throughout the year and reports on each of these functions have been included in each *Patsman*. Many events were very well supported but regrettably some, such as the "Morning of Recollection" were a little thin on numbers. The highlight of the year was the Annual Dinner held at the Marist St Pat's Clubrooms where the Honourable Bill English was our guest speaker. It was wonderful to see virtually a full house have a great evening with not only the company of fellow Old Boys but also the large contingent of priests. Planning is already taking place for an even larger and brighter Dinner in 2003!

It is always sad to record the numbers of fellow Old Boys who have died during the past year. Their names are recorded in each *Patsman* as are the sick Old Boys known to us. Please remember both groups in your prayers and Masses.

We were all very sorry to learn of the Taranaki Branch of the Old Boys going into recess during the past year. The Branch was formed in 1947 and proved to be a very strong and active focal point for Old Boys of Taranaki. Many will have great memories of the bus trips, picnics, balls, rugby and reunions down through the years. to Bernie Walsh and all those committee stalwarts during these past 55 years we thank you should be very proud of the wonderful work you have undertaken on behalf of the Taranaki contingent.

Another year has closed but as an Association we should acknowledge the great work carried out unselfishly by the committee. This also includes those many stalwart Old Boys who year after year give their time and energy to make all the events and the activities on our calendar so successful. They cannot all be named but a special vote of thanks must to go our Secretary Felix Kane for his continued dedication to the affairs of the Association and the production of the *Patsman*. Please continue to write, fax or email him with news and information regarding Old Boys.

In the meantime, we wish fellow Old Boys health and happiness in the year ahead and we look forward to catching up with you at our various functions and activities during the year.

God bless.

Rex McArley

DUAL CITIZENSHIP

It is a truism to say that the Church encourages Catholic lay people to take part in public life. Pope John Paul II in Christifideles Laici, his 1988 document on the role of the laity insists that "they are never to relinquish their participation" in public affairs and politics.

There is a problem here: one which grows larger with time. Since St Augustine's day it has been perfectly clear that the City of God and the City of Man aren't the same place and are frequently in conflict. Today, that conflict focuses on the conscience of Catholics in public life.

As the social consensus based on traditional morality has declined in secularized Western nations, ethical assumptions underlying public policy have clashed with the moral teaching of the Catholic Church and

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other bodies committed to upholding the Christian moral tradition.

What is a conscientious Catholic to do in such circumstances? Early last year US Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia, a Catholic who takes his faith seriously, raised the question in relation to the death penalty. Unfortunately he disagreed with the Pope. The Holy Father condemns capital punishment in all but the most exceptional cases, in which nothing else will protect society: Justice Scalia accepts it as a permissible penalty for serious crime. The real interest in his remarks lay elsewhere. If he agreed with the Pope he said he'd "have to resign from the bench".

Justice Scalia's statement made a serious point. When conscience and policy conflict, conscientious people can't simply shrug and go along with it. Obviously some Catholics in public life do settle the issue by conforming to the circumstances. Some Nazis sought to justify their participation in hideous crimes by saying they were only obeying orders.

Politicians commonly use the evidence of opinion polls or the imperatives of party loyalty to rationalise co-operation with evil, as if winning elections and staying in power were an all-purpose excuse. This appears to be part of the explanation where Catholic politicians have supported legalised abortion.

Serious ethical questions can arise for Catholics concerned with reconciling the requirements of a well-informed conscience with certain commonly accepted practices in the fields in which they work – whether these be law, politics, public service, medicine, the military, business and finance or anything else.

Opting out entirely as Justice Scalia suggested may be the only option available to conscientious individuals, but this is not an option to be chosen lightly. Much of the challenge and opportunity facing Catholics in public life and the professions lies in fighting the good fight on behalf of sound morality in the service of the common good.

If the good guys fail to make a fight, the bad guys will win, unopposed.

SPC WELLINGTON

Fr Rowan Donoghue SM (T69-73) has been appointed chaplain following the departure of Fr Chris Skinner SM and the interim services of Fr Peter Roe SM. Fr Rowan has already helped with Year 13 retreats, Year 9 camps and the Ash Wednesday liturgy. Although an OB of SPC (69-73) he has taught at Stream, St Bede's and Pompallier in Whangarei but not at SPC.

NCEA: The Rector says it is difficult to make an assessment of the 2002 results as there is no yardstick to measure by but he reported that 36% of students totalled more than 120 credits (80 are needed for a Level One certificate): and 41% got at

least one "excellence" result with 5% recording 10 or more "excellences".

Exam results: Six scholarships, 14 A and 16 B Bursaries. 77% of students who sat 5 subjects achieved A or B Bursaries.

Prefects 2003: The HP is Tele'a Falanai-Andrews and his deputies, Faifili Levave and Glenn Noble. The prefects are:

Keiran Barbalich
Shadon Meredith
Joel Espinas
Andrew Bell
Margus Slade
Matthew Kolic
Ernest Chan
Damian Winter

Karl Dowland
Adriaan Barnard
Andrew Neal
Sanaer Hermiz
Karl Celeste
Shane Swinerd
Zuke Marinkovich

McEVEDY SHIELD

Silverstream retained the Shield with 183 points, followed by Wellington College, 163, SPC 107.5 and Rongotai 81.5. Of the 54 events in the contest, Silverstream scored in 47, giving credence to the claim that third and fourth placings ensure the winning of the Shield.

Team captain Sam Williamson won the 100m, 200m, 400m and triple jump. Nick Kalavati won the U16 100m, 200m, 400m, hurdles and high jump, setting a new McEvedy Shield record in the hurdles.

SILVERSTREAM

NCEA: The Rector in a newsletter praised the efforts of Year 11 students of 2002. In most subjects Stream was above the national average and in many cases well above.

Exam results: Ten scholarship, 16 A and 16 B Bursaries. 90% of students with 5 subjects gained A or B Bursaries. 57% of students eligible for UE achieved an A or B Bursary. 76% of candidates eligible for UE gained passes.

Prefects 2003: The HP is Paul Fairbrother, a day student from Upper Hutt: his particular responsibility is the Sporting Life of the College. His Deputies are David Henderson (Spiritual Life), Alfred Tong (Cultural Life), and Philip Stanley (Academic Life). the other prefects are:

Justin Foster Thomas Huthwaite
Jeffrey Ingi Robert Noble Beasley
Matthew Rose Guy Routledge
Nicholas Sinclair Kirk Sutton
Richard Wharton

Roll: There are over 670 students (maximum 680), with a major increase in the Year 9 boarding enrolments: with enrolments at other levels the total new enrolments is 30. The Rector pays a tribute to the Dean of Boarders Mr Ritchie and his staff who have provided a computer suite for the boarders, a

regular weekend (Sundays) holiday programme and common rooms for each year level.

Death of Year 11 day student – Michael Turner: Michael was struck by a train on a pedestrian crossing near Silverstream Station on Tuesday 1 April and died in Wellington Hospital the following day from head injuries. The Rector Mr David Leavy said "Michael was a very bright and thoughtful students, a contemplative deep-thinking sort of character. He probably wouldn't even have heard the warning signals." A memorial service was held in the Chapel on Friday afternoon and students have been offered counselling. Vigil prayers were celebrated on Monday evening and Michael's Requiem Mass on Tuesday 8 April with burial at Taita Lawn Cemetery.

ANNUAL MEETING 16 MARCH 2003

The attendance at the Annual Meeting was 17 with 15 apologies. The President presented his report and audited financial statements were distributed. The Secretary gave explanations for several of the items in the statements, and the President's report and financial statements were adopted. A copy of the completed audited statements and the President's report appear on the website, but copies will be sent on request. A summary follows:

Income	Subscriptions, donations Interest Breakfast, Dinner	\$34438 572 1807	36817
Expenses	Patsman and Annual Report Secretarial, Postage, Printing & Stationery, Roll Maintenance, Functions,	3852	
	Sporting	6096	
	Advertising and Promotion	2056	
	Grants to Colleges (2x5000)	10254	
	Year 9 Scholarships (2x1000) Website	2000 3152	
	Sundry	347	27757
Net surplus for	r the year transferred:		
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Accumulated Funds	6796	
	Colleges Benefit Fund	<u>2265</u>	

Outgoing President Rex McArley then conducted the Elections which resulted as follows:

President David Kelly

Hon Vice Presidents Pat Coles, Ted Buddicom,

Gordon Sheehan, Chris McCarthy

and Peter Menzies

Committee Evan Bayly, Peter Chote, Mike Fox, Brendan Gilmore, Hadyn Nicholls,

Brian Kennedy, Nelson Nunns

Honorary Secretary Felix Kane

Honorary Treasurer Gary Lewis

College Reps David Crombie (Stream)

Chris McCarthy (Town)

Auditor Terry Leamy

FROM THE MEDIA

Two recipients of the Nobel Peace Prize were reported by **David Cohen** (S75) as commenting on the war in Iraq – Nelson Mandela's outburst against

the USA and Jose Ramon Horta's backing "the war against Saddam Hussein as the best way to liberate the long-suffering Iraqi people."

The new Assignment of Peter Cullinane (S67-70) previously CEO of Telstra, is a marketing communications consultancy. The initial advertising seems to have hit the spot, and the consultants have their first assignment. The Sept 02 Patsman noted that Joe Karam (S62-5) had earned an article in North & South for his Bain crusade. Joe has now filed defamation proceedings against the publishers of North & South claiming that the article by Rosemary McLeod "damaged his reputation because people took from the article that he was dishonest and time-serving".

Prof **Peter Walls** (S62-5) is one of 12 NZ academics to chair review panels as part of the Government's new Performance-Based Research Fund (PBRF). The aim is to promote the development of lively and productive research culture. Peter's portfolio is the creative and performing arts.

Transport Minister **Paul Swain** (T65-9) married Toni Reeves at the Upper Hutt Wallaceville Church on 15 March – his second marriage. His wife is a Parliamentary Executive Secretary with Health Minister Annette King.

Tourist Holdings MD **Denis Pickup** (T58-62) reported that interim profit had doubled but external factors such as security threats and the appreciation of the NZ dollar (which depreciated revenue by \$3M) make the complete year difficult to predict.

"A big difference between US and NZ universities is that American varsities require two to three years of courses before students start their thesis – here you enrol for a PhD by thesis and you can start writing the next day." **Pat Maloney** (S75-9) is a political science lecturer at Victoria Uni. He was a seminary student for 18 months, but continued his philosophy studies, and added political science and English.

For 13 years **Barney Scully** (T43-7) has been campaigning to have the Cobham Drive foreshore upgraded and now the WCC has approved \$723,000 for the work which includes erosion control, landscaping and planting, track maintenance, groyne rebuilding and rubbish removal. Barney played rugby for St Pat's Old Boys and was a keen sailboarder on Evans Bay.

A recent book (2002) Inside Stories: NZ PoW's Remember features **George Trundle** (S31-5) L/Sgt George 200520 21 Battalion Sailed with the 2nd Echelon to England, then on to Egypt. He saw action in Greece, missing evacuation and making his way back to Egypt through the Greek Islands. He was taken prisoner at Bir Hacheim and was a PoW at Benghazi, before sailing for Italy in the Jantzen which was torpedoed and many prisoners perished. In 1945 he escaped while prisoners from the camps were being transported north, returning to NZ in July 1945.

In an article in NBR entitled Private Prosecutions **Greg O'Connor** (T74) President of the NZ Police Association suggests that following the comments of CJ Dame Sian Elias, which indicated that whenever

self-defence is an issue in police shootings (and it almost invariably is) the facts should always be for a jury to consider. Hence, any police officer forced to use lethal or any coercive force . . . could face a private prosecution.

John Joseph Stewart known as JJ died in New Plymouth late last year and earned many tributes. JJ coached the All Blacks 73-6 and during his term as a provincial coach Taranaki held the Ranfurly Shield for 3 years. Of more immediate interest to OBs JJ coached NPBHS for 15 years, developed lasting friendships with Stream Rectors and coaches associated with Stream 1st XV matches in Hawera and New Plymouth and sent his sons Cam (77), Terence (78), Richard (79) and Charles (80) to Stream

The NZ Catholic Education Office has corporatised and has an inaugural board of seven. One of the Auckland members is **Reuben O'Neill** (S45-8) who has been one of the Auckland diocesan administration team for over 15 years.

The Association has benefited from Pub Charity in past years but **Lou Newman** (T64-6) former President of the Victoria Bowling Club, says his club could not survive without the income from pokie machines distributed through charity gambling trusts. A handful of big trusts – NZ Community Trust, Lion Foundation, Pub Charity and 125 pub-based trusts handled \$620m of the \$770m spent on pokies last year.

Team NZ has 4 trustees and one, **Peter Menzies**(S51-4) featured on TV commenting on the Team NZ leadership and a change in personnel with the appointment of a MD and Director of Sailing.

Wellington Archdiocese clergy appointments show Mons John Broadbent (S43-6) living privately at Eastbourne and devoting himself to retreat work and lecturing. Fr Jim Kershaw (T50-4) moves from the Cathedral to Masterton, and Fr Bill Warwick (T74-8) from Westport to Richmond.

Fisherman in the news – **Nino Basile** (T77-80) of Wellington Trawling Co exports rock lobster to Asia, mainly Hong Kong and China, and says the market has "gone bust", through Sars in China. The bust has been reflected in a reduction in the Wellington retail price of rock lobster from \$56 to \$49.95 per kilo.

Graham Kelly (T54-8), List MP and the prospective NZ rep to Canada and the Caribbean has problems with blocked arteries and awaits a bypass operation. He has delayed his resignation from Parliament: "It's a bit of an insurance – I could work on as a List MP – I want to see it's all right."

For 50 years **Maurice McIntyre** (S39-43) has been contributing columns in the Catholic press. Under MM he wrote about the media, and as Veritas he brought a Catholic perspective on general affairs in NZ society. He started writing to supplement his wage as a young lawyer. In a generous allocation of space in the 15 December 02, NZ Catholic, he pays tribute to Tablet editors John Kennedy and Fr Michael Hill. The interviewer on this occasion was

Michael Fitzsimons (T67-71) who probed for the secret to Maurice's writing longevity and discipline in producing two 800-word columns every week for 50 years.

A researcher found the following under the heading of Diocesan News in the NZ Tablet of 28 May 1904 p3. "The first social gathering in connection with the St Patrick's College Old Boys Assn will be held on June 30 in the Sydney St schoolroom", and "the members of the SPCOBA have elected Mr G H Haydon as vice president in place of his late brother."

In June 02 issue we noted that **Albert Bosma** and **Pat Vinaccia** (both T83-4) are part of the 13-man Not Enough Taro Syndicate which races Silky Red Boxer. The horse won the Sunline Stakes at Te Rapa on 26 April and also won at Manawatu on 5 April.

Ron Nolan (S48) trains Lough Ruin which won the Waverley Community Cup on 26 April. It is the Nolans (Ron's wife Lorraine and daughter and sonin-law own Lough Ruin) first Waverley Cup in 40 years of competing there. Lorraine trains pacer Yulestar now campaigning in USA.

Mike Mahoney's (S71-5) commercial venture at Todd Park Porirua, has now extended to the recreation reserve on Wineera Drive for the creation of a miniature golf park. Mahoney's Adventure Golf has two other parks in NZ, at Pirates Island, Christchurch and Treasure Island at Auckland Airport. Herd Street PO is the next target for development as apartments by Mike Mahoney.

ANNIVERSARIES

Gold

Noel Whitehouse (T36-8) married Jocelyn Gregory at St Mary's Church, Victoria Avenue, Wanganui on 3 January 1953. The celebrant was Fr Steve O'Connor SM, the best man the late **Alex Lawson** (S41-3) and the groomsman the late **Brian McKay** (S39-42).

Present address: 136 Bath Street, Levin

Roy Sinclair (S41-5) married Lorraine Eileen Finn of Taihape at St Mary's Church, Taihape on 31 January 1953. The celebrant was the late Fr **Paddy Carmody** (T39-43) and the best man the late **Stuart Sinclair** (S43-6)

Present address: 263 Fergusson Drive, Upper Hutt

Syd Wells (S44-6) married Pauline Wynn at St Patrick's Church, Waipawa on 17 October 1953. The celebrant was Fr Jansen and the best man **Pat Wells** (S47-9)

Present address: 6 Evelyn Place, New Plymouth

Maurice John Kissick (S39) married Mary Margaret Anne McAloon at Ss Peter and Paul's, Lower Hutt on 14 June 1952. The celebrant was Fr Leo Daly, the best man the late John Bird (S42-4) and the groomsman Brian Kissick (S44-7)

Present address: 199 Neill Road, Kaponga

Paul Boake (T39-44) married Margery Scott at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Hill Street, Wellington on 27 December 1952. The celebrant was Fr Bernard Tottman and the best man **Pat Hickey** (T42-44)

Present address: 59a Avondale Road, Taradale

George Ryan (T44-7) married Shirley Harrison at St James' Church, Lower Hutt on 28 March 1953.

Present address: 16A Tennyson Avenue, Lower Hutt

Ruby

Keith McKenzie (S41-3) married Rosemary Elizabeth Callaghan of Wellington at the Church of St Vincent de Paul, Northland on 6 October 1962. The celebrant was Mons P J Herlihy, the best man the late **Matt Bridgman** (S46-9) and the groomsman **John Kerslake** (S41-2)

Present address: 30 Totara Crescent, Woburn

Bill Dorman (S52-6) married Denise Gillian Franklin of Wellington at St Mary of the Angels, Wellington 24 February 1962. The celebrant was Fr Jock Aitken SM, the best man **Barry Turner** (S52-5) and the groomsman **Peter Trehey** (S52)

Present address: 52 Herewini Street, Titahi Bay

Edward George Hunt (S48-51) married Pauline Margaret Toohey of Palmerston North at St Patrick's Church, Palmerston North on 4 January 1962. The celebrant was Fr T Murphy and the best man **Peter Vennell** (S48-51)

Present address: 20 Hill Street, Thorndon

Desmond Eugene Hurley (S41-4) married Marina Grieves of Leicester England at St Mary of the Angels, Wellington on 14 July 1962. The celebrant was Fr John Healy SM and the best man **Bernie Hurley** (S43-5)

Present address: 27 Clark Street, Khandallah

Raymond William Anderson (S51-5) married Rosalie Theresa Devaney of Lower Hutt at the Church of the Sacred Heart, Petone on 28 April 1962. The celebrant was Fr R Ferris, the best man Alex Anderson (S47-51) and groomsman Shaun Crowley (S51-4)

Present address: 44 Dowling Grove, Silverstream

BBQ PUKEKARAKA OTAKI 26 FEBRUARY

About 40 OBs and some wives enjoyed the hospitality of St Mary's, and Brother Joe was once again our man at the back of the BBQ. The usual raffle, supplemented by some home product from John Watt seemed once again a clergy benefit. Prior to lunch, Fr Bill Leeming celebrated Mass for us at noon. For Brian McKay it was his last OB outing, he died two weeks later.

GOLD COAST GOLF DAY - 2002

The popular event was not recognised at the time, but Ray Montgomery received the Fr Tom Duffy Cup as Player of the Day on 42. Paul Ronberg, 38,

headed the Senior Stableford followed by George McLellan also on 38, Peter Hakaraia 37 and Peter Quin, 36.

The Intermediate – Ray Swanson 39, then Peter Anderson 37, and Jim Houston, 35.

Pat Coles on 41 headed the Junior section followed by George McPeak 39, Michael Dodson 38, and Sir Patrick O'Dea, 36.

Doug Harris and Brian Kelly were "nearest the pin" and longer drivers were Pete Hakaraia and John Kelly.

Holes in Two were achieved by Peter Hakaraia (8th), Ray Montgomery (2nd), Bill Roche (2nd), George McLellan (2nd), Derek Simon (5th) and John Kelly (12th).

TARANAKI

The Taranaki Branch of the Association went into recess last year, but through the good offices of Bernie Walsh and Hugh Cunningham those 164 OBs not already Association members are now part of the Association's mailing list. A short account of the rise and recession of Taranaki Branch will follow in the June issue.

SICK OLD BOYS

Kevin Benefield	S40-1	Manor Pk Pte Hosp
Brian Coley	T52-7	Manor Pk Pte Hosp
Charles Cooper	T42-5	At home, Melbourne
Denis Delahunty	S39-42	Cashmere, J'ville
Kevin Donworth	T59	Vinc Home, Wgtn
Brian Gallagher	S37-8	At home, Cambridge
Bernie Galvin	T46-50	Levin
Stephen Jenkins	S64-8	At home, Upper Hutt
Pat Lumber	S35-9	Beach Haven, Ak
Cyril McCarty	S33-5	At home, Hastings
Peter Parry	S67-71	At home, Upper Hutt
Maky Roberts	S35-8	At home, Hastings
Bill Tacon	S32-6	Parklands, Ak

OBs are reminded that several Marist Fathers are in Retirement Homes and might appreciate a visit:

John Cleary	Holy Family Home	Hastings
John Healy	Home of Compassion	Timaru
John Gorinski	Mary Potter Home	Chch
Graham Johnsen	Mercy Rest Home	Upper Hutt

Fr John Gorinski is the oldest SM in NZ, at 92, (ordained 1935) followed by Fr George Duggan, 90 (ordained 1936) and Gus Hill 89 (ordained 1937).

The two sites selected for the erection of accommodation for senior Marists, are at the Home of Compassion, Silverstream, and Nazareth House, Sydenham, Christchurch. While the new wing at the HoC is being built, Frs George Duggan and John Silverwood, and Brs Chris Bellamy and Andrew Cody are in transition quarters at 6 Shanley Street, Upper Hutt.

MARIST COMMUNITIES

The 2003 communities are

Casebrook

Frs Thige O'Leary (Sup) Peter Conaghan Kevin Manning (Retired) Mark Walls Frank Brennan Br

Otara

Kerry Prendeville (Sup) Frs Kalolo Togisia (O) Peter Carde Ingente Fernando (Ph) David Mullins (attached)

Feilding

Paul Martin (Sup) Frs Damian Dempsey Peter Kiley

Rarotonga

Kevin Head (Sup) Kevin Conroy Tony Dunn Raymond Kelleher Rr

Whangarei

Frs Michael Wooller (Sup) Francis Bird Gerard Mills John Mori Peter Walsh (attached) Fr

Waipuna

Chris Martin (Sup) Frs Arthur Toothill Br Denis O'Brien

South Hokianga

Michael O'Donnell (Sup) Brian Prendeville

Pt Chevalier

Terry Fitzpatrick (Sup) Frs John Ward Tom Laffey Joe Kelly (Retired)

Seminary

Shane Dwyer (Sup) Mervyn Duffy Frs John Allardyce **David Gledhill Allan Jones**

Onehunga

Fr Tom Laffey

Three Kings

Patrick Breeze (Sup) Frs Kevin Murphy Joseph Savesi Ron Saunders (attached) Grafton

Frs Conrad Bryant (Sup) Peter Janssen Neil Vaney Kevin Waldie Tony Williams John Owens

Manurewa

Andrew Nee (Sup) Frs Paul Byers Grahame Connolly Bryan Montgomery

Thames

Peter Head Frs Michael Young

Te Puna

Frs Don Hamilton (Sup) Pat Dooley D'Arcy Reader Jack Smith (attached)

Te Kuiti

Frs Paddy Kinsella (Sup) Hemi Hekiera Br Pius Keene

Wairoa

John Cecil (Sup) Frs David Moore Stuart Cuttance Br

Tokoroa

Bp Max Takuira Mariu

Waitara

Frank Twiss (Sup) Kevin Mears (PP) Gordon Kerins

Taradale

Alex Taylor (Sup) Frs Phil Brennan Brs Mark Creighton Luke Paget Alban Wilder John Cleary (attached) Fr

Otaki

Michael Tomasi Frs Roderick Milne Barry O'Connor Rr Joseph Lamb

Palmerston North

James Gresham (Sup) Thomas O'Connoi Br Robert Johnsen

Marian House

Frs John Silverwood George Duggan Br Chris Bellamy

Ngaio

Frs Carl Telford (Sup) Des Darby (Épiscopal Vicar for Education) Neal Wilson Gerard Hogg Br

Kelburn

Frs John Murphy (Sup) Rowan Donoghue Tim Duckworth

Emmaus

Jim Dooley (Sup) John Aitken Mark Beban Gerard Whiteford

Marist Centre

John Craddock (Sup) Gus Hill Kevin O'Donoghue Michael O'Meeghan John O'Neill Brian Quin John Rea John Stevenson

St Mary's of the Angels

Brian Wysocki (Sup) John Loft Frs **Brian Cummings** Paul Williamson Fred Crombie (Retired)

Hataitai

Rod Devlin (Sup) Phil Cody Daniel Connell Br

Kilbirnie

Frs Peter Roe (Sup) Noel Delaney Bill Leeming Chris Skinner Br Matt Morris Paul Shannahan (Attached)

Provincial House

Frs John Walls (Sup) Denis O'Hagan Brian O'Connell Hugh Peacock Br Geoff Morley Fr Justin Taylor (attached)

Blenheim

Rodney Smyth (Sup) Frs Damian Caccioppoli Phil King-Turner Br Martin Williams

St Mary's

Frs Peter Blake (Sup) John Jolliffe (PP) Peter Ewart Norm Scambary John Fitzsimmons Frank Kennedy Lawrence Hampton Brs Adrian Kennedy Frs

John Gorinski (attached) Denis Scully (attached) John Weir (attached)

Timaru

Frs Earl Crotty (Sup) Peter Bradley

John Healy Kevin F O'Donoghue Lawrence Cole (Retired) Br John Healy (attached) Lawrence Whiting Frs

(attached)

Pakuranga

Barry Scannell (Sup) Ezio Blazoni

Appointments pending

Percy Kimble Trevor Tindall

Studies/Renewal/OPE

Gerard Arbuckle Bernard Carney Brian Cummings Vince Curtain Jim Dooley Mervyn Duffy David Gledhill Peter Janssen Allan Jones Chris Martin John Mori Kevin Murphy Peter Roe William Archer

Andrew Cody

Raymond Kelleher

Brs

MARISTS OVERSEAS

Australia Gerard Arbuckle Frs Christopher Austin Lionel Dean Peter McDermott Bernard Ryan Thomas Ryan Brian Wilson Br Clement Turnbull

Brazil Michael Mahoney Frs Barry Malone Patrick O'Neil

England John O'Gara

Fiji John Crispin Frs Paul Donoghue Michael Fitzgerald Denis Mahony Michael McVerry Michael O'Connor

Hawaii Vincent Curtain Fr

Ireland

Bernard Carney

Frs

Peru Patrick Brophy Peter McAfee Anthony O'Connor Pakistan Fr

Michael Sullivan

Philippines

Patrick Devlin Gavin Foster John Larsen Kevin Stewart Trevor Tindall

Rome Frs

Craig Larkin Fred Bliss Tim Costello Justin Taylor Samoa

Kevin McGuire Fr John O'Dowd Br Edwin Jones

South Solomons Вр Gerard Loft

Tonga

Brian Culling Fr

Rarotonga

Stuart O'Connell Вр

USA

David Kennerley Fr

Africa

Kevin Mowbray

OBITUARIES

12.02.02 18.05.02 26.07.02 15.08.02 26.11.02	HEATH KERRIGAN WHITE WILLIAMS O'DEA	Fr Les SM Owen Andrew Kingsford Bernard	S32-4 S46-7 S85-9 S43-6 T29-30	Sydney Palm Nth Waikanae Wanganui
27.11.02 03.12.02 11.01.03	DUNNE GRAY BURNS	Jim Lewis John	S31-2 S36-8 S32-6 T33-5	Brisbane Waikanae New Plym E'bourne
11.01.03 11.01.03 17.01.03 04.02.03	FAHY NESDALE SIMMONS	Frank Mick Ken	S35-7 S41 T59-63	New Plym Taupo Akl
06.02.03 08.02.03	ALLEN McDONNELL	Fred Fr Dick SM	S95-9 T30 S31-3	Akl Hastings
10.02.03 12.02.03	SULLIVAN CUNNINGHAN		T34-5 S51-3	L Hutt Waverley
15.02.03 16.02.03 28.02.03	McVEY HEALY McVEY	Gerald P Kevin Gerald	T60-1 T35-8 T60-1	Wgtn Wgtn Wgtn
01.03.03 08.03.03 09.03.03	SCHMITT AVERY BRENNAN	Geoff Harry Fred	T36-7 T37-41 S37-9	Akl Wgtn Wgtn
10.03.03	GUSSCOTT	Norman	T28-30 S31	L Hutt
18.03.03 31.03.03 04.04.03 07.04.03 24.04.03 02.05.03	McKAY BIRD LOURIE HAMPSON DAVIDSON MANNERING	Brian Noel Jonathan Dick Jim Sefton	S39-42 S33-4 S87-90 S41-4 T60-4 S39-43	Waikanae Waipuk Stratford Akl Wgtn Napier

Fr Les Heath SM died at Hunters Hill Sydney in February 2002, but as he had transferred to the Australian Province in 1976, the Association did not learn of his death until early 2003. Fr Les was born in Wyndham and attended Southland BHS, then had one year at Stream learning Latin before Greenmeadows. He was ordained in December 1941 with Fr Paulo Yavala SM (S34) and Julie Waqa SM (S34) whom he followed to Fiji in late 1943. For 30 years he worked in Fiji at Lomary, Natovi, Namosi, Laucala Bay, Napuka and Lami. transferred to Australia in 1973, and spent 15 years in Gladstone which has a considerable Pacific Island settlement including Fijians.

John (Blackie) Burns DSO, MBE, B.Sc graduated from the Royal Military College Duntroon in 1938. He was captured at Alamein in 1942 and three times escaped from PoW camps in Italy the last time successfully. He rejoined the NZ Division and

received the MBE in 1945. After the war he continued in the regular Army as a Lt. Col. and commanded the 16th Field Regiment in Korea, winning the DSO for his work directing fire against Chinese attacks. On his return to NZ he served in various Army appointments and was promoted Brigadier in command of the Central Military District in 1970. He was buried with full military honours from San Antonio Church, Eastbourne.

Fr Dick McDonnell SM was baptised in Sacred Heart Church Hastings in 1913 and buried from the same church in 2003. B&W for 31-3 saw Dick McDonnell as a star orator and member of the 1st XV in 1933. He was ordained in 1940 and taught at Stream for one year before going to Fiji in late 1941. After 23 years he returned to NZ and worked in the Maori Mission, in parishes as chaplain at St Joseph's Home, Auckland, before retiring to St John of God Family Home Hastings.

lan Cunningham of Waverley earned a lengthy obituary in the Wanganui Chronicle, which listed his many activities and achievements in the community -Waverley Football Club, Waverley Young Farmers Club, Waverley Repertory, boat building and water ski-ing, one of the district's keenest and most successful duck shooters, Waverley Primary School Committee. Charter member of Waverlev Lions Club for 36 years, Waverley A&P Association for 45 years, Steward of the Waverley Racing Club, Wanganui-Rangitikei EPB. Powerco Limited, retiring as Deputy Chairman in 1995. He was appointed a JP in 1973 and served competently in that capacity for 30 years. He spent 35 years in managing the family motor business, which specialised in vehicle and farm machinery sales.

Kevin Healy. Pat Hickey (T40-4) contributes his memories of Kevin:

Contemporaries of the late Kevin Healy will recall he was a very competent half back for the NZ Navy during World War 2. Later he was a most enthusiastic supporter of the game. In the 1950s Athletic Park could not cope with the crowd for some of the big games. Queues would begin at 7am outside the park and stretch for hundreds of yards by

the time the gates opened at 11am. At some matches hundreds would be turned away.

One day I was shut out at the gate at the northern end on Riddiford Street. As I turned away I spotted a man carrying long bolt cutters and walking purposefully through the crowd, followed by half a dozen people. I joined in. He started to make his way along the outside of the cyclone wire fencing at the northern end of the ground. When he was out of sight of the officials and the police around the gate he calmly cut a gap in the fence three feet wide and six feet high and his following of now about 30 or 40 poured into the round to exercise our God given right to see a rugby match.

To try to solve this problem of the park being too small to take the crowds, Kevin wrote a letter to *The Dominion* suggesting that women be banned from the ground for important games. He said they took up seats that would be more greatly appreciated by male supporters. A storm of letters to the editor followed, from like-minded males and disagreeing and irate women.

In those days the seats on the western bank were long wooden benches that were unnumbered and people just squashed up. Kevin later added to the newspaper controversy by pointing out that when a woman sat down she took up more space than a man. The number of inches occupied by a lady's bottom was then hotly debated in the letters to the editor. The subject even made *The Dominion* billboard as it had become such a major issue.

Tom Sullivan became a PoW after being shot down flying Spitfires from Malta during WW2. He was a member of the Caterpillar Club the qualification for membership being to parachute from an aircraft to save your life.

Harry Avery was HP at SPC in 1941, and played rugby for SPCOB after war service in NZ and the Pacific. He was a Wellington rep from 1947-50 and captain in his final year, playing against the British Lions. Picked for the North Island in 1950 he withdrew to look after the family grocery business (founded 1920) and retired from all rugby in 1950 aged 26. Harry captained the SPCOB team which shared the Jubilee Cup with Petone in 1949. The organist at his requiem, Dave Cresswell (S47-9) was asked to play "On the Ball" and had to resort to the National Library for the music.

Norm Gusscott was one of the cross-over pupils who attended SPC pre-1931 and transferred to Stream in that year. He had a long record of community service – National President of the St Vincent de Paul Society, Chairman of the Executive of Age Concern on the national executive of CORSO, foundation member of the Interchurch Commission for Immigration and Refugee Resettlement, member of the NZ delegation to the post Vatican Congress in Rome in 1967. He received the QSO for Community Services and was a Papal Knight of St Gregory the Great. He was active in parish and Archdiocesan affairs, and Lions in the Hutt Valley.

Geoff Schmitt was a Secretary of The Treasury, businessman and academic. He left Treasury to become, as Secretary, the first employee of Tasman Pulp and Paper Co Ltd rising to MD. Resigning from Tasman in 1967, he came Professor of Management Accounting at Victoria Uni before appointment as foundation professor of Management Studies at Waikato Uni. In retirement "he followed the horses and enjoyed a good Scotch".

LETTERS

49 Davrod Street Robertson Brisbane 4109

21 January 2003 The Editor

Dear Sir

When I read the letter to the Editor in the June-July *Patsman*, which mentioned the celebration of the "academically gifted, the early physical developers and the outwardly pious", I nearly wrote to you to say "hear hear". Now that Peter Gaines has presented a contrary view, I would like to say that I think the author of the June-July letter was voicing a feeling shared by many Old Boys.

I felt there was a lack of inclusiveness at SPC Town during my years there. Nowhere was this more apparent than in the area of sport. It was really tedious to be one of the scores of boys who chose not to follow the herd on to the rugby field but played soccer or hockey (the latter for a club as the sport was not available at the school). If any mention of soccer results was made at assembly, it was always after the results of the lowest team in the most junior rugby grade. Usually there was no mention of any winter sport This followed through in the standard of except rugby. soccer coaching, where we had "coaches" who did not even know the rules of the game. I found it embarrassing, after a "coaching" session, to have to tell junior players that they had just heard a load of rubbish and to take no notice of it. If we had played as the "coach" wanted, we would have had players standing permanently in off-side positions.

I probably wouldn't have bothered putting pen to paper over matters, which one hopes have ceased to be an issue but I see the same pattern at the Catholic Secondary School, which my son has started attending. This is a nominally Christian Brothers school but the obsession with the top team, the top debaters, the top whatever, to the detriment of other participants is the same as it was at SPC forty years ago.

Another issue referred to obliquely by Peter Gaines is, I presume, the matter of clerical pedophilic or ephebophilic behaviour. This is a matter of shame affecting clergy in virtually all countries. We have been very badly served, not only by those clergy who are guilty of these acts, but also by the provincials, bishops and indeed senior Vatican personnel, who have failed to respond adequately to what appears to be a long-standing and widespread disease. One can only pray that good may eventually come of this disgrace and there will be changes in the overly clerical, male-dominated and hierarchical structure that has accreted on the simpler nature of the early church.

Yours sincerely Anthony Marsland (T62-66)

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ITEMS FOR PATSMAN

The Editor asks old boys to send news about themselves or other old boys for inclusion in *Patsman*. Many names are similar so some idea of

age and years at Stream or SPC, is always helpful for identification purposes. Items may be phoned, faxed or posted to the Secretary/Editor. As a quid pro quo, we will try and locate the

address of any old boy, on request.

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CALENDAR 2003

6 July	Annual Mass of Recollection, with the Rugby Club, at MSP Clubrooms, Hataitai Mass at 11am celebrated by Cardinal Tom Williams, will be followed by light refreshments				
30 July	Annual 1 st XV Rugby, SPC v Silverstream	n at Silverstream			
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16 October	Annual Dinner, SPC Assembly Hall 6.00 for 7.00pm	Convenor	Chris McCarthy	04 388 7370	
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