



# HSOBA IVIED TOWER NEWSLETTER



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## WELCOME

Zeemelah! This is the first edition for 2012 of the Ivied Tower newsletter for old boys of The Hutchins School. The HSOBA is pleased to forward this copy to you as a way of keeping you up-to-date with what is happening in our alumni community. The newsletter will be printed in February, May and October this year with the bi-annual *Magenta & Black* magazine being issued in July and December.

*Magenta & Black* will feature articles on old boys and the Archives in each edition. For all the latest old boys news, and stories from our entire community, visit our website: [www.hutchins.tas.edu.au/oldboys](http://www.hutchins.tas.edu.au/oldboys). We also encourage you to become part of our HSOBA Online Network by following the login instructions on this page.

Plans are in place for a fantastic 2012 for the HSOBA. Old boys are about to start their football season, and reunions are planned for Hobart, Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane, Perth, Canberra, England, Hong Kong and Thailand. The events page of this edition has more information about the coming Golf Day and Cricket Reunion. We hope to further the mentoring program this year and support additional clubs and societies of old boys.

Our HSOBA Committee has already held their first meeting for the year. The 2012 HSOBA Committee are:

**President:** Gene Phair (OB 1987)

**Hon. Treasurer:** Mat de Gouveia (OB 2006)

**Committee Members:** Robert Dick (OB 1953), Nicholas Dwyer (OB 1999), George Friend (OB 2000), Tom Vincent (OB 1956), and Josh Munnings (OB 1988)

**Hon. Secretary:** John Devine, Director of Development

To ensure the continuing growth of the HSOBA and this newsletter we need your help. Please let us know what you are up to and any news that you would like to share with our community. We would also love to hear of any ideas that you may have to make the newsletter and *Magenta and Black* even better.

Please forward news to [hsoba@hutchins.tas.edu.au](mailto:hsoba@hutchins.tas.edu.au) or to speak to one of the Development Office Team call 6221 4200.



HSOBA Development Team: Jenna Vance, Anna Kirkland, Margaret Mason - Cox, John Devine

If you have not received the latest edition of *Magenta & Black* or you would like to receive future editions via email, please contact us on the above email or call us on 6221 4200.

## ARCHIVES COLLECTION

Our resident Archivist Ms Margaret Mason-Cox is always looking for items to add to the School collection. Old boys are welcome to come and browse the Archives and Heritage Collection open Tuesday - Thursday from 8.30 am - 4.30 pm. Appointments can be made through Reception.



## UPDATE YOUR DETAILS

Please send any updated contact information to

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## HSOBA CALENDAR

**FRIDAY 9 MARCH** — Golf Day

**FRIDAY 30 MARCH** — Cricket Reunion

**SUNDAY 1 APRIL** — Hong Kong Reunion

**THURSDAY 17 APRIL** — Old Boys' Morning Tea, Archives

**FRIDAY 4 MAY** — Melbourne Reunion

**MONDAY 7 MAY** — Sydney Reunion

**WEDNESDAY 9 MAY** — Brisbane Reunion

**THURSDAY 31 JULY** — Old Boys' Morning Tea, Archives

**SATURDAY 22 SEPTEMBER** — Tasmanian Reunion

**THURSDAY 2 OCTOBER** — Old Boys' Morning Tea, Archives

**FRIDAY 30 NOVEMBER** — Ray Vincent Lunch



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## PROUD OLD BOY MICHAEL HODGMAN AM QC RECOGNISED AT RAY VINCENT LUNCH

More than 80 old boys attended the annual Ray Vincent Lunch on Friday 2 December 2011, enjoying a delicious lunch served in the new Burbury House dining room.

In addition to catching up over a drink, and sharing tales of school days and news of family and friends, excitement and chatter centred around the annual awarding of the Ivied Tower Award – an award recognising an Old Boy who has achieved great things in their chosen field of endeavour. Recent winners have included Steve Smith (1976)(Armed Forces), Andrew Kemp (1954)(Business) and Chris Rae (1966) (Teaching). This year, the honour was awarded to Michael Hodgman AM QC (1955).

Michael is highly regarded in Tasmania as a former high profile member of the Tasmanian Legislative Council, the Tasmanian House of Assembly and the Australian House of Representatives. During his time in politics Mr Hodgman AM

QC was known for his outspokenness and witty rebuttals during question time, and his penchant for providing media with humorous “grabs” is legendary. Mr Hodgman AM QC is also known for his strong support and work to retain Australia's Constitutional monarchy.

In 1966 Mr Hodgman AM QC entered politics as a member for the Tasmanian Legislative Council seat of Huon, holding this position until 1974 when he stood down to run for the Federal electorate of Denison. Despite initially being defeated, he won the seat in 1975, maintaining the seat until 1987. He served as Minister for the Capital Territory and Minister Assisting the Minister for Industry and Commerce in the Fraser government from 1980 to 1983, before returning to Tasmanian politics in the lower house electorate of Denison, which he held until 1998, regaining the position in 2001. In 2009 Mr Hodgman AM QC announced he would not be contesting the 2010 state election and in June 2010, he was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia (AM).

Needless to say Michael is also a proud old boy, who has maintained strong connections with the School since leaving 46 years ago. The applause was resounding as Michael was recognised by his fellow old boys – none prouder than son Will.



Mr Hodgman AM QC with HSOBA President Mr Gene Phair and Headmaster Mr Warwick Dean



Winemaker Andrew Hood

## CRISP CHANGE: OLD BOY LEADS THE FIELD IN COOL CLIMATE WINES

Tasmanian winemakers have had the chance to show off their skills on an international stage thanks to old boy winemaker Andrew Hood (1966). As Chairman of the International Cool Climate Symposium Planning Committee, Mr Hood organised the International Cool Climate Wine Symposium in Hobart in January this year.

It is the first time the symposium has been held in Hobart, and only the second time it's in Australia. The symposium was supported by Wine Tasmania, the Department of Economic Development and Tourism Tasmania, in a bid to bring top winemakers and growers and international media to the state.

Despite producing less than half a per cent of Australia's wine, Tasmania has been labelled by commentators “the strongest wine region” in Australia. Mr Hood told the media the symposium was “one of the most ambitious things the state has ever taken on [in winemaking terms].”

Photo courtesy of winepunters.com



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## MONEY FOR JAM: OLD BOY BERRY GROWER LURES DICK SMITH

High profile entrepreneur Dick Smith is known for refusing to use anything but the best Australian-made produce in his food product lines.

Now, after being tempted to try Tasmanian grown berries he's sold on the idea of creating a line of jams using fruits from berry farms in the Derwent Valley – grown by our very own old boy Richard Clark (OB 2000) at his raspberry and blackberry farm in Westerway.

Mr Clark contacted Mr Smith after seeing a media story on the businessman's pledge to being an online grocery store selling Australian made products. After visiting Mr Clark's farm and sampling his berries, Dick Smith agreed to use the famer's berries in his new line of jams labelled "Magnificent Australian Grown Raspberry and Blackberry Jams". Mr Clark will supply Dick Smith with 48 tonnes of raspberries in the coming season.

## CELEBRATION AND A NEW CHAPTER: THE NEW BURBURY HOUSE OFFICIALLY OPENED

Hutchins has offered country boys boarding facilities at the School since its earliest days at the historic Macquarie Street campus. The move to Sandy Bay saw the second major chapter in boarding history begin, allowing for a new boarding house - *Burbury House* - to be built at Churchill Avenue. The most recent and exciting chapter has just begun, with the completion of a full refit and refurbishment that has seen the recreation of Burbury House as a world-class boarding facility.

So, it was with delight that the School was able to invite over 100 members of our past and present Hutchins boarding community to view these changes at the Official Opening on Monday 6 February. The astonishment of some of our past boarders was unsurprising as they toured the state of the art facility – from its spacious rooms through to leisure areas (including a games room and theatre room) as well as brand new bathrooms and domestic facilities.

The Headmaster Mr Warwick Dean and Chairman of the School Board Mr Lance Balcombe cut the ribbon to celebrate the Official Opening. Guest speakers old boys Tom Edgerton and John Hamilton shared colourful recollections of their time in boarding, while current boarder Will Fisher shared highlights of Hutchins boarding today.

Guests expressed delight at the new facilities during tours, and enjoyed sharing further stories over a drink or two. Perhaps the only disappointment was that some of the old "hidey holes" and escape routes no longer existed.

But as part of the rich tapestry of boarding at Hutchins, the entire community looks forward to sharing the new memories boarders will create at the new warm, inviting *Burbury House*.

## HUTCHINS OLD BOYS V ST VIRGIL'S OLD BOYS CRICKET

The sound of leather on willow echoed across the War Memorial Oval on 16 December last year. This was not the sound of our young 1<sup>st</sup> XI yet the cracking noise from years gone past. In a initiative to raise funds for the England Cricket Tour this May for the 1<sup>st</sup> XI, the Hutchins Old Boys captained by Tim Scott played against nemeses St Virgil's College in a 40 over fixture.

SVC won the toss and went into bat with Damian Green (now Hutchins teacher and First XI coach) dispatching the ball to the boundary with ease on his way to 23. A few quick wickets to Mat Allen evened the score card with innings delicately poised. Hutchins parent Andrew Jones (St Virgil's OB) tormented the Hutchins bowlers on his way to a century — only falling short at the end of the innings with 90 not out giving SVC a well deserved score of 202 for six. Mat Allen the pick of the bowlers with 3/31 off 7 overs.

The Hutchins innings began with Richard Allanby 70 and Tim Scott 28 combining well after John Groom was dismissed cheaply for 2. Hutchins were on their way to a comfortable victory when the wickets fell. It came down to the final over of the match with Hutchins requiring 6 runs to secure the victory. Butler and Harrison steered the Hutchins boys home with 2 balls to spare with Hutchins passing the 202 total and winning by 4 wickets.

It was a tremendous victory to the Hutchins Old Boys; a most joyous occasion where the banter was strong and competitive, yet the gratitude for the opportunity was overwhelming.



Hutchins Old Boys XI



Past and current Hutchins Boarders



# HSOBA EVENTS



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The HSOBA has an exciting year of events planned. Our first social event is on 9 March. For those who are keen golfers, gather some mates together and join us for a fun day on the green. There are overseas, interstate and Tasmanian reunions planned for 2012. We will be hosting overseas reunions in Hong Kong, Thailand and England. Interstate reunions will take place during May in Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane and our Tasmanian reunion will be held in September. There is also a Cricket reunion on March 30 and a Boarders and Perth reunion are currently being planned for later in the year.

Check the [Old Boys Website](http://OldBoysWebsite) for updates on coming events. We now have an online booking system in place to make things easier for you. If you have any ideas or would like to host a HSOBA event please let us know at [hsoba@hutchins.tas.edu.au](mailto:hsoba@hutchins.tas.edu.au).



The President of the Hutchins School Old Boys' Association cordially invites you to attend the

## HSOBA GOLF DAY

Friday 9 March, 10.30 am at the Kingston Beach Golf Club. Tickets \$50 include green fees and BBQ lunch. Ambrose rules, teams of four. RSVP and pay online by 2 March at [www.hutchins.tas.edu.au](http://www.hutchins.tas.edu.au) (click on poster).

## THE HUTCHINS SCHOOL REUNION DINNER



### BURBURY HOUSE SATURDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2012

For Leavers of 1952, 1957,  
1962, 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982,  
1987, 1992, 1997 and 2002



## THE HUTCHINS SCHOOL CRICKET REUNION

You are invited to a reunion of the 1st XI premierships  
winning cricket teams from the 70's and 80's  
(1973, 1975, 1980, 1981, 1984, 1986, 1987)

Friday, 30 March 2012, 6:30pm

at Burbury House, The Hutchins School,  
Nelson Rd Sandy Bay.

### SPECIAL GUESTS:

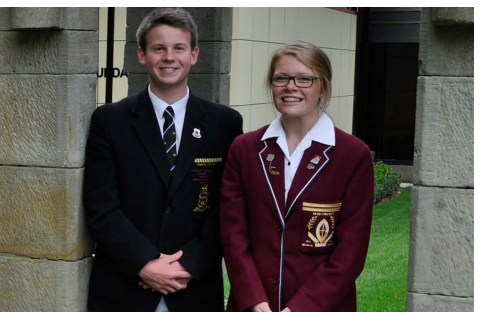
Ali de Winter (Current coach of the Hobart Hurricanes T20 side)  
Tim Paine (Current Cricket Australia contracted player)

**COST:** \$75 including dinner and drinks.  
Payment via the school's website;  
visit [www.hutchins.tas.edu.au](http://www.hutchins.tas.edu.au) and click on this invitation.

**RSVP:** by 16 March 2012  
to Megan Kube at [megan.kube@acrodata.com.au](mailto:megan.kube@acrodata.com.au)

**DRESS CODE:** Jacket

THE FATHERS OF PAST PLAYERS ARE ALSO WARMLY INVITED TO ATTEND.



## HUTCHINS AND COLLEGIATE HONG KONG REUNION

Sunday 1 April, Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club,  
Kellett Island, Causeway Bay, 6.00 pm

RSVP by Monday 19 March to  
[rsvp@hutchins.tas.edu](mailto:rsvp@hutchins.tas.edu)

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