There is no doubt that a powerful agent for socialising humans towards physical, social, spiritual and emotional growth is the need to belong to a group; the imperative of what we call “community” is indeed a cross-cultural phenomenon.

Persons skilled in manipulating social behaviour know well the powerful “pull” of needing to belong to a community. Football clubs call on the concept and so too do nations. Perhaps soon we will be calling on our planet’s population to consider the concept of a global community?

Today the buzz word often used to describe this phenomenon is “connectedness”. Politicians using the “us”, “our” and “we” words know how to draw on the sense of inclusiveness. A sense of belonging to and deriving loyalty from an affirming group is a well known motivator in the world of marketing. Bullies are particularly adept at pointing out to individuals the persona non grata of their victims; they drive home the feelings of not belonging, worthlessness and isolation from the group.

And don’t we feel good when we feel engaged, accepted and that we belong? Good teams, clubs and societies draw upon the enjoyment of association with similar fair-minded and right-minded persons. Gangs too can do the same for reasons of malicious intent.

If this is so, members of the Hutchins community are special. Random examples illustrate the point. Within the space of a term The Hutchins School has engaged in: the School Fair; Open Day; Swap Days; Learning Plan discussions; National Youth Week activities; touring theatre performance (designed to help combat bullying); Driver Safety Program for Year 10; the Principal and Staff PD - Best Practice in Teaching; Hutchins School Old Boys’ Association meetings; events in rowing, tennis and swimming; music; House competitions; visits by internationally renowned education speakers; the boarders and Principal home dinner; dance performance at the Australian College of Education Conference; School Captains’ meetings; choir representation at the naming of Incat Hull 065; playing violin at the Civic Welcome to our new Governor of Tasmania; planning for ANZAC Day at Hutchins and within the Hobart community; developing our plans as an inaugural member of the Australian Sustainable Schools Project; planning at the Board of Management for the financial, strategic and infrastructure future of the school; development of an Occupational Health & Safety Plan for the whole school; the Three Musketeers performances; Thursday Night Live concerts; Mothers’ Day stalls in the ELC and Junior School... and that is only a sample!

We have planned to seek as students’ education outcomes a sense of service to the community – ours and the community at large. We continue to support each other in our work and in our play; we have worked towards common goals (and many of those goals have been for others and not for ourselves) and we have participated in these endeavours as a community constructed of many like-minded individuals who value the freedom of choice, a sense of belonging and an opportunity to serve a corpus with a common purpose.

I wish therefore to take the opportunity to publicly express my thanks and gratitude to all members of our community for their previous and ongoing initiatives, support, encouragement and unselfish input which, despite the concrete and tangible outcomes, also build the most intangible and powerful outcome of all, a sense of belonging to a community with a vision, a purpose and a willingness to serve. After all, our motto is true in deeds, not just words: “What you do matters”!

Mr Warwick Dean
Principal
The “Triumph of Triviality” caught my eye. In an excellent essay with this title in April’s New Internationalist, John Schumaker speaks of the decline of values and substance in a crass, consumer-driven society where “the lofty and the ludicrous get confused.”

Pulp culture is a feast of tinsel and veneer. The ideal citizen is an empty tract through which gadgets can pass quickly, largely undigested, so there is always space for more.

New Internationalist, April 2008

Many of us might say, “How true”!

Against the backdrop of this article I want to look at two pictures of our students, taken nine years apart. Certainly these fine lads are, like most of us, pretty attuned to the fads of the time, but calling them “empty tracts through which gadgets can pass quickly” may be a little severe. Nine years ago these boys were in the Early Learning Centre (ELC). Pokemon and Transformers were the rage, and also those cute Furbies with enormous eyes. Those were the days of wooden blocks, glitter and difficult shoelaces. Now they are in the Senior School where the iPod rules, ear-buds are in and the touch iPhone is the next “must have”. Gone are the wide-eyed, crossed-legged, sitting-up-straight times, with the wonderful smell of sticky, finger-licking clag. In their place are steaming sandshoes, clouds of Brut, the caressing of mobiles, and the smell of fresh computers and all things digital and electronic.

History tells us that change is constant, fads come and go, and that i-things will pass away (for the unlucky it will be about a week after the warranty expires!); but here at this school we learn that there is more to life than tinsel and veneer. While we rub shoulders with pulp culture, our foundation lies elsewhere.

Hence the pictures. Nine years ago we took the photo during ELC Chapel. To illustrate the invisible power of God, I had set up a table on balloons. Boys stepped tentatively onto the platform, and across the Chapel hands went up to ears waiting for the big bang. It never came. Such unseen power inside the balloons; such unseen power in the Spirit of God! We are people of God who are supported, surrounded and buoyed up by a presence that is awesome.

Even when our faith is hesitant at best, and we let ourselves and others down, and even when we slink off to the altars of Harvey Norman after the next “can’t live without” item, the presence of God is still there – calling us to become the people we are created to be. This requires growing up, and growing down too. Like a tree putting its roots in the water, we must be people anchored by a spiritual taproot.

Since 1999 when the first picture was taken, all of us have progressed further along this process of becoming. Alastair and I are now Leavers; Isaac (Year 9) is still smiling; Tim (Year 10) is on the mend (and still can’t do up a tie); Angus (Year 11) makes films; and Cameron (Year 11) said, “I remember that Chapel when we walked on balloons”.

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We have a calling upon us by God to grow not just upward and outwards, but hopefully inwards and downwards too. How do we sink that taproot; how do we encounter the one who spoke to Moses and who wrestled with Jacob, and who raised Jesus from the dead? The answer could lie in doing what Jesus did – he was busy, but he had times of quiet, too. Every morning he had a time when he would go to a lonely place and pray. We could slow down a lot! We could pray, and know in a sacred moment that we are children of God.

We could remind ourselves of that great hymn from a deeper age: “change and decay in all around I see, O thou who changest not abide with me”.

Growing like this is growing downwards. To heal a pulp culture requires people who have depth, and who are in touch with the invisible presence that buoys us up.

The desperate need today is not for a greater number of intelligent people, or gifted people, but deep people. The classical disciplines of the spiritual life call us to move beyond surface living into the depths. They invite us to explore the inner caverns of the spiritual realm. They urge us to be the answer to the hollow world…

Our world is hungry for genuinely changed people.

Richard Foster, Celebration of Discipline

The process of becoming deeper takes a lifetime, and we believe that the process continues after death and into the life to come.

Fr John Goodwin
School Chaplain

The new Prefects were inducted at the first assembly of the year. As in recent years, a number of former Senior Prefects were on hand to witness the occasion, and 1945 Senior Prefect Mr Charles Payne presented School Captain Tim Graver with his badge of office.

The following boys were inducted at the assembly.

School Captain: Tim Graver
School Vice Captain: Alexander Quinn
Captain of Buckland House: Lucas Saunders
Captain of School House: Liam Street
Captain of Stephens House: Thomas Ransley
Captain of Thorold House: Reid Daniels
Captain of Boarding: Nathan Cosgrove

Later in term, three more boys were inducted as Prefects at a Principal’s Assembly. They were Alistair Park, William Lelong and Tim Green.

Congratulations to all boys on their appointments.
The new broad-based model of student leadership at Hutchins has given the opportunity for many senior boys to contribute to a wide area of service and positive influence in the lives of younger boys. The Early Learning Centre (ELC) is an example.

Saul Lopa, Year 12 student and Captain of Boats, is the ELC Leader. Under his organisation nine boys (from Years 10 to 12) spend a period each week with classes acting as teachers’ aides. Four Senior School tutor groups visit each week to listen to reading and act as “big boy” buddies.

Student Representative Council (SRC) members Isaac Menzie and John Wilson (Year 11) lead lunch-time activities with the assistance of Sam Allender, Alex Breckenridge, Matthew Kang and Jack Saffin (Year 11) and Oliver Burke (Year 10). James Hay (Year 12 Peer Support Leader), Luke Tucker and Alex Breckenridge (Year 11) give assistance at lunch time when there are students with special needs.

It was a particularly special day on 22 May with the above Senior School leaders organising a sausage sizzle (with the help of Robert Pascoe – Year 12 Events Leader) for the ELC, compliments of the SRC. At the request of the Year 2 boys, a ride on the school’s mini steam train was also organised for the same day.

Who enjoys the contact between the older and younger students the most? That is hard to measure. Senior boys readily volunteer to be involved in the ELC. The enthusiasm of the ELC boys’ greeting to the senior boys suggests their enjoyment. They are certainly disappointed when the planned program is interrupted.

What is also immeasurable is the influence for good the senior boys have on the ELC students. The younger boys might be forgotten in the busy lives of adulthood. However, there will be other adults in years to come who will remember their ELC years and a big boy who spent time with them sharing and caring. They were their heroes back then.

Mr John Overton
Director of Student Leadership
ELC FAMILY DAY

The Early Learning Centre parents have been very busy in Term One, running a number of activities, culminating in a Family Day on 18 May, with “Life. Be in it,” activities and a BBQ.

NEW PRESIDENT OF PARENTS’ ASSOCIATION

Mr Martyn Hagan was elected President of the Parents’ Association at the Annual General Meeting in March. Martyn is Executive Director of the Law Society of Tasmania, and he and his wife Alex have two boys at Hutchins – Macaulay in Year 10 and Selwyn in Year 7. Martyn takes over from Mrs Rowena Ransley, who has completed her two-year term at the helm.

PRINCIPAL’S FORUM

At the May meeting, the Parents’ Association conducted an Open Forum with the Principal. This gave parents a chance to ask questions and provide feedback, and the evening was well attended.

It is planned to hold a similar forum later in 2008.

MOTHERS’ DINNER 25 JULY

Make a note in your diaries now, make sure Dad is booked up to babysit, and keep an eye on Communiqué for the full details.

This is always a great evening.

PARENTS’ ASSOCIATION SCHOOL FAIR

The Annual School Fair was held on 4 April this year – a crisp but fine evening, combined with some innovations such as the Farmers’ Market and the climbing wall ensured a successful evening. Congratulations to Andrew Nesbitt and his team for a wonderful event.
THE HUTCHINS FOUNDATION
FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS...
FOUNDATION AWARDS FOR STUDENTS

Term One saw the first round of awards made under the new Hutchins Foundation Awards for Students scheme. These awards are intended to provide cash assistance to students to help them “follow a dream”, not necessarily a part of their studies.

The Foundation received some amazing applications and had a difficult time choosing the recipients. After long consideration the following five students received awards.

**Ian Meyer** (Year 12) for assistance with travelling to Japan to further his language skills and cultural understanding. Ian is already proficient in a number of languages and is looking to build a career around these skills.

**Ben Cross** (Year 11) for assistance with travel costs associated with an exchange trip to the UK with the Air Training Corps later this year. Ben already has a leadership role in the Air Cadets and is planning on bringing information back to share with others in the organisation.

**Allen Chen** (Year 9) to help with specialist coaching and special equipment for table tennis. Although only a young player, Allen has already shown great proficiency and also a strong willingness to help others in his sport.

**William Clark** (Year 12) to assist with the purchase of a new viola bow. William is a talented musician looking to build a career in music, and the specialist bow will help him develop his skills further. Like many of our music students, William has also been ready to share his talents with others.

**Jarrod Castle** (Year 12) for assistance with conversion of a ute into a mini truck as part of his Student Direct Inquiry coursework for his TCE. Jarrod’s project is quite innovative and he will develop a number of skills in completing it.

Another round of the awards will be conducted during the second half of the year.

FAREWELL NICK HEATH

Mr Nick Heath has retired from the Board of Management after completing ten years of service to the school. Mr Heath, who was a former student at Hutchins, had been Chairman of the Board for the last three years and led the school through the transition of Principals over the last twelve months.

It was fitting that Mr Heath’s retirement was marked by a ceremony at a Principal’s Assembly.
BEQUESTS ...
THE CORNERSTONE OF THE FOUNDATION

As you look around Hutchins, you will see buildings and facilities worth tens of millions of dollars. These facilities are largely the result of the generosity of past generations of students and their families. This generosity benefits both current and future generations of students.

One way in which you can help ensure this legacy continues is to include provision in your Will for a gift to the school. Even a very small percentage of a modest modern estate can provide a significant gift while still leaving the estate largely intact for other beneficiaries. Other gifts might include specific pieces of property (e.g. an artwork or parcel of shares).

Such gifts not only help preserve an important tradition but also provide a worthwhile working memorial. If you are reviewing your Will please consider this option. Additional information can be obtained by contacting Mr Tony Smithies in the Foundation Office on (03) 6221 4206.

FOUNDATION ANNUAL APPEAL

Each year The Hutchins Foundation conducts an appeal to fund particular resources within the school. This year, the main target is the Scholarships and Bursaries Fund, which fills a major role within the school. If you prefer, contributions can also be made to the Library and Building Funds.

A donation slip is included with this magazine.
A new tradition was established this year with each boy in the Early Learning Centre receiving a baby lion from the Principal, Mr Warwick Dean and the Deputy Principal, Mr Barrie Irons.

The lions were the brainchild of our Director of Marketing Mrs Annie Weatherburn, and the boys were excited to receive them.

The next challenge is for the boys to keep them until they graduate in twelve or so years!
ANZAC DAY 2008

Anzac Day is always a significant event at Hutchins, and as usual we marked the occasion on the school day preceding the Anzac Holiday.

This year happened to coincide with the memorial service for the HMAS Sydney and our ELC Grandparents’ Day, and we opened the Chapel for quiet reflection while the Memorial Service was being conducted.

Students who are also members of the Naval and Air Cadets formed an Honour Guard for the flag-lowering ceremony to coincide with the start of the Memorial Service in Sydney, and kept vigil in the Chapel. A number of grandparents took the opportunity to call in and light a candle in memory.

Following this, we conducted our Anzac Day Memorial Assembly. This is always a poignant occasion. The roll of names of those Old Boys who made the supreme sacrifice was read, with a candle lit in memory of each one.

1939 Leaver (and current grandparent) Mr Geoffrey Ashton-Jones AM delivered a moving address which left the boys in no doubt that the best way to honour those who were lost is to make sure the terrible consequences of war are not allowed to be repeated.
WHAT ANZAC DAY MEANS TO ME

By Stewart Jackson

Stewart Jackson (Year 4) was chosen to give a special address at this year's Anzac Day Dawn Service. Stewart (age 9) researched and wrote the article himself, then memorised it. He delivered it without notes in front of hundreds of attendees at the Dawn Service, met the Governor and the Premier, and was seated at the main table between the Premier and Lord Mayor. He also spoke on radio and television – a great experience, and a great way to show that the Anzac Spirit is alive and well. We have reproduced Stewart’s address below.

Near the end of the First World War, the Germans attacked the French village of Villers-Bretonneux, after first using poisonous gas and artillery. When night fell, the ANZACs stormed from their trenches and counter-attacked. A British General, who himself had won a Victoria Cross for bravery, called the ANZACs’ attack “Perhaps the greatest individual feat of the war”.

The ANZACs then had to enter the village and fight from house to house. Finally, Australian and French flags were raised over Villers-Bretonneux. The ANZACs stopped to bury their dead – 1,200 Australians had been killed saving the village. It was not until they were putting the date on some makeshift crosses that they realised what it was – it was Anzac Day 1918, three years to the day since they had stormed ashore at Gallipoli.

The Australian flag is still flown at Villers-Bretonneux. It flies over the Australian National Memorial, on which is listed the names of the 10,982 Australians killed in France who have no known grave. Above the blackboards in the special Aussie school in the village are the words “N'oublions jamais l'Australie” – “let us never forget Australia”.

My great-great uncle, Robert Nelson Jackson, is one of the names listed on that memorial. A Tasmanian and an Australian, who fought the way Australians are said to fight – always forward, no retreat.

Another of my great-great uncles, Maxwell Ronald Jackson, fought in the Second World War, and died as a prisoner of war in 1943. My great-grandfather, Andrew Moffatt, fought in Papua New Guinea – he is still alive and will be marching today in Sydney. The medals I am proud to wear are replicas of the medals he received during his service.

I feel that Anzac Day lets us celebrate the Australian tradition of mateship. It is a reminder that if it wasn’t for those who fought as ANZACs, that the freedoms and opportunities we possess may not exist.

I am proud to be an Australian because of these brave souls who fought in wars that we are commemorating today. We are a community of Australians and our ANZACs showed us that working together and thinking of others is what makes us achieve.

For six years I have been attending these services with my grandmother and my father, a service man himself. In Malvern, Victoria, my uncle is the bugler, playing The Last Post – for us it is a family affair.

At monuments around Australia, Australians are gathering in a spirit of remembrance, to praise those men and women who fought and saved this country that we live in today.

We remember them at dawn.
KINDER PET PARADE

The last week of term saw an exciting pet parade with the Kinder boys. We had cats, chickens, lots of dogs and the occasional stuffed pet, and everything survived the experience. All the boys received a participation certificate.

HUTCHINS BOYS PERFORM AT INCAT LAUNCH

International Catamarans (Incat) recently launched their latest vessel, bound for Japan. Part of the fanfare for the event was provided by our Junior Choir who performed at the launch along with the choir from Collegiate.
During Term One Mrs Collis’ Year 7 class visited residents at the Queen Victoria Home. The visit was greatly appreciated by the residents and enjoyed by the boys.

Following the recent natural disasters in Myanmar and China, Fr John organised a coin line on the War Memorial Oval.

The support was overwhelming, with $1325 raised. Boys from the ELC, Junior and Middle Schools contributed over $800 alone. The money is being divided between Red Cross and Medicins Sans Frontieres for their appeals.
Earlier this year The Hutchins School received two fabulous stone lions as a gift from Mr William and Mrs Daisy Liu, Governors of the Piaget Schools in Indonesia.

We were fortunate that Mr and Mrs Liu were able to be present, along with former Principal Mr Bill Toppin, at a special outdoor assembly in March. A feature of the assembly was a Lion Dance and dedication service conducted by the Holy Tantra Esoteric Buddhist Institute.

The new lions are an impressive addition to the Senior School Quad area.
Thibaud Pavlovic-Hobba became the inaugural recipient of the Melanie Godfrey-Smith prize when he was presented with his award at the start-of-year assembly. The prize, which is a Gold Pass for two to the Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra (TSO) Concert Program and has a value of over $1500, is intended to encourage students to develop a love of symphony music. Mrs Godfrey-Smith is a former parent of the school, and a significant supporter of the TSO.

Students in the Senior School are now being faced with exciting new challenges through the introduction of a new pre-tertiary subject, Manufacturing Studies. Resulting from extensive consultation between the manufacturing community and the Tasmanian Qualification Authority, the new subject was created for teaching in 2008.

The subject has been received enthusiastically at Hutchins, with thirty-one students in two classes taking up the challenges it offers. Teacher in charge, Mr Tony Greve, says that “many students are now gaining a clearer direction in future educational and employment pathways - whether it is a career in the trades or one requiring higher studies.”

The course is structured to introduce the students to modern manufacturing philosophies, techniques, quality management systems, OH&S and Triple Bottom Line reporting, while incorporating broader aspects such as product design and marketing. A mixed approach of practice and theory has been warmly welcomed by the students.

By way of a general introduction, the students were involved in the national ABW manufacturing simulation game. This gave them an insight into the complete running of a corporation. Quarterly sales forecasts were provided from which decisions were made on marketing strategies, sales advertising, inventory control and implementation of manufacturing quality systems. Manufacturing operations, shifts, factories and training employees were also discussed.

In this simulation game, the students decided on how to finance the total operations. Each quarter the group would submit their decisions and await the effect on the company’s share price. The process was then repeated over 6 quarters. At its conclusion the four Hutchins teams were very successful.

Site visits make up an integral part of the manufacturing course. Students have visited a range of places including: Incat; Nyrstar; Cadbury; Richardson and Divine Marine; Norske Skog; Austral Shipping; Muirs Engineering; Plastic Fabrications; Moorilla; Powercom and Liferaft Systems Australia. These visits have given students an insight into and an understanding of the practical workings of manufacturing. They are also looking forward to their one-week placement at an enterprise as well as visits to UTAS and TAFE.

It is expected the course will continue to grow from its beginnings this year and build stronger bonds with the broader manufacturing community and associated government agencies. We are always looking for new opportunities, so if you think you can help out by being a mentor or providing a site visit or future placement, please contact the school.
MAGENTA AND BLACK
ART SHOW

This biennial exhibition of student artworks from across the school again took place in April. There was a fantastic selection of art on display, highlighting the diversity of activities undertaken at Hutchins.

The show was officially opened on 7 April with a cocktail party attended by over 200 parents and friends of the school.
THE THREE MUSKETEERS

Who would have thought you could turn that heroic story *The Three Musketeers* into a rollicking panto! The Hutchins Year 11 and 12 drama students did just that to packed audiences over five performances.

We certainly had a lot of fun performing this version of Dumas’ classic. All the actors excelled in comic timing, exaggerated character portrayal and encouraging audience participation. It was a show not to be missed with the side-splitting humour, two outrageous dames, a creepy spider and an enormous snail. Needless to say D’Artagnan finally becomes a King’s Musketeer through sheer luck in this play!

Make sure you make it to our next show, *The Popular Mechanicals*, in August.

MUSIC ENSEMBLES CONCERT

Term One concluded with a fabulous Ensembles Concert on the last Thursday of term. The concert involved some 130 boys from across the school, and was attended by nearly 300 parents and friends.
GRANDPARENTS’ DAYS

The Early Learning Centre, Middle School and Senior School all held Grandparents’ Days during Term One, with over 600 grandparents coming along.

Each of the sessions was distinctly different. The Early Learning Centre put on an entertaining concert involving every boy in ELC, Middle School conducted a fascinating Theatre Sports session (unfortunately we discovered that our grandparents are shy, but it was still a great effort), and in Senior School we started with a service and music performance in the Chapel, followed by a lunch with the boys in the Senior School Cafeteria.

The Junior School Grandparents’ Day will be held in Term Two, on Friday 22 August.
The Hutchins School sport program has again excelled during the early months of 2008. Our diverse summer program has allowed Hutchins students the opportunity to participate in a greater range of sports.

A tremendous “thankyou” must go to our coaches and administrators. Their continual efforts and support for our boys is indicative of The Hutchins School spirit.

The cycling program under Mr Michael Thorne has continued to develop both on road and mountain bike disciplines with fantastic success. Surfing, once again has produced some outstanding results, along with orienteering and table tennis.

The First XI cricket team again had another dominating season, claiming the minor premiership and the SSATIS trophy. The state final was an outstanding two days of tough cricket, lead by Captain Tim Blacker, with inspirational performances by Matthew Clarke, Edward Pascoe and Marcus Davies. Unfortunately Launceston Church Grammar School had our measure, taking the title late on day two. It also saw the end of an era with Deputy Principal and long-time First XI coach Mr Barrie Irons handing over the coaching role to Mr Damian Green (Head of School House) for 2008-2009. Mr Irons has given considerable service to cricket in the school and we thank him for the knowledge and countless hours he has given.

Tennis has once again proven to be strong. Led by Mr Peter Crofts and Mr Ray Harrison our First and Second teams clinched the Southern SATIS finals. The state final came down to the last rubber with Year 10 student and Hutchins line 1 James Roberts-Thompson being narrowly defeated in the last match of the day against Scotch Oakburn College.

The Hutchins School swim team in 2008 proved its dominance in the pool with some outstanding performances. At the Southern and State SATIS swimming carnivals Hutchins won all three possible trophies - the College Boys, the Aggregate Boys and Junior Boys. Year 9 student Rory Middleton broke the record for boys Under 15 50m freestyle in both carnivals. Additional outstanding swims for each age group in heavy individual programs, plus relays, included those of other competitive state swimmers Alec Guerzoni (Under 13), Nick Cannell (Under 16), Lewis Stadler, Ben Prentice and Alastair Glass (Open). Congratulations to Captain Alastair Glass and Co Vice-Captains Nick Cannell and Lewis Stadler for leading and coaching the team of thirty students this year.

Rowing once again has shown its dominance during the past few months. Under the direction of Mr Julian Joscelyne (Director of Rowing) The Hutchins School Boat Club has competed in several rowing regattas. The strong display began at the State Championships where the Under 15s and Under 16s won the Quad Scull and Eights races. The First VIII squad began its rowing campaign by winning the Under 19 Eights race in strong headwind conditions. Franklin was the beginning of the school regatta competition where the Under 13s and Under 14s won their first races for the season. The Under 15s, our biggest age group, were very successful and won all their events. The Under 16s Eight squad rowed very strongly to win all their sweep oared races. The First VIII squad performed strongly and won the Eights race by several lengths.

The North West Schools Regatta was another chance for the school to show strong preparation and commitment to the sport by winning most of the races over the two-day event.

On 5 and 6 April The Hutchins School participated at the Tasmanian All Schools Rowing Championships, where the regatta was split into two days. Heats were held on the first day of competition, with finals on the Sunday.
The Hutchins Boat Club was well represented in the finals and, thanks to strong performances from all age groups, took out the Boys Underage and Overall Aggregate trophies.

The Head of the River was the final regatta for the season. Strong performances from all age groups helped the boat club to maintain its dominance of schoolboy rowing this year. The club won the Under14 and Under 15 Quads, the Under 16 Eight and the Open Eight. Excellent efforts in the smaller boats also enabled the club to win the Boys Aggregate shields for Underage, Under 16 and Overall.

Sailing continues to be one of our strongest sports, lead by Mr Murray Jones, coach of The Hutchins School Sailing Team.

Mr Jones was named Volunteer of the Year by Yachting Australia in May this year for his dedication to all areas of sailing. A prominent youth and team racing coach, Mr Jones has coached Australia’s Team Racing team at the World Championships three times. He is also an active member of the Management Committee of the Tasmanian Yachting Association, Yachting Australia’s Team Racing Committee and a Director of the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania. Mr Jones also turns his hand successfully to umpiring and running regular rules seminars and is the Race Officer at club races and championships.

The sailing team is looking forward to the Tasmanian Open Teams Racing State Titles. The aim is to be the top youth team (Under 21) and qualify for the National Championships and the Australian School Teams Racing Championships. This will be the sixteenth appearance by Hutchins at this event. Only the top two teams from the state titles are eligible. Fundraising is also well under way to enable us to compete at the Inter-dominion Schools Team Sailing Championship to be held in Auckland, New Zealand later in 2008.

Congratulations to all boys, staff, coaches and parents for your committed effort towards The Hutchins School sport program.

Mr Wayne Brown
Director of Sport

Elliot Noye is the 2008 recipient of the Neil Thomas Scholarship for Sailing. This prestigious scholarship is awarded each year to a young sailor who has shown commitment and potential in the sport.

Congratulations Elliot and “thankyou” Mr Neil Thomas for your wonderful support.

Earlier this year our First cricket team played some games in Victoria.

Seen here at the Mentone Grammar game are Coach Mr Barrie Irons (Deputy Principal), Vice Captain Robb MacMillan (Year 11), Mrs Thelma and Mr David Basselot-Hall (1952 Leaver) and Captain Tim Blacker (Year 12) with Principal Mr Warwick Dean.

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2007 was such a successful year for our sailors that we felt a special acknowledgement should be provided in this issue of Magenta and Black.

The year started well when the three Hutchins teams in the Hobart Schools Team sailing roster finished first, third and fourth.

In April three Hutchins teams competed in the Yardstick Regatta at the Leven Yacht Club in Ulverstone with Hutchins winning four of the nine individual classes.

The highest ranked International Cadet was won by Tom Kennedy and Alec Bailey. The winning Sabot was Zac Pullen. The winning Laser Radial was Michael Sorrell-Saunders and the winning Laser 4.7 was Rohan Langford.

Later in April Hutchins was back on the water competing in the Tasmanian Schools Team Sailing Championships. Two teams represented Hutchins in the event. Hutchins 1 team comprising Captain Michael Sorrell-Saunders, fellow helms Elliot Noye and George Jones, with crews Lewis Noye, Alec Bailey and Jeremy Coles, showed great maturity under pressure to win narrowly from St Virgil's/GYC.

The same team, with the addition of Rohan Langford as a change-up crew and light-weather helm, then went on to be one of the two Tasmanian teams at the 2007 Matrix Australian Schools Team Sailing Championships, which was hosted jointly by the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania and Sandy Bay Sailing Club.

After losing our three senior helms from the 2006 team which had finished second at national level, we had regarded 2007 as a major rebuilding year and it was expected that Hutchins would struggle to be competitive against perennial rivals Christ Church Grammar School from WA, as well as local training partners, the very experienced St Virgil's/GYC team.

As the regatta went on though, our team grew in confidence. Their capacity to remain focused when things didn’t go their way was a major factor in eventually winning the Australian championship, the fourth in six years for the school, which is a remarkable effort given that over three hundred schools from across Australia start the journey each year trying to win this event. The success of the team was a just reward for its disciplined approach to training, physical fitness, and a real “never-say-die” approach in every one of the twenty-two races the team sailed over the four days of the regatta.

Hutchins was then joined by St Virgil's/GYC and Christ Church as Australia’s representatives in the Inter-dominion Schools Team Sailing Championship where we sailed against the top three New Zealand schools, Tauranga Boys College, Mahurangi College and Queen Charlotte College.

Although Tauranga was the top individual team, the combined scores of the three Australian teams meant that we were part of the winning Australian team, the first defeat for New Zealand in fourteen years, and the team was suitably acknowledged by the school by being awarded the Denis Butler trophy for the best performance by a school team.

There were many other outstanding performances in sailing events outside the school by our boys in 2007. Elliot Noye was fourteenth in the World Cadet Championships, while Tom Ransley was twenty-seventh. James Onn was a member of the Australian team which finished second at the World Under 21 Team Sailing Championship. Tom Kennedy was fortieth out of 230 competitors in the World Optimist Championships, George Jones came first in the Australian Laser 4.7 Championship, Zac Pullen was first in the Tasmanian Sabot Championship and Lewis Noye sailing with Toby Burnell finished tenth out of 123 starters in the promotional fleet at the Cadet Worlds.

Our sailors also enjoyed great support from the Hutchins Sailing Support Group, led by Glenda Sorrell-Saunders. Without the support of the extended community these achievements would not have been possible.

Max Cherry was involved in coaching the track members of the Hutchins Athletics team for the past thirty-plus years. He brought to his time at Hutchins a wealth of experience that began with his own training with Percy Cerutty, the legendary coach of Herb Elliott, and culminated in his coaching and mentorship of Donna MacFarlane, Tasmania’s most recent Olympian. A number of our past and present students have taken up athletics as a sport outside of school because of the encouragement and inspiration provided to them by Max. He instilled in the boys the importance of always doing their best and giving 100%. Success in this case was measured by the size of your heart and not where you finished. Max was a true gentleman who gave so much more to Hutchins that just his knowledge of athletics. The grand gentleman of Athletics will be sadly missed by the school community.
IN THE ARCHIVES

NEWS FROM THE ARCHIVES

A crack team of volunteers is now in place, each doing his or her bit to assist with the digitisation program of the Hutchins Archives and Heritage Collection.

Mrs Ingrid Heather and Mrs Alex Hagan are working on the photograph collection - sorting, listing and inputting data to make it searchable by computer. Mr David Brammall is putting his wealth of knowledge about past students and staff to good use by working through selected years and adding names to photographs. Archives student leader Alick Reid (Year 12) is gathering together past rugby photos from coaches and students, adding names and compiling an album, working towards the preparation of a display in the build-up to the end of the rugby season next term. Benjamin Schneider (Year 11) is scanning school magazines in order to make them progressively available on the world wide web. Gap students Bryan Punt and Angelo Mackaiser are also helping. Bryan is working on the collection of cadet photos, adding names to a searchable database, while Angelo is compiling a database of information about past donations. All of these valuable contributions will make it a far easier task to find great-grandfather in the team photo, or locate the missing link regarding his donated cap badge and pocket.

Mr Richard Lord has been an invaluable helper in the sorting, listing and boxing of speech night programs and prize lists, newsletters and magazines, as well as being a peerless finder of “lost” information and a font of knowledge regarding past days at Hutchins. We wish him well in his current bout of ill health and look forward to his return to the barricades to continue his important work.

The provenance of this beautifully dressed plastic doll from the Collection is unknown.

If you have information, please share it with us! You can see the doll on display in the Administration block foyer, along with the “Lodge” tobacco tin in which it lives when not modelling high fashion.

RECENT ACQUISITIONS
(and some not-so-recent, inadvertently left off the previous list)

Photograph of Remove B1 (grade 6) class, Macquarie Street, 1953 – donated by Mr Peter Anderson, June 2007.

Framed photograph of Cub group with Cubmaster Jim Ludwig – found and donated by Mr Justin Carr, December 2007.


Scout cap found and donated by Mr Justin Carr, February 2008.


Wooden crest, carved by unknown student found in workshop under Burbury House and donated by Mrs Sally Dunn, March 2008.

Framed print of The Hutchins School, Hobart (Macquarie Street) by Roy Cox – found at Hobart tip and given to Board Chairman Mr Nick Heath, March 2008.


Book: Life and Laughter amidst the Cannibals, by Clifford Collinson – donated by Mr Lindsay Crawford, May 2008.
The bell that hangs in the bell tower at the front entrance to the Senior School bears the date 1837 and a broad arrow. It was cast at Port Arthur and reportedly hung in the Convict Chapel there. Later it went to Horton College, Ross, until that school closed in 1893. Dr W L Crowther presented it to his old school exactly seventy years ago, in June 1938, in memory of his uncle, Henry Lucas Crowther, an Old Boy of both Hutchins and Horton College.

ANY UNWANTED NEWSLETTERS in your personal archives?

In the course of sorting past school newsletters – including Magenta and Black and all other forms of news bulletins – we’ve found that several issues are missing from the collection. Anyone who can help fill the gaps will earn our undying gratitude.

In particular we are looking for a copy of The Hutchins Newsletter no. 38, 1989 (special prize for this one!)

Any past student publications will be gratefully received, e.g. Vivit Post, Junior School Journal, The Echo . . .

PHOTOGRAPH WANTED

Henry Leslie Sayer TASKER (great-grandfather of Year 1 student Callum Calder) was a member of the school cricket team 1926, which won both southern and state premierships with the help of his ‘deadly bowling’. We would love to have a photo of this team and the trophy it won - if you have one, please consider lending it briefly so that we can make a copy for the collection.

Ms Margaret Mason-Cox
ARCHIVIST
A small group of Old Boys recently found themselves on Flinders Island, where they caught up with resident Chris Chen (1957). The photo shows (from left to right) David Boyes (1954), Chris Chen, Wayne Wallace (1955) and Tom Vincent (1956).

Geoff Salmon (1973) has been in touch recently. He is living in Melbourne where he has been a registered builder for nearly twenty years, having changed from an earlier career in forestry. He is still rowing and trying to maintain a range of outdoor activities.

Bruce Walker (1978) has been with IBM for twenty-eight years, holding a number of management roles across Asia Pacific. He has recently returned from a two year assignment in Singapore his current role is Asia Business Development Manager for Supply Chain.

Frederick Auld (1983) became a Chartered Accountant with Deloitte after leaving school. He has just spent ten years living and working in London and returned to Australia late last year. While in London he made a career switch to IT consulting. He is now living in Sydney, and opening a German IT firm’s first office in this country.

Adam Coleman (1983) has been living in the USA since 1994 and has recently relocated to sunny South Texas after eight years in North Carolina. He became involved a while back in oil and petroleum and, he says, “it’s been a good match”.

Nik Peacock (1983) has a private practice in dental prosthetics in Hobart. He is Chair, Dental Prosthetists Registration Board of Tasmania and Treasurer of the Council of Regulating Authorities, Australia and New Zealand. He also now has a son at Hutchins.

Adam Baker (1988) has been employed as a police officer since leaving school, and has served throughout the state in various different sections and areas. He is currently a Senior Constable at Hobart City performing the duties of a Watch Sergeant

There must have been a major recruiting exercise by Tasmanian Police in 1988, as Stephen Watson is also in the police force as the Sergeant in charge of the Crime Scene Investigators, within the Tasmania Police Forensic Services Section.

Ben Crisp (1988) lives in Brisbane where he has his own company and contract to an engineering and manufacturing company that supports the mining industry both here in Australia and overseas. He is involved in mechanical engineering design using Solidworks 3D software. He is married and has three children – two boys and a recently arrived daughter.

James Davis (1988) is in the third year of development of an outdoor activity company in the highlands of Scotland. He is currently organising an expedition starting in Argentina and running through to the west coast of Chile via three interconnecting lakes and rivers. One of the rivers is earmarked for damming and he plans to make a documentary to raise awareness of this and raise money to be donated to a local Indian school.

GOLFING SUCCESS

There was a great roll-up at the annual Shadforths Victorian Golf Day at Melbourne’s Woodlands Golf Course on 9 May. The event involves former students from Hutchins, Launceston Grammar and Scotch Oakburn.

It was a successful day, with Hutchins taking the Shadforths Cup for the second time in the four-year history of the event.
Richard (Des) Hallett has kept busy since leaving school in 1993 developing the farming business and growing a young family, now consisting of wife Amy and children Poppy, George and Harry. He spent a small amount of time overseas and also had a couple of years on the mainland working and attending agricultural college. Last year he ran into Andrew Clark (also 1993) at the post Targa Tasmania party, who had been navigating for his father during the rally.

Niall Seewang (1997) is living in Albury Wodonga where he is a sub-editor and sports reporter at The Border Mail.

George Francis (1993) married Kimberly Liska of Montreal, Canada in April. The wedding took place in Hawaii on the island of Maui. A number of Hutchins Old Boys were in attendance as groomsmen: Richard Thomson, Levon Kara, Peter Headlam, David Abrahamsson (all fellow 1993 leavers) and David Spilsbury (1991). The couple lives in Ontario, Canada.

Brodie Neill (1997) was recently back in Hobart to deliver a lecture at the Centre for the Arts. Brodie is making a name for himself as an acclaimed international furniture designer. After running a successful studio in New York City he now operates in London’s East End, where he works closely with European and North American manufacturers as well as renowned European brands. His current clients include the prolific Italian manufacturer Kundalini, Domodinamica and Swarovski. He was a shortlisted finalist for the Victoria and Albert Museum’s Young Designer of the Year 2008.

We recently heard from Alexander Sharman (1994) who is currently living in Paraguay. Alex was captain of the school rugby team in 1994, and has recently been selected to play in the Paraguayan National Team – now looking forward to the World Cup qualifiers! Alex is living with his partner Andrea in downtown Asuncion.

Nick Copping (1994) has been living in Brisbane for the last four years but has recently moved to the Gold Coast to take up the position of Business Development Manager for Australia’s number one luxury hotel, Palazzo Versace. Nick oversees all sales for Australia, New Zealand, Europe and the UK.

**THREE GENERATIONS OF ROWERS**

Three generations of the Ashton-Jones family came together at this year’s Head of the River at Lake Barrington. Geoff Ashton-Jones rowed for the First VIII in 1939, while son Scott achieved the same honour in 1970. Grandson Sam is currently in Year 7.

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From left to right Levon Kara, David Abrahamsson, George Francis and Richard Thomson

Two of Brodie Neill’s stunning designs – the @Chair and the E Turn Bench

Want to catch up with more old boys? Check out the online directory at www.hutchins.tas.edu.au/oldboys
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OBITUARIES

We are saddened to report the passing of the following Old Boys. Our condolences to their families and friends.

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Jim Terry GM (1944 Leaver)

Jim Terry passed away in January this year. Shortly after the service, we were pleased to receive from a copy of the book *The Derwent Valley 1960 Floods – Jim Terry’s Story* from the author Ned Terry (Jim’s brother and a 1942 leaver).

The book outlines the events of the 1960s floods when Jim rescued six people trapped on a rooftop in exceptionally dangerous conditions, and at great personal risk. Without his efforts it is likely that these people would have drowned.

He was awarded the George Medal for Bravery. The story really is a great example of the motto “What you do matters” in action.

PLEASE ADD TO OUR MEMORIAL COLLECTION

Many of our Old Boys have had interesting lives and lived through fascinating periods of history.

With this in mind, we would love to receive copies of eulogies and memorial speeches delivered in honour of Old Boys, along with other documents like the Jim Terry book. These stories provide a window through which current and future generations can look and learn about the past, and hopefully the collection will become a valuable historic resource. At the same time it is a practical way to create a long-term memorial.

If you would like to advertise in Magenta and Black please contact Tony Smithies on (03) 6221 4206
**COMING EVENTS**

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