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A true sense of connection

DR ROB MCEWAN HEADMASTER

Having commenced the role of Headmaster in one of Australia's leading boys' schools in January of this year, I am both humbled and honoured to have been charged with the responsibility of leading this great community. As the oldest continuously operating school in Australia, with deep roots in the Anglican faith, I have great admiration and respect for the foundations on which this school has been built and the long line of inspirational leaders, staff and volunteers who have served this school tirelessly for over 170 years.

Communities are bound by shared values. At The Hutchins School these values include the pursuit of excellence in and out of the classroom, breadth of experience, strong moral character and the embracing of tradition and spiritual enquiry. The evidence is plentiful, from a high achieving academic program, comprehensive co-curricular program and student engagement in community service. Whether it is the strong support provided by a number of parent support groups, the long-serving connection and contribution from the Hutchins Old Boys, evident in the numerous Reunions held around Australia annually, or any one of the initiatives that involve our boys serving and supporting others, there is an overwhelming sense of pride, loyalty

& belonging.

The sense of community was evident from my first Hutchins event, an Old Boys Reunion in October of last year in Perth, Tony Stephenson ('57) addressed a gathering of 40 Old Boys and shared his experiences and the significant influence Hutchins has had on his life. He concluded his speech by saying, 'I am an ex Hutchins boy and proud of it, that makes me one of you.' The fond memories and strong sense of pride has been a feature in many of the conversations I have had with Old Boys over the recent months as I strive to learn more about traditions, heritage and values upon which this school has been built.

As the longest continually operating school in Australia, it is essential that we preserve the traditions, heritage and values upon which The Hutchins School has been built. A school, however, cannot rely solely on its past reputation. With a strong commitment to the realisation of our highest aspirations, the School Executive has developed an action plan that identifies targets and timelines for the implementation of the Strategic Plan. Staff have commenced in earnest the development of a whole school Wellbeing Program that is currently being trialled in the Senior School and service learning is being placed at the centre of community service initiatives – moving service beyond fundraising to student engagement.

Other initiatives introduced this semester include the development of a Marketing and Communications Strategy, introduction of a Years 2–12 program, reviews of the Centre for Excellence, boarding and Music programs and the engagement of an architect in February of this year to design a Master Plan for the School site that will provide direction for development over the next 20 years. The Master Plan will enable Hutchins to achieve the highest educational and strategic aims through the provision of state of the art facilities.

I thank the Hutchins community for the warm welcome shown to my wife, Gaye, our son, Tom, and me. We are privileged to join such a special community and, with God's help, I look forward with energy and enthusiasm to the leadership of a school that will continue to shape men of character – a tenet that has sat firmly at the centre of our school's efforts for over 170 years. ■



[above top] Dr Rob McEwan and School Captain Thomas Dunbabin presenting the new Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten students with their Roary lion and [below] Dr Rob McEwan aboard the Windeward Bound during the Power of 9 Port Davey Challenge sail training day

Collective pride

At Hutchins we strive to provide a community of support for each boy as we know that if a child feels happy, understands the expectations and is encouraged by those around them, they are able to flourish. We also understand that for any child to succeed and find their potential it requires a strong partnership between parents and school as well as trust between student, school and parents.

DR ADAM FORSYTH DEPUTY HEADMASTER

It has been wonderful through the start of the year to enjoy many special occasions where we have been able to come together, as a community. Whether it has been the joint service with the staff of St Michael's Collegiate School at St David's Cathedral back on the first staff day of the year, the welcome back dinner for the boarding community, Blokes and Spokes, Agfest, the Webber Lecture or the first home game for the football, to name but a few, each has, in different ways, provided a chance to celebrate with collective pride the strength we have in the Hutchins community.

Agfest was an unexpected highlight – so many Old Boys and past parents dropped by to talk about their fond memories of the School and also to share updates on where their lives, or their son's, had taken them after leaving Hutchins. It was especially pleasing to hear of the many, and varied, successful careers that started with a spark at Hutchins.



We are so very fortunate to have a wonderful body of staff at Hutchins – staff who bring a wealth of teaching experience, depth of knowledge, a real passion for their subjects and most importantly an unwavering commitment to know the boys in their care and work hard to ensure that those boys achieve the best that they possibly can. I look forward to many more opportunities throughout 2017 to come together and celebrate our Hutchins community and I encourage all of you reading this edition of Magenta & Black to join in the fun!

(above) Mr Stuart Hammond (Registrar), Tasmanian Premier and Old Boy the Honourable Will Hodgman ('86) and Dr Adam Forsyth (Deputy Headmaster)



Community

MRS JENNY MANTHEY HEAD OF EARLY LEARNING
CENTRE & JUNIOR SCHOOL

At Hutchins, at all stages of their journey through the School and across all areas of their learning, boys are encouraged and given opportunities to develop their sense of connection and community. Each boy's identity and sense of belonging and being connected to family, class, school, and community – at local, national and international levels – are explored, expanded and celebrated.



As individuals, boys soon learn that any community should be a place where we value and honour people with whom we may not always get along. Community is the place where we respect and celebrate differences and care for each other. Our use of everyday Restorative Practice helps to develop and encourage student wellbeing and resilience. The restorative 'chat' in particular is a set of questions during times of conflict that aims to develop ownership of their behaviour by the student. Questions such as 'What happened?' 'What were you thinking at the time?' 'Who do you think has been affected by what you did?' 'What do you need to do to make things right?' encourage students to reflect, repair, and reconnect with others as good communication and good relationships are at the heart of a strong community.



building

At each year group level community building can be identified as underpinning many of the learning experiences undertaken. For instance, the Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten boys have regular opportunities to spend time together during outdoor play time, learning activities and specific events.

Parents and family members are also welcome to join in special get-togethers known as 'Kinder community events'. These have included a party afternoon tea, a Hutchins lion logo search, excursions to parks, an Easter Hat Parade and a long-table lunch. Identity, relationships and connections to the community are fundamental to the learning outcomes of the Early Years Learning Framework.



The annual Lap it Up event is a very effective Kindergarten to Year 6 activity, where the boys in their school community, supporting each other with cheers, good spirit and even sustenance, run sponsored laps around the oval. This year over \$7,000 was raised for charities – 'global' charities such as the Cambodian Children's Trust and KIVA, and 'local' charities such as Ronald McDonald House in Hobart. The boys support their local community and beyond by meeting the needs there.



Developing a strong sense of community is the glue that binds us together – as the Irish proverb says,

'We live in the shelter of each other'.

That is why community building must be at the heart of any good school. ☺

The education of a child is a collaborative effort between the school and each boy's parents or carers. The three-way relationship between boys, their parents and the teachers provide the guidance and support that each boy needs to flourish as they venture through their schooling.



Collaborative efforts

MR SIMON ANGUS HEAD OF MIDDLE SCHOOL



To help strengthen these important relationships Hutchins hosts numerous events that involve our parents and carers. Some of note that involve our Middle School boys include the Year 7 Orientation BBQ, the Swap Days, the Middle School Easter Service, Blokes and Spokes bike ride, Family/Teacher Conferences, Mother's Day Breakfast, the Quiz Night and the Year 8 Project.

In the Middle School the most significant of our family events is the Bill Jennings' Mother and Son Night for Year 7s followed by the Father and Son Night for Year 8s. The Bill Jennings' Time & Space program provides an opportunity for boys and their parents or carers to have some valuable time to talk and build new connections. It also allows parents an opportunity to share and discuss their experiences of bringing their boy into manhood, a conversation found to be both refreshing and reassuring. A special part of the evening was when boys presented their parent with something that they treasure, leading to a wonderfully in depth discussion about an experience that they have shared together.

Another significant family event on the calendar was Swap Day in Term 1. The Year 7 boys were joined by their parents for the entire morning of classes. This wonderful program allows parents to share 'the school experience' with their sons, helping parents to understand their son's school day. This awareness and understanding of a boy's subjects, classrooms, teachers and peers leads to more meaningful 'how was your day?' conversations throughout the year. Whilst parents seem to enjoy most of the classes, some even dressing in school uniform, there were some that admitted that they got somewhat 'unstuck' by the complexity of the questions in Mathematics class!

We held our inaugural Middle School Easter Service towards the end of Term 1, highlighted by a delightful first performance of the Middle School Choir. It was wonderful to see so many parents and their sons together to listen and reflect at such a significant time of the year. The service was followed by a very popular Easter egg hunt and a hot cross bun supper.

Our school mission is to provide a supportive and learning community that works together to build character of boys. 



in our Middle School



(above) Year 8 student Andrew Gregg
(right) Middle School Easter Service
(left) Year 8 student Hamish McDougall
(below) Middle School parents at Swap Day





SENIOR SCHOOL

- RECEPTION ↗
- HEADMASTER ↗
- FOUNDATION ↗
- BURBURY HOUSE (BOARDING) →
- CONFERENCE CENTRE →

The wellbeing of students in our community is of utmost concern to all of us at Hutchins.

Last year our Years 9 and 10 students participated in the Mission Australia Youth Survey which encourages Australians aged 15–19 to 'speak up' about the issues that really concern them through Australia's largest online youth survey with nearly 22,000 respondents.

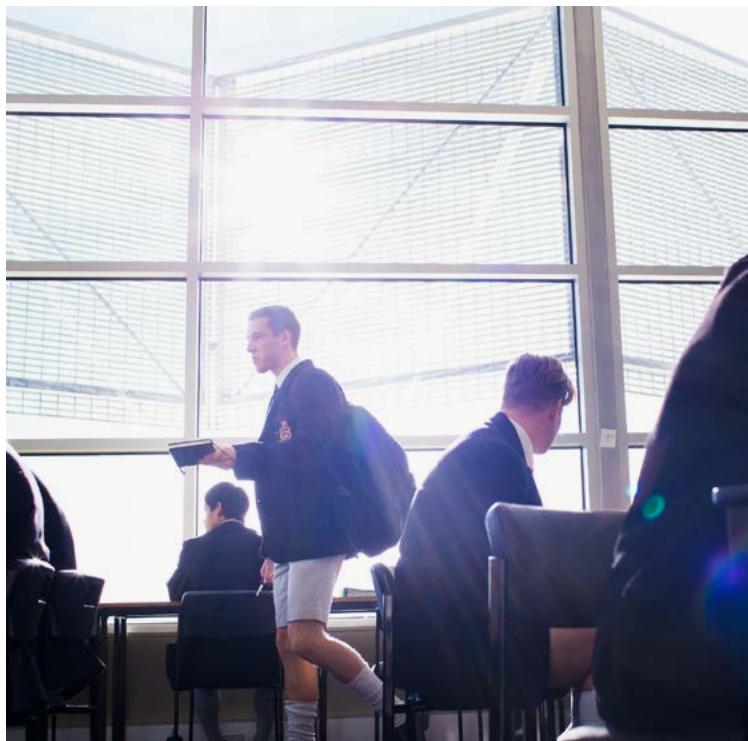
In 2016, young people identified alcohol and drugs, and equity and discrimination as the most important issues in Australia today. Tellingly, mental health entered the top three for the first time in the survey's 15 year history, with concerns about mental health doubling since 2011. Young people continue to nominate coping with stress, school or study problems and body image as their top three issues of personal concern. Mental health issues were also increasingly identified as personal concerns for young people. In addition, around one quarter of young people indicated that depression was an issue of concern for them. Hutchins data from this survey mirrored national data in every category.

Wellbeing at Hutchins

MR ROGER McNAMARA HEAD OF SENIOR SCHOOL

'According to two decades of research, a student who has high levels of wellbeing is also likely to have better physical health, better social relationships, more optimism for the future and higher academic performance.'

- Professor Lea Waters from the Centre for Positive Psychology at the University of Melbourne.



With schools seeing the impact of mental health issues on the lives of young people on a daily basis, where the increasing trend currently sees one quarter of Australian teenagers experiencing symptoms of mental distress, it is not surprising that schools around the country see boosting student wellbeing as being a significant part of their educative role.

Pastoral care at Hutchins has always been centred around connectedness and the importance of building trusting relationships with those young people in our care. The idea of academic pastoral care has arisen in recent years and is an acknowledgement that the ideals of a pastoral care program must extend to what goes on in the classroom and not be conducted in isolation. This year the Senior School will take this a step further and explore areas that will be explicitly taught once a week within the pastoral timeslot to have a positive impact on the wellbeing of our boys.

The aim of a Wellbeing Program is to enhance an individual's ability to flourish and function in their surroundings.

Over the course of this year we will trial a number of different topics, approaches and vehicles for delivery to ensure we are meeting the needs of our senior students and are assisting them with strategies to help them deal with both concerns and problems identified by adolescents and empower them to become resilient to the challenges that life will continue to throw their way whilst at school and beyond.

More broadly is the School's commitment to develop a comprehensive and explicit Pre-Kindergarten to Year 12 Wellbeing Program in line with the current Strategic Plan. Stay tuned. ☺

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Professor Lea Waters, Centre for Positive Psychology, University of Melbourne



Mrs Jane Dutton with Year 12 students
Alexander Titchen and Jarrod McMullen

da Vinci Decathlon teams go to Nationals

MR WILLIAM SEAGER TEACHER

On 31 March a group of Year 10 polymaths set their alarms for 5.00am and made their way to Scotch Oakburn College in Launceston accompanied by Mr William Seager and Miss Gemma Leonard. They joined eight other schools from around the State for the Tasmanian regional round of the 2017 da Vinci Decathlon. This event, pioneered by Sydney's Knox Grammar School, is designed to test students' general and specialised knowledge, thinking skills, creativity and team work across 10 disciplines (inspired by da Vinci's famously diverse abilities) including Mathematics, Science, Poetry, Engineering and Codebreaking.

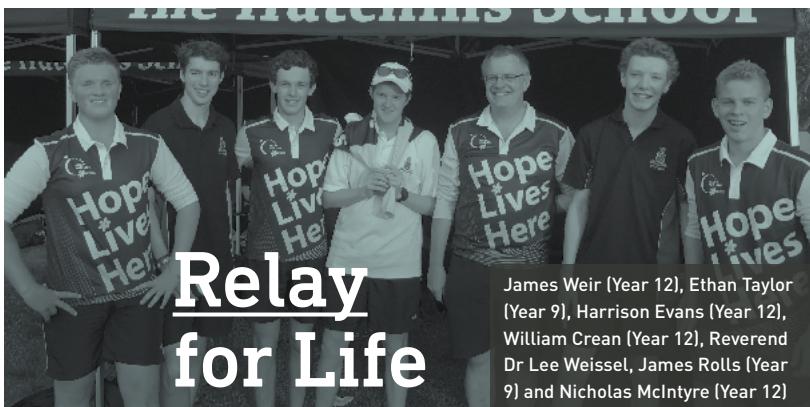


Year 10 da Vinci Decathlon team (L-R) Jackson Coad, Luca Gentile, Miles McTaggart, Malcolm Ward, Caedence Kuepper, Alexander Hogan-Jones and Oliver Burrows-Cheng. Absent – Robert Elkerton and Alex Stephens.

Thanks to excellent team work and particularly impressive performances by the boys in Mathematics, Codebreaking and the demanding Ideation task, in which students are required to come up with a creative but practical solution to a novel problem, the Hutchins team won the event – conVINCingly! Thank you to Mr Adam Palfreyman for giving the team some last minute coaching!

The Year 7 da Vinci Decathlon team, accompanied by Mr Simon Angus, competed on 26 May at Mount Carmel College and after winning the Mathematics section were also awarded 1st place in the Statewide competition.

The Year 7 and Year 10 teams travelled to Sydney at the end of June to compete in the National competition and we are very excited to report that the Year 7 team were awarded a bronze for General Knowledge and the Year 10 team were awarded a bronze for Engineering and General Knowledge. Congratulations to all the boys involved! ☺



James Weir (Year 12), Ethan Taylor (Year 9), Harrison Evans (Year 12), William Crean (Year 12), Reverend Dr Lee Weissel, James Rolls (Year 9) and Nicholas McIntyre (Year 12)

REVEREND DR LEE WEISSEL CHAPLAIN

The Australian Cancer Council's annual fundraising event and awareness campaign, The Relay for Life, took place at the Domain on Saturday 25 March through to Sunday 26 March. Many groups and schools were in attendance to support the event and one another. With it being an annual event it gives many of us an opportunity to catch up with others, particularly those who are going through treatment at the time, as well as celebrate those who have been declared cancer free. There is also some sorrow as we remember those who have died from this insidious illness.

It was tremendous to see a large contingent of Hutchins students attend, with many staying throughout the night. The students entered into the baton relay for some friendly competition with other schools. This required the recording of how many times a baton was taken around the track. Hutchins boys of all ages participated, and it was tremendous to see how the older students incorporated and encouraged the younger students, each valuing the others participation. The students organised to run through the night, finishing at 8.30am Sunday morning. The Hutchins boys won the event, having made the baton travel 273 kilometers!

A big thank you to the boys who participated and their parents and supporters who enabled them to take part on a very busy weekend. Also to staff who came and visited throughout the time to encourage the boys, and especially to Mr James Seddon who took over the running from 5.30am to 6.30am Sunday morning to give the boys a well earned break. A great event for a great cause. ☺



Year 7 da Vinci Decathlon team (L-R) Leo Wang, Jasper Osgerby, Seth Homfray, Hugh Saxby, James King, Yuri Ware, William Thorpe and Lachlan Rogers





The Musical Theatre routine - 'Newsies'

Success at the Brisbane Eisteddfod

MRS JACQUIE COAD TEACHER OF DANCE

The Hutchins Senior Dance Troupe recently travelled to Queensland to compete in the Brisbane Arts Eisteddfod that caters specifically for secondary school dance groups.

Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon

MRS MICHELLE WEEDING HEAD OF VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

The senior Drama class recently performed *The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon* by Don Zolidis. The fairy tales of the Brothers Grimm are turned on their heads in this fast-paced, rollicking ride as two narrators and several actors attempt to combine all 209 stories ranging from classics like Snow White, Cinderella, and Hansel and Gretel to more bizarre, obscure stories like The Devil's Grandmother. Performing to sold out crowds the cast performed this wild, free-form comedy with lots of audience participation and madcap.

Other drama events to look forward to are – *Bats* to be performed in June by Middle School boys and *Stalag 17* in August by the senior SPA Drama boys. ■

The first event was the Musical Theatre section that saw 26 schools battle it out on stage, and after an impressive performance they were awarded 1st place. Our boys then went on to perform and place in the Hip Hop section against 23 schools. This was our first time competing in this section but the boys really enjoyed it.

The day concluded with the Jazz section against a whopping 47 schools. Our boys were awarded a Highly Commended for this dance which was a great effort in such an incredible section. The atmosphere at the Edmund Rice Performing Arts Centre is amazing as all the competitors are encouraged to watch in the audience before and after their performance. This adds to the excitement and allows the boys to see what their competition is like. The boys work hard in rehearsals and should be very proud of their achievements as the event proved to be very successful for The Hutchins School.

The Troupe also competed in the 'DanceLife Unite' regionals in April and won 1st and 2nd place in the Secondary Schools Dance section earning them qualification for the Nationals in Sydney! ■



[L-R] Philip Humphrey, Nathaniel Mollison and Sebastian Renshaw

Sport news

MR ADRIAN FINCH DIRECTOR OF SPORT

There have been many outstanding performances and representation from Hutchins students over the summer holidays and so far in 2017. Some notable achievements from Middle and Senior School students include:

Team success

Cricket

- 2nd XI cricket team won the State Premiership.

Orienteering

- Senior Boys won the Tasmanian All Schools Championship.

Rowing

- First VIII won the 2017 Head of the River.
- Barwon Regatta – **Fraser Moroney** (Year 12), **Oliver Lamb** (Year 11), **Lewis Stephens** (Year 12), **Daniel Kelleher** (Year 12) and **James Fulton** (Year 9) won the gold medal in their division of the Coxed Four.
- Open First VIII won the Southern Head of the River at Franklin.
- State Championships and Head of the River success in all junior groups.

Rugby

- U16 rugby team won the Plate Final at the Victorian Schools Rugby Union Xavier 7's Tournament.

Sailing

- Tasmanian School Match Racing Championships – Hutchins 2 came 1st and 2nd.
- 2nd at Tasmanian Schools Team Racing Championship.

Swimming

- Southern SATIS swimming Junior and Senior Shields, Boys Aggregate Trophy and U15, U16 and Open Pennants.
- State SATIS swimming Senior Boys Shield.

Tennis

- SSATIS 1sts Runner Up.
- SSATIS 2nds Runner Up.

Representation

- **Charlie Goodfellow** (Year 8), **William Cooper** (Year 10), **Charles Zeeman** (Year 9), **Hugo Allison** (Year 6) and **William Zeeman** (Year 7) will be representing Australia at the 50th International Cadet World Championships in Argentina.
- **Daniel Di Domenico** (Year 10) has been selected in the Tasmanian Cycling Team to compete in the 2017 Australian Junior Track Championships.
- **Milo Langford** (Year 8) has been selected to represent Tasmania in the National Championships for surfing in November.
- **Oliver Burrows-Cheng** (Year 10), **Harrison Ireland** (Year 10) and **William Hodgman** (Year 10) represented Tasmania in the All-Nations team to compete in the National Diversity AFL carnival.
- **Henry Chambers** (Year 11), **Benjamin East** (Year 11) and **Samuel McCulloch** (Year 12) represented Tasmania at the National U18 Hockey Championships. Samuel was captain of the team which finished 4th overall.
- **Hugh Oxbrough** (Year 11) and **Samuel Carmichael** (Year 11) represented Tasmania in the Youth Archery Nationals and were in the compound team event that placed 3rd overall.
- **Lewis Drury** (Year 10) and **Caleb Oakes** (Year 11) represented Tasmania in U15 School Sports Australia National Cricket Championships. Lewis also represented Tasmania in the U17 Cricket Australia National Championships.

- **Yuri Ware** (Year 7) was a member of the U12 State Futsal Team, playing at the National Championships in Sydney in January.
- **Nicholas Kuzis** (Year 9) has been selected to represent Tasmania in the U15 Australian Junior Table Tennis Championships to be held in Hobart.
- **Benjamin Farrell** (Year 10) has been selected in the State Karate Team to compete in the National Championships in August.
- **Sam McCulloch** (Year 12) and **Henry Chambers** (Year 11) selected in the Hockey Australia 2017 Recognised Future Athletes squad.
- **Harvey Chilcott** (Year 11) came 1st in the U18 3km and 1st in U18 2km steeplechase at the NSW Junior Championships.
- **Lachlan Chambers** (Year 11) came 4th in the U18 2km Steeplechase at the NSW Junior Championships.
- **Edward Golding** (Year 8) finished 6th in the Steeplechase at the National Athletics Championships in Sydney.
- **Harrison Grant** (Year 11) was the overall winner of the Trans Derwent Swim at the Royal Hobart Regatta, and also won the Surf Lifesaving Tasmania Ocean water swim series.
- **Campbell Lane** (Year 11) broke the U16 Breaststroke record that was held by Hutchins Old Boy, Alec Guerzoni ('03) since 2011 at the SSATIS Swimming Carnival.

Individual performances

- **Charlie Goodfellow** won best U15 helm at the International Cadet World championships.
- **Samuel King** (Year 11), State Laser Radial Champion. He also won the Laser Radial Class practice race at the 2017 Australian Youth Championship in Adelaide and came 2nd Overall.
- **William Cooper** and **Hugo Allison** won the Australian International Cadet Championships.
- **Charlie Goodfellow** was runner up and **Jacob McConaghy** (Year 9) finished 4th in the Australian International Cadet Championships.
- **Samuel King** and crew were runner up in the National Match Racing Championships.
- Australian International Cadet Championship personal bests to **Finn McLagan** (Year 9), **Jack Allison** (Year 8), **Charles Zeeman** (Year 9), **Benjamin Boman** (Year 8) and **Charles Boman** (Year 5).





ASX Schools Sharemarket Game – State Winners

DID YOU KNOW?
This is the second consecutive year that Hutchins students have been State Winners!

(L-R) Alex Moore and Riley Ashlin

MRS MICHELLE MIZZEN EDITOR

Year 9 students Riley Ashlin and Axel Moore have just been named the state winners of the ASX Schools Sharemarket Game. They have been involved in buying and selling a hypothetical \$50,000 starting worth of shares over a 10 week period in the sharemarket in real time at real prices. This was undertaken as part of their study of their Personal Investing course. Congratulations to Riley and Axel who were awarded a winning certificate and \$200 each. This is the second consecutive time that boys from the Year 9 Personal Investing course at The Hutchins School have been State Winners.

'Our strategy for the ASX Schools Sharemarket Game was to analyse a number of companies through chart analysis and, when we found a company whose price had recently dropped but had an overall upward price trend for the year, we would buy into that company. We also did some research into each of the companies that we were considering buying so that we would have some knowledge of their business structure and history. We decided right at the start of the game that to have any chance of winning we would need to take risks, so we invested mainly in mining shares and stayed away from the safer blue chip shares.'

– Riley Ashlin and Axel Moore

The boys turned \$50,000 into \$59,125 over the 10 weeks! ■

AMC Mathematics Trust Computational and Algebraic Thinking (CAT) Competition

DR ADAM FORSYTH DEPUTY HEADMASTER

The Computational and Algorithmic Thinking (CAT) competition is a one-hour problem-solving competition which seeks to identify computer programming potential – something which students might not normally have an opportunity to demonstrate. We had some excellent results in this years' competition. Congratulations to the following boys on their outstanding results:

Distinction

- **Year 5** – Tom Giddings, Omer Atif, Cameron Cowley, William Rumley and Callum Wherrett
- **Year 6** – Oliver Medwin and Samuel Roberts
- **Year 7** – Luca Nunn
- **Year 8** – Callum Parssey, Henry Burnett, Mark Elkerton
- **Year 10** – Clancy Smith
- **Year 11** – James Browne
- **Year 12** – Thomas Dunbabin and Robert Jiang

High Distinction

- **Year 12** – Thomas Young

Well done to all students who competed in this years' competition. ■

Hutchins wins the Head of the River for 4th consecutive year



The Hutchins School First VIII

MRS MICHELLE MIZZEN EDITOR

The SATIS Head of the River rowing regatta was a great success for The Hutchins School. Our boys excelled in all age groups with many great races and crews achieving podium finishes. The U13 boys won their quad sculls, and the U14 boys had a win in the double sculls. The U15s missed 1st place by less than a second in their quad sculls race and despite fighting hard, the U16 boys lost their eights race to Scotch Oakburn College by a similar margin.

The Open squad was dominant, taking out the First and Second fours and the prestigious First VIII race to complete the day. Hutchins collected the Senior and Boys Aggregate Shields. Congratulations to all of our rowers and families on a successful season. 

Our co-curricular program provides students with tremendous opportunities to be involved in the life of the School outside the formal academic teaching program. From the sports arenas, drama studios, music halls, debating and public speaking competitions, young men at Hutchins can travel a path of self-expression, gaining experiences which will stay with them forever.

SATIS State Swimming Champions

MR RICHARD GARD TEACHER-IN-CHARGE

March saw the Hutchins swimming team dive into action at both the Southern SATIS and Statewide SATIS competitions at the Doone Kennedy Aquatic Centre in Hobart. The southern school competition saw brilliant individual performances and event wins from Jack Luttrell (Year 8), William Lickiss (Year 9), Simon Watt (Year 11), Harrison Grant (Year 11), William Clerk (Year 12) and Campbell Lane (Year 11) who broke a six year old record for the 50m breaststroke. The depth of the squad was evident with The Hutchins School claiming all three available trophies; Boys Junior Trophy, Boys College Trophy and the Aggregate Boys Trophy.

The Statewide competition was always going to prove a difficult challenge with many strong swimmers coming down from Launceston and the Power of 9 Port Davey group sailing off the coast of Tasmania. The boys continued to put in a 100% effort and finished in the top three for all trophies, including the Hutchins Firsts freestyle relay team winning their final race to win the College Boys Trophy by just one point. 



2017 SATIS Swimming Team



Welcoming our 19th Headmaster

PROFESSOR MARCUS HAWARD

CHAIRMAN OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

We are pleased to welcome Dr Rob McEwan as the 19th Headmaster of The Hutchins School. Dr McEwan commenced his appointment on 1 January 2017 following the retirement of our previous Headmaster, Mr Warwick Dean. Rob was appointed following an international and national search that considered a number of outstanding candidates.

Rob has had a distinguished career in education, first as a classroom teacher of music from all levels Kindergarten to Year 12 and more recently in senior leadership positions including his most recent position as Head of Senior School at Scotch College in Perth, Western Australia. Prior to his position at Scotch College, Rob was Deputy Headmaster/Head of Senior School at Newcastle Grammar School.



Dr Rob McEwan with students at his Commissioning at St David's Cathedral on 22 February 2017

Rob has a Doctor of Education degree from the University of Tasmania, a Masters in Education from the University of New England and a Bachelor of Education from the WACAE. He has additional qualifications in information and communications technology and business administration and is currently completing an MBA from the University of Newcastle. He is also a member of the Australian College of Educators (MACE) and the Australian Council of Educational Leaders (MACEL).

Rob's doctoral thesis focused on student motivation. He is committed to excellence in education and has been involved in a range of initiatives, including staff professional development and the development of whole school critical thinking skills programs in schools across Queensland, New South Wales and Western Australia.

Rob is an active member of the Anglican Church and will continue to develop and grow The Hutchins School's commitment to its Christian faith as embodied in the School's mission and Guiding Statements.

Rob is married to Gaye and they have a son Tom who is in Year 12. We welcome Rob, Gaye and Tom to the Hutchins community. 

Naming of the Barrie Irons Oval

MRS MICHELLE MIZZEN EDITOR

On 13 April 2017 the Hutchins community gathered together to honour our previous Head of Senior School (1990–1998), Deputy Headmaster/Head of Senior School (1999–2000), Deputy Headmaster (2001–2011) and Registrar (2012–2015) Mr Barrie Irons. It was on this day that the oval previously known as the South Oval was officially named the Barrie Irons Oval.

On a beautiful autumn day 70 guests attended the official naming of the oval, our Headmaster, Dr Rob McEwan, spoke of Barrie's contributions to the School;

'Barrie, you have made a mark on the lives of generations of young Hutchins men and will be remembered fondly by those whose lives you have touched. Today, with the naming of this oval, your legacy will not only live with the current and past students, but will remain a part of our school's history and be forever known to Hutchins students in the future, thousands of whom are yet to be born'.

Mr David Brammall ('56), a past School Captain and long serving Deputy Headmaster (1973–1998), shared with the guests an amusing recount of Barrie's time at Hutchins which included numerous cricket tour stories.

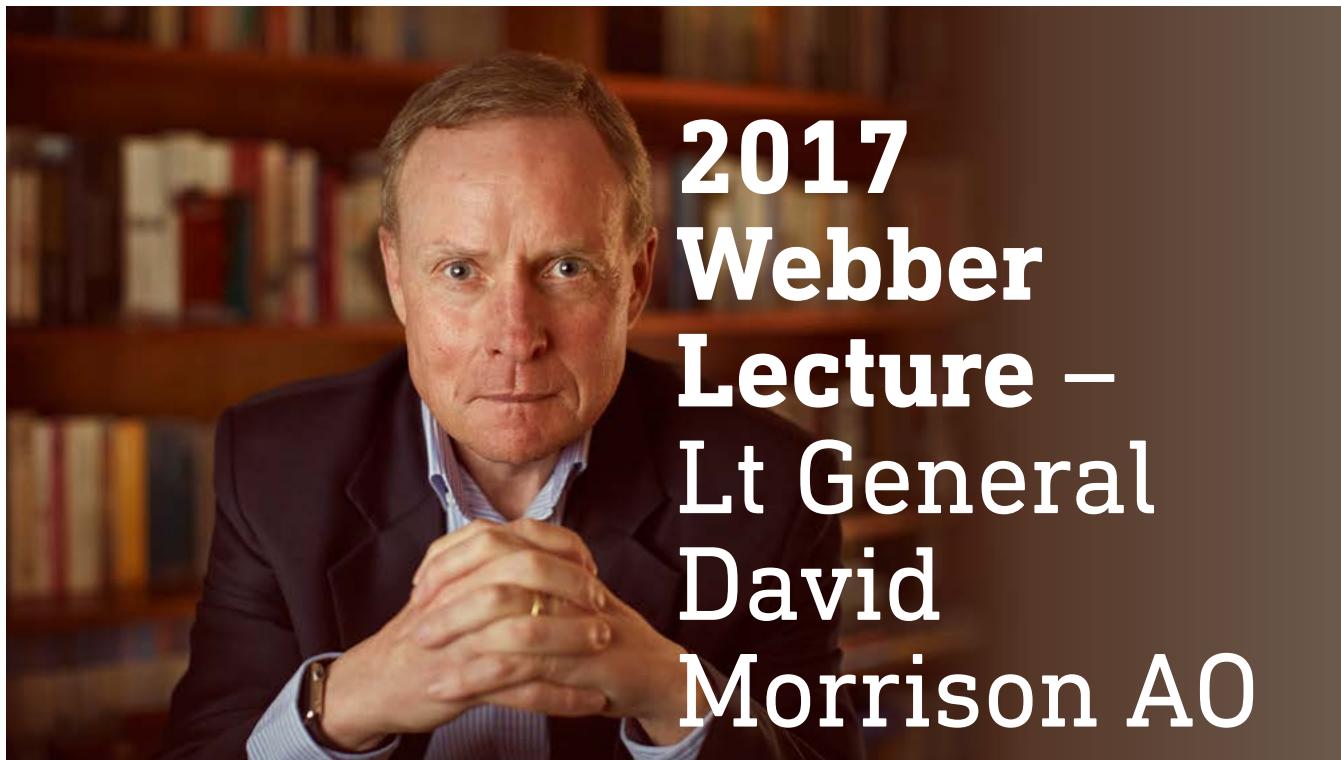
Barrie spoke about how he was humbled by this honour and shared with us how the South Oval has been a special place as his family had spent so much time there whilst living in the Deputy Headmaster's residence.

We were fortunate to have in attendance Barrie's wife Di, his sons Greg ('01) and Craig ('05), along with their partners, and granddaughter Rosalie. ■



(L-R) Barrie, Greg, Craig and Di Irons





2017 Webber Lecture – Lt General David Morrison AO

MR WAYNE BROWN ASSOCIATE
DEPUTY HEADMASTER/DIRECTOR
OF STAFF PERFORMANCE

The 2017 Webber Lecture was given by Lieutenant General (retired) David Morrison AO. The focus of the Lecture was; the power of words and of storytelling. Morrison shared his personal accounts, addressing issues of military culture, what worked, what didn't and more importantly, the reasons why, which he believes, has applicability across many organisations. In his opinion, culture is founded on the stories we tell ourselves about ourselves, and attention to language is a critical attribute of effective leadership.



(L-R) Andrew Webber,
Lt General David
Morrison AO and Dr
Stephen Webber

The core themes of Morrison's lecture; culture, language, legacy and to lead with the heart, resonated with the School's Year 12 Leaders, who have chosen the value of 'integrity' as their theme for 2017. The Leaders, through their assembly addresses and the personal examples they set, have challenged the entire school body to think about integrity and for this to inform our actions, remembering 'what you do matters'.

Morrison delivered a powerful and engaging address and before closing, caused the audience to think about future encounters, with a parting message of 'The standard you walk past, is the standard you are prepared to accept.' ■

ANZAC Service

MRS MICHELLE MIZZEN EDITOR



The village of Pozieres as it was some months after the battle. The cross marks where Margetts was killed and buried. Image Australian War Memorial

On 3 May 2017 the ANZAC Day Service was held in the Terence Butler Auditorium to reflect on the courage and bravery that has been shown by those who have served in war. Hutchins Old Boys have represented their country from as far back as the Boer War and those who lost their lives are honoured on plaques located in the School's Chapel of St Thomas.

Captain Ivor Stephen Margetts, c1914, who served in the 12th Battalion, standing outside his tent.
Image Australian War Memorial



Mr Ivor Margetts,
middle back row, with
the 1912 First XI

Students, staff, invited guests and dignitaries paid respect to the 132 Old Boys that have fallen in war. Although it is a solemn service of prayer and hymns it is also a celebration of those who bravely gave their lives for their country.

This year the official address was given by Year 9 student Lance Corporal Michael Bonnitcha from 502 Squadron Cadets. We were also fortunate to have in attendance Alec Young, RFD, FACEL – Senior Vice President Hobart Legacy and Terry Roe, JP (QUAL) – Acting State President RSL Tasmania who provided explanations of the Last Post, the Rouse and the Ode.

Headmaster, Dr Rob McEwan shared the story of Mr Ivor Margetts, a school master at The Hutchins School from 1912 until 1914 when he enlisted in the Army. Mr Margetts was well regarded by staff and boys alike as a Sports Master and Junior Resident Master in the boarding house. Having led his men up the cliffs near ANZAC Cove at dawn on the first day of the Gallipoli landing, 25 April 1915, Margetts went right through the Gallipoli campaign without a wound or a day's leave of absence. After a rest in Egypt, he went with his old battalion, the famous 12th, to France as an Adjutant (an assistant to a senior officer), having himself been promoted to the rank of Captain. It was on the Western Front his luck ran out and he was killed by a shell on 27 July 1916.

The image to the left is of the cross that marks where Margetts was killed and buried. He died alone as he had headed out on his own to assess the path his company would take as they attempted to seize more ground in the town of Pozieres. Soon after this photo was taken his cross was dislodged by shellfire. He was 24 years old.

Dr McEwan recounted comments made by the stretcher bearer who buried Margetts as well as correspondence from the Field Ambulance Officer who wrote to the Headmaster at the time Mr Lindon. Margetts was described in both these communications as someone that the men loved and 'the best man going'. His 'battalion mourned him as seldom a man is mourned, and that he left a name behind him that we can all envy, and try, even if in vain, to equal'.

Ivor Margett's is just one of over 102,000 Australian whose lives have been lost at war. Many more were injured and large numbers returned never to be the same again. Every one of these men were sons, friends, and loved by people back in Australia. They served, not for themselves but for us. For a better world. We enjoy that world today through our freedom and this wonderful country. May we never forget what they did for us. 

Mother's Day Breakfast

MRS MICHELLE MIZZEN EDITOR

The Hutchins School Prefects Mother's Day Breakfast was once again one of our most popular events of the year with over 200 mums, carers, grandmothers, friends, mentors and students in attendance at Burbury House on Friday 12 May.



Thomas Dunbabin (School Captain),
Rosie Martin and William Smith
(School Vice-Captain)

This year our guest speaker was Rosie Martin, Tasmanian Australian of the Year for 2017, and the founding speech pathologist of Chatter Matters Tasmania, a charity building awareness and skills in human communication. Through Chatter Matters, Rosie has been volunteering to deliver Just Sentences, a pilot project that is achieving astounding results working to rehabilitate people at Risdon Prison. Rosie spoke about Chatter Matters, love, kindness and support of mums in prison.

Thank you to Rosie for being our guest speaker. Thanks also to our Prefects, our students who provided service for the breakfast, our catering staff and our Community Relations team. Most importantly thank you to our mums, carers, grandmothers, friends, mentors and students who came together to celebrate Mother's Day. 

Launching a special relationship

2017
2027

MRS MICHELLE MIZZEN EDITOR

In Term 1 all of our Year 2 students and Year 12 students from School and Thorold House spent some time together in the Nettlefold Library. The boys read books together and shared some morning tea. Year 12 students from the other Houses will do the same throughout the year.

This special relationship will develop over the year when the two year groups will spend time together and on the last day of school, for the Year 12 students, they will share lunch, play games and place items in a time capsule. The Year 2 students will continue the tradition of singing to the Year 12s at the end of their final chapel service.

When the Year 12s return for their 10 year Reunion the current Year 2s will then be in Year 12 and they will open their time capsule together. Those Year 12 students will then repeat the tradition for the next generation of Year 2s. What an amazing connection these students will have! ■



Year 2 and Year 12 students in the Nettlefold Library





赫臣斯学校
舞狮队

Chinese Lion Dancers

MRS ALISON FARMER & MR ERIK MARR
TEACHERS-IN-CHARGE OF LION DANCE

Last year The Hutchins School Lion Dancers were formed as a result of a leadership and initiative of four current Year 11 students: Steven Wang, Baxter Crawford, Frank Chen and Benjamin McTaggart, who have been joined this year by Him Shun Ko and Tony He. Lion dancing is a popular form of performing art usually seen at celebrations in Asian countries and Chinatowns around Australia. The students train voluntarily once a week under the guidance of Mr Tan, a Singaporean martial arts and lion dance guru.

The Hutchins Lion Dancers have presented wonderful demonstrations and cultural workshops at many events throughout Tasmania, including Harmony Day, World Games celebrations, Tasmania's first State Conference for teachers of Chinese held at Hutchins, along with many celebrations at the School.

The teamwork of these four students from Chinese and Australian backgrounds bringing to life the strength and providence of the Chinese lions, is emblematic of intercultural learning. ■

(above) Chinese Lion Dancers – Steven Wang, Baxter Crawford, Frank Chen and Benjamin McTaggart.

An evening with Olympic silver medallist Lisa Darmanin

MRS MICHELLE MIZZEN EDITOR

On Thursday 11 May 2017 the School hosted an evening with Lisa Darmanin of Waterhouse Darmanin Sailing. Lisa captured our hearts as the 2016 Rio Olympics where she, along with her cousin Jason Waterhouse, won sailing silver in the exciting Nacra 17 class. The evening was hosted by Murray Jones with special guest speakers David Connor and Michael Cooper.

Lisa spoke about finding a healthy balance between study and sporting commitments. She went into detail about her sailing journey, specifically, how you must focus on enjoying your sport and then the results will follow!

We would like to thank Lisa for taking the time to visit us, she has been an inspiration to all that attended last Thursday evening. We wish her all the best for her Tokyo 2020 sailing campaign in the newly modified foiling Nacra 17 class! ■



Tom warming up for the
2016 Point to Pinnacle



Tom's motley crew gains MO-mentum

MRS MICHELLE MIZZEN EDITOR

In 2006 Tom Windsor's ('99) mates reached out to support him after his dad passed away after a short battle with depression. Tom's mates decided to grow a 'mo' in support of the 2006 Movember men's health campaign, but also for Mr Windsor. The Mobart MO Bros were born and took on the challenge of changing the face of men's health in Australia. Tom is the team captain of the Mobart MO Bros and there are now over 170 team members including 'Mo sisters' as well.



Through fundraising events such as running from Hobart to Launceston, completing the Point to Pinnacle, MOpen garden event, Tour de MO and Mo Flow, the Mobart MO Bros have raised over \$420,000 since 2006. This includes an astounding \$129,729 in 2016 alone placing them as the top Australian team and 5th in the world.

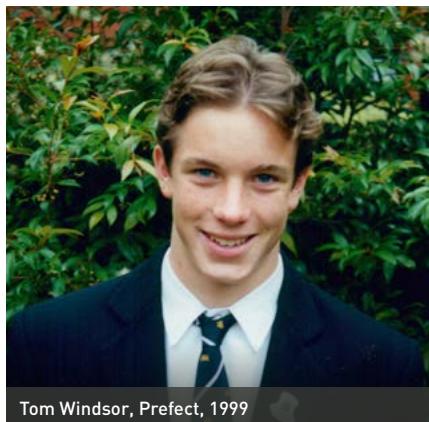
Tom continues to stay in touch with the School and attended a morning tea last year where Hutchins staff presented him with a cheque for \$500 to contribute to the Mobart MO Bros fundraising efforts. As the theme of this edition is 'Community & connection' we thought Tom and his Mobart MO Bros team were the perfect example of giving back to the community. Tom was kind enough to answer some questions about his time at Hutchins and the importance of your mates.

What are some of your Hutchins memories?

Inter-House competitions bring back some of my favourite memories from school. We had the hilarity of a heap of blokes cross-dressing and putting on ridiculous accents in Drama or the infamously controversial anthems that came from cheer squads at sporting events. On or off the field of play, everyone brought something to the table for those inter-House rivalries.

Who or what were your main inspirational influences during your time at Hutchins?

I had some awesome teachers over my 14 years at Hutchins, my first camp was in Year 1 with Mrs Walters who I adored, Year 2 Mrs Short was the Andrew Lloyd Webber of my school life, Year 6 and Mr Powell let us make a film from scratch and then Year 11 Mr Kingston introduced surfing as a sport and took us on a 'surfari' to Marrawah on the wild west coast. Without a doubt though the greatest influence and inspiration at school is your mates, not just good friends but also those who you get to share Seconds footy and water polo matches with, in the trenches, fighting for a win, or maybe just some dignity.



Tom Windsor, Prefect, 1999

Movember is about having one another's back

– Tom and Shaun, MO Bros



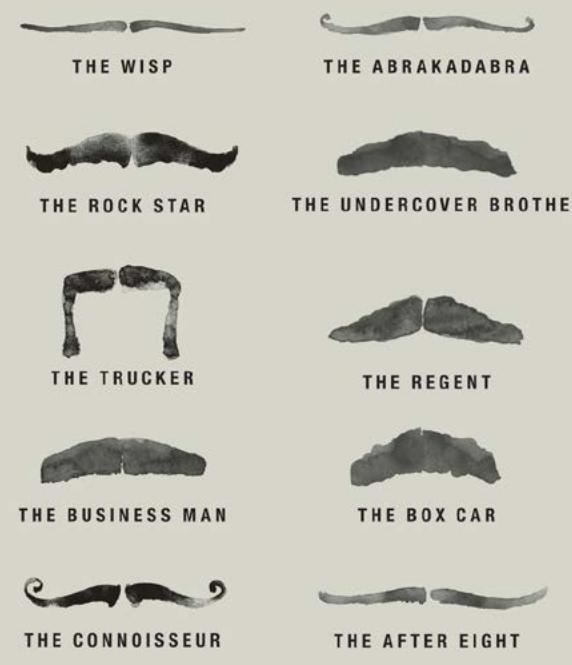
What part do you think your time at Hutchins has played in creating your interest in serving the community through Mo Bros?

Giving back to the community is a really important lesson to learn but to be honest I think I was a little too young, and probably a little too privileged to necessarily appreciate that lesson at school age. The commitment of my fellow Mobart Mo Bros, many of whom have been Old Boys and their stories about men's health that they bring to the team, has played the biggest part to continue our campaign to stop men dying too young.

What advice would you give to today's Hutchins students?

Enjoy your time at school and take every opportunity to give something new a crack.

To find out more about the Mobart MO Bros or to make a donation visit www.mobartmobros.com



MOVEMBER.COM

(top) Tom with fellow Old Boy and MO Bro Shaun Wallbank ('00)
(above) Movember Moustache Style Guide
Images courtesy www.movember.com

Instead of visiting each of the cities over the year we decided to do a two week road trip covering Melbourne, Canberra, Sydney and Brisbane.



Old Boy Reunions

MR STUART HAMMOND REGISTRAR
and **BARRIE IRONS** (DEPUTY HEADMASTER
1999-2011)

Having consecutive functions enabled us to advertise all events at the same time. We always have conflicting attractions, Hawthorn v Swans, fathers with young children, overseas and interstate travel etc. Despite the conflict of interests and responsibilities, numbers were good at each venue. Mr Stuart Hammond, Registrar and Old Boy ('90) attended the Melbourne and Sydney functions and Mr Chris Brown, Director of Development, attended all four. These Old Boy Reunions are all about renewing old friendships and making lots of new ones. As always, those that attended had a fantastic night. Our biggest challenge still remains having updated contact details so we can share information with you.

Melbourne saw a change of venue to the Waterside Hotel. Our private function room enabled us to relax and chat. We had a good turnout of year groups and many new friendships were made. We had been in contact with James Woods ('91) earlier in the week. I am in Alaska Barrie, but I will be back'. We think he qualified as the longest commuter. We always love stories and we certainly got a few of those. Barrie wishes he had known some of these when he was Head of Senior School!

The Canberra Reunion was held at the National Press Club Board Room, a lovely historical venue. We had 15 enthusiastic attendees. A real feature of this evening was the 'mixing across the ages'. The established Old Boys made the young fellows feel so welcome. Lots of laughs and sharing of experiences were the order of the night. The real 'stayers' were Hamish Lindsay ('53) and Ken Hughes ('48). They were still sharing stories and technology information well after the youngsters had left.

Melbourne Reunion (below)
(L-R) Rod Reynolds ('60), Roger Thiessen ('56)
and Chris Thompson ('87)



Sydney Reunion (above)
(back row L-R) Yash Makharria ('13), Harsh Makharria ('15), Ben Jarvis ('15), Macaulay Hagan ('10), Alexander MacIntyre ('14) and Barrie Irons (front Row L-R) Raj Narulla ('05) and Daniel Larratt ('14)



Brisbane Reunion (L-R) Nathan Winter ('99), Nick Pohl ('95) and Simon Terry ('87)

The Sydney Reunion was held at the Dove and Olive in Surrey Hills. The venue was humming with Sydney Swans supporters when we arrived. Fortunately, Mrs Anna Kirkland had once again organised us a private room. One of the highlights was the number of younger Old Boys who attended. Many of them are at university or newly qualified. It was also good to catch up with so many of our regulars who never miss a function. Ian Bangs, School Captain in 1972, kept a beady eye on us all.

The Brisbane Reunion was held at the Norman Hotel with an excellent turnout including Sheree Malarski, a past staff member. We did miss the younger Old Boys who were rumoured to be preparing for examinations. ☺

Stay up-to-date with the latest news at www.hutchins.tas.edu.au/old-boys or follow **Hutchins School Old Boys' Association** on Facebook





Hobart Hutchins Lions Rugby Union Football Club

TOM WILLIAMS PRESIDENT, HOBART HUTCHINS LIONS
RUGBY UNION FOOTBALL CLUB

The 2017 Statewide rugby union competition is shaping up to be one of our best seasons yet. This year brings with it the introduction of a new two tiered competition format which promises to be more competitive. Under the highly qualified direction of coaches Aleem Khalfan of Bodysystem Physio and Hutchins own Mr Shaun Killian, the team has been training hard during pre-season and are focused on performing well this season.

We welcome a number of promising new players making the transition from Hutchins juniors to senior grade rugby. Continuing on from the success of last season, the Division 2 fortnightly competition which commenced on Saturday 29 April 2017 is a great opportunity for those new to the game or players who prefer a more casual rugby commitment. If you are interested in joining the club simply come along to our training sessions every Tuesday and Thursday night from 6.30pm–8.30pm on the Hutchins War Memorial Oval.

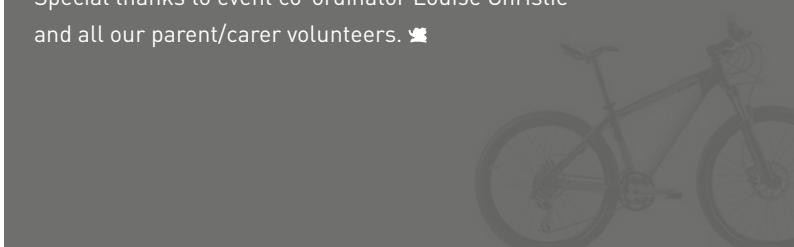
From the Parents' Association

MRS MELITA GRIFFIN PRESIDENT, THE HUTCHINS SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Hutchins School Parents' Association held their fourth annual Blokes and Spokes bike ride on sunny Sunday 26 March. The event sold out with more than 200 blokes taking part in one of two rides that cater to the abilities and ages of the boys.

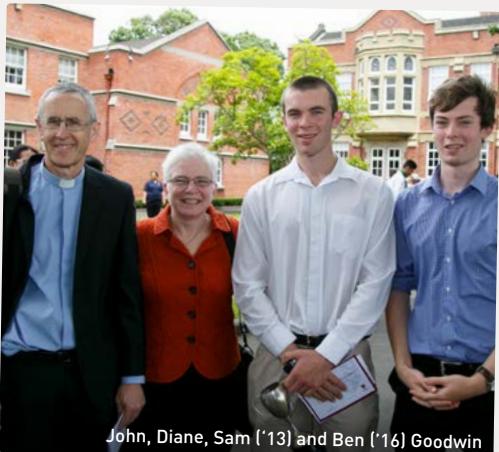
The bike ride was for all Hutchins students and their special bloke – dad, grandad, uncle or a significant bloke. The day was a great opportunity for students to spend some quality time with the male role models in their lives and establishes a shared focus on the importance of health and fitness.

After the ride the blokes enjoyed a BBQ and a kick of the footy or soccer ball at the Cornelian Bay oval. This wonderful school event was supported by Ride 2 School, Avanti, Banjo's Bakery and Vermey Meats. Special thanks to event co-ordinator Louise Christie and all our parent/carer volunteers.



Where are they now?

CHRIS RAE HEAD OF SENIOR SCHOOL (2001–2008)



John, Diane, Sam ('13) and Ben ('16) Goodwin

STAFF MEMBER**Father John Goodwin****Teaching at Hutchins 1998–2008**

Positions held Chaplain at Hutchins. 'I came to see (being School Chaplain at Hutchins) as one of the best jobs and enjoyed the support of staff and boys.' John was active in developing service learning opportunities, for example starting the program (which continues today) where students volunteer to donate to the Red Cross Blood Service. He taught the skills of leadlighting and through this program was responsible for the leadlight windows in the Chapel of St Thomas. John was also a member of the strong hockey coaching group, guiding teams from Year 8 to the 2nd XI.

House affiliation School**Who were some of your close work colleagues?**

Bill Toppin and Barrie Irons: 'The driver of the bus and the tour leader respectively!' 'FJ' then spoke of the Middle School under Ian McQueen; the Senior and Junior Schools with Chris Rae and Jenny Manthey; Relay For Life with Peter Starkey; 'the good fun in Thorold Chapel with James McLeod'; the sage advice from John Overton; the boarders with Alan Morley; Religious Education with Andrew Webber.

Following a quiet moment, John then commented: 'Being Chaplain saw me dip into all areas of the School and share significant moments with so many'.

What memories do you have of education during this time?

For John trawling back through the memory provided an opportunity for some light-hearted reflection on happenings which were innocent, funny and unforgettable.

1. The start of computerised reporting and being with Stuart Cripps (staff colleague) when the latter was writing of a boy: 'Well at least he's better than his father ever was' ... and accidentally pressing the send button.
2. Just two minutes into one House chapel service the fire alarm went off, so the community immediately had to file out, gathering in the staff car park. By the time all was clear it meant an end to the service. Later, when everyone was moving off to their next class, one of the boys ran up to John and said with a beaming smile: 'That was the best service yet, Father John!'
3. He recalled the day one of his many excursions into the wider community innocently became a news item on ABC morning radio. John was spotted getting off the bus with a group of boys outside the 'Men's Gallery' in Argyle St. In fact they were going to the opposite side to visit the Jewish Synagogue! I remembered the incident as, on the day, a member of the public rang through to the School to complain about what seemed a 'bad' look and then enquired: 'What was the School going to do about it?'

How do you see education today?

- a. 'The pursuit of excellence continues; and the most excellent students are those who have great integrity, human gratitude and a sense of hope'.
- a. 'Over time despite our best efforts (or because of them) a number of boys hit their straps well after they have left school'. An observation I concur with.
- a. 'In a time where the ignorant and shallow become world leaders, the schools that develop faith, instil values and promote a blend of academic, cultural, sporting excellence will become increasingly important and rare!'

What of your life after Hutchins?

John is currently Chaplain of King's School in Auckland, New Zealand (720 students from new entrants to Year 8). In addition to chaplaincy duties and teaching, fundraising for the poor continues to be at the forefront of his work, not forgetting leadlighting. John's wife, Diane, teaches Art at the school and devotes considerable time to co-ordinating a wonderful voluntary knitters group ('school students to grannies'). The group knit blankets to send to a hospital in Ethiopia, Africa. Their two boys, Sam and Ben, enjoyed fulfilling lives through their schooling. Since leaving, Sam has been studying Medicine (now 4th year) and is also a semi-professional photographer. Ben who recently finished school has begun studies at university in Auckland. He also has a particular flair for water polo which has seen him make a number of youth teams at the national level and compete overseas.



**STAFF MEMBER****Janet Waters**

Janet Waters –
'a much respected
teacher and
colleague.'

Teaching at Hutchins 1988–2012

Positions held Teacher-Librarian,
Stephens Library, then Head of Year 7
(1992–2012), Equal Opportunity Officer.

**What other professional education
positions did you hold?**

Years 7–8 debating, chess, tennis and
at one time: 'Master-in-charge of
Horse Riding!'

House affiliation School, then
Thorold and finally neutral when
Head of Year 7.

**Who were some of your close work
colleagues?**

'I loved the Middle School because
it was such a tight-knit unit. I
worked closely with all of its staff:
the Head of Middle School (Russell
Morton and Ian McQueen); Alan
Dear and Dean Docking; Year 7
mentors and other teaching staff
and also office, maintenance and
cleaning staff. I miss them!'

In this popular section, long
serving teacher Mr Chris Rae
catches up with past staff members.

What memories do you have of education during this time?

1. In 1988, Janet recalls teaching was mainly 'chalk and talk', with desks in straight lines and little decoration in the rooms. By 2012 classrooms had been transformed into welcoming, colourful, vibrant learning spaces.
2. The Middle School curriculum was developed in the 90's to cater specifically for the needs and interests of adolescent boys – it was stimulating and rewarding. One example here was the Year 8 Project.
3. Technology went from almost non-existent, to the old 'Mac Lab', to smart phones and smart boards – and revolutionised learning.

How do you see education today?

'Wearing my Luddite hat I regret the invasion of technology and wonder how vigorously basic concepts are being taught? But I see young men leaving school with fine minds, enviable skills and firm values. Although it has changed, dedicated, professional teachers will always produce successful, well-rounded students.'

What of life post-Hutchins – retirement?

In a word: 'Busy!'.

As with her time at the School, Janet has a rich and proactive life. Activities include membership of both a literary society and bushwalking group to volunteering for Cystic Fibrosis. In addition, there is the much valued enjoyment derived from supporting her family which includes five grandchildren.

Following a pause, she added: 'And I still cox the women's staff rowing crew (including Bec Terry, Trish Knight, Marg Headlam), watched by Lance Morrisby.' ('Mozza!') ☺



2016 School Captain Jake West (L) pictured with Mr Ron Ikin, and Edward Johnstone (R) 2016 recipient of the Ronald H Ikin Prize for the student who has demonstrated true sportsmanship and good character whilst representing the School in sport in Year 7-12



A culture of philanthropy

MR CHRIS BROWN DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT

'Half-mast today', I noted as I hurried past the flag poles gracing the entrance to the Senior School and flanking the historic sandstone bell tower to my right.

The student tying off the rope to secure the flag observing the slowing of my pace which had admittedly been brisk given the cool Autumn morning; 'In honour of Mr Tom Madden, sir, an Old Boy who left Hutchins in 1942' he said.

I continued into my office passing through the Archives and School Museum, pondering the thought that while I spend most days developing and identifying new ways to provide funding for facilities, resources and additional scholarships, the legacy and impact of our Old Boys continues on. Their love for this school, is for the most part, what enables us to continue our work; and their contributions financial or otherwise continue to make Hutchins a school steeped in history, tradition, pride and respect for its Old Boys, yet constantly evolving and creating new opportunities for students yet to come.

In light of this I thought I would use this opportunity to recognise all our Old Boys but also pay special thanks to several who have generously supported us over the last few months. Mr Ron Ikin ('43) for his support of the Ronald H Ikin Prize in addition to his substantial donation to the upgrade and modernisation of the Brammall Pavilion. Special thanks also to the Freeman family, in memory of the late Mr Peter Freeman ('42) and his philanthropic support of the School through a bequest; his generosity also recognised with the Peter Freeman Memorial Cup. Both of these prizes are perpetual and awarded at Speech Night.

Our list of contributions by passionate Old Boys and their families is both tangible and heartwarming. While we continue to focus heavily on developing opportunities for new students who have dreamed about the possibility of coming to Hutchins but just don't have the financial capacity, I urge and encourage you all as members of this very special Hutchins community to think about making a gift to support the Fund for Scholarships and Bursaries.

You can find out more about supporting Hutchins through philanthropy by visiting our website at www.hutchins.tas.edu.au/foundation

News from the Archives

Recent donations to the School

MS MARGARET MASON-COX ARCHIVIST

Film canisters (2) of assorted film records – donated by D J Salter (1951–59, no. 4200), Sep 2016.

Photograph (framed), **booklet, invitation** re Hutchins School Old Boys' Lodge (HSOBL); **folders, files, certificate book**, HSOBL – donated by John, Duke of Avram, 25 Nov 2016 and 3 Feb 2017.

Album of photographs, Red Centre Tour 2003; **Regatta programs** (2 silk, 1 faux silk), 1851, 1866, 1984; **documents; scrap books** (2); **ties** (2); **programs** (4) – donated by Mr Lance Morrisby (1958–68), 30 Nov 2016 and 16 Dec 2016.

Magazines (4); **blazer pocket**, HSOBA – donated by Mr Robert Fay (1959–71) from estate of his uncle, G L Roberts (1927, no. 3015), 14 Dec 2016.

CD copy of original Hutchins [enrolment] Register; **microfiche** (2 sheets) – donated by Mrs Jill Waters, Tasmanian Archives and Heritage Office (TAHO), Dec 2016.

Vivit Post (6) 1998–2001; **Magenta & Black**, May 2002; **Magazines** (2) 1998–99; **teddy bear mascot** (red, Bucks, in Hutchins tracksuit) – donated by Mr Lance Morrisby (1958–68) on behalf of his son Andrew R Morrisby (2001py), 11 Jan 2017 and 12 Apr 2017.

Folder (news cuttings); **sports programs** (3), 1967–68 – donated by Ms Gabrielle Black, sister of Ian A H Black (1970–75), Dec 2016.

Letter (1997) from Rev Canon M A F Downie to Charles Thomson (2005py) re his memories of school days, 1925–29 – donated by Ms Amanda Thomson, 1 Feb 2017.

Letter, photographic prints, biographical information re past students – donated by Dr P A Rogers (1926, no. 3026), 4 Feb 2017.

Tea trolley, wooden, made by A B Headlam (1927–30, no. 2879) – donated by his daughter Mrs Roslyn Gadd, 6 Feb 2017.

Book, *Skewbald the New Forest Pony* by A W Seaby (1923, 1940), awarded to D F Millington (1938–48, no. 3469) – donated by Mrs Ingrid McLagan, Feb 2017.

Trophy/mug: Hutchins Grade 9 Football Team 1966 – found and presented anonymously, Feb 2017.

Boxes (2) of **assorted documents, school magazines, books, photographs, cap** – donated by Mr J F Millington (1940–53, no. 3551), 14 Feb 2017.

Book: *The Official History of the Hutchins School* by Basil Rait (1935) – donated by Mr Adam Palfreyman (1986–92, no. 8286) on behalf of his wife Louise (née Saunders), 7 Mar 2017.

Books (5) by R V McNeice, 1984–2001 – donated by Mr Roger McNeice (1950–62, no. 4140), 15 Mar 2017.

Video recording The Ivied Tower: the last ten years – donated by Mr David Brammall (1945–56, no. 3789), 21 Mar 2017.

School magazines (3), 1969–72 – donated by Mrs Alison Carty, 22 Mar 2017.

Trophy: rowing cup, 1966 – refurbished and donated by Mr Lance Morrisby (1958–68), 17 May 2017.



TWINS + 1: Ashton-Jones, Clennett and Watchorn

MS MARGARET MASON-COX ARCHIVIST

'Twins + 1' is the story of three Old Boy soldiers, two of whom returned from World War II to resume their lives in Tasmania, while one was killed during the course of that war and never returned.

Geoffrey Ashton-Jones (1929, no. 2980) and James Roy Clennett (1934, no. 3231) shared a birthday on 29 January 1921, while James Bayly Watchorn (1931, no. 3124) was born little over a month later, on 3 March. Geoff, from Ouse, and Jim, from Garden Island Creek, were Hutchins boarders together, played football together (Jim captained the First XVI) and served as Vice-Captain and Captain of School House respectively in their final year, 1938. James Watchorn also played football in the First XVI and rowed with Geoff in the First IV in that year. He was active in athletics, cricket and tennis as well.

Although all three of the 'Twins + 1' participated in the war effort during WWII, they played very different roles. In 1939 Geoff Ashton-Jones rode his horse from the family property at Ouse to 'Mona Vale' in the Midlands to join the 22nd Light Horse regiment, before enlisting in the AIF. He served in Syria against the French, in the Battle of El Alamein against the Germans and Italians, and in Borneo against the Japanese, during which time he became a fully qualified paratrooper. He was a member of the 2/8th Field Regiment, Ninth Australian Division, widely renowned for its bravery.

After six years Geoff returned to Tasmania and farming at 'Ashton', became a long-serving Councillor (and Lord Mayor until he was 80) on both the Hamilton and Central Highlands Councils, President of the Tasmanian Farmers and Graziers Association, and served on the Wool Council of Australia, the Liberal Party as well as other organisations. In 2004 he was made a Member of the Order of Australia. Geoff died on 14 June 2011.



First XI, Southern Premiers, 1948
(M Clennett in centre with white hat)

Jim Clennett joined the Royal Australian Navy as a Volunteer Reserve in 1942 and was appointed Sub-Lieutenant to the *Huon* and later to the *Cerberus* and *Rushcutter* for training courses. In 1943 he was appointed to the *Rockhampton*, to which vessel he was re-appointed after his promotion to Lieutenant in 1944. Following more training on the *Rushcutter* he served on the *Moreton*, followed by service on HMAS *Murchison* until his discharge in 1946.

After the war, Jim returned to his position at EZ Co, where he attained prominence for over 40 years. He remained loyal to his old school, subscribing funds to the Chapel Fund in 1945 and the Building and Development Fund in 1946, and playing football for the HSOBA. In 1949 he married Jean McKenzie, and their three sons followed him through Hutchins. By 1955 he was a Committee member and Manager of the HSOBA Football Club, which he continued to serve as Vice-President and President until 1962. In 1973 he was elected President of the Hobart Legacy Club and in 1991 he joined the Hutchins Board of Management, becoming Chairman of the Development and Planning Committee in 1992. He was also a regular worker at three Anglican churches as the family moved. In 1993 Jim Clennett suffered a fatal heart attack while bushwalking, one of his favourite past times.



Athletics team with Sports Master C A S Viney, 1938
(J Clennett middle row, third from left; J Watchorn middle row, second from right)

(right) **First XVI with Sportsmaster C A S Viney, 1938**
G Ashton-Jones back row, extreme left; J Watchorn middle row, third from left (J Clennett absent)

(below) **J B Watchorn, c1940** (TMAG)



James Watchorn was a law student when he enlisted in the RAAF on 6 December 1940. Little information is available about his war service; sadly, most of it relates to his death. A Flying Officer with No. 247 Squadron, he was accidentally killed on 4 October 1943 while attempting to land his

Hawker Typhoon near New Romney, not far from Dover on the south-east coast of England. The cause of the crash was found to be engine failure. Watchorn was just 22 years old. He was buried with military ceremony at the Brookwood Military Cemetery in Surrey.

A memorial prize was established almost immediately. Jim Watchorn had left instructions that a special prize be endowed for English Literature, a subject in which he was keenly interested. The James Bayly Watchorn Memorial Prize was first presented at Speech Night in December 1943. It is still awarded annually to this day.



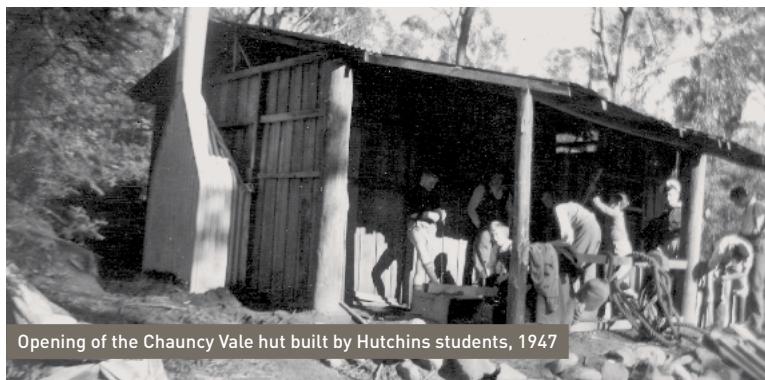
This story of three Old Boys from Hutchins in the 1930s was instigated by Michael Clennett (1946–48, no. 3864), who first presented the fruits of his research to the Archivist as the basis for a story in November 2014. At the time we were busy researching Hutchins Old Boys who left Tasmania to fight in World War I; this research continues with our WWII soldiers, to which list we are pleased to add the names Ashton-Jones, Clennett and Watchorn.

Michael Clennett attended Hutchins from 1946–48, during which time he was an active and talented sportsman who represented the School in cricket, football, cross country, tennis and swimming. In his final year he was a Prefect, Vice-Captain of Buckland House and House Captain of cricket and tennis, and served on the Library and Sports Committees. Michael and his wife, Helen, have been generous long-term donors to the Hutchins Archives and Heritage Collection. ■

70th anniversary of Outdoor Education

MS MARGARET MASON-COX ARCHIVIST

This year marks the 70th anniversary of Outdoor Education at Hutchins, as well as the 30th anniversary of the opening of the School's Outdoor Education facility, the Stephen Hay Memorial Park at Southport. The historical timeline below illustrates the School's pioneering of Outdoor Education as a strand of general education in schools across Australia, from the construction of a bush hut at Chauncy Vale in 1947.



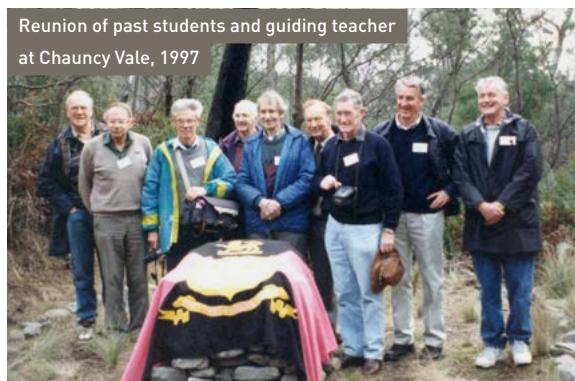
Opening of the Chauncy Vale hut built by Hutchins students, 1947

1947

Under Headmaster Paul Radford, Hutchins led the nation in establishing an Outdoor Education facility at Chauncy Vale Wildlife Sanctuary. Following the offer from Mr Anton Chauncy of a bush site at his wildlife sanctuary at Chauncy Vale in Tasmania's midlands, a hut was constructed by Form V boys under the leadership of teacher Gordon 'Spike' Jones. The 25 feet by 11 feet cabin, accommodating eight bunks in two tiers (with extra bodies relegated to camp stretchers), was officially opened by President of the Parents' Association, M Gibson, on 27 July.

Although the hut later burned down in a bushfire, the Chauncy Vale site was used by Hutchins Cadets in the mid-1960s for adventure training. By the mid-1970s the property had been willed to the University of Tasmania and the School was forced to apply for permission to use the land for outdoor activities.

On 27 July 1997 a group of the surviving builders, including former teacher G V Jones, held a ceremony at Chauncy Vale and unveiled a dry-stone cairn marking the site of the original hut.



(L-R) D King, R Lord, J Biggs, H Calvert, G V Jones, D Lange, I Madden, J Stopp, A Colbourn

1977

Concern about the increasing popularity of matriculation colleges resulted in a staff conference on 'outdoor education', with teacher David Lincolne playing a leading role.

1981

Six acres of land at Southport were donated to the School by Mr and Mrs Wynne Hay in memory of their son. The Stephen Hay Memorial Park was officially named by Mrs Inez Hay and handed over to The Hutchins Foundation at a ceremony on 4 December 1981.



Junior campers at Southport, 1981

1982

SRC fundraising led to the provision of six canoes for the Southport camp.



Canoeing at Southport, 1982

1984

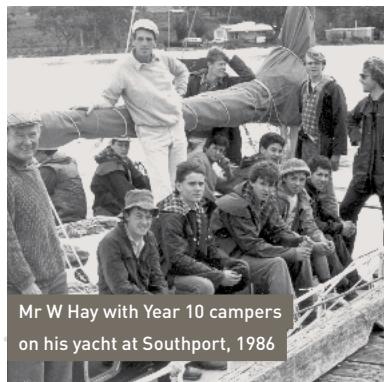
Southport building reached roof level by October, under the supervision of the Head of the Technical and Craft Department, Don Wilson. By the end of that year, development of the Hutchins Outdoor Education facility was nearing completion on the original block of land; by this time an adjoining seven-acre block had been leased.



At work on new Southport building, 1984

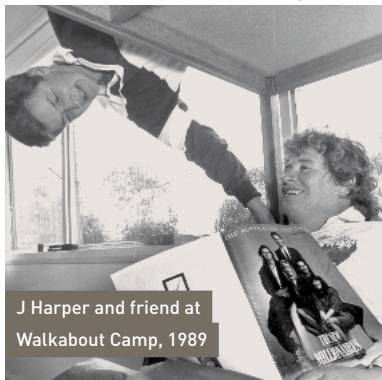
**1985**

First use of the new Outdoor Education facility was made by Form II camp in April, followed in May by a Form V camp for 119 students – for which six students cycled all the way to and from Southport. At this time only Forms II and V used the facility and were accommodated in tents on the green paddock.



1989

Students were involved in organising and conducting a Walkabout Workshop Camp for disabled students at Southport.

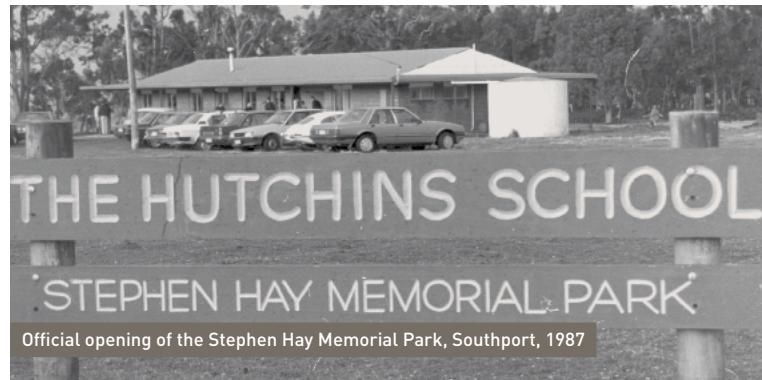


2004

A 'Seekers' weekend' was held at Southport under the guidance of Chaplain Father John Goodwin. For several years about the middle of the decade, Head of Middle School Ian McQueen led his staff in their Professional Development program by spending the first week of the school year at the Southport facility. Year 8 camps are still held annually as an introduction to the school year.

1987

The Stephen Hay Memorial Park was completed and handed over to the School at a function at Southport on 8 March. Three cabins for boys and one for staff/parents were built by Wynne Hay, Don Wilson and teacher Thom Turbett, working from dawn till dusk over the summer of 1986–87. An amenities block was also built and paid for by the School.



1990

Compulsory camps were conducted for Years 3–9 at Southport. The introduction of a new subject, Sports and Recreational Study, saw the Southport facility being used for an extended Year 8 program.

1992

The Southport facility was augmented by the purchase of a further eight acres and a shack. A Friendship Camp held for Year 7 boys experiencing difficulty in establishing peer relationships was judged an outstanding success. 45 students, 12 teachers and four Board of Education officials from Japan stayed at the Southport Outdoor Education facility as part of the Toshima Exchange pilot visit.

2001–02

Building extensions at Southport; former Board Chairman Picton Hay provided materials and organised the labour to build the bricked outdoor area. The road through the middle of the land was purchased, the area was fenced, a house on the corner was sold and moves were made to acquire the freehold title to the land.

2017

Outdoor Education camps continue to provide students with the opportunity to develop their individual strengths and challenge their 'comfort zone' through engagement in physically, mentally and socially challenging activities. A major objective for these camps is to develop a sense of adventure, understand safety and manage risk, to develop independence and foster personal growth. ■



Vale

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We extend our sincere condolences to the families and friends of all Old Boys and community members who have passed away since our last edition.

NICHOLS, Philip Julian	Old Boy 1968	31 December 2015
MORRIS, Graeme Oriel	Old Boy 1946	30 March 2016
MCLAGAN, James Alan	Old Boy 1963	12 November 2016
HODGSON, Richard Stanley	Old Boy 1945	26 December 2016
TAYLOR, Dare	Old Boy 1940	9 January 2017
WELLINGTON, Timothy John	Old Boy 1990	16 January 2017
WEAR, John Charles	Old Boy 1964	22 February 2017
MEAD, Liam Peter	Student (Year 11)	7 March 2017
MURRAY, James Edward	Old Boy 2001	12 March 2017
BRAMMALL, Charles John Stafford	Old Boy 1959	28 March 2017
MADDEN, Thomas Joseph	Old Boy 1942	25 April 2017
FULLER, Adrian Keith	Old Boy 1956	2 May 2017
BARWICK, Alexander Randall	Old Boy 2002	2 May 2017
ANDERSON, John	Staff	17 May 2017
JOHNSTONE, James	Old Boy 1960	4 June 2017

NB Year following Old Boy designation refers to the leaving year, assuming the student completed Year 12. If this is unknown the student's entry year will be given, e.g. Old Boy e1924. An obituary for John Anderson, former Head of Junior School and long-serving staff member (1973–99), will feature in the next issue of *Magenta & Black*.

Graeme Oriel MORRIS (1931–2016)

Graeme Oriel Morris attended Hutchins from 1943–47, no. 3683. An award-winning academic from the first, he won the Crace-Calvert Scholarship in 1943, a Junior City Bursary and the Senior Newcastle Scholarship in 1944, Alliance Française prizes for French language in 1945–46 and Le Courier Australienne essay competition in 1947, the Parents' Association Intermediate Science Prize in 1946 and Senior City Bursaries in 1946 and 1947. He also participated in the Hutchins Dramatic Society's presentation of *Lady Precious Stream* in 1946.

After his family left Tasmania at the end of 1947, Graeme completed his education at the Church of England Grammar School, Brisbane, before studying at the University of Queensland. After graduating BA (Hons), LLB, he worked in Brisbane as a solicitor, proctor and attorney of the Supreme Court of Queensland, before moving to the High Court of Australia and eventually becoming a senior partner of law firm Seez, Ruthning & Co. Retiring from the firm in 1994, he remained a consultant until 1996 and wrote a history of the firm's first 100 years.



Graeme Morris lived at Hamilton, Queensland, where he died on 30 March 2016. He is survived by his older brother, Denbigh Morris (1943, no. 3682).



Richard Stanley HODGSON (1927–2016)

Richard Stanley (Stan) Hodgson boarded at Hutchins from 1935–45 (no. 3375), during which time he excelled in a number of areas. From winning athletics prizes in Kindergarten he went on to participate in cross country, cricket, gymnastics, life-saving, swimming, football, rowing and sailing and in 1945 he gained an honour badge for representing the School in three primary sports in the one year.

In his final year (1945) Stan was a Prefect and Vice-Captain of School House, as well as captaining his House in football and cross country. He also served on both Sports and Library Committees, in the Scout Troop and later as a commissioned officer in the Cadet Corps.

After leaving Hutchins Stan attended the University of Tasmania and studied engineering, before moving to Melbourne where he worked for the CSIRO and served as Honorary Secretary and Treasurer of the Melbourne branch of the HSOBA (1953–56). Moving into industrial engineering, he worked at the BHP Steelworks in Newcastle until

his retirement in 1982. Re-locating back to Melbourne with his family, Stan did contract work on an integrated ticketing system for the public transport system and at the Commonwealth Aircraft Factory at Fisherman's Bend.

The Hodgsons relocated to Queensland's Sunshine Coast in 2003, where Stan died of leukemia on 26 December 2016, leaving his widow, Mrs Laurel Hodgson, and two children.

Charles John Stafford BRAMMALL (1942–2017)

Charles John Stafford ('John') Brammall, the son of Old Boy and Hutchins Chaplain (1951–58) S C Brammall, attended Hutchins as a boarder from 1951–59, no. 4238. John participated in Cubs, then Scouts and later Combined Cadets (Air), acted in Dramatic Society productions, wrote for the School Magazine and served on both Magazine and Library Committees, including as Chief Librarian (1958). He was also a writer and prize-winning speaker, who took part in inter-school discussion groups and later served as Honourable Secretary of the Literary and Debating Society. In his final year he became a Sub-Prefect, produced the School House play and was Captain of the second hockey team. He went on to become founding Assistant Secretary/Treasurer of the HSOBA Hockey Club in 1960.

Academically successful, John matriculated in one year and won a Commonwealth Scholarship to attend the University of Tasmania. After graduating BA with honours in Psychology in 1964 he married Valerie Trenfield, a union which was to produce a daughter and two sons. In 1986

John was introduced to orienteering, which became a shared passion for him and his family, eventually leading him to become President of the Orienteering Federation of Australia (2000–04) and to represent Australia at orienteering events all over the world.

John died of cancer in Launceston on 28 March 2017, leaving his widow and children, as well as a large extended family.



C J S Brammall, 2012
(Image courtesy The Examiner)

Thomas Joseph MADDEN (1925–2017)

Thomas Joseph Madden was a boarder at Hutchins from 1938–42, no. 3476. He made his mark in his first full year with a successful debut as wicketkeeper in the cricket fifths, skipped the fourths, had batting success in the thirds, and went on to win his Second Colours in 1941.

Tom served in the Cadets for three years from 1940, earning the rank of Corporal. He excelled at rifle shooting, winning equal 1st place as Champion Rifle Shot of the School in 1941, in the following year leading School House to victory in the House shooting competition.

The eldest of five children – three boys and two girls – Tom was the only one to be educated at Hutchins. After leaving school, he was forced to return home to the farm in order to produce food for the war effort. During that period he played cricket with the Hamilton team. The Madden family owned Montfort until 1960, when the property was sold to the Parsons family. Tom kept 150 acres of it, on which he ran sheep for about 10 years, while living in a caravan. After he married in 1967, he bought a small farm at Cambridge; later he and his wife moved to Geilston Bay, where he grew flowers and vegetables. A man of abundant energy, he worked seven days a week, rising each day at 5.00am, and walked regularly from his home to Lindisfarne carrying a load of vegetables for sale.

Tom Madden was a gentle man, with a wonderful sense of humour. He died on 25 April 2017 and was buried at St Peter's Anglican Cemetery, Hamilton. ■



Cadet Officers and NCOs, 1942
(Tom Madden standing, second from left)

2017 calendar events

TERM 3

Anniversary Lunch and HSOBA

Lions Unveiling

Tuesday 1 August

The Hutchins School Reunion Dinner

Saturday 5 August

Dance @ Hutchins

Sunday 27 August

Junior School Grandparents' Day

Friday 1 September

Magenta & Blacker Art Show

Friday 8 September

Prefects AFL Grand Final Breakfast

Friday 29 September

TERM 4

Years 11–12 Art Exhibition

Friday 10 November

HSOBA Ray Vincent Lunch

Friday 24 November

Hutchins Leavers' Dinner

Thursday 30 November

Junior School Speech Night

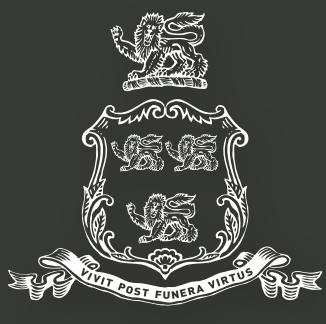
Thursday 7 December

Senior School Speech Night

Tuesday 12 December

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