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Our Community

There are events during the year that express the importance and the depth and breadth of our Hutchins Community.

As people's connections with churches lessen, the School is asked to hold funeral services for its current students and its Old Boys. We are very happy to do this and glad that the School can provide support in such sad and stressful times. Father John is a tower of strength on such occasions and his role is greatly appreciated.

We broke with tradition this year and moved the Anniversary Service from Sunday evening to a time during the school day. While this may have prevented some parents from attending, it did allow us to have Middle and Senior School together worshipping and celebrating our community. Our heritage is Anglican and we remain closely tied to the reason for our being (and I quote from the Christ College Act 1926)

"Whereas... under the auspices of the Church of England (the Hutchins

School) was inaugurated in Tasmania to afford a means of training up the youth of Tasmania..."

I feel a strong sense of community and tradition when flanked by some 700 boys singing in the Cathedral.

The farewelling of our Leavers by the ELC choir brings a tear to the eye because the journey for our Year Twelves in the School is just concluding, and they are brought face to face with where they started all those years ago. The ELC boys are young, perhaps a little uncertain and yet to experience that journey. It is the juxtaposition of the younger boys with all their youthful exuberance and the older boys who have lost much of their innocence that reminds me of the responsibility that this community holds in the education of our boys.

Finally, Speech Night concludes the year. We tend to use a calendar year as an arbitrary measurement of time in our lives because so many things start and finish at the beginning and end of a calendar year. Present at



these nights are people who have touched and been touched by our community. Old Boys, parents, grandparents, friends, staff, students and specially invited guests come together to celebrate our community. At Speech Night we are part of a formal ritual that has existed for a long, long time.

Hutchins is far more than a school: it is a 159 year old community that retains very strong links with the wider community which it serves.

Bill Toppin - Principal

STOP PRESS The TCE results came to hand as this issue was being finalised. We were delighted that eight of our students were in the top one hundred TE achievers. Best result was Raj Narulla with a TE rank of 99.9 closely followed by Ramanan Daniel (99.8) and Peter Mulcahy (99.6). Others to make the list were Robert Blakesley, Mathew Creese, Tim Jones, Ian Mitchell and Andrew Volkman. Congratulations!



Sunscreen, Guns, Neck-Injuries and Scabs!

I asked some classes of boys in the Junior School to come up with a “shape prayer”. Some drew a cross and wrote a prayer around it; others were more adventurous. The prayers were a wonderful mix of different things.

One boy tapped into his passion for sailing. He drew a picture of a small yacht, and edged it with these words: *Thanks God for the chance of sailing, and being on the water and feeling the cool breezes, and surfing the big waves; and having a boat. Amen.*

A favourite shape was the outline of the earth as seen from space; and a common concern was for the protection of this planet. Sometimes the reasons varied from the personal:

Dear God, please stop the world leaders destroying the ozone layer because I have to put on more and more sunscreen...

to the more global:

please look after the poor and the homeless...relieve the suffering of refugees

make all bad people realise what they have done and forgive them...

A sense of responsibility was found in the prayer of this writer:

I pray that I can help the poor and sick and needy.

Some good questions came up. One boy asked,

Why do people fight and kill each other?

One impassioned and articulate student in Year 4 nailed his colours to the mast with questions that outlined a large tree:

Dear God, why does Paul Lennon do nothing about Gunns Limited pulverizing Tasmania’s old growth forests and turning them into woodchips? Can you please help us to do something to save Tasmania’s forests from being chopped into woodchips for Japan’s paper!

I admire the fragile tendrils of faith that lie behind many prayers; especially those that come from the heart. One boy gave heart-felt thanks for his health and the fact he had no major problems – and added, as an afterthought, well not yet. His prayer has a wonderful ending: *If you heard this, God, I really thank you. Amen.*

I shared the prayers with the boys and their reactions ranged from being equally impressed, to wondering what the fuss was about and how long was it till recess!

I have kept my very favourite ones till last. From Year 4 comes a prayer in the outline of a cross. This prayer covers all bases:

Dear God, please look after everyone who has been (or will be) injured, or lost a home or been affected in any way during a natural or man-made

disaster. I also pray for anyone with neck injuries or scabs...

My pick of the Year 5 prayers was a circle of coloured woollen threads around two paddle-pop sticks, and around the outside was this oh-so-profound thought:

Please forgive us for all the bad things we have done. Please let them twirl around to the middle of nowhere.

You’d be scouring many books to find a prayer as good (and as brief!) as that!

The bringing together of such diverse thoughts into prayer made for rich reading; and, to use that wonderful line from Louis MacNeice, I was left to feel “the drunkenness of things being various.”

John Goodwin
CHAPLAIN





Senior School Quad Opening

The sense of community within Hutchins was well illustrated during Term Three with the formal opening of the refurbished Senior School Quad. The new work provides a colourful, interesting and enjoyable space where our Senior School boys can relax. The opening brought together a number of different elements of the School community.

The formalities began with a lunch for our 80s Club - an exclusive group of Old Boys who have attained the age of eighty or over. They gathered in the Library to enjoy lunch and refreshments prior to the ceremonies.

At the opening the Parents' Association handed over a cheque for \$150,000 to cover a substantial part of the costs of the Quad refurbishment. This sort of support is extraordinarily valuable, and it is wonderful to see the School community supporting our boys in such a tangible way.

Another feature of the new Quad are a number of trees, one of which is dedicated to the memory of Sam Beattie who sadly died early in 2005. Sam's family was present for the dedication ceremony. Mr Phil Beattie also handed over to School House a trophy in memory of Sam.



Mr Andrew Nesbitt (President of the Parents' Association) presents a cheque for \$150,000 to the Principal (Mr Bill Toppin) and the Chairman of the School Board of Management (Mr Nick Heath) at the opening of the Senior School Quad in October.



Dr Peter Fay, Mr Peter Saunders and Mr Tom Madden discussing old times at the 80s Club luncheon.



Mr Phil Beattie presents the Sam Beattie Trophy to School House Prefect Alex Dance while Head of House Mr Andrew Webber looks on.



Old Boys Honoured

November 11 this year saw Senator Guy Barnett (Senator for Tasmania) and Mr Ian Kennett (State President of the RSL) visiting the School to participate in the Remembrance Day Service and to present two plaques to the School in honour of John Hutton Bisdee and Guy Wyllly, who were Tasmania's first two Victoria Cross recipients. Both were awarded their Victoria Cross during an action in the Boer War in South Africa in September 1900.

State President of the RSL Mr Ian Kennett presents Mr Toppin with a seedling propagated from the Lone Pine at Gallipoli



All Things GRAND

In Term Two the Hutchins Foundation conducted a successful dinner auction which raised almost \$25,000. Some of this money was combined with some of the proceeds from this year's Annual Appeal to purchase a new Grand Piano for the Gershwin Room.

The Piano was officially "unveiled" at the School of Performing Arts concert in early October.



The School's new Head of Music, Mr Andrew Bainbridge, puts the Grand Piano to work at the SPA Concert

Hutchins Big Band at *The Taste*

The Hutchins Big Band performed recently at the Taste of Tasmania, with a two and a half hour "gig" on the Friday evening. The large crowd really enjoyed the performance, with lots of people on their feet dancing. Well done to Scott Cashion and his musicians.



Scott Cashion leads some of the Big Band members at "The Taste of Tasmania"



The Hutchins Art Prize 2005

Mrs Jenny Inglis, President of the Hutchins Foundation looks on as His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania Mr William Cox opens the 2005 Hutchins Art Prize.

The Hutchins Art Prize has established itself as one of the respected and significant prizes for works on paper in the Australian Art calendar. This year's competition has been widely regarded as one of the best yet, with a wonderful selection of entries.

The winner was announced by His Excellency Mr William Cox, Governor of Tasmania, at an Official Opening Cocktail Party at the Long Gallery on 17 October.

Hutchins is lucky to have a very strong support community, and the Art Prize opening is an opportunity to thank many of those people. Seen here at the Art Prize opening are current parents Susan Forbes-Smith (who has done the flower arrangements for the last two years), her husband Peter (who is a member of the Hutchins Foundation Board), Jennifer Nesbitt and husband Andrew (who is President of the Parents Association and a member of the Hutchins Foundation Board).



Lewis Prince Retires

Lewis Prince retired as Bursar of Hutchins at the end of 2005. Lewis commenced as Bursar on 14 October 1981, and played a pivotal role during the ensuing 24 years in establishing a strong base for the School.

Lewis is shown here with his wife Margaret at the recent Hutchins Art Prize.



Fathers' and Old Boys' Dinner

October also saw us conducting the first combined Fathers and Old Boys Dinner.

The well attended function featured a panel of outstanding speakers on the subject of Sport. The panel comprised the School's Head of Sport Mr David Hoskins, international champion yachtsman and current parent Nick Rogers and past parent, former Melbourne football star and former Premier of Tasmania Ray Groom.

The evening was chaired by Old Boy and past parent Michael Hodgman QC.



Ray Groom speaking at the October Fathers' and Old Boys' Dinner.

Getting the Christmas Spirit

One of the traditional features of the end of the year in recent times has been the Christmas Appeal organised by Father John. Boys are encouraged to bring in donations of cash or food to be passed on to various welfare agencies for Christmas, and various fundraising events are also conducted.

One of the great things about the fund raising this year was that the boys were able to go shopping and spend almost \$1700 on food to be added to the gifts already received. The photo below shows a group of Year Seven "shoppers" with their supermarket receipt after the shopping spree.



The supermarket receipt!



Around the School

ELC “Hosanna Rock”

The ELC put on a fabulous Christmas concert this year. The performance is not only a great learning exercise for the boys but it is also a tribute to the wonderful teachers who look after them.

William Harris, Ramsay Waterhouse, Nicholas Lade and Sam Horton performing in ‘Hosanna Rock’. In the background you can also see a number of boys pretending to be angels - but nobody was really fooled!



Ducks In The Classroom

Mrs Knight’s Year Four class had a wonderful project this term with the hatching of twenty-four ducklings!

The boys had a great time caring for the ducks. Along the way, they also learned the disappointments of life when one of the ducklings, Fred, died one night. It was, of course, buried appropriately.



*Top: George White, Elijah Kilby, Manoli Marios
Bottom: David Marshall and Will Sander*

And Speaking Of Ducks

Late November saw the annual Old Boys v Student Cricket match on the War Memorial Oval. The Old Boys (with nine current or former State representatives in the team) ran out comfortable winners, but the game was a great hit out for the boys in preparation for the annual “Boot” game against Peninsula School later in December (which Peninsula won) and the Festival of Cricket taking place in January 2006, which will involve sixteen Schools including teams from India and New Zealand.



Year Nine Camps

In early December the Year Nine boys participated in a series of outdoor camps and activities ranging from Aquatic based pursuits, cycling and bushwalking, through to an urban discovery tour.

The feedback from the boys has been very positive and congratulations go to the Director of Outdoor Education Mr Todd Blackhall for putting such a varied program together at the camp.



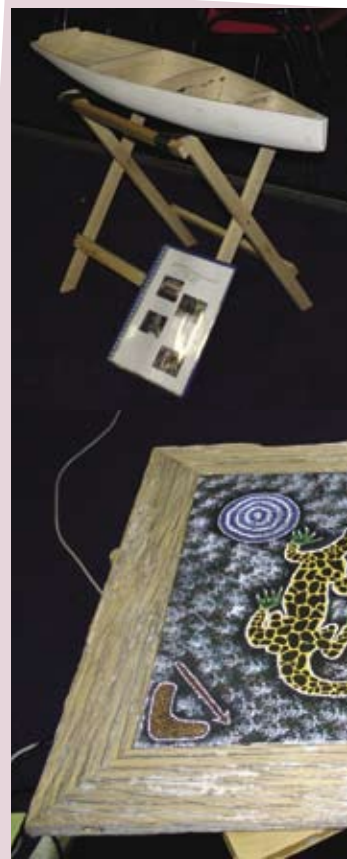


Year Eight Projects

2005 was the second year during which Year Eight boys carried out a major project. The idea behind the concept is for the boys to identify a project and to research, plan and complete it during the term. The boys also work with a mentor on their project, which in itself is a valuable learning exercise.

The range and scope of the projects carried out by the boys is quite wide and included:

- building a pinball machine
- refurbishing a bedroom
- writing and publishing an illustrated short story
- building a dog kennel
- running a school social
- building a huon pine computer desk
- producing and recording a single music CD
- building a surfboard shaped sofa
- completing a themed series of art works
- building model planes and boats
- building a miniature wicker work diorama
- starting up a tennis racquet stringing business including developing the business plan.



Aaron Hatcher

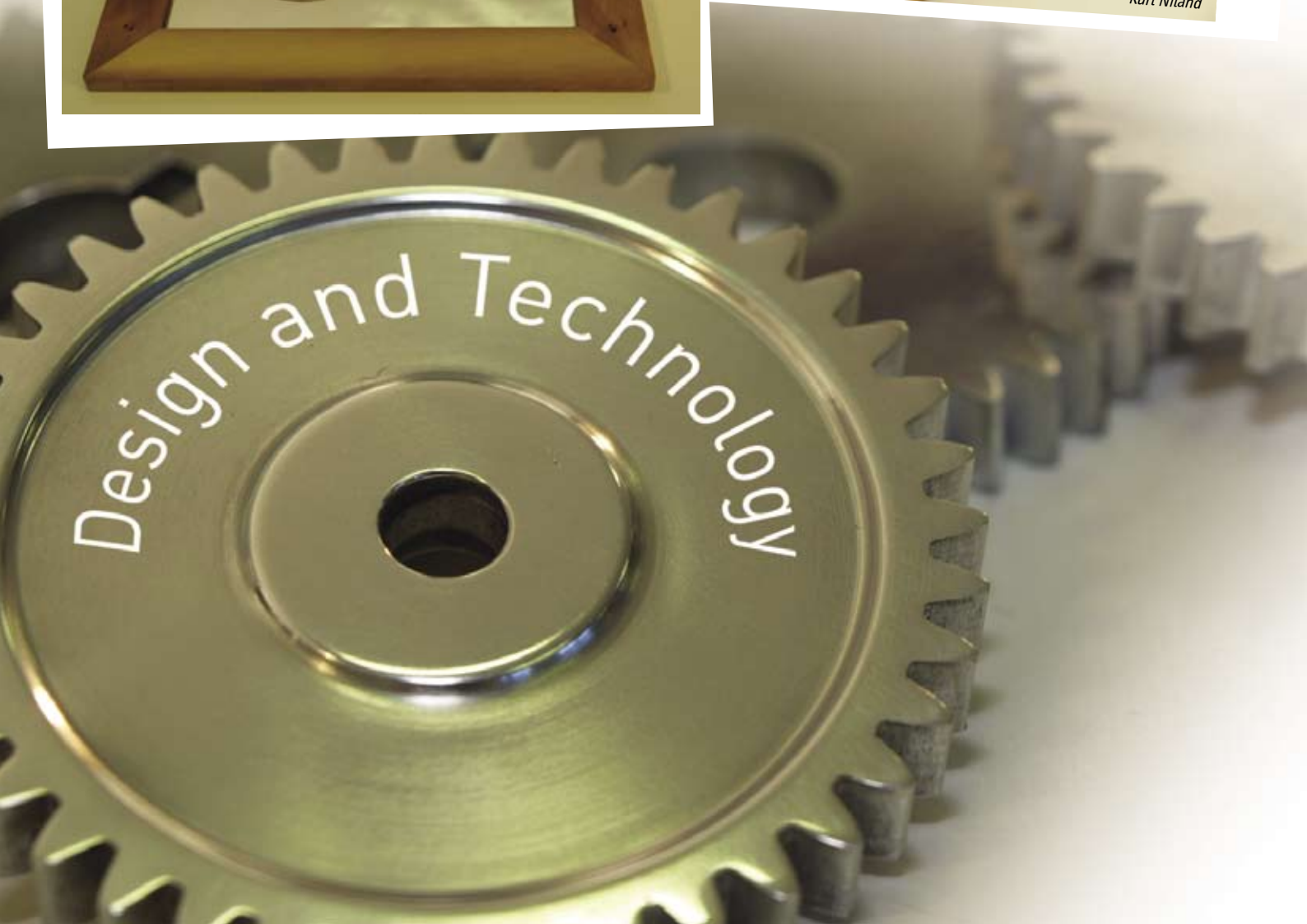


Toby Burgess

Ben Sansom



Kurt Niland





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Edmond Morris



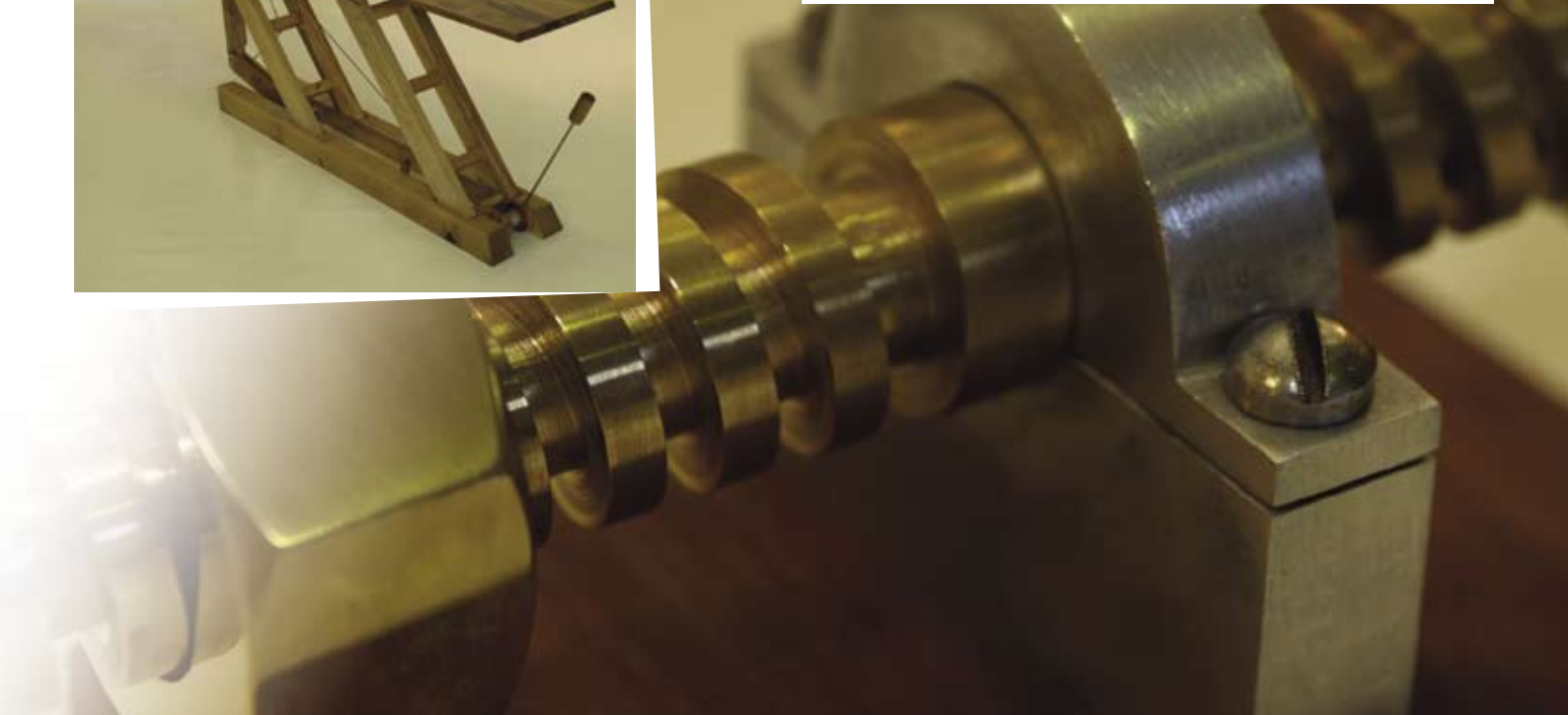
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Nathan Grey



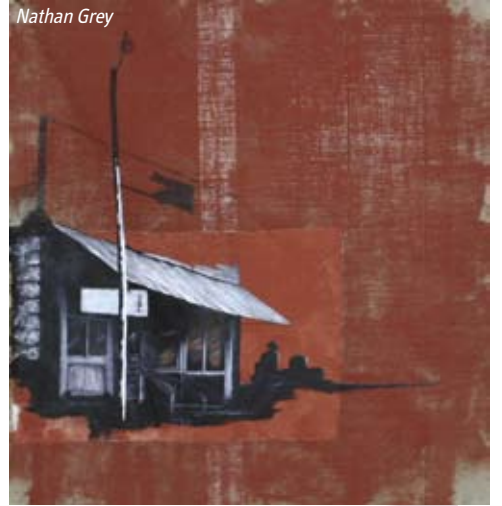
Tom Chan



Alexander (detail)



Nathan Grey



Stephen Beer



Chris Bury



Winner of the Prefects of 1989 Art Award

Robert Beadle



Steven Williams



Tyson Wills



Hamish Saul



Hamish Cashion



Chris Ridges



Old Soldier Retires

Paul Bathurst Edwards, Dux in 1932 and Head Prefect in 1933 was the son of Old Boy and Rhodes Scholar Frank Bathurst Edwards. Just a few years after leaving Hutchins, Paul enlisted in the AIF in June 1940 and in November that year was on board the troop ship Strathmore in a convoy on its way to the Middle East. Paul was a Bombardier in the 2/8 Field Regiment (twenty-five pounder guns) which became part of the Australian Ninth Division.

After a delay in Fremantle the convoy moved into the Indian Ocean and, with increasing temperatures conditions aboard became very uncomfortable for the troops as sleeping quarters were below water line, with hammocks packed in more tightly than sardines in a tin. Consequently, the troops slept on every vacant space on the open deck, watching the Southern Cross sink under the horizon and, eventually the North Polar star came into view – sadly, many troops (particularly the Infantry) were never to see the Southern Cross again.

Paul's Regiment had two and a half years in the Middle East with two North African Desert Campaigns, five months in the Lebanon and Syria, and Palestine as a "patch-up" and training base.

After Officers' Training, Paul returned to his Regiment in July justly proud of his Commission. Paul did Observation Post Officer's work on the "Frontier" near Halfaya Pass close to the Egyptian-Libyan border. Day temperatures were excessive, water extremely short and rations only fair; troop hygiene not at all good but Paul said that "as everybody smelt the same, it didn't matter".

All Australians were withdrawn from Tobruk and went to Syria in January 1942. Paul was appointed Regimental Survey Officer with responsibility

for working out gun positions and generally adding necessary detail to available maps. The Regiment built a fortress in steep country on the boundary of Lebanon and Syria and patrolled nearly up to the Turkish. The Regiment moved back to North Africa into the long and bloody El Alamein campaign from July to November 1943. Paul had the often dangerous job of co-ordinating the placement of Units and the Regimental guns.

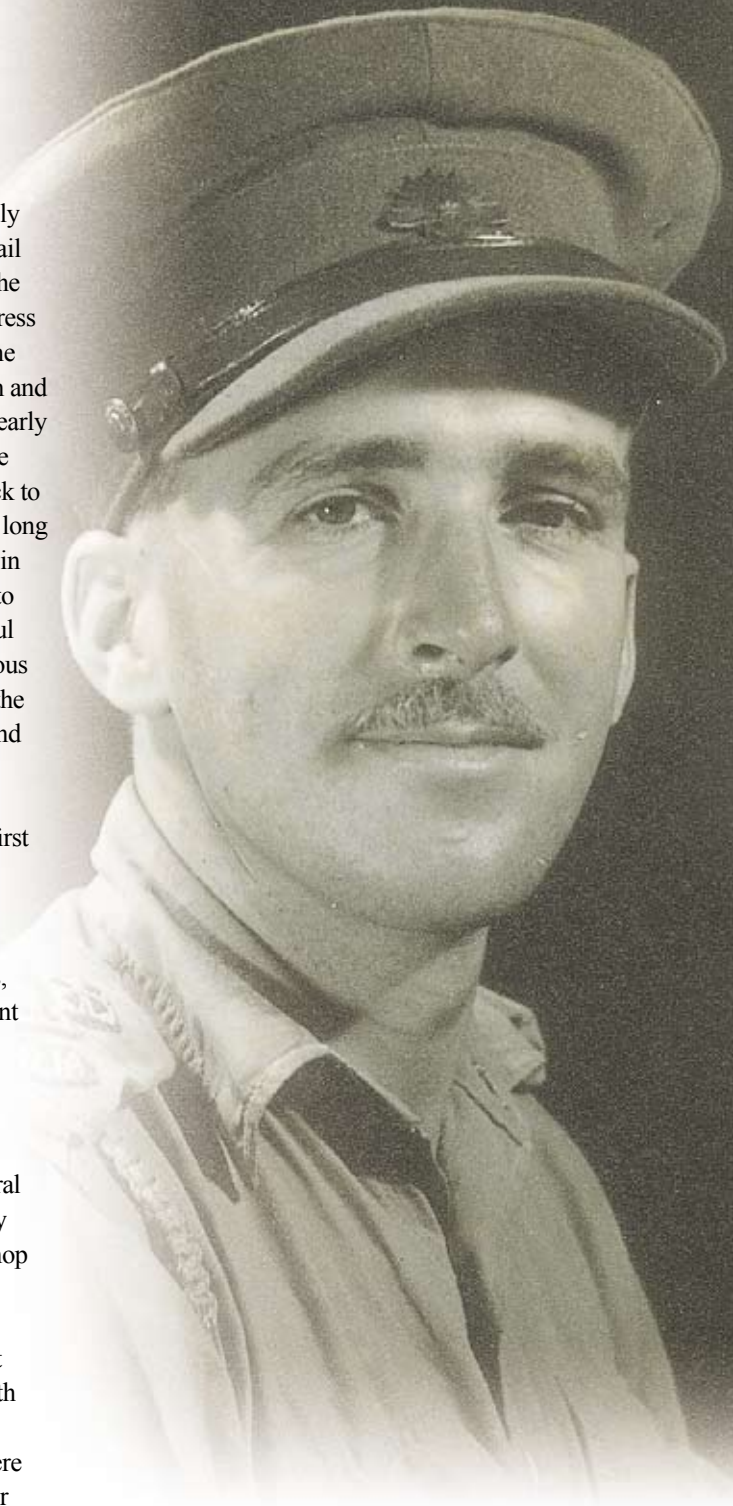
El Alamein was the first major allied victory of the Second World War. According to Ammunition Returns, the 2/8 Field Regiment expended 163,000 twenty-five pounder shells during the campaign. General Alexander and General Bernard Montgomery (son of previous Bishop of Tasmania) could not have been more complimentary about the efforts of the Ninth Australian Division. Sadly, their losses were heavy, particularly for the Infantry.

After home leave, the Regiment did not participate in further action until the invasion of North Borneo in June 1945. During that period, Paul was promoted to Captain, transferred to the Australian Naval Bombardment Group and became Artillery Advisor to the CO of the 2/43 Battalion at their landing at Labuan Island. Instead of having only twenty-five pounder Artillery support, he had a mobile sea-borne "battery" of 2 USN Destroyers with five and a

half inch guns, and could also call on the Cruiser, HMAS Hobart, with her 6 inch guns.

Paul and his old Regiment, stayed on in Borneo until peace was declared, and returned safely to his family.

*By Geoffrey Ashton-Jones
Who served with Paul B Edwards in the same Unit for most of the war, and who was a Boarder in 1933 when Paul Edwards was Senior Prefect.*



Beneath THE IVIED TOWER

Obituaries

We note with sadness the recent passing of the following Old Boys

Alan R Crawford (1931 Leaver)

Paul B Edwards (1933)

John R Coupe (1938)

John Bennetto (1942)

WJM (John) Senior (1943)

Fletcher J Gillam (1952)

Brian D Creswell (1956)

Gordon J Dean (1957)

Philip G Farmer (1971)

Ross J Heather (1976)

As this issue was going to print, we were saddened to hear the news that **John Bennetto** (1942) had passed away.

John was a legend in yachting circles, having participated in some 44 Sydney to Hobart races, only retiring from ocean racing this year.

Fifty Years Out

A reunion dinner for students from 1955 and 1956 was held on 29 December at the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania, followed the next day by tours of the old and new Schools.

In addition to almost 50 leavers and their wives the event was also attended by four staff members from the era – John Kerr, Jeffery Boyes, Vern Osborn and Bob Brewster.

Members of the Fifty Year Reunion group on the balcony of the Old School in Macquarie Street



See back of mailing sheet for more Fifty Year Reunion photos

A great school for boys



W.J.M. (John) Senior
11 February 1925 to 16 August 2005
Hutchins 1933 - 1943

John Senior has died in Cairns after a long illness. He was 80. He enlisted in the RAAF during World War 2 and undertook fighter pilot training in Canada, but apart from that time and his boyhood in Hobart he spent most of his life in remote regions of Papua New Guinea.

John joined the Department of Native Affairs and District Services as a patrol officer in 1947. Later, employed by the Australasian Petroleum Company, he explored extensively by foot and canoe most of the Western Province and much of the Gulf District in the search for oil. Described as brilliant at local languages, he was fluent in Motu (not the simplified police Motu) and several others which proved beneficial when he entered areas previously unexposed to white contact.

In 1956 he married Bakoi Gedi from Parama, an island at the south entrance to the Fly River. They established several trading stations in the Western Province and Gulf District, and by 1967 were dealing in crocodile skins, copra and general goods. Because there were no roads through the deltas and rainforests 400 kilometres west of Port Moresby,

they purchased boats and aircraft to support their businesses that eventually expanded to include fisheries, sawmilling, and labour recruitment for plantations and oil exploration.

Through sawmilling John was associated with the World Wildlife Fund. Village landowners hand-harvested individual trees and brought them to be milled and sold. The project was designed to conserve the environment, be sustainable, and provide cash and self-reliance for local people. John saw it as mitigating against both corruption and clear-felling, through rewarding individual effort and ensuring real work opportunities rather than a dependence on handouts. His greatest concern about Papua New Guinea and its future was the level of corruption, believing if it wasn't dealt with the country would continue to struggle.

John's navigation was superb. He was as much at home on the massive Kikori River system and its tangled delta as he was in his planes which he flew until his seventies between Kikori, Port Moresby and Cairns. In the air he instructed his children how to recognise the different rivers flowing into the Gulf of Papua so that in bad weather an opening in low cloud would enable them to pinpoint their position.

The Senior family lived beside the broad Kikori River, 60 kilometres from the coast and one and a half kilometres from the government station at Kikori. A small herd of Brahmin cattle kept the grass down and maintained a supply of meat. John forbade his children from learning pidgin, engaging a teacher from the community school to come after hours to teach English and maths before they eventually left for boarding school.

John Senior was the fourth of five children, and the only son of Bill and Eileen Senior. He married twice. Bakoi and two sons, including Bill (Hutchins 1971 - 1976), predeceased him. He is survived by his second wife, Daina, one son (Robert, Hutchins 1979 - 1985), five daughters who all attended Collegiate, 14 grandchildren including William (Hutchins 1990 - 1997), one great grandchild, and his eldest sister.

Bill Senior (Hutchins 1971 -1976)

Bill Senior died in October 2003. He was the first Papua New Guinean to fly solo from southern Australia via Horn Island, Daru and Kikori to Port Moresby, and later the first Papua New Guinean to acquire a helicopter licence. He flew extensively in Papua and the New Guinea Highlands for local airways. In 1984, as member for Kikori-Goaribari in the Provincial House of Assembly, he became the Minister for Finance. Bill was the eldest son of John Senior (Hutchins 1933 - 1942), and the father of William (Hutchins 1990 - 1997)

Compiled by family members and friends of John Senior.

Alan Robert Crawford
27 August 2005

Alan left Hutchins early in 1931 due to the depression and started work with the Commonwealth Bank in March 1931. He remained with the Bank all his working life and retired in Toowoomba Queensland where he was the branch manager. He was school open swimming champion in 1930 and 1931 and son Scott still possesses the medals from those victories.



Thomas Quigley

An interesting photo was forwarded to us by Judith Bowden ... it shows the Senior Prefect of Scots College Sydney, Thomas Quigley, with the Hutchins rowing shell "Cluny". Thomas, who was also Captain of Boats at Scots this year, is the grandson of **Richard Bowden** (1951) from Cluny, after which the shell is named.

Michael Crisp (1957) moved off the land a number of years ago and is working in rural real estate with David C Archer. Also working in the same firm is Bill Parsons (1980) who qualified as an accountant before moving into rural real estate.

John Gay (1961) has been in the news lately as CEO of Gunns Limited and promoting the new Pulp Mill for the Tamar Valley.

Saul Eslake (1974) has been appointed to head the Tasmanian Arts Advisory Board. Saul was also recently involved in a recent Careers Expo at Smithton.

Ken Brotherson (1977) is living in Middle Cove Sydney. He is a partner in the law firm Lake Dawson and Waldron. He and his wife Lynn have three children. Recently Ken was joined on a six day holiday (courtesy of wife Lynn) on Mauritius Island by **Tim Ikin** (also 1977)

Julian Peters (1980) is a plastic surgeon in Victoria. He and his wife Lyn recently had a son Christian Luke. Congratulations.

Matt Bryan (1981) recently competed in the winning team in the Freycinet Challenge. The event was described as a "feast of pain".

Tim Stokes (1982) is a senior lecturer in Mathematics at Waikato University in Hamilton New Zealand.

Interesting to see **Julian Scrivener** (1983) nominated as one of Tasmania's top ten actors! Julian has been the voice of Morgan (one of the three teddy friends of the ever popular B1 and B2) in the hit TV children's show *Banana in Pyjamas* since 1992.

Andrew Fysh (1983) is Assistant Naval Adviser at the Australian High Commission in London. Earlier in 2005 he visited Anzac Cove as part of his duties



Andrew Fysh

The Gift of Learning: A Lasting Legacy

Have you considered leaving a bequest to the School in your will, or making a lasting gift in memory of a loved one?

If you would like to confidentially discuss any aspect of these issues, please don't hesitate to contact either Mr Christopher Hall (03 6221 4246) or Mr Tony Smithies (03 6221 4206) in the Development Office at the School.

Simon Bayley (1986) married Edina Grosz in Budapest July 05. Simon is now Project Director for a property company building a large shopping centre in Poland. Simon has been in Hungary for 11 years and until this position was Finance Director of the company. Many Old Boys (including Michael Parson) attended the wedding in Budapest

Matthew Ward (1987) is living in Tarragindi, Brisbane and was married in October to a Brisbane girl Kylie Gillespie. Mathew is national sales manager for MEX (a computer software company that specialises in programs for scheduling maintenance for business).

Richard Atkins (1987) and his wife Danielle recently celebrated the birth of daughter Ella.

Jeremy Buddle (1987) Is now a GP in Lower Sandy Bay, having worked in the area since 2002. He gained his RACGP fellowship in 1999. He has also been the doctor for the State Masters Australian Football team since 2000. The team recently won the National Interstate title in Adelaide in the Superrules Division.

Cam Jones (1987) returned to Hobart in 2004 and is working with the law firm Dobson Mitchell Allport. He and his partner have a daughter and are living in West Hobart. Cam has renewed his interest in Pipe Music and is once again playing with a Highland Band.

Vica Bayley (1987) has been outspoken recently on issues relating to Tasmanian forests. He is a campaigner for the Tasmanian Wilderness Society.

Scott Cummins (1987) and his partner Amanda have recently celebrated the arrival of their daughter Sophia Grace.

Alistair Bye (1987) visited the School in December. He is the Driver Training Manager for Motorsports Tasmania - a company which runs advanced and defensive driver training at its facility at Old Beach and at Baskerville. Alistair will be returning to Queensland in 2006 where he works with Sherrin Motor Sports - and gets to drive in exciting events such as the Porsche Carrera Cup. This year he was placed Third in Rally Tasmania, driving a Porsche GT3.



Alistair Bye

Peter Blythe (1988) is doing great things with Tasmanian Organics, a business he operates with wife Sally and another partner. The business produces a range of skin care products and has recently obtained major distribution orders through Myer.

Robert Watchorn (1989) was recently awarded the Professional Renovator Builder for Tasmania award, and goes on to become Tasmania's nominee at the national level. Rob is married to Katie. They have three children and live in Hobart.

David Sims (1989) is living in Sydney and was recently engaged to Monica Kelly.

Jonathon Pitt (1989) was married early in 2005.

Adrian Rosevear (1989) is currently the senior Check and Training Officer with the RAAF in Adelaide, flying the Orion search and rescue and surveillance aircraft. He is currently also completing a Law degree through Macquarie University.

Marcus Merchant (1991) recently announced his engagement to current Hutchins staff member Janeen Elliss. Congratulations to both.

Ben Jones (1992) is doing an apprenticeship as an electrician.

Lachlan Keating (1991) and his wife recently had a daughter Lily Grace. The family moved from Queensland to Christchurch in New Zealand in December 2005.

Anoop Lad (1992) recently got married - three times! Anoop and Joanne Rodrguez took their vows first at a Catholic ceremony at Liverpool in Sydney in September followed by a Hindu ceremony at Port Huon a week later. Then, in early October the wedding party re-assembled in Mumbai in India to repeat the ceremony for Indian family members.

Andrew Short (1993) has graduated from the Royal Scottish Academy for Music and Theatre and hopes to pursue his singing career in London. He recently also announced his engagement to Dr Jane Freeman of New Zealand. Jane is a psychologist and has spent the last two years in Edinburgh

Richard Hues (1993) has returned home and has taken over the family business of Tasmanian Coffee Roasters in Sandy Bay. Determined not to have a life, he is now open seven days a week!

Damian Burbury (1993) has returned to the family farm after several years travelling overseas.

Adam Lane (1993) recently returned from the UK and other places and is working for Tassal and on the family farm. He even hopes to play cricket for Gretna this season.

Mark Chopping (1993) has left the farm and is successfully selling rural real estate in Launceston for Bushby's.

Andrew Darcey (1994) is working as a Physio in Adelaide and in October married a local Adelaide girl Rebecca Pomfret. Richard Steedman (1994) was his best man. Andrew this year completed his Masters in Sports Physio. Andrew is still well into his sailing and in 2005 won the South Australian Laser Championship for the third time



David Winter (1994) was recently seen competing in the Australian Mountain Bike Championships at Glenorchy. Also competing was current student Harry Friend (Year 9)

Jeremy Richardson (1994) recently married in Melbourne and having qualified a number of years ago as a medico is now hoping to work towards becoming a plastic surgeon. Jeremy's brother Christopher is a familiar sight around both Hutchins and Collegiate where he works as a peripatetic singing teacher.



Ian Hibbard

David Madden (1994) is farming on the family property at Hamilton.

David Jones (1994) recently announced his engagement to Jo Heazlewood. David is home on the family farm at Hamilton.

Ian Hibbard (1996) was recently back in Hobart aboard Young Endeavour. He is a Lieutenant in the RAN and navigator. Ian was also one of the first RAN personnel to land in East Timor, and was married in 2002 to Rachel Hatt (a US Management Auditor).

Cleve Schupp (1997) recently had one of the lead roles of Angel in the Exit Left Musical production of Rent at the Theatre Royal in September. Malcolm Short (1993) was also a prominent player in the same musical, while three current students Craig Irons (Year 12), Jacob Cook (Year 11) and Daniel Cosgrove (Year 11) also featured.

George Nichols (1998) has graduated from Agriculture College and is working on a rural research project in Deniliquin.

David Stary (1999) has transferred to Townsville with the RAAF. He is the maintenance manager with the rank of Flying Officer.

Henry Nichols (2000) is studying drums at the Tasmanian Conservatorium in Hobart

James Jenkins (2000) has spent a semester at the University of Florida as part of his Commerce/Law degree at the Tasmania University. He is the nominated "kicker" for their football team, and is also playing Australian Rules with a local team. He returns to Hobart to continue his studies in 2006.

Special thanks go to father-son duo **Andrew Hood** (1966) and **Chris Hood** (1995) who recently spoke at the Annual Ray Vincent Lunch.

This page is the primary means of notifying Old Boys and others of forthcoming events.
 For further information or to make reservations please contact Tony Smithies in the Development Office
 at Hutchins on 03-6221 4206 or email Tony.Smithies@hutchins.tas.edu.au
 You can also check out updated information at <http://events.hutchins.tas.edu.au>

DATES TO NOTE

Saturday 4 March, 7.00 for 7.30	Supporters of Rowing Gala Rowing Dinner. More details will be advised early in the School year.
Thursday 9 March	Adelaide Reunion (Details to be advised)
Friday 10 March	Perth Reunion (Details to be advised)
Friday 17 March, 4.00 - 8.00	School Fair, Senior School Quad. Come and enjoy some fine food and wine. Plenty of entertainment for all the family, as well as bargains and the famous Irons Wheel of Fortune.
Monday 20 March	Opening of the Magenta and Black Art Show, Long Gallery
Friday 7 April	ELC and Senior School Grandparents' Days
Sunday 9 April	Open Day
Monday 10 April	Middle School Grandparents' Day
Friday 12 May 2005	Old Boys Virtus Lunch, 12.00 for 12.30 at The Tasmanian Club (132 Macquarie St). Phone Tony Smithies on 6221 4206 for details.
Tuesday 23 May	SPA Concert
Wednesday 24 May	Webber Lecture
Saturday 5 August:	Anniversary Reunion Dinner for Leavers from 1951, 1961, 1966, 1971, 1976, 1981, 1986, 1991 and 1996.

Term Dates 2006

Tuesday 14 February	Start of Term One
Thursday 13 April	Last day before Easter and Anzac Day break
Wednesday 26 April	School resumes
Friday 26 May	End of Term One
Monday 19 June	Start of Term Two
Monday 24 July	Mid Term break
Friday 8 September	End of Term Two
Monday 25 September	Start of Term Three
Thursday 7 December	ELC/Junior School Presentation Night
Tuesday 12 December	Middle School and Senior School Speech Night End of Term Three
Friday 15 December	Leavers' Dinner

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

(all meetings at 7.30 pm in the Board Room)

22 February, 22 March (AGM), 26 April, 17 May, 28 June, 19 July, 16 August, 18 October, 15 November

Need more information? Have news? Keep in touch by letting us (and your old classmates) know what you are up to.
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