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## **MAGENTA** and **BLACK**





### HG BALDWIN WING



**Mr Warwick Dean** Headmaster

#### IT IS MY PLEASURE TO ANNOUNCE THE OPENING OF THE HG BALDWIN WING AND LIBRARY LEARNING CENTRE.

When a Board entrusts the conceptualising and design of a building to its Headmaster it is a most memorable day, and I wish to begin by thanking The Hutchins School Board for this opportunity to develop the concept for a centre of teaching and learning that is at its completion a truly magnificent teaching and learning enbyironment. The building comprises four new, generous and highly flexible learning spaces – we used to call them classrooms – eight staff offices, facilities for storage and preparation of archives, a much needed records storage space, a lift that will facilitate movement about the building for caterers, disabled persons and the elderly and a foyer below that increases the School's capacity to provide multiple points for groups to gather – formally or informally – to relax or to participate in audiovisual presentations. A well-filled trophy cabinet enhances the lower foyer, displaying symbols of life lessons learned in co-curricular endeavours.

Entry to teaching and learning spaces is from the now expanded courtyard. Each classroom will have the capacity to provide online access and multiple options for class activities The "glass through" designs promote interest across teaching and learning activities for staff as well as students.

The Nettlefold Library is warm, inviting, spacious, well lit and acoustically appropriate for quiet study as well as conversation amongst groups of students. The introduction of technology to improve lending processes and cataloguing as well as open

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displays has been welcomed by staff and students alike.

The "global classroom" is a manifestation of the support that technology brings to teaching and learning at Hutchins.The highspeed connection to the AARNET network allows us to speak with students and other academic institutions, scientists, and remote places anywhere there is another connection. For example, our students of Chinese will be able to improve their conversational Chinese, while our exchange friends at the 2nd High School attached to the normal university in Beijing can improve their conversational English, as they connect with each other in real time and with crystal clear transmissions.

Most important has been the incorporation of a Careers Centre into the Nettlefold Library, designed to encourage and support students as they search for and access information and services to help them make informed decisions about their study and career options.



The opening of the new Library Learning Centre in the HG Baldwin Wing Left to right: Mr Barrie Irons (Deputy Headmaster), Dr Jill Abell (Director of Informaton Services), Mr Lance Balcombe (Chairman of the Board of Management), Ms Jenny Self (Business Manager), Senator Carol Brown (representing the Federal Government), the Reverend Richard Humphrey (Dean of Hobart) and Mr Warwick Dean (Headmaster).

The new link to the Nettlefold Library (renamed after the generous Nettlefold family) has eliminated the high risk pedestrian ramp and the dark and unwelcoming undercroft, which led to smaller and darker archives and offices. In the new library, ceiling height windows, corridor design and other design features promote cross ventilation, which will reduce the need for artificial cooling in summer. Window tints and external window screens have allowed a careful use of sunlight in the winter months. A 6Kw photovoltaic panel array will convert solar energy into power that can be fed directly into the electricity grid and used by the building. The Wing and Library Learning Centre concept and design would not have been possible without generous contributions from two significant sources.

I wish to acknowledge and thank the Commonwealth Government under the Building the Education Revolution initiative for its significant contribution; it is a real delight to see the funding put to use in such an outstanding facility.

I acknowledge and congratulate Fairbrother Constructions for their high quality and safe work which enabled the project to be completed on time and on budget. As well, I wish to thank Mr Ian Johnstone and Mr Chris Holloway of JMG and Partners Engineers and Planners for their invaluable advice, Mrs Glenda Sorrell of Matrix Group Management for assistance in quantity assurance, and Mr John Button of Heffernan, Button and Voss for architectural services.

I would also like to recognise The Hutchins School Business Manager Ms Jenny Self, Property Manager Mr Ken Barnes and OH&S Advisor Mr Darryl White, for their attention to detail and the significant time they put into the project.

Also I wish to recognise the Director of Information Services and ICT Dr Jill Abell and her staff who put many hours into design thinking and hard manual labour to bring this facility to readiness on the due date.

As well as the teams that were directly involved in construction, I also wish to acknowledge the significant contribution of The Hutchins Foundation in supporting the development of the Henry Baldwin Wing. In addition to a direct financial contribution, the Foundation Board judged that the Learning Centre met criteria pertaining to a bequest from the late Henry Baldwin and accordingly directed funds from that bequest towards the project. As always, the support of The Hutchins Foundation in providing ongoing financial assistance which contributes to the continuing development of much needed facilities within the School is greatly appreciated.

It is also my pleasure to acknowledge and thank a great friend of The Hutchins School, Henry Baldwin, after whom and in whose memory this whole complex is named. Henry attended Hutchins from 1926 to 1937, after which he attended the University of Tasmania, graduating in Engineering Science in 1943. Henry's faith was the foundation of his life and he was highly involved with St George's Anglican Church in Battery Point. He was a great supporter of Hutchins, was actively involved in a number of historic and maritime societies and was the driving force behind the annual Mariners Service in October, which the School still attends and supports. Henry will be remembered as a Christian gentleman with wide interests, whose kindness and generosity benefited a great many people in various walks of life, and this school is one of the grateful beneficiaries. It is indeed a pleasure to see the name HG Baldwin on this fine building.

If you have not already done so, you are most welcome to visit and enjoy this excellent facility.



Henry Baldwin

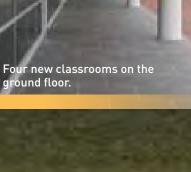
The Nettlefold Library

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The "trophy room" – a great open space within the new centre.



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ELC boys singing at the Valedictory Service for year 12 leavers.

## From the Chaplain

Some Magenta and Black readers with a good memory may recall that in the July issue I explained that we are looking at world views in Chapel. This is the notion that our ideas are often a product of our time and place of birth. In Australia, and certainly in my own experience, that is frequently a secular assumption about life – that God is either remote or non-existent – and that faith has little to do with my daily experience. I encouraged the boys to "think about their thinking". Are my beliefs about the world deductions or assumptions? Little did I know what a stir this would cause.

#### Power of 9

There has been some wonderful planning going into the Power of 9 program for 2011 and the Religious Studies/Chapel team has been putting some thoughts together for the Marieville Esplanade experience. We will be visiting various places of worship in our city, such as St David's Cathedral and the Islamic Centre. There will be opportunities to speak to people of faith who are involved in areas such as climate change, drug rehabilitation, prison ministry, professional sports and the various programmes of Anglicare.

#### **Chapel Blog**

I received a well-considered letter of critique from a Year 10 student and, after a warm and congenial chat, we hit upon the idea of the Chapel Blog. It has been a very helpful way of starting conversations with a number of students. There have been 159 comments posted since the commencement of the blog in July. It is accessible from the School's intranet (Hutchins Central) under School Links on the right-hand side after signing in. If you have not already seen it, take a look and let me know what you think. In particular, there have been some helpful quest blogs offered by a couple of my beloved colleagues in the science staff, Dr Peter Wilson and Mr Brett Smith. We have also had Chapel visits from Old Boys Mr Michael Lynch and the Reverend Paul Chew, as well as Wellspring minister and Hutchins dad, the Reverend David Rietveld. All have shared their understanding of the Christian world view, urging boys to "think about their thinking" and to take belief in Jesus Christ seriously.

Vale Ros Many of you will be aware that we lost our Middle School Academic Assistant. Ros Ranalli. in August, after a long fight with cancer. She worked right up to the week before her passing because she enjoyed her role at Hutchins and especially her many friends on staff. The School community was well represented at her funeral and we all miss her smiling face. Our prayers and best wishes go to her husband Frank and three children. Our thanks go to Mrs Shirley Els and friends who organised a cancer fundraiser in memory of Ros.





Staff enjoy the "Think Pink" morning tea





## Magenta and Black Ball Sell-Out Success!

The inaugural Magenta and Black Masked Ball was held at Hadley's Hotel in July. It was not only a sell-out event but also a fantastic evening. Special thanks need to go to the organising committee – Cathi Burnett-Cosgrove, Cheryl Johnston, Belinda Denehey and Judy Smith – who put in an outstanding effort to ensure the evening's success

Above: Parents' Association President Cathi Burnett-Cosgrove with husband Rick Allen at the masked Ball.

Left: ELC Staff member (and member of the organising committee) Mrs Judy Smith and her husband Graham really got into the "spirit" of the Masked Ball

#### Race Day

In September the Parents' Association also held their second successful Race Day at Elwick Racecourse. Despite it being Grand Final weekend, numbers were up on last year, and we were again well supported by sponsors. Special thanks go to Shadforths Financial Services, Fairbrother Constructions, the Carpet Company, Shepperd Bros Plumbing, IRIS Computing and D Williams Builders for their generous support.

Above: Enjoying a day out at the races (from left to right) Anne Allanby, Craig West, Anne Haward, Marcus Haward and Helen West

Left: President of the Old Boys' Association Nick Dywer with wife Renee enjoying the Race Day

## **Out and About**

#### 18 October 2010 -Thinking Pink

To show support to those who are currently fighting their own battle with cancer and in remembrance of those who have passed on, a Pink Ribbon Morning Tea was held in the Senior School Brammall Staffroom in October.

It was a huge success and it was quite surprising to see how many different types of food with a pink theme one could present, including pink biscuits, large pink iced cakes, small pink cupcakes, pink strawberry milk, pink cream puffs and, believe it or not, pink scones with pink fresh cream and pink strawberry jam! Pink helium-filled balloons floated at ceiling level.

The support was overwhelming, with many staff members wearing something pink – a ribbon, a tie, shirt, jersey or in one case, bright pink fluffy slippers!

All that is left to say is, thank you! Your support and the contributions received do make a difference.

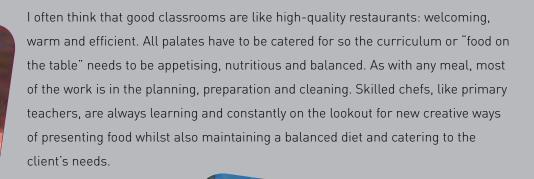






The boys were thrilled in the middle of the year to be visited by one of the Naval helicopters.

## ELC and JUNIOR SCHOOL



ELC Birdhouse



Koh Kawaguhi (4B) who received the ICAS top in the state for Mathematics.

Russel Taib and Abraham Parsons-Lucas (Year 6) trying on the speakers robes in Canberra.



Costa Georgiadis from SBS Television's Costa's Garden Odyssey recently visited Hutchins and spent time in the Junior School garden with some of theYear 5 boys. The kitchen is always a hive of activity for chefs. So what has been happening behind our ELC/JS kitchen doors over the last semester and what have our talented teachers (chefs) been doing?

- Mrs Robin Short, with the aid of Mrs Trish Knight and Mr Michael Webster, produced an entertaining Year 5 Musical, *Pinocchio*. This was very successful and many neighbouring primary schools came to see the production.
- Mrs Caroline McCreary and Mr Jason Berry choreographed and produced a version of Walt Disney's *Life*, with the Year 4 students. This was entered into the Wakakiri Story/Dance event and won a swag of silver and gold awards in a variety of categories.
- Mr Shane McAloon and Mrs Nikki Colev ensured that we are meeting the objectives of a "Move Well, Eat Well" school, with Learn to Swim program, JumpRope for Heart, winter sports, summer sports and athletics, as well as our Outdoor Ed camping programmes.
  - The specialist Music tutors gave our boys the opportunity to share their talents on a variety of instruments at several soirees and concerts.
    Our Treble Singers also performed with the Fahan Junior Singers at their Winter Concert in August.
  - Miss Kate Vivarelli and Mr Paul Robinson produced and launched a Teacher's Resource Kit on the Tasmanian devil with the help of their Year 3 students.
- Mrs Kate Reid has been awarded Tasmanian Teacher Librarian of the Year and has been very busy, not only teaching our boys to be cyber-smart and ICT-savvy, but also having many interesting author/illustrator visitors such as Mark Greenwood, Steve Isham and Graham Base come to speak to our boys and other neighbouring primary school children.
- Dr Jill Abell and her team organised an amazing 3D interactive planetary experience in the Geodome for our boys and other children
- Mr David Gilkes, Mrs Sarah Fielding, Mrs Lee Burman and Mrs Kate Turner have been very busy with all their Reggio projects and the Bird House, which has been a joint parent/child project. Mr Gilkes also performed in the local production of *Spamalot*, which I know many of our boys, parents and staff enjoyed.
- Mrs Trish Knight has done a wonderful job with our Green Team and they are hosting the AuSSi –Tas 4 Kids Conference – Celebrating the Year of Biodiversity. Our Year 5 vegetable garden is also featuring as part of SBS TV's Costa Georgiadis' workshop.

- Our ICT experts Mr Alex Mirowski and Mr Gary Prebble have been hard at work behind the scenes helping our staff to learn about the myriad ways in which an interactive whiteboard can be used as a learning tool.
- The Year 6 team really put the *Habits* of Mind into context for our boys when all the Year 6 boys tackled the slopes at Mt Hotham and had a winter experience at Ben Lomond
- Steve Biddulph came to share his ideas with the whole staff on how to raise boys.
- The Charity Leadership group has raised in excess of \$1500 since June, to support local and national charities; it is currently collecting toys and books for Ronald McDonald House.
- Mrs Jacquie Coad and Mrs Michelle Weeding arranged for our Junior School dance troupe to attend a Justice Crew workshop, which the boys thoroughly enjoyed.
- Our staff have all been on board with Kids Matter this year. This is a whole-school model for improving the mental health and wellbeing of primary school students. Mr Jason Berry has led us in the initial stages and we look forward to Professor Toni Noble working with staff next year to launch the latest version of the social/emotional programme, "Bounce Back".
- Mrs Sue Hasenkam, our Deputy Head ELC/JS Curriculum, has been working like a Trojan behind the scenes and is helping teachers to come to grips with the National Curriculum framing papers, differentiate their learning tasks to cater for individual needs and understand how to work with electronic unit planners. The Kindergarten team has also been working hard on the Early Years Learning Framework.
- Staff have been involved in investigating the National Maths Curriculum and, led by Mrs Sue Bullen, have worked collaboratively, implementing some new ideas and assessing and moderating maths work samples. This work will continue in 2011.

Our ELC and JS 'kitchens' are very busy and it is impossible to list all the initiatives in every area that have taken place this semester. However, the important thing is that we are trying to ensure that we are in the best position as a school to offer the very best for our boys.



Harrison Davison-Lim,(Year 6) creating a plaster creature

## ELC and JUNIOR SCHOOL



Kate Reid TASMANIAN TEACHER LIBRARIAN OF THE YEAR We were delighted when Mrs Kate Reid was recognised as the Tasmanian Teacher Librarian of the Year.

Mrs Reid is based in the Stephens Library and is particularly proud of her efforts to encourage boys to make the link between web technologies usually regarded as entertainment and their application to work and learning.

She has actively encouraged the boys to utilise wikis, blogs and other participatory media, with some fantastic collaborative projects taking place between students at Hutchins and overseas schools from countries such as Thailand and the United States.

Mrs Reid is also a treasure-trove of knowledge in regard to the effective and safe online use of computers by staff, students and families.

Headmaster Mr Warwick Dean commented, "Hutchins is delighted at Kate Reid's success. Kate has raised the profile of the library and information literacy in the Primary School with passion and intellectual expertise. She has been a leader at The Hutchins School and in the areas of ICT collaboration with teachers, our students and students from other schools." Left to right: Mr Paul Robinson, Ms Lucinda Hunnam, Minister for Environment Parks and Heritage Hon David O'Byrne MHA, Mr Warwick Dean, Miss Kate Vivarelli and Mr Andrew Sharman (Devil Program Manager, DPIPWE)



#### Launch of the Save Tasmanian Devil Program's Teacher Kit



The Save the Tasmanian Devil Program Teacher's Kit was launched in the new Library Learning Centre in the first week of October, by Headmaster Mr Warwick Dean and the Environment, Parks and Heritage Minister David O'Byrne.

The kit was produced as a voluntary endeavour by Year 3 teachers Mr Paul Robinson and Miss Kate Vivarelli, with illustrations by artist Lucinda Hunnam. Mr Robinson and Miss Vivarelli had found that there were no teacher resources on the devil or how to help save this endangered species, despite its relevance to studies of Tasmania. They approached the Save the Tasmanian Devil project with the idea of putting together a resource kit that informed children, supported the curriculum, highlighted the plight of the devil and suggested ways in which children and schools might help. The boys in 3R and 3V trialled the kit and gave useful feedback for the final production.

During the launch the Year 3 boys became the focus of media attention as they participated in art activities with Lucinda Hunnam, completed thinkers' keys and explored the STTDP website using the interactive smartboard in the multimedia library.

The kit has now been supplied to all Tasmanian primary schools and has been sent to schools on the mainland and as far away as Ireland, Russia and Canada.



Middle School boys Tug-of-War

## MIDDLE SCHOOL

#### Middle School Poetry and Prose in Performance.

Whenever I do public speaking units with my English classes, I always stress the importance of gaining experience in these activities at school. School age is the right age, I tell them, because they are still young enough to avoid becoming trapped in an inability to speak in public; then I point out how important skills in this area will be in later life. They are all likely to want to speak to a large group at some stage, if only at their own or their best friend's wedding. These days, however, I think more and more students are aware of this without my having to tell them.

The most recent example of this is the enthusiasm and determination with which our Year 7s prepared their poetry and the Year 8s prepared their prose pieces for our poetry and prose unit. We require every student to do a class performance of these and the very great majority of our students completed the exercise.

Then the best presenters, or just those who want to have a go, volunteer to participate in our Middle School Poetry and Prose in Performance competition evening. This is organised by Mrs Janet Waters with help from Mrs Alison Farmer and is always a pleasant evening of entertainment.

This year, however, the standard was stunning. Chosen pieces ranged from important speeches by Barack Obama, Martin Luther King and Abraham Lincoln, through thought-provoking poems such as "The Road Not Taken" and "Song of a German Mother", to the biting humour of Ben Elton's "Chart Throb" and the sheer joy of J Pretulsky's poem, "The Ghoul".

I was so delighted by the whole evening that I immediately went into my office and typed, for the next morning's bulletin:

CONGRATULATIONS to all involved: last night's Poetry and Prose Evening was stunning. The range of topics, the interpretations, the courage on display and the sheer entertainment value were all outstanding. You can all be very proud. I would love to have you all come and collect a merit or two.

I cannot help adding that this is the sort of extremely valuable educational experience that cannot be measured by nationwide tests whose results are published on websites.

Max McLaughlin (Year 7) competing in the Poetry and Prose competition



Jonathon Clark-Hansen (Year 7) reciting his entry in the Poetry and Prose competition

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The winning preformers at the Deloraine Youth Drama Festval

FRONT: left to right: Tom Harrison, Anthony Krueger, Jonathon Francis-Smith, James Thompson

REAR: Sam Wood and Tom Avery.

#### International Kids Teaching Kids Coastal Conference.

On 17 October this year, three boys from the Middle School – Andrew Mackay, Jarra Taurian and Jonathon Kearney – along with Mr Rob McCammon, travelled to Caloundra to attend the International Kids Teaching Kids Coastal Conference. Over 500 students from nine other countries and all round Australia attended. Veolia Transport kindly provided a grant to help us attend.

Our students gave a PowerPoint presentation which explained to the audience some of the many ways that have been devised by humans to protect coastlines from erosion, such as seawalls, groynes and artificial reefs, in addition to some of the other topics they had covered in class, including climate change and sea level rise. They also described coastal changes that had occurred in Hobart over time.

The presentations were a tremendous success and the majority of the audience enjoyed the activities to such an extent that they plan to do them again when they get home.



AARNet and NASA brought space and astronomy to life with an interactive, guided tour of the universe

Australia's Academic and Research Network, AARNet demonstrated its "GeoDome" inflatable high-definition 3D theatre for first time in Tasmania on 22-24 September at The Hutchins School. AARNet brought a 3D tour of the universe with the GeoDome – an inflatable, immersive 3D theatre.

The GeoDome experience allows students to explore the known universe, via NASA's Digital Universe Atlas software. Online gaming technologies – the handheld game controller and visualization tools enabled staff members, Mr Matt Ralph, Mr Ian MacRae and Mr James Seddon to interact with space data and imagery from NASA and the global telescope network, creating an immersive learning experience for over 600 students from the school and neighbouring primary schools. Students had the opportunity to experience 1080-pixel high-definition video feeds through a fish-eye lens in real time. L-R: Haydn Betuel (President of Business Educators Australasia, Tasmania), Calum Mitchell, Jack Harrison, Ross Welling and Professor Gary O'Donovan (CPA Australia)

L-R: Haydn Betuel (President of Business Educators Australasia, Tasmania, Claude Alcorso and Professor Gary O'Donovan (CPA Australia)

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## SENIOR SCHOOL

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### **Business Studies News**

Business Management students have participated in two competitions with great success. The University of New South Wales PricewaterhouseCoopers Business Studies Competition was held in May. Will Hughes (Year 10), William Lord (Year 10), Hugh Nichols (Year 10) and Matt Young (Year 10) were awarded Certificates of Distinction. Jack McMeniman (Year 10) was awarded a Certificate of High Distinction. Harrison Virs (Year 11) was awarded a High Distinction and a Merit Prize in the Junior Division.

As a part of our coursework during Term Two, students completed a Business Plan which was entered into the CPA Australia Plan Your Own Enterprise Competition. The competition is run by Business Educators Australasia. Claude Alcorso (Year 10) and Sean Gressie (Year 10) were short-listed as finalists in the State Individual category. Two groups were also short-listed as finalists at state level: Calum Mitchell (Year 10), Jack Harrison (Year 10) and Ross Welling (Year 10); and Matt Young (Year 10) and Josh Symonds (Year 10).

The state presentation was held on Friday 1 October and Hutchins students were victorious in both divisions. Claude won the State Individual prize and Calum, Jack and Ross won the State Group prize!

Calum, Jack and Ross' plan for "Street Soccer Tasmania" was also judged as the Australasian Division Two winning entry. Claude travelled to Canberra to personally present his plan, "Crustacean", to the national judges. **Congratulations to all of these students on their success.** 

> Jodie Schafferius Head of Business, Enterprise, SOSE and ICT



### Year 9 Thailand 2010

For the third year, students from Year 9 have travelled to Thailand during their May holidays for a combination of adventure activities and immersion in a local village, where they have helped with a community project.





### ANNIVERSARY WEEK MUSIC

On Friday 6 August, the Faculty of Music presented a concert in St David's Cathedral, celebrating the School's 164th Anniversary. The Brass Ensemble, Saxophone Quintet, String Quartet and Senior Orchestra all presented performances in the first half of the programme, including works by Giovanni Gabrielli, Antonio Vivaldi, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Flor Peeters and Scott Joplin.

The second half of the program saw the Senior Choir combine with the Collegiate Singers, soprano Gina Bashford, and a chamber orchestra of visiting instrumentalists, to perform John Rutter's celebrated work *Requiem*. Right: the First XVIII AFL Rules State Premiers and Below: the First XV State Rugby Premiers

# SENIOR SCHOOL

### **Co Curricular Winter and Spring 2010**

The Hutchins School Co-Curricular program through winter and spring 2010 has been extremely successful. From the sports arenas, drama studios, music halls, and debating and public-speaking competitions, young men at Hutchins have travelled a path of self-expression, gaining experiences that will stay with them forever. Tours to Sydney, Cairns and Brisbane and countless intrastate trips have given our boys an opportunity to be the best they can be.

#### NOTABLE PERFORMANCES THROUGHOUT THE WINTER AND SPRING 2010:

- Athletics Aggregate boys champions at SSATIS and SATIS
- Australian Rules Football SATIS state premiers First XVIII
- Australian Rules Football SATIS state premiers Second XVIII
- First Basketball Team southern finalists
- Badminton Ampol Cup champions
- Cross-country Junior, Senior and Aggregate boys champions
- Dance Troupe state dance eisteddfods and commendable mention in the Sydney Dance eisteddfod

- Drama productions
- Debating champions in Year 9, Year 10 and Years 11/12
- Hockey Second XI SATIS state premiers
- Success in the Clarence and Hobart music eisteddfods
- Rugby Under 14 champions and Under 18 First XV state premiers
- Soccer First XI SATIS state semi-finalists
- Soccer Second XI SATIS state premiers
- Sport Shooting State Invitational winners
- Tennis Tour to Cairns for the Davis Cup
- Water Polo Southern Schools finalists



The 2010 Tennis Tour Squad 2010 at the Davis Cup in Cairns in September.

Thanks must go to our coaches, managers and assistants of groups in 2010. We have some123 outside coaches and supporters and without the assistance of these tremendous people our cocurricular programmes could not go ahead. The strength and spirit of the co-curricular programme at The Hutchins School are our teaching staff. Their dedicated efforts are to be commended.

> Wayne Brown Director of Co Curricular and Sport



### **NEWS FROM THE ARCHIVES**

#### The new school museum is open for business!

After a crowded and sometimes difficult year, with office space in the back corner of the temporary library, most of the collection packed up and stored in a dusty terrapin located away behind the Boarding House and no home for displays other than several portable display cases at various points around the school. The Hutchins School Archives and Heritage Collection is now the proud occupier of The Hutchins Foundation Centre, incorporating the museum, archives office and the Margaret Driscoll Meeting Room, Amid frenzied scenes reminiscent of ants at a picnic, armies of removalists and installers, along with library, archives, maintenance and cleaning staff and a few trusty helpers, worked long and physically arduous days over the school holidays packing, shifting and unpacking furniture, equipment and boxes, and setting up new workspaces and displays.

The job in Archives is by no means finished, but we are sufficiently well set up to host morning teas and openings – so far there have been two Old Boys' morning teas in The Hutchins Foundation Centre and the grand opening of the HG Baldwin Wing – and visitors can expect to see continuing development in the number, strength and aesthetics of our displays. Unpacking and stowing items in the state-of-the-art storage facility downstairs still has a long way to go, but the recently installed open storage shelves, added to the generous compactus space already in situ, will make this an easier and more interesting task. We look forward to welcoming donors, visitors and guests on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. All visitors should go through the front office, where they will be signed in and receive a visitor tag; it would be helpful if they could telephone first to ensure that the Archivist is not away from the office.

Sadly, our enthusiastic and long-serving volunteer, Richard Lord, passed away recently; his assistance and generosity will be sorely missed in the Archives. The large crowd that gathered to farewell him on 10 November at St Stephen's Church, Sandy Bay, paid tribute to his single-minded dedication to recording the history of Tasmania, particularly that of the Isle of the Dead, Port Arthur. Perhaps not many of them were aware of his research efforts which resulted in the compilation, self-publication and donation to the school of histories of the PH Rockett Scholarship and of the school bell. *Vale Richard*.



A number of donations were inadvertently left off the list that appeared in the previous issue of *Magenta and Black*, for which we apologise profusely. No disrespect or ingratitude was intended and we include those omitted in this issue.



## **RECENT DONATIONS**

#### The Vivit Post Archive

Donated by Christopher Sonneveld (left 2001), November 2009.

Cricket Jumper, belonged to Stuart Saunders (1972, no. 6080) Donated by Mrs Virginia Harper, 2 December 2009.

School Reference, belonged to William Thomas Abel (1911, no. 1872)

Donated by daughter Mrs Jan Knevett, December 2009.

Photo Album, female staff Masters' Rowing Crew, 2001–09 Compiled and donated by Lance Morrisby, December 2009.

Photographs; sketches, drawings; copy of photograph; 80 Club card Donated by TB Murdoch (1927, no. 2869), June 2010.

Tray, handmade at school by Brian Kemp (1943, no. 3678); wooden plate and urn-shaped container; saucer; serviette ring; placemat featuring The Hutchins School (Macquarie Street) Donated by Lyn and Brian Kemp, August 2010.

School badge (on black silk) and colours (black and magenta ribbon), belonged to Reginald Ellis (1905, no. 1664) Donated by daughter Mrs Fay E Foster, August 2010. **Books, 3 volumes, The Works of Shakespeare**, c.1860, awarded to George Webster (1870, no. 743),

Senior Associate of the year, Part of First Prize for Mathematics, 1877 Donated by daughter Mrs Sue Lester, August 2010.

Photos (2), laminated, of Hutchins Cadet Corps 1950, named by Don Lange Donated by Don Lange (1944, no. 3748), August 2010.

Book (2 copies), Honoured Grave – Hector Charles Long DCM, On the Somme 1916-18, by RV McNeice (1950, no. 4140) Donated by Roger V McNeice, August 2010.

Tennis racquet and medallion, won by Ron Rattenbury, Senior Tennis Champion, 1954 Donated by Mr RH Rattenbury (1950, no. 4149), September 2010.

Gold medallion, cup and vesta case, won by Roy Crick (1895, no. 1477 and 1897, no. 1525) Donated by grandsons Rob (1940, no. 4082) and Tom ( 1937, no. 3883) Loney, September 2010.

Parking plaque on stone and framed print of Macquarie Street school, belonged to Ray Vincent Donated by son TW Vincent (1943, no. 3703), September 2010.

Rowing and personal memorabilia, belonged to Jim Turner; clothing and personal memorabilia, belonged to Lance Morrisby Donated by Lance Morrisby, September 2010.



**Grateful THANKS** to all of our donors and helpers throughout the year. We look forward to an exciting and productive year ahead.

> Margaret Mason-Cox ARCHIVIST

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Special gifts were received in memory of the following former students: Mr David Eddington Mr Nick Smithies



Left: Mr Cyril Garlick inspecting some of the treasures in the Hutchins Collection with Dimitri Ross (Year 9).

Below Left: Old Boy Mr Trevor Young explaining the latest technology to some of the Year 9 boys.

## THE OLD BOYS

### OLD BOYS MORNING TEAS

The last Tuesday of every month during term time has seen groups of retired Old Boys and their partners descending on various parts of the School to enjoy morning tea. At different times this year the group has explored the Boarding House, shared war stories with a Year 4 class, had morning tea with the boys in the Early Learning Centre, looked at the new Archives and discussed what School used to be like with a group of Year 9 students.

The program has been an initiative of The Hutchins School Foundation's Bequest Committee, who felt we needed to do more to open the doors to our retired Old Boys, and we have been delighted to be able to do this. In 2011 we expect the new Hutchins Foundation Centre to provide a real focal point for activity.



#### LOU BISDEE 100TH BIRTHDAY

School Captain Larry Owen chatting with Lou at his 100th birthday celebrations.

We were delighted in September to be able to join in the celebrations for Lou Bisdee's 100th birthday. Lou sadly passed away a few weeks later on 16 November.

Lou left Hutchins in 1927 and went on to become a wellknown public figure, first in local government and later (from 1959 until 1981) as the Member for Monmouth in the Legislative Council. One of the many organisations he was involved with was the Tasmanian Racing Club where he was a Life Member. We were pleased to be able to have one of the races at the recent Parents' Association Race Day (held the Sunday after Lou's 100th) named in honour of his 100th birthday.



#### **Steven Smith AM**

Congratulations go to Brigadier Steven Smith (1976) who was made a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in the Military section of the 2010 Queen's Birthday Honours List. Steve received this honour for exceptional service as the Commander, Joint Headquarters Transition Team, Iraq, Assistant Commander of the 1st Division and Commander, 9th Brigade. Steve is the 2006 Ivied Tower Award winner, and joins **Stephen Gumley** AO (1974) and **Michael Hodgman** AM (1955) as the third Old Boy to be appointed to the Order of Australia in 2010.

#### **OLD BOYS IN THE NEWS**

Over the last year a number of Old Boys have obtained significant recognition in their chosen fields of endeavour. Here is just a small selection of some wonderful achievements.

**Craig Webb (1984)** of Raptor and Wildlife Refuge at Kettering South of Hobart recently received the Environmental Medal at News Ltd's Pride of Australia Awards in Sydney, which he won for his tireless efforts in the recovery and release of countless forgotten wildlife victims, from the majestic wedge-tailed eagle to the tiniest bandicoots. Craig's efforts have been outstanding in this regard. Craig's website is www. raptorrefuge.com.au.

**Scott Pelham (1985)** and his family business Pelham Painters were recognised as the 2010 the Dulux Accredited Painter of the Year for Vic/Tas and subsequently went on to receive the National Award. This is an achievement against the very best and most experienced painters in the industry and is based on a number of criteria ranging from business plans and business systems, marketing initiatives, financial management, OH&S practices, environmentally sustainable practices and of course professionalism in their work. You can find out more at Scott's business website www.pelhampainters.com.au. **Robert Watchorn (1989)** recently won the national award as the as the HIA Australian Housing Awards Renovator of the Year. His business, Blythe and Watchorn Builders made a strategic decision back in 2004 to concentrate on renovations and the award was recognition for their outstanding work in restoring many older homes to their former glory.

**Christian Rainey (1999)** has been putting an enormous amount of effort into coaching youngsters in golf (including some at Hutchins) and was recently the 5 Star Community Coach Award winner for Tasmania. Christian has been an integral member of the Active After School Communities (AASC) coaching team since mid 2005 and has delivered in excess of 500 AASC golf sessions to 36 different AASC sites throughout Southern Tasmania. Christian claims that one of the highlights of his year has been helping some Junior School boys dig up the WMO with 7 irons.

Great to see **Kev Hofbauer (2006)** land a major role as a regular in the TV Show Rush. He plays the character of Christian, and has been re-signed for another season of the series.

The Hutchins presence in the AFL continues, with **Marcus Davies (2009)** making his debut for Carlton towards the end of the season and retaining his spot in the side into the finals. **Paul Hudson (1987)** has joined the coaching staff at St Kilda.

#### Mid 50's Reunion

A band of intrepid leavers from the mid 1950's organised a weekend in Southern Tasmania in late November this year. This particular group has got together regularly over the last fifty years and have formed strong bonds. In all some thirty four Old Boys (including partners) from across Australia ventured to the Huon Valley, visiting major attractions and sampling some of the region's best food and wine.

The weekend concluded with a visit to the new Archive Centre at Hutchins for morning tea.



#### Reunions 2010

Anniversary Week this year saw some 150 Old Boys descend on Hadley's Hotel for this year's Anniversary Reunion Dinner. Groups from 1960, 1965, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985. 1990, 1995 and 2000 came together for the event. As with all these events the Dinner is just the focal point with several other less formal activities organised over the weekend.

Next year's Dinner (for Old Boys from 1961, 1966, 1971, 1976, 1981, 1986, 1991, 1996 and 2001) will be held on Saturday 6 August. Make a note for this weekend now (and if necessary book those cheap airfares today!)

#### **OBITUARIES**

We are saddened to report the recent passing of the following Old Boys, staff and former staff. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and friends.

Mr Lou Bisdee Dr Tony Brothers Mr John Chambers Mr Rex Donnelly Mr Trevor Gluschke Mr Phillip Heckscher Mr Arnold Hickman Mr Lawrence Jones Mr Aidan Lade Mr Richard Lord Mr Noel McCreary Mr Algie Page Mr Alan Purdy Mr David Roberts Mr Ken Dexter Mr Roger Drummond	1926 leaver 1951 1932 1943 1939 1953 1948 1962 1940 1948 1947 1927 1954 1985 Ex staff Senior Rowing Coach
Mr Don Harris	Ex staff
Mrs Roslyn Ranalli	Staff



Nick Randall sharing some tips with Zac Bury (Year 9).



Two Old Boys have also joined the staff in the last six months, which is great to see.

Nick Randall (2000) is working part-time in the Design and Technology Department to supplement his Wood Design business. Nick has some stunning examples of his work on display on his website www. nickrandalldesign.com.

More recently **Patrick Moore** (2008) has joined our IT Department in a full time support role. This is one of the more frantic and challenging parts of the School.

Left: Patrick Moore at work in his "IT Cave" at Hutchins.



#### Sydney Algernon (Algie) Page 1909-2010

We were saddened to learn recently of the passing of Algie Page, who died in August just a few weeks short of his 101st birthday.

After leaving Hutchins in 1927 Algie had a variety of jobs – mainly clerical – before enlisting in the Royal Navy for World War II. He served on ships for the whole duration of the war, seeing much of the world.

Algie married Isabel at the end of the war. They had two children, Helen and Stephen, and he followed his love of farming in Tasmania until they moved to Redcliffe in Queensland in 1953. He then pursued a career in most aspects of the motor vehicle industry – accounting in dealerships, motor vehicle sales and owning service stations – until he retired at the age of 65 in 1974. At the age of 94 he was still driving and walking 3–4km a day.

Algie was a dedicated husband and family man and an active member of the RSL for over fifty years, serving as a welfare officer and being instrumental in getting status for Vietnam Veterans in the RSL. Even in later years his concern for others was always to the fore.

Stephen Page (son)



#### **Richard Lord**

Richard Lord left Hutchins in 1948. While at the School he was a member of the group of students who, under the direction of Mr Gordon Jones, built a hut at Chauncey Vale. The project was a pioneering one in outdoor education in Australia.

His passion for history was evident in a huge amount of research and a number of publications. Much of this work has been freely shared with Hutchins and has provided valuable information for our own Archives. In recent years Richard had been a dedicated volunteer in the Archives, providing enormous input and support.

The Hutchins School was very important to Richard and he made a lasting contribution.

# 2011 Calendar **EVENTS**

Tue 8 February	Start Term 1
Fri 25 March	Magenta And Black School Fair
Fri 8 April	ELC Grandparents' D
Fri 15 April	Middle School and Senior School Grandparents' Days
Thu 21 April	Easter Break
Mon 2 May	School Resumes
Fri 27 May	End of Term 1
Tue 21 June	Start Term 2
Mon 18 July	Mid Term Break
Sat 6 August	Old Boys' Anniversary Reunion Dinner
Fri 12 August	Junior School Grandparents' Day
Fri 2 September	End Term 2
Mon 19 September	Start Term 3
Fri 21 October	Mid Term Break
Wed 14 December	End Term 3

#### Reminder – Communiqué

Communiqué is the fortnightly email newsletter from the School. If you would like to have it emailed to you or need to update your details so that you continue to receive it, please contact **Rachel Lucas on 6221 4311** or email rachel.lucas@hutchins.tas.edu.au.

The newsletter can also be accessed via the School website **www.hutchins.tas.edu.au**.





#### **Roger Drummond**

The Hutchins School community mourns the loss of its esteemed Senior Rowing Coach Roger Drummond.

Roger contributed so much to The Hutchins School community as a coach of rowing and especially as a mentor to many young men. In both spheres he was indeed a positive influence and a real success.

His cheerful, dedicated, caring, empathetic and kindly direct manner endeared him to the many that were fortunate to meet him and spend time with him.

He will be deeply missed by our community and our prayers go to Roger's family and many friends.

Vivit Post Funera Virtus

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