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*Merry Christmas from Albies*





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# COLLEGE PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME



On the eve of our 50th year, Albies is enjoying a prosperous period with great energy throughout the college. The student body have proven yet again to be outstanding young men and women who continue to impress all as dynamic contributors to university life and the community more broadly. I am extremely proud of our student leadership team who have done a superb job this year, enabling the students to engage in everything that College life has to offer. Albies has benefitted greatly from their presence.

Our staff continue to rise above expectations also, with feedback from our exit survey confirming that the students cherish the relationships they've forged with our team across all aspects of the college community, and they have thrived thanks to the Albies offering this year. In particular our Senior Common Room continue to be the lifeblood of the college, opening their homes, hearts, and networks, all in support of the Albies students' aspirations.

At the same time Albies has seen a step in the right direction culturally by choosing to partake in the Human Rights Commission's audit of UNE Colleges. Our students, staff and broader stakeholders have had the opportunity to connect with surveys, interviews and focus group sessions. This report, as requested by UNE Vice-Chancellor Annabelle Duncan, is aimed at ensuring that we work towards cultural renewal in light of long held issues of sexual harassment and assault, hazing and the ill effects of excessive alcohol consumption at universities across Australia. I am pleased that Albies has holistically bought into this process during this transformative period in the history of UNE and Albies. I strongly believe that our participation will assist our aspirations to continue to offer the best possible experience for all members of the Albies family.

The absolute highlight of 2018 was the Charity Long Lunch held in September, where our outstanding Charity Committee President, Laura Penrose, handed a cheque for \$40,000 to our partner Little Windmills on behalf of the College. This gift came as a result of countless hours of work, mind-blowing events and fundraisers and auctions held by her team with the support of the broader student body and the Senior Common Room in particular.

As the year draws to a close there is much to be excited for as we prepare for our 50th year in 2019. With the newly renovated dining hall, and the refurbishment of B Block as stage one of a three-year infrastructure development plan, we know that next year will offer much to celebrate. Board Chairman, Dr David Miron, held a planning retreat for Albies early in November which has then empowered the College Executive to draft an operational plan for Albies for the next two years, relevant to our long-term vision for the distinctive Albies brand.

To that end, with our Albies family at the heart of that focus, I very much look forward to seeing friends, old and new, at the 50th Gala weekend from the 29th to the 31st March at the College. We are hopeful to share in the celebration with many of our past students, parents, staff, members of the SCR, friends of the College and current students for this milestone for Albies. The conversations held recently with our Alumni and Friends Committee, once again reminded me of the motto I'd heard of long before I arrived here, "Once you're Albies, you're Albies for life."

Finally, I'd like to thank everyone who has contributed to the successful year that was, and wish each of you a blessed and joyous Christmas break with family and friends as we then prepare to return to celebrate what we hope will be Albies' best year yet in 2019.

Jas Lincoln  
College Principal



# FROM THE CHAIR



As 2018 draws to a close, it is timely to reflect on all that has been achieved at St Albert's College this year. The College has once again enjoyed excellent student numbers and been the College of choice for so many new and returning UNE students. The College's Catholic foundation, academic and pastoral support programs, community spirit and commitment to serving others ensure a rich and rewarding experience for our College residents.

St Albert's has again enjoyed some outstanding academic results and a very full schedule of events including Parents Weekend, the College musical, sporting and arts activities and an incredibly successful charity fundraising program for the year.

For its part, the Board has approved the Dining Hall extension, which we are very pleased is on track for completion in trimester 1, 2019. This building work will mean that the whole College community can attend formal events at the College much more comfortably and will fittingly showcase the hospitality for which the College is renowned. Additionally, upgrades to the residential accommodation have commenced, with B Block to be completed in time for the commencement of trimester 1, 2019.

This year we welcomed Carl Trevaskis to the Board. Carl is a former Albies resident and a partner at Invest Blue. Carl joined the existing board members, including Jenny Harman, Greg Moin and Richard Scully. As well as our usual board meetings, the Board held a strategic planning day, which provided the opportunity for the Board and management to plan together for the future. The College has worked closely with UNE on the Respect Now Always campaign following the release of the Red Zone Report and we are absolutely committed to ensuring that the culture of Albies fosters a positive college experience for every student.

There are many people who contribute to St Albert's College and for whose effort the Board is very grateful. I wish to thank Bishop Kennedy for his continued stewardship, oversight and helpful advice. I thank our staff, so capably led by Jason Lincoln, for putting their heart and soul into the College and for their continued focus on the wellbeing of our students. We are indebted to our chaplain Father Paul McCabe, whose humble and wise manner is reassuring and greatly appreciated. I offer the Board's thanks to the members of our Senior Common Room who play an integral part in ensuring a unique College experience for our students. I am extremely grateful for my fellow Board members, for their support and commitment to the governance of the College. Finally, I wish to thank our student leadership team and the St Albert's College residents for making the College what it is today, as we work together to build the Albies of the future. I look forward to appropriately recognising and celebrating the 50th anniversary of the College with you all in 2019.

Associate Professor David Miron  
Chair, St Albert's College Board

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in memory of Timothy Bruce Hood,  
Albies resident from 1985-1986.

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# FROM THE BISHOP



The end of 2017 saw three Board members complete their term of office. These were Karl Schmude, Simon McMillan and Jayne Heagney. Each of these Board members have provided an extraordinary contribution to the Board and College.

Karl's contribution to Saint Albert's College, along with other activities within the Church in the Diocese of Armidale, Australia and internationally was recognised by Pope Francis with the awarding of the Papal Decoration of Knight of the Order of Saint Gregory the Great. This honour is in recognition of his deep commitment to the Catholic Church, his Catholic faith, and the Diocese of Armidale.

I welcomed Carl Trevaskis to the College Board this year. Carl is an alumni of the College and works locally in Armidale as a Chartered Accountant and Financial Controller at Investblue. Carl has proven to be a valuable addition to the College Board.

The Board of the College provide outstanding support to the Master, staff and student body. I thank them for their willingness to be involved in this way.

I am also grateful to Father Paul McCabe who was appointed as College Chaplain in the latter part of 2017. I know that Father McCabe has been active in College activities and has been welcomed by staff and students alike.

There are many developments underway at the College not the least of which are the dining room extension and refurbishments to the resident accommodation. These facility upgrades will enhance the resident experience.

I recently received a letter from a parent praising the College. She expressed a sentiment I know all parents share when she said *"It is very comforting, as a mother, to know your precious child is in such great hands. The transition from school to university is very daunting for parents and children alike. Saint Albert's College is a safe, nurturing and caring place that enables our children to attend university and receive the academic and pastoral support they need."*

I know that providing this type of environment is at the forefront of all decisions that the Board and College staff make.

In her final paragraph this parent sums up the College, *"Thank you to the Catholic Church and your contribution to Saint Albert's College. It is wonderful to have such a great College for our child to attend and we will all have cherished memories of our child's time there. In a world where the younger generation receives a lot of negative press it is refreshing to know that the future is in good hands with the graduates of Saint Albert's College."*

I offer my own congratulations and gratitude to all involved at the College for creating such a positive collegiate experience for tomorrow's leaders.

Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Michael Kennedy  
Bishop of Armidale



# FROM THE CHAPLAIN



It has been a joy and inspiration to have been part-time chaplain to St Albert's during 2018, and I regret not having had more time to serve the College. Highlights of 2018 include the Commencement Mass, Academic Dinner, Valedictory Dinner, and the Charity Committee's astonishing fundraising.

The 300 plus staff and students who assembled for the Commencement Mass introduced me to the spirit of St Albert's — the good will, the openness, the fidelity to the college motto to search passionately for *truth*.

The Academic Dinner which evidenced the successful achievement of the prime purpose of St Albert's — to enable students to pursue their academic and personal goals, and solemnly mark the milestones on their journey in pursuit of the *truth*. The address by UNE Vice Chancellor, Professor Annabelle Duncan, was truly inspiring.

The Valedictory Dinner was an uplifting celebration of the spirit of St Albert's. I was carried away by the boisterous singing of the College song, and left with the words of Jonty and Natalie embedded in my memory — *"Friendships were formed and forever they'll last!"*

The Charity Committee's \$40,000 for Little Windmills was mind-blowing. If ever there was evidence of the Christ-like spirit of our students, this was it. As Tolstoy's novel has it, *"Where love is, God is" — Ubi caritas, Deus ibi est.*

Another highlight was the visit to our diocese by the Apostolic Nuncio, Archbishop Adolfo Yllana, the Pope's representative in Australia. Originally from the Philippines, he served in the Vatican's diplomatic service in Taiwan, Lebanon, Ghana and Turkey. Then he was appointed Nuncio to Papua New Guinea, Pakistan, Congo and now Australia. A humble man, he brought the spirit of Pope Francis to our diocese, and truly represented what belonging to the Catholic (universal) Church means.

I look forward to serving St Albert's in 2019, and hope there may be more time to spare than was available this year to fulfil with staff and students the College imperative — *"Veritatis Studium Prosequi - Pursue the Truth with Passion"*.

Fr Paul McCabe  
College Chaplain



From left: Mandy van Duijnhoven, Areti Metuamate, Jessica Zieltjes, Archbishop Adolfo Yllana, Mary Wright, Bishop Michael Kennedy, Jennifer Thomas, Will Gunning and Jack Spork.



# STUDENT EXPERIENCE



Commencing 2018 with more students than the College has ever had before (313 in total with a large waiting list) meant it was always going to be a busy year for the student experience team.

I am delighted to reflect on my first year at Albies and feel very honoured to work in this wonderful community. Can I start by thanking Charlie Mill for his unwavering commitment to the College – of all the people I have met this year I doubt I could name anyone more passionate about Albies than Charlie (well, perhaps first equal with Greg Stephen!) Charlie's work as part-time Dean this year has been important for guiding me as I settle into my role and I know the students have greatly valued his support and mentorship.

In 2019 we will have Jack Spork (Fresher '14) as our Dean of Students alongside Louise Butterworth who continues as our Registrar & Student Advisor. Louise is a former teacher and both she and Jack are UNE graduates. We are also fortunate to have Justin Davies as the College Porter living directly across the road and available for after hours maintenance, security and safety matters. Justin is a former boarding master at The Armidale School and works primarily as the Precinct Manager at Albies during business hours.

This year we have strengthened the academic support programs with a range of new activities organised by our

Senior Academic Advisor, Damien Thomson and his team. Next year we will be adding an extra *Nerd Night* to the weekly schedule and also reintroducing an old tradition of evening guest speakers who will come to discuss and debate a topical issue of the day or an area they have a passion or expertise in. This will occur monthly and will also be open to members of the broader community who we hope will engage in lively discussion and debate with our students. In mid-August, we held our annual Careers Night, with thanks to Scott Waterson and our Academic Advisor Team, which was used as an opportunity to give students some inside knowledge from 12 industry experts and leaders including CEOs, managing directors, partners and professionals. We are also planning to be a much bigger affair in 2019 given it is also the College's 50th Anniversary.

On the spiritual front, as a Catholic college we celebrate Mass here onsite on set occasions throughout the year and we also encourage students and staff to attend at Saints Mary & Joseph Cathedral in town. Our chapel is a spiritual sanctuary valued by our students and Fr Paul McCabe has held monthly 'Chaplain Talks' there with each floor which have been well attended. We also had two students, Sean Skinner and Shelby Glavocih, attend the Chosen Conference in Melbourne hosted by Jesus Youth Australia, which was an opportunity for them both to learn about new ways to deepen their own spirituality, while also collecting ideas about how we can do things

differently here at Albies to enhance our Catholic character.

Outlined on page 11 is the exceptional students we have on the 2019 Resident Support Team (or RST for short). I have to say I am still recovering from the selection process which was so competitive that I could not sleep properly for a number of days while we finalised the team. Having strong student leadership is essential for any college to succeed and we certainly have that here at Albies!

Our sporting calendar was as busy as ever with our two biggest clubs being rugby (five teams) and netball (nine teams), and let's not forget the committed and energetic teams we had playing hockey, basketball, water polo, and soccer. I won't dwell on sporting news because that is being covered later in this edition of *Veritas*, but I do want

to commend all those involved in leading our sports clubs as they have done an outstanding job.

Finally, I am pleased to see that 200 of our current students have applied to return to Albies next year – a hugely positive endorsement of the great community we have here! Louise tells me that we have interviewed well over 130 potential new students meaning we will have full capacity at the start of 2019 and (unfortunately, for some) another waiting list!

Wishing our community a blessed Christmas and an auspicious New Year.

Dr Areti (Ari) Metuamate  
Deputy Principal and Director of Student Experience





# STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM

Selecting the 2019 RST was a very difficult task as we had 135 applicants for only 40 positions! Every one of those 135 applications was impressive which is a real sign of the calibre of people we have in our College community. Adjacent to this is a list of all members of the 2019 RST as well as our JCR, Executive and Charity Committee leaders, and I take this opportunity to congratulate each of them on their appointment.

The College would like to thank and wish every happiness to our departing members of the leadership team. Hopefully the memories and friendships you developed here will continue to impact on your lives ahead, which we have no doubt will be a success. Especially, the student executive team which is made up of outstanding young men and women. Edwina Smith and Lachlan Ogden have been passionate contributors to the College and they

are both impressive leaders. Damien Thomson and his deputy Shannon Bow have worked tirelessly overseeing a successful academic support program. Joe Keady and James Bierhoff have led an amazing programme of JCR events throughout the year, and we were fortunate to also have Tim McDermott on our student executive this year as he has played a key role in encouraging students to engage with the many different facets of College life.

We are blessed to have such talented and committed student leaders and the staff and our entire Senior Common Room have thoroughly enjoy working with them.

With all of this we are excited for what lies ahead for our great College.

# 2019 Student Leadership Team

## SENIOR RESIDENT ADVISORS

Laura Brown  
Jack Morrissey

## RESIDENT ADVISORS

Tori Allen (BRA)  
Grace Anderson (BRA)  
James Bloomer  
Tom Fisher  
Georgie Hook  
Joe Keady (BRA)  
Jack Lane  
Issey McDouall (BRA)  
Toby Reardon  
Keagan Size  
Damien Thomson  
Jack Ticehurst (BRA)  
Georgie Trowbridge  
Edwina Watson  
Jess Zieltjes

## SENIOR ACADEMIC ADVISOR

Shannon Bow (Accounting/Finance)

## DEPUTY ACADEMIC ADVISOR

Angus Dingley (Rural Science)

## ACADEMIC ADVISORS

Kelsey Buss (Science)  
Shelby Glavocih (Education)  
Will Gunning (Medicine)  
Henry Hickson (Ag/Business)  
Jack Hely (Law)  
Louisa Quiddington (Nursing)

## PASTORAL ADVISORS

Phoebe Allpass  
Josie Bambling  
Lachlan Buttenshaw  
Grace Gerathy  
Lachlan Holz

Lily Hook  
Tilly Hunt  
Josie Long  
Hamish Markey  
Jock Pattinson  
Anthea Powell  
Katie Robinson  
Charlie Smith  
Jack Todhunter  
Ben Wieland

## JCR EXECUTIVE

Joe Vary (President)  
Tom Condon (Vice President)  
Robbie Waters (Treasurer)  
Annika Spork & Tom Seyffer (Sec)  
Alice Frend (Publicity Officer)

## CHARITY COMM CO-PRESIDENTS

Ash Flint & Jack Inder



**2018 Student Leadership Team**  
Fourth row, left to right: Charlie Smith, Tom Fisher, Toby Reardon, Jack Biddle, Tim McDermott, Jock Pattinson, Hamish Markey, James Bloomer.  
Third row, left to right: Luke Paterson, Jack Todhunter, Jack Morrissey.  
Second row, left to right: Jess Zieltjes, Louisa Quiddington, Holli Backhouse, Shannon Bow, Georgia Hook, Lucy Price, Georgie Trowbridge, Issey McDouall, Natalie Aquilina, Damien Thomson, Jack Lane, Jonty Harris, Jack Ticehurst.  
First row, left to right: Jack Spork (Dean of Studies), Natalie Lambeth, Tori Allen, Kelsey Buss, Melanie Hagenbach, Jason Lincoln (College Principal), Edwina Smith, Claudia Mitchell, Grace Gerathy, Katie Robinson, Keagan Size, Areti Metuamate (Deputy Principal).



# FROM THE JCR



Well — as it happens — 2018 was another successful year for the Junior Common Room with the lead up to the College's 50th Year celebrations just around the corner next year. But seeing as though that's 2019 JCR President duty to facilitate those functions, we'll focus on what was a fun and eventful social calendar the Committee had put together as this year was in no doubt the busiest to date due to the shortening of teaching periods.

First term saw the influx of around 110 young new whippersnappers absolutely chomping at the bit to rip and tear into the new college way of life and personally I don't think any of them knew what they were getting themselves in for! The notorious O-Week buzz is quite the phenomenon where everyone unites under the banner of fun! Various events cater for freshers including introductions to our College sponsor pub, events at College and a couple of rest nights. Events such as the infamous Colosseum Night, Billy Madison Day and Ladies Day all saw blokes and ladies throw themselves into the fire of the week, in which anyone who has ever gone to St Albert's knows that those first memories are never forgotten.

As the energy of O-Week had settled down, it was time for the academic focus to set in. Nevertheless the social scene continued to progress! A diverse range of cocurricular activities against the Old Enemy Robb College saw the fresher rugby lads under the leadership of Jack John Mullany and first aid technician Will 'Eggs is the Future' Burke, bring home the bragging rights for the first time in 68+1 years; Lizzie Mackie and Imi Turnbull

leading the girls to a massive win in the 1st year Hockey. As it stood, a gutsy performance by the Netty Girls under the direction of President Georgie Trowbridge almost brought the three trophies home for the college, but the Robb outfit outlasted the ladies by the closest of margins. Nonetheless, celebrations followed all sporting matches celebrating the various fresher sport heroics.

Parents Ball Weekend is always a highlight, and this year was no different with many parents shrugging off the burdens of their children's dry wallets with a couple of schooners or wines. With an outstanding band and a crowd of roughly 800, celebrations ensued late into the night. After a big night out Saturday, many students saw the final opportunity to keep on top of the social calendar by partaking in the Sunday session out the back of D Block to blow off that final bit of steam prior to exam curfew. Whilst a bit of the organised cricket was played, everyone was more than content to enjoy the picnic atmosphere on the sidelines on college blankets. Judging by the redness of our beloved staffer Pete McGarry's face on Monday morning, wasn't the greatest of ideas.

Trimester 2 kicked off as per usual with the yearly Albies week jam packed full of activities. Events like Chicken Champagne and JCR night made sure everyone was kept on their toes. The famous centrepiece of the Albies week events, Albies Friends Ball, was a hit. A big thanks to the JCR and Social committee for helping set up and putting all the pieces of the puzzle together! The Servies put on a great spread for the students and their friends in which was of the highest quality. 'Terra Firma' put on

a show with their great crowd control and presence on stage. Shoutouts must go to Jimmy 'Biers' Bierhoff for generously shouting drinks for the evening and some of the valedicts of 2017 who just couldn't seem to give up on the Albies Dream just yet. Like Parents Weekend, it would be a shame to throw away a perfectly good Sunday for a recovery, so everyone pushed onto buses and took a trip out to a paddock to enjoy a few drinks in the sun and fresh air coupled with a celebratory champagne. A nice sunny day for it, the DJ put on some heavy bangers that made our resident DJ (Angus 'Frendo' Frend) toes crawl which ensured that the Albies veterans like Angus 'Big Show' Smith and Pete 'Petesy Bra' Brooker were kept occupied for the day. As this was the last big event for the year, everyone started to knuckle down and start actually doing uni work which is of course why we are all at university and Albies in the first place.

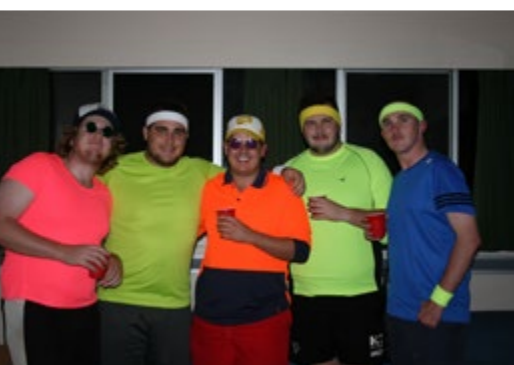
Coupled with a weekly Servies night, the social calendar was kept constant giving people a bit of breathing space between study. Term four slowly crept up on the college and events like 'the wedding' which brought together a lovely couple before the college cohort, and with Will Burke officiating over the ceremony, they married to cheers and tears.

A massive mention to Angus McDouall and the SCR for putting on a show for the Albies Races. Finally, the tear-fest at Valedicts saw off all those who are leaving. Thanks must be to these guys and girls who have led Albies into a new era. Your legacy lives on!

That's a wrap for 2018, huge thanks must go out to our sponsor, the Servies. Scotty and Troy are an asset to the college in which they go above and beyond to ensure the student's safety on nights out and promoting a friendly space for everyone to enjoy themselves. Special mention must also go to the college management, thanks for all the guidance and printing credit! Finally, special thanks to the JCR Team this year, it's been an honour to serve with you this year and without you the JCR doesn't run.

Good Luck to JCR President, Joey Vary and Vice President, Tom Condon next year in the big 50th year, the JCR has a bright future. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Joe Keady  
JCR President, 2018





# ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

What a year it has been, we narrowly missed out on the Academic Shield between us and Robb but we continue to have a high number of students recognised for terrific academic achievement and strive to improve further. We have had some brilliant guest speakers such as UNE Vice-Chancellor, Professor Anabelle Duncan who spoke about her interesting career path and inspired many people. We also had the pleasure of listening to Mr Maurie Stephen tell tales of his time at Albies which really highlighted the opportunities that come with going to Albies. Maurie and his wife Chrissy were also awarded Honorary Fellowship at the dinner which was an event to be remembered.

This year we trialled ‘floor tutorials’ as a way of helping freshers get organised and settle in to an academic routine as well as identifying any issues early. This certainly crowded the weekly schedule but the positive feedback we received at the start of the following trimester confirmed the benefits of it. These sessions have a lot to give if we can work them in better next year. Jack Spork in his role as Dean of Studies also introduced extra-curricular workshops on exam preparation, referencing and resume writing.

*Nerd Nights* featured home made baked goods from our wonderful Senior Common Room. This has been well received and appreciated by all the students studying in the dining hall and tutorial rooms on Wednesday nights. The last *Nerd Night* featured two cob loaves causing Ticey to make his only appearance at the collective study session. I would like to thank everyone who baked something and brought it in and particularly thank Scott Waterson and Justine Biddle for organising it with me each time.

Trivia Night was a massive hit once again with a packed-out dining hall. Many great prizes were up for grabs and the team costumes were on fire. Everyone had a fun time

and a few laughs thanks to the magazine committee. The proceeds from a gold-coin donation at the door went towards Little Windmills making sure that it was a great event in every way.

Although attendance at careers night was underwhelming compared to previous years the impact it had was tremendous. A particular student secured a graduate job with a leading agribusiness through the connection that was made at careers night. Apart from that, we had a great discussion with our panel of speakers, gained great information from individual speakers and enjoyed plenty of yarns and laughter at the post drinks.

I would like to thank Jason Lincoln, Areti Metuamata and Jack Spork for their support and the work they put in to enriching the student experience. The SCR for their continued commitment and parent-like care for us. The Academic Advisors for their dedication and collective work ethic. And finally, deputy SAA Shannon Bow for taking on the role and going above and beyond. I wish Shannon, Angus Dingley and their team all the best for their positions next year.

Damien Thomson  
Senior Academic Advisor



Top: Maurie Stephen speaking at the Founders Dinner.

Below: UNE Vice-Chancellor Annabelle Duncan & Laura Penrose.

Bottom left: Mindy McDouall, Angus McDouall, Chrissy Stephen at the Founders Dinner.



# 2018 COLLEGE VALEDICTS

*Once you're Albies,  
you're Albies for life*

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| Natalie Aquilina  | Kate Lafrenz      |
| Laura Barker      | Natalie Lambeth   |
| Molly Barlow      | Bebe Lewis        |
| Jack Biddle       | Harrison Magann   |
| James Bierhoff    | Andrew Marshall   |
| Charles Black     | Timothy McDermott |
| Lachlan Brimson   | Joshua McEnallay  |
| Aimy Butt         | Bessie McGaffin   |
| Fraser Campbell   | Craig Norrie      |
| Meg Carmichael    | Tayla Miller      |
| Bridget Clark     | Claudia Mitchell  |
| Melanie Cleal     | Lachlan Ogden     |
| Stephanie Darley  | Luke Paterson     |
| Bradley Doak      | Laura Penrose     |
| Amelia Dyer       | Sophie Reynolds   |
| Bronwyn Finnerty  | Sam Rodgers       |
| Amelia Fish       | Edwina Smith      |
| Emily Gentry      | Emma Turner       |
| Melanie Hagenbach | Harry Wakefield   |
| Jonathon Harris   | Rachel Young      |
| Stephanie Jordan  |                   |





# AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS



## COMMENCEMENT MASS AND DINNER

This year we held the Commencement Mass on Wednesday, 14 March onsite at Albies. This was the first opportunity for the students to meet our new chaplain, Fr Paul McCabe. Our Commencement Dinner was held the following evening at the Armidale Ex-Services Club and was our first formal dinner of the year where we welcomed 112 Freshers to the Albies family. A number of scholarships were awarded.

### St Albert's College Entrance Scholarships

Recipients: Georgia Lane, Angus Roberts, Jed McEvoy, Liam Mulligan, Kaitlin Staniforth and Emma Kennedy

### Senior Common Room Entrance Scholarships

Recipients: Angus Dingley and Matilda Hunt

## ACADEMIC DINNER

With the Vice-Chancellor, Annabelle Duncan, as our guest of honour, we held our annual Academic Dinner at College on Thursday, 12 April. This dinner also saw us acknowledge the hard work of many of our students who achieved excellent results in the previous trimester. A number of scholarships and prizes were also presented.

### The Knight Prize

Named after Janice and Trevor Knight, Honorary Fellows of St Albert's College and awarded to a first year student who has performed exceptionally well in Trimester 2 2017.

Recipient | Jessica Zieltjes

### The Senior Common Room (SCR) Prize

Donated by our Senior Common Room and awarded to the top, second year student who performed exceptionally well in Trimester 2 2017.

Recipient | Kieran Smith

### The Martha Hallinan Prize

Awarded to the top, third year student with the highest results for Trimester 2 2017. Martha Hallinan was a great supporter of St Albert's College, with close ties through her son, Father Denis Hallinan, who was Master of St Albert's from 1978 to 1986, and again in Semester 1, 2000. We thank the Hallinan Family for their continued support of our students.

Recipient | Georgia Devenish

### The Master's Prize

Awarded at the Master's discretion for consistent academic effort in 2017.

Recipient | Bradley Doak

## PARENTS WEEKEND

St Albert's College Parents Weekend celebrates our students and their families. Traditionally, the weekend commences with a student-produced musical on the Friday evening, followed by Saturday sport and a gala evening the same day.

### St Albert's College Family Award

Awarded to a family with two or more students who are currently attending and/or have attended Albies. The family demonstrates the values of the College and works to maintain the social and historical fabric of the College.

Recipient | Smith Family

## FUTURES DINNER

This year our Futures Dinner was held at College and our guest speaker was alumnus John Southwell, who works as an advisor to the Minister of Agriculture. John has a strong connection to Albies and his brother and late sister attended.

## FOUNDERS DINNER

Because of the large number of attendees we had to host the Founders Dinner at the Bistro on campus (next year with our upgraded dining hall we will be able to host all College events in our own facilities). Our guest speaker was Maurie Stephen, a well-respected alumnus of the College, who spoke about his reflections of the Albies journey since he was

a Fresher back in 1971! At this dinner we were delighted to confer Honorary Fellow status to both Maurie and his wife Chrissy Stephen. A number of scholarships and prizes were also presented.

### The Knight Prize

Named after Janice and Trevor Knight, Honorary Fellows of St Albert's College and awarded to a first year student who has performed exceptionally well in Trimester 1 2018.

Recipient | Henry Hickson

### The Senior Common Room (SCR) Prize

Donated by our Senior Common Room and awarded to the top, second year student who performed exceptionally well in Trimester 1 2018.

Recipient | Shannon Bow

### The Martha Hallinan Prize

Awarded to the top, third year student with the highest results for Trimester 1 2018. Martha Hallinan was a great supporter of St Albert's College, with close ties through her son, Father Denis Hallinan, who was Master of St Albert's from 1978 to 1986, and again in Semester 1, 2000. We thank the Hallinan Family for their continued support of our students.

Recipient | Kelsey Buss & Molly Barlow

### Fourth Year Prize

Awarded to the top fourth year student with the highest results for Trimester 1 2018.

Recipient | Natalie Aquilina

### Sarah Heagney Scholarship

In memory of Sarah Heagney, Senior Academic Advisor 2009 and awarded to a first year student with a distinction GPA in Trimester 1 and who had been involved in a wide range of community activities within St Albert's College.

Recipient | Emma Kennedy

### Hallinan Prize

Established by the Alumni Association to commemorate Father Denis Hallinan, Master of St Albert's College 1978-1986 and 2000. Highest of all academic prizes offered at St Albert's College, it is awarded to the student who is the top overall academic performer for Trimester 1 2018.

Recipient | Shannon Bow

### Oaktree Scholarship

Awarded to a second year student/s.

Recipients | Lucy Price and Jack Todhunter

### Deputy Principal's Floor Prizes

For highest GPA and attendance at 'Nerd Night'.

Floor | Bot E

## VALEDICTORY MASS AND DINNER

Our End of Year Mass was held at the College immediately before the Valedictory Dinner on Thursday, 20 September. Fr Paul McCabe led the celebration and reflected on the year that had been, and the opportunities ahead of our valedictorians. At the following Valedictory Dinner we farewelled 39 students who were finishing up at UNE this year, many of whom had been at Albies for four years. Jonty Harris and Natalie Aquilina delivered an entertaining speech on behalf of the valedictorians, and were toasted by the departing JCR President, Joe Keady and RST member, Issey McDouall.

### Fresher of the Year | Male

In recognition of commitment to the College, involvement, participation and leadership during 2018.

Recipient | Lachlan Holz

### Fresher of the Year | Female

In recognition of commitment to the College, involvement, participation and leadership during 2018.

Recipient | Phoebe Allpass

### Supporter of the Year

In recognition of great support and commitment to St Albert's College during 2018.

Recipient | Jack Morrissey

### Collegian of the Year

In recognition of commitment to the College, involvement, participation and leadership during 2018.

Recipient | Lachlan Ogden



# WHOLE OF COLLEGE PHOTO



St Albert's College students in alphabetical order: Brittany Abraham, Misty Acton, Claudia Adam, Liam Alderdice, Victoria Allen, Phoebe Allpass, Grace Anderson, Natalie Aquilina, Elizabeth Argue, Celia Arnott, Madeline Atkin, Holli Backhouse, Shannon Baker, Emmalene Bambling, Josephine Bambling, Mollie Banks, Laura Barker, Molly Barlow, Sophie Bartlett, Maggie Beach, Jack Bennett, Charles Bergmeier, Jack Biddle, James Bierhoff, Charles Black, James Bloomer, Shannon Bow, Phoebe Boydell, Robert Bragg, Samuel Brandon, Lachlan Brimson, Oska Brooker, Abby Brown, Darby Brown, Laura Brown, Ruairi Browne, Lucy Buckley, Nicole Bullock, William Burke, Kelsey Buss, William Butler, Aimey Butt, Lachlan Buttenshaw, John Butterworth, Anna-Louise Byrnes, Prudence-Elizabeth Byrnes, Fraser Campbell, Alexandra Capp, Meg Carmichael, Melony Chapman, Monique Chauvier, Lucy Christie, William Ciesiolka, Laura Claridge, Bridget Clarke, Melanie Cleal, Amelia Coe, Thomas Condon, Sophie Cooper, Nicholas Crowley, Harrison Darley, Molly Daskey Willis, Madeline Dent, Angus Dickson, Angus Dingley, Bradley Doak, Thomas Doust, Meg Downes, Zara Dowsett, Angus Dunn, Claudia Dunn, Liam Dunnett, Amelia Dyer, Bayley Fellowes, Phoebe Ferguson, Samuel Finlayson, Bronwyn Finnerty, Amelia Fish, Thomas Fisher, Adam Fitzpatrick, Harry Fletcher, Ashley Flint, Samuel Flude, Daniel Foran, Mitchell Foster, Alice Frend, Angus Frend, Lucie-Anne Frost, Isabelle Fuelling, Emily Gentry, Grace Gerathy, Shelby Glavocih, Syrana Glenn, Emily Glover, Ellie Gooch, James Grant, Michael Gresham, William Gunning, Tawanda Gwariro, Melanie Hagenbach, James Haggerty, Sarah Hamparsum, Jonathon Harris, Sophie Harris, Rachel Hayden, Jack Hely, Henry Hickson, Fiona Higgins, Bronte Hiscox, Charles Hogan, Lachlan Holz, Georgia Hook, Lily Hook, Matilda Hunt, Samuel Hunter, Jack Hyem, Jack Inder, Jock Jackson, Angus Jakins, Kate Jones, Joseph Keady, James Kearines, Hannah Kelley, Emma Kennedy, Georgina Kennedy, Jennifer Kennett, Harriet Killen, William Killen, Danielle Krishnan, Kate Lafrenz, Oscar Lamb, Natalie Lambeth, Georgia Lane, Jack Lane, Madeline Lane, Jack Laurie, Teagan Lawrence, Cameron Ledingham, Hugh Lennon, Bebe Lewis, Howard Litzow, Keziah Lockhart, Josephine Long, Eleanor Macgregor, Annabelle Mackey,

Elizabeth Mackie, Harrison Magann, Logan Manwaring, Hamish Markey, Andrew Marshall, Rachel Martin, Samuel Martin, Thomas Martin, Timothy McDermott, Isabelle McDougall, Joshua McEnallay, Jed McEvoy, Bessie McGaffin, Thomas McGowan, Florance McGufficke, Philippa McKee, Taylor McKenzie, Amelia McMillan, Georgia Meagher, John Menzies, Charlotte Meppem, Annabel Merritt, Angus Middlebrook, Tayla Miller, Harry Mills, Lachlan Mills, Aleck Mitchell, Claudia Mitchell, Toby Moore, Zach Moore, Bonnie Morris, Jack Morrissey, Bradley Mossman, John Mullany, Liam Mulligan, Alexis Neilson, Lucy Neilson, Danika Newman, Joshua Newman, Zoe Nivison, Benjamin Norman, Paul Norrie, Damian Nott, Lauren Nott, Charles Oates, Jack O'Brien, Ellenor O'Connor, Anna Ogden, Lachlan Ogden, Taylor O'Keeffe, Laura O'Leary, Hugo Parer, Sarah Parkes, Luke Paterson, Camila Paton, Jock Pattinson, Jackson Pearce, Georgia Peatfield, Laura Penrose, Henry Perry, Eliza Pitt, Katherine Ponder, Anthea Powell, Brendan Power, Lucy Price, Jack Priest, Brandon Prince, Louisa Quiddington, Timothy Quirk, Alexander Ralph, Kimberley Ralph, Benjamin Ramien, Toby Reardon, Charlie Redden, Emily Reid, Sophie Reynolds, Angus Roberts, Katie Robinson, Lillian Robinson, Thomas Robson, George Rodgers, Ella Ronnfeldt, Mitch Roworth, Marika Ryan, Dominique Schuurs, Zoe Sevil, Thomas Seyffer, Edward Shannon, Alexander Shem, Anthony Sheridan, Mackye Shore, Cassie Sinclair, Keagan Size, Sean Skinner, Amber Smith, Amelia Smith, Charles Smith, Edwina Smith, Elizabeth Smith, Erin Smith, Lynden Smith, Sam Spanton, Annika Spork, Kaitlin Staniforth, Francesca Stanley, Courtney Stewart, Josephine Stibbard, Madeleine Stiller, Meg Stokes, Ted Stuart, Hugh Sullivan, Ellah Thompson, Hamish Thompson, Damien Thomson, Matilda Thorn, Bridgette Ticehurst, Fraser Ticehurst, Jack Ticehurst, Erryn Todd-Cleave, Jack Todhunter, Georgina Trowbridge, Imogen Turnbull, Katelyn Turnbull, Angus Turner, Munro Underwood, Joseph Vary, Sophie Venz, Harry Wakefield, Hannah Wareham, Robert Waters, William Waterson, Lachlan Watkin, Edwina Watson, Edward Webster, Clare Weeks, Will West, Nicholas Whip, Jarleth White, Benjamin Wieland, Cora Wighton, Harrison Wighton, Phoebe Wilkinson, Ayla Woolley, Emma Workman, Rachel Young, Jessica Zieltjes.



# PARENTS WEEKEND



Parents Weekend started off a huge success as hundreds of parents and college students gathered at the Servies to enjoy the College Art Show as a prelude to the highly anticipated performance of *Footloose the musical* starring senior students Joe Keady and Nat Aquilina. The hard work of the cast and crew paying off with everyone thoroughly enjoying the performance and the opportunity to see the musical side of the college.

Saturday commenced with parents watching on as Albies and Robb played nine netball games, two hockey games and five nail-biting games of rugby. Despite some disappointing scores, morale was still high as parents and students descended upon the Servies for the most anticipated night of the year. Taking a different approach

this year to account for record crowds, the stand-up cocktail style formalities allowed for a serious amount of mingling amongst the 800 parents and students.

It is always a pleasure welcoming new parents into the Albies family and seeing the parents catching up with each other on a night where they can get a little taste of the Albies experience. As the night came to an end students and parents alike were happy enough to depart even with the fantastic performance from the band Terra Firma leaving everyone buzzing and wanting more.

We hope that those in attendance had a wonderful weekend and we look forward to seeing another strong turn out to Parents Weekend next year!





# CHARITY COMMITTEE



St Albert's College Charity Committee with Little Windmills CEO, Shaun Mackin and Ambassador, James Holbeck and College Principal, Jason Lincoln.

*"A non-profit organisation committed to the hope, health and happiness of Aussie country kids who are seriously ill, injured, disadvantaged or have special needs."*

- Little Windmills, The Country Kids Charity



In 2018 St Albert's College aligned its fundraising focus with Little Windmills, The Country Kids Charity. 'Little Windmills is a non-profit organisation committed to the hope, health and happiness of Aussie country kids who are seriously ill, injured, disadvantaged or have special needs. They work to provide essential equipment and services to children in need and their families who support them.' The College's charity committee sat down early in the year and decided that Little Windmills' mission was one that the College and its broader community could rally behind and support.

Headed up by Laura Penrose, the charity committee set out to arrange numerous fundraising events and opportunities. In an Albies first, the committee put together a charity colour run to start off the fundraising year. The creativity of Laura and her committee cleverly utilised Little Windmills colourful imagery as an ongoing motif for their events and the colour run exemplified this.

As the year progressed, so did the charity events with the charity golf day. The college and the extended community turned out in force. Donning as many colours as humanly possible the students created quite a spectacle as

they spread across the 18 pristine holes offered by the Armidale Golf Club.

With the College's busy calendar it was impressive to see donation buckets at events regularly being filled whether it be at a College formal dinner or at a Saturday sport fixture. The charity committee's tenacious efforts were almost always on display at functions and events with Little Windmills colours being sprayed across tables or subtly mixed in to a theme for a function. Even on the sporting fields, the Little Windmills logo and colours were seen in the socks of our hockey and netball teams as well as the on the custom charity jerseys of the first XV rugby team which were later auctioned off.

On Sunday the 23rd of September the St Albert's College charity committee's year-long fundraising efforts were showcased with the inaugural Charity Long Lunch. With Laura and her committee's year of fundraising nearing an end the Albies community gathered on the College grounds on a spectacular Spring day to celebrate their hard work. A spread of stunning native floral arrangements adorned the tables and with a feature flower wall the decorations tastefully personified rural Australia and

was itself a subtle tribute to the beneficiaries of Little Windmills' work. The assembled students and guests were honoured to hear from former Wallaby James Holbeck whose humour and insight entertained all in attendance. James spoke of overcoming the pressures of everyday life and the importance of self-expression.

After the lively Jack Biddle's auctioneer skills were utilised one last time to sell off one last limited edition charity jersey, Laura Penrose took to the lectern to present Shaun Mackin, Little Windmills CEO with a cheque for an astounding Forty Thousand dollars. Shaun, on behalf of Little Windmills, was emphatically appreciative for the

College's fundraising efforts and described how far the money raised would go in supporting country kids in need.

With the academic year coming to a close and the work of the charity committee done for another year the College extends its gratitude and congratulations to Laura Penrose and her committee. The generosity of spirit and dedication of the committee not only allowed them to smash fundraising goals but also to raise awareness of the plight of rural families and children doing it tough in these troubling times.



Jack Biddle as auctioneer with Keagan Size as spotter.



# ALUMNI & FRIENDS



*Well, here we are again one year on, and what a year 2018 has been!*

It has been wonderful to hear of so many ex-students calling in to Albies and re-connecting through the various social media avenues. All the nagging and banter last year on Facebook certainly paid off with so many at the Sydney Long Lunch last December.

Mary and Oliver have been travelling the world, literally, gathering-in the Albies contacts far and wide with many great stories told along the way. I'm sure you are enjoying the new round of banter on Facebook, encouraging you all to book in for the December Long Lunch this year and most importantly mark in your diaries the big event for 2019, St Albert's College 50th Anniversary Celebration Weekend, from the 29th to the 31st of March.

There is so much happening on the scene at Albies with focus on planning and preparing for this long awaited event. Please help us make the celebration amazing and encourage as many Albies friends and colleagues as you can to join with us in celebration. The effort will be well worth it!

Kate Pigram, Fresher 1988  
President, Albies Alumni & Friends



# SYDNEY LONG LUNCH



The 2018 Albies Long Lunch was held in the Art Deco setting of the Grace Hotel in the heart of the Sydney CBD. Building on the success of the previous year's instalment the long lunch was once again a huge success. The lunch brought together Albies alumni from across the generations from the founding class of 1969 all the way through to the graduates of 2017.

The Co-Masters of Ceremonies for the day, Jeanmaree Furtado and Matt Stewart, admirably were able to herd the vast array of Albies legends present on the day into The Grace's decadent Kirralaa room to get the informalities under way. Peter 'Irish' Ireland took to the microphone to give his anecdotal grace to the 140 alumni now seated amongst their old collegiate mates which brought a collective grin and chuckle across the room. Jas Lincoln, College Principal, quickly addressed the room on the exciting future of the College and the ongoing successes

of our students which brought a close to official speeches and opening to festivities.

The positive energy that was brought throughout the day was a distinctly Albies one and demonstrated the pride that defines the Albies spirit. The relentless service of food and drink from the venue also helped to fuel the energy as our numbers began to swell with the arrival of those unable to get the time off to attend in the early stages. A particularly humorous sight toward the closing stages was the innumerable 'Albies' hats floating around the CBD on the heads of alumni at various venues across the city.

As the festivities began to wind down, one last Albies war cry was belted out bringing the nostalgia and College pride to a peak as the curtains came down on yet another enormously successful Albies Long Lunch.





# FROM THE SCR



## 2018! Wow what a great year!

It is with my absolute pleasure that I provide a summary of all things Senior Common Room (SCR) to the Albies community for the 2018 year.

From the very first gathering at Mindy and my home, the SCR have been connected with a wonderful group of leaders, who throughout the year have exhibited a level of leadership and mentoring consistent with Albies values.

The SCR have played a supporting role in numerous events this year, starting with their involvement in O-week. This included participation in the mental health awareness session, a range of floor outings and a couple of those special one on one chats with floor leaders to ensure that the fresher settling in period was going well.

A colourful charity golf day partnering the colleges charity committee was next on the agenda, with funds raised for Little Windmills – The Country Kids Charity. I am not sure that the Armidale Golf Club will ever be the same, as the game of golf was probably second to the social activities at the fifth green.

The highlight of trimester 1 was the now infamous parent's weekend production of *Footloose the musical*. The show typified the 'have a go' spirit of our students, which for many was their first attempt at stardom. It is truly a credit to the production team, that exhibited great staying power, as they weaved together the not so obvious singing careers of our rugby boys that only a mother could love!

The academic careers evening was next, where a range of speakers gathered from SCR, alumni and friends to inform, educate and enthuse students, with career advice. Topics ranged from agriculture, nursing, law and general business practices. Well done to the organising team.

As the list of support and events goes on (coaching, sporting team management, pastoral activities, employment agency, counsellor, reference supplier and sick bay accommodation) the SCR can be very proud of their achievements for the year.

The SCR were also regular attendees at most college academic dinners, and for me this was the highlight of 2018 when I was asked to introduce our very own Maurie Joseph Stephen (Mozz) as our Founders Dinner speaker for 2018.

Maurie has been associated with the SCR for 49 years and is a living example of what the SCR brings to the table as it attempts to assist students with their journey through college. While I know that he will be embarrassed by me singling out his involvement, I thought it was important for the wider Albies community to understand the involvement and dedication that this small band of committed Albies friends bring to the college. It is a point of difference that we are very proud of.

In wrapping up, I wish Jason and his team, alumni, SCR, friends and supporters of the college all the best for next year's 50th year celebration planning. It will undoubtedly be a memorable year.

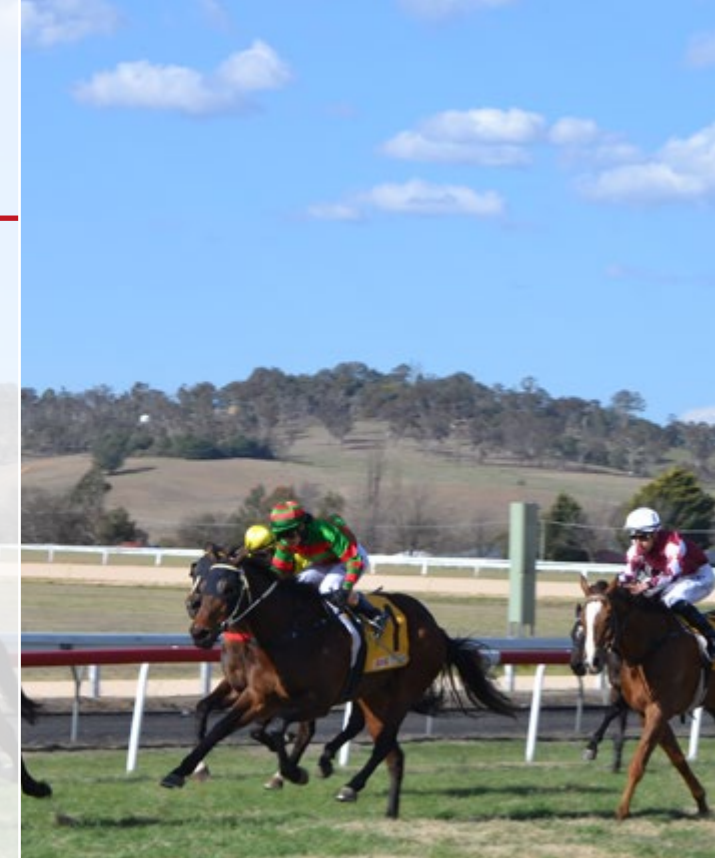
For the class of 2018 the SCR wishes you every success in the next phase of your life and is eager to hear the stories as you show the world what it means to be an Albies Valedict.

Farewell students of 2018, work hard, play safe and we look forward to catching up next year.

Angus McDouall  
President of the SCR

# ALBIES RACE DAY

On September 15, St Albert's College and the Senior Common Room (SCR) held the ever-popular St Albert's College Race Day (Albies Race Day). Albies Race Day stands as the College's showcase event in which the broader Armidale community can share a wonderful day with St Albert's College. As the most anticipated race day meet in Armidale and one of the jewels on the Albies social calendar's crown, the day often draws significant crowds and this year was no exception with yet another outstanding turnout despite the blustery conditions. The 2018 Albies Race Day was once again an enormous success for the SCR and College, with money raised by the event going toward the SCR Entrance Scholarships for first year students.



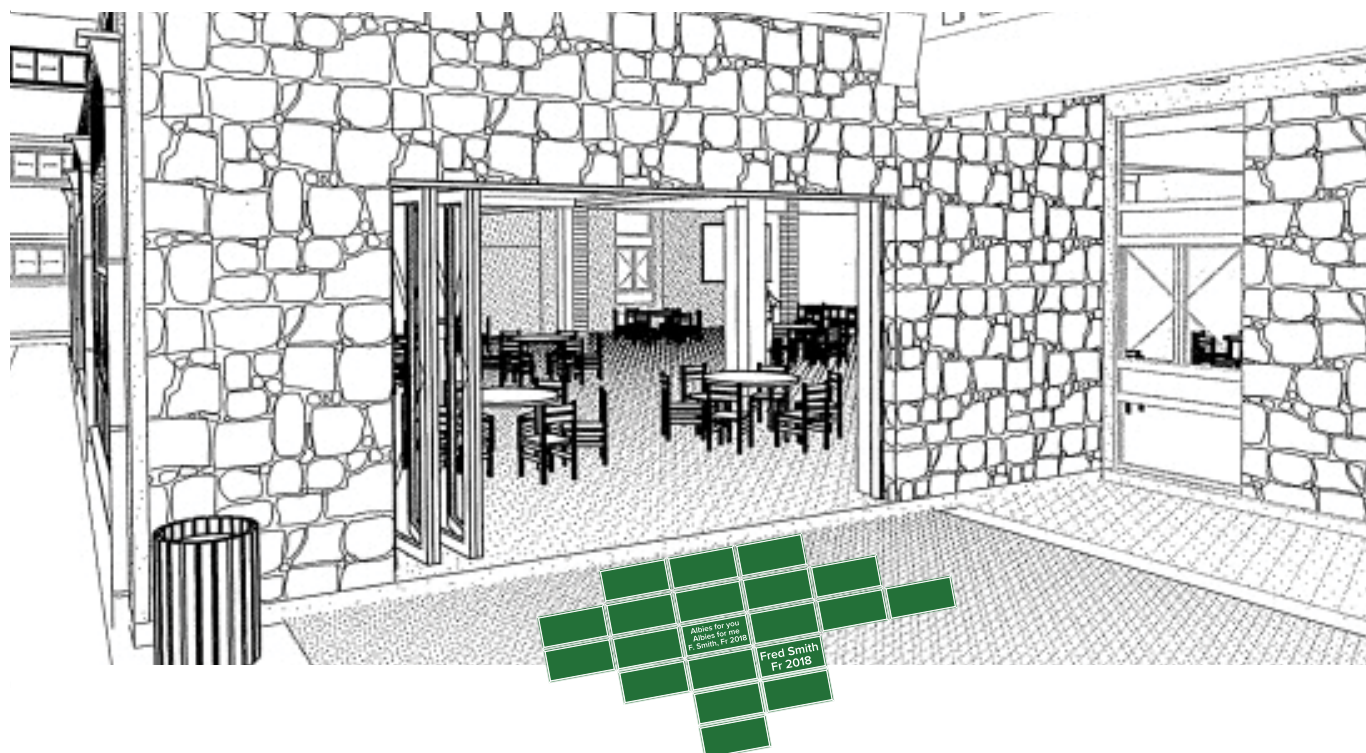




# ST ALBERT'S COLLEGE

*"Creating a wonderful campus for generations of students who will share in the Albies advantage."*

## PAVE *the* WAY



St Albert's College dining hall upgrade is underway. In celebration of this auspicious occasion we are giving our College community the opportunity to be a part of the Albies Legacy by purchasing a paver. Your paver will be stamped with your preferred name and/or personal message. Part of your purchase will contribute to the upgrade and assist our students and families who are in need of financial support. If you would like to become a permanent part of the Albies Legacy, safeguarding our collegiate experience for future generations of students, please contact Mrs Mary Wright, Director of Advancement, 0407 728 211 or [mwrigh48@une.edu.au](mailto:mwrigh48@une.edu.au).

*Endeavour | Evolve | Exceed*

## ADVANCEMENT UPDATE



*"I am very grateful to Albies for giving a shy country boy the confidence to embark upon an academic career, and am happy to support current developments that will benefit future members of the College."*

- Dr Peter Cunich, Department of History, University of Hong Kong

I am very pleased to write to you as we head towards the end of a busy and prosperous 2018. We have a number of projects underway including the Dining Hall Upgrade, Pave the Way initiative and the Knight's Table.

The Dining Hall Upgrade is progressing steadily. We look forward to hosting many events in our newly extended and refurbished dining hall. The official opening will take place at our 50th celebration weekend in late March 2019. If you are interested in obtaining the naming rights or contributing to the upgrade, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Along with the provision of quality facilities, the College aims to support students through its scholarship and bursary program. As part of the College's development in these areas, we are launching our Pave the Way initiative. Pave the Way gives you the opportunity to be a permanent part of the Albies Legacy by purchasing a paver to be laid as part of the Dining Hall Upgrade. Your paver will be stamped with your choice of name and/or personal message. Part of your purchase will assist our students and families who are in need of financial support. Please contact me for more information or go to our website to view the interactive pdf.

Work on the Knight's Table is underway. Thank you to everyone who has contributed towards this very worthwhile cause. We are currently short of our target

of \$26,000, please contact me if you would like to contribute. The Knight's Table will be unveiled at our 50th celebration weekend.

Leaving an endowment or bequest in your will is one of the most important gifts that you can make to ensure that the Albies Legacy will live on for generations to come. In fact, many colleges were founded through the generous gifts and almost every part of the collegiate university offering has benefited from bequests from alumni, friends and supporters. Naming the College in your will gives you the opportunity to make an enduring contribution to the College community as a memorial to you, your family or someone close to you.

Your feedback is important to us, please contact me with your comments and/or suggestions. Also, please take the opportunity to connect with the College, by indicating your interest in attending some of our future events. We look forward to welcoming you back to St Albert's College for our 50th celebration weekend.

Wishing you a happy and holy Christmas.

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2018 started off in brilliant fashion for Albies Rugby Club with a closely fought 7-0 victory over the old foe Robb College in the annual Fresher rugby match. The match stands as an opportunity for the fresher lads to strut their stuff in front of the entirety of the College and a great number of our broader community. Fresher Rugby is often a cagey affair with final scores more often than not being in single digits and we commend the boys for holding their nerve and bringing home the win!

After the successes of the 2017 season the 2018 season was always set to require a serious amount of rebuilding to cope with the departure of numerous senior clubmen from the season prior. The 2018 season started with an encouraging series of wins in the early rounds against the Tamworth Magpies, Glen Innes, Armidale Blues and Robb College. Despite the previous year's departures, it seemed that good times were ahead as a number of younger players thrust into the higher grades thrived. The Albies men were able to put a string of impressive results across the grades with an early season highlight being the men and women's combined defeat of bitter rivals Robb College. The Albies women fared similarly well posting a series of encouraging results with the eye-catching performances of Claudia Mitchell, Sarah Parks and Kate Jones drawing the attention of New England Rugby Women's selectors.

Despite the club's all-round early momentum, cracks began to appear as key injuries exposed the club's inexperience and began to take a toll. With first grade and the Albies girls suffering key losses to the inform Armidale Blues and Robb College the club was forced to look toward shaking things up with team selections and training regiment to combat the more seasoned clubs in the New England competition. Despite increased fitness sessions and disciplined training the Albies men and women faced a tough couple of weeks against the Barbarians, Glen Innes and Armidale Blues in which

the club saw a mixed-bag of results which left Albies in tenuous positions across the respective grade tables.

Amongst the usual round games we were proud to see the girls take part in the annual Chugby 4 Charity game. A great game of running rugby saw Robb take the come out with a 22-10 win in which both teams had periods of dominance which saw the Robb girl's preparedness prove the difference. The game was played in great spirit with Alice Frend voted best on ground with barnstorming runs down the sideline.

With the end of the season looming and finals spots on the line for most the club had a slender advantage over Tamworth Rugby with a superior position on the ladder to the competition new comers. With victory over the Barbarians essential the Albies boys were able to rally and overcome a strong Barbarians side and beat the Magpies to a finals birth.

In a finals series in which the men and women fought so hard to make the semi-finals stood as a hurdle to high for the club to overcome with all grades being denied a chance at grand final glory. The second grade boys were perhaps faced with the most devastating result with a drop-goal in the closing seconds of the game bringing their season to a sudden end.

Following on from a stellar 2017 season 2018 just wasn't the season to be for Albies. What has been taken from the season though is that the club is well underway toward rebuilding for future premiership contention. It has been such a joy to see the Womens 7's team developing as a group and we hope to see their commitment and hard-work bring home some silverware in the seasons to come. Despite the lack of silverware this season, it has still been a phenomenal year for the club as spirits remain high and the men and women of St Albert's College continue to play the game they love with such passion.





# SPORT | NETBALL



2018 was a fantastic year for the St Albert's College Netball Club with many highlights throughout the season. With nine teams entered into the UNE competition and 145 members we were highly excited as to what 2018 would bring.

The year kicked off with the annual fresher match, something of which was highly anticipated. With cold Armidale morning trainings at 6:30am, the freshers quickly stepped up to the plate and were out to continue with last year's fantastic win. The first couple of quarters saw Robb hold a marginal lead with our girls fighting to regain control. In the last two quarters Albies caught up from five goals down in a brilliant display of skill and determination. Unfortunately, the end result did not reflect the girl's tenacity and determination, with Albies losing by two goals. Mikaela and myself are very proud of all the effort each girl put in.

As the year progressed Albies netball held a raffle over the parent's weekend in aid of fundraising for the Charity Committee's chosen charity — Little Windmills. We were ecstatic to hand over a cheque for \$1790 which wouldn't have been possible without SCR members, parents and friends within the Albies community.

September saw our annual Netball and Hockey Presentation Night which was held at the Armidale Ex Services Club (Servies). With a donut wall, the musical talents of DJ Millsy, and extraordinary help from Servies, it shaped up to be a fantastic night. The 'Ladies that Lunch' and 'Men that Brunch' auction lead by Jack Biddle and his spotters, Luke Paterson and Jack Ticehurst, was a great success. The auction allowed students and staff to bid on

a selection of Albies' finest for a Servies supplied lunch or brunch. The club raised an impressive \$600 from the auction with our JCR President Joe Keady proving to be the featured auction item on the night. The club worked hard in organising an amazing event and we would like to extend a special thank you to our netball committee members who went above and beyond.

The finals of the 2018 competition saw A grade, A Res 1, B Yellow and B Red teams all cement a spot in the finals ladder. Unfortunately, A Res 1 was defeated in the first round. A grade lost in the preliminary final against Fusion which only left B Red and B Yellow to face off in the B Grade Div 2 grand final. The highly anticipated match was held on 22 September with each team feeling confident. B Yellow dominated the first two quarters with a strong defensive team of Annika Spork and Shelby Glavoich. However, it was the shooting prowess of Georgia Lane and Sophie Reynolds that saw B Red defeat B Yellow 43 to 29.

We would like to thank this year's sponsors Armidale Ex Services Memorial Club, Sportspower Armidale, Era Espresso, Brecon Breeders, New England Spinal & Sports Physiotherapy Centre, Donut King and Harvey Norman for their support of the 2018 season.

With the 2019 season fast approaching we wish good luck to the new netball president Annabelle Mackey and the 2019 committee, along with present and future players.

Georgie Trowbridge and Mikaela Brown  
2018 President and Vice President  
St Albert's College Netball Club



# SPORT | HOCKEY



The 2018 hockey season along with the college year has come to an end. We have had many highlights throughout the year which, of course, includes winning the fresher hockey match for the second consecutive year.

Once again, the Fresher girls fought till the very end and in the same fashion as last year won the game in a nail biter of a penalty shoot-out. The girls' hard fought victory would not have been possible without the firey Albies crowd lining the edge of the field cheering the team across the line.

This season our team consisted of 16 ladies that all developed over the year into an amazing team. Despite not reaching the finals the girls were proud to have seen all-round improvement as a group and have laid the groundwork for the 2019 hockey season.

Our committee worked extremely hard to get everything into place for the year and wrapped it up perfectly at the new version of the Hockey & Netball Presentation Night. Congratulations again to all the award recipients, you are all very deserving. At the near end of the year the club elected the committee for 2019. I have extreme faith in all whom were chosen for each position and I look forward to working with you.

A massive thank you to everyone for your support over the 2018 year. I look forward to seeing our returning players and welcoming new faces to St Albert's Hockey in 2019.

Ash Flint  
2018 President  
St Albert's College Hockey Club





ST ALBERT’S SILVER GYPSIES

Way back in my third year at UNE (1978), I was successful in obtaining a job in Sydney for the next year. It must have been either my extra-curricular CV or my interview skills that helped get me over the line as I, and my prospective employer, knew that I wouldn’t have a degree at the end of my three years on campus. Nevertheless, KPMG took me on my merits and, some two years after leaving UNE and Albies, I graduated and started my next challenge — becoming a chartered accountant. This was tough but with the support of my flatmates, I managed to get through. My first flatmate was an Albies Alumni who also commenced at KPMG. Brad Yee and I commenced in Sydney in February 1979. It was a great life, with some sport (squash and rugby) and some social drinking. The highlight of the week, besides Friday night, was getting together on Wednesday nights to watch the Amco Cup. As you might imagine, this was very social and, if not held at our flat in Mosman, we ventured to Manly where we caught up with other Alumni at, generally, the Hotel Steyne in Manly. This extended network led to me meeting my second flatmate (and now my wife), Sue. We clocked up 35 years a couple of months ago!

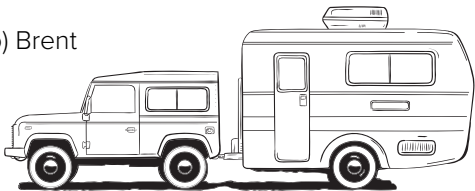
All this was a great deal of fun but there was some work to be done and a career to build. After qualifying as a chartered accountant, Sue and I went to Papua New Guinea for three years, returning in 1986 with a young daughter. We made some good friends there and had a great life. There was not much of an opportunity to keep

in touch with Albies as we only had telexes and no email. Arriving back in Sydney, it didn’t take too long to renew the Albies acquaintances and share stories over a pint and a pie or whatever was on offer.

Late in 1988, I left KPMG and moved to General Re (a reinsurer or insurer of insurance companies). I had over 20 years with them, seeing a lot of the world and, again, making good friends. I also helped Sue raise our daughter and three boys! One of my big initial challenges was organising my diary so that I could get away for lunch on the first Friday in December in 1988. There had been a number of informal get-togethers and this was the culmination of much planning, menu testing and beer tasting — an event that is now well and truly part of the Albies calendar.

Sue and I retired in December 2017 and now have plans to become silver gypsies in 2020. We have the van and the Cruiser. It’s just the route that needs more thought. Not surprisingly, we’re sharing our trip with two other Albies couples! The Albies connections are strong and enduring.

Michael (Choco) Brent



THE GREAT HOPS BREWERY

Armidale born and bred, I attended the University of New England in 2000, residing at St Alberts College. After graduating with a science degree in biochemistry and microbiology, I moved to Sydney where I completed my dental degree. I lived in Bondi for some time where I met y wife Kate who had also attended UNE and St Alberts. Brewing took over ur life and apartment kegs were hidden in virtually every cupboard (and under our bed).

With three fridges in operation it was time for a new place to start brewing, and in 2011 we purchased our property on Old Inverell Rd. Brewing experience came in waves as I helped build the premises. The total build took over six years.



We are hoping to open The Great Hops Brewery early next year. Please follow the journey on Instagram, great\_hops or www.greathops.com.au.

Sam Martin

<b>Tracie Armatage</b> Catering Staff	<b>Kay Hine</b> Cleaning Staff	<b>Charles Mill</b> Dean of Students
<b>Jason Babington</b> Chef Manager	<b>Katy Horne</b> Catering Staff	<b>Abegail Pascual</b> Catering Staff
<b>Louise Butterworth</b> Registrar and Student Advisor	<b>Lisa Kim</b> Cleaning Staff	<b>Mick Pennell</b> Housekeeping Manager
<b>Louise Carson</b> Cleaning Staff	<b>Steven Kliendienst</b> Grounds Staff	<b>Kellie Plowes</b> Catering Staff
<b>Hayley Coyle</b> Cook	<b>Jason Lincoln</b> College Principal	<b>Ben Radcliffe</b> Catering Staff
<b>Justin Davies</b> Precinct Manager and College Porter	<b>Jennifer Littleboy</b> Marketing Coordinator and Graphic Designer	<b>Jennie Slade</b> Cleaning Staff
<b>Barry Dell</b> Catering Staff	<b>Sally Lloyd</b> Cook	<b>Jack Spork</b> Dean of Studies
<b>Oliver Grimble</b> Communications and Events Manager	<b>Fr Paul McCabe</b> Chaplain	<b>Jennifer Thomas</b> Community Relations Officer
<b>Andrew Hall</b> Grounds Staff	<b>Mick McCarthy</b> Cleaning Staff	<b>Mandy van Duijnhoven</b> Director of Finance and Operations
<b>Jo Hamilton</b> Cleaning Staff	<b>Peter McGarry</b> Cleaning Staff	<b>Dan Wilson</b> Sous Chef
<b>Jacqueline Harris</b> Catering Staff	<b>Areti Metuamate</b> Deputy Principal and Director of Student Experience	<b>Mary Wright</b> Director of Advancement
<b>Bernie Hine</b> Painter	<b>Penny Meyer</b> HR Manager	

From left: Tracie Armatage, Steven (Red) Kliendienst, Kellie Plowes, Andrew Hall and Bernie Hine.







# *St Albert's College*

## *50th Anniversary*

### *29 - 31 March 2019*



## **50 YEARS YOUNG!**

2019 is a very exciting year for St Albert's College as we are celebrating 50 years of student life, community growth and academic achievement.

In commemoration of this milestone, St Albert's College is hosting a 50th celebration weekend across three days, from 29-31 March 2019. St Albert's looks forward to welcoming all past and present members of the Albies family in celebration of our College's first 50 years.

We have planned a fun-filled weekend, commencing with Albies Rugby 50th Anniversary Dinner on Friday evening, followed by a sports day, the *50 Years Young Exhibition*, College Open Day, and Gala Evening on the Saturday. The College will host breakfast and Mass on Sunday morning.



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