



# The Albies Update

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## From the Master

It has been extremely pleasing to note the way the College has embraced the curfew period with such a positive attitude ensuring that our students are respected as they work hard to achieve their academic goals. In particular I'd like to take this opportunity to recognise the efforts of our Academic Advisors who are not only completing their own accountabilities, but who are at the same time assisting others in their academic journey. I wish every student every success for the exam period and trust that each of them feels satisfied with their efforts this trimester.



As the trimester comes to an end I'd also like to wish our New Zealand touring party every success as they head to the South Island to compete in hockey, netball and rugby against both Canterbury and Lincoln Universities. Obviously our seventy tourists will enjoy the experiences of the sporting matches, although as importantly I hope they embrace the many other cultural and adventure based activities. I'd like to especially thank Charlie Mill for all his ongoing efforts in bringing this tour to fruition.

In exciting news for Albies our newly formed Alumni and Friends Committee will hold its second meeting next week. This committee includes fifteen members whose journeys here range from the early seventies through to graduates in the very recent past. I know that this group is already doing a wonderful job in reconnecting many past students and their families with the Albies story, and I'm delighted that events on our calendar in coming months are being so well supported by these wonderful men and women.

Finally I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable Trimester break and thank all members of our community for their ongoing contributions to Albies.

Jas Lincoln



## From the Head Student

Welcome to the 7th edition of the Albies update for 2017.

With exams beginning this week and a whole lot of cramming needed to be done, 1st year students are getting their first taste of end of unit examinations. Returning students are quiet familiar with what the next two weeks entail, though still not having learnt from previous years and overindulging in their favourite TV series. On behalf of Peta and myself, we wish everyone the best for the exam period as well as a safe and enjoyable holiday.

Definition of STUDY: the word studying was created through the combination of two words, "students" and "dying"...

Thommo



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## ***Yarns with Yabs***



Well as the term has started to wrap up and curfew is in full swing there are few yarns to report over the past fortnight! We have had an amazing start to the year and it's been so good to see everyone getting around all social and cultural events. A massive shout out to Will Clark Dickson for all the effort he's put in to the start of the year as well as his faithful Vice President Matt Nott who's presence around the college certainly hasn't gone unnoticed. You two make a cracking team!

We're looking forward to starting Trimester two with Albies Week, including many events such as Chicken and Champagne, the Albies Ball and the much-anticipated 'Recovery' which will be wrapping up the week!

Best of luck to everyone for exams this week and I'm sure the fortnight of extreme cramming has paid off!

I hope everyone has a safe holiday and enjoys the break and returns to College nice and cashed up to do it all again!

Alex (Yabs)

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The poster features a central black rectangle with a green and red striped border. At the top center is the St. Albert's College crest, which includes a shield with a cross, a flower, and a book, with the motto 'VERITAS LIBERABIT VOS' below it. Below the crest, the text 'SAVE THE DATE' is written in white. The main title 'ALBIES BALL' is in large, bold, green letters. Below this, the year '2017' is centered, flanked by three red horizontal bars on each side. At the bottom, a paragraph of text in white provides details about the event, and a final line of text states that more details will be provided by the JCR Committee closer to the event.

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SAVE THE DATE

# ALBIES BALL

2017

The 2017 Albies Ball is fast approaching. The weekend kicks off on Saturday 8th July with sporting matches played against Robb College, followed by the much anticipated Albies Ball on Saturday evening at the Armidale Ex-Services Club.

More details will be provided by the JCR Committee closer to the event.

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## Academic Report



Hi Everyone,

We've come to my favourite part of the trimester; after eleven weeks of hard work, assignments, and study we have finally arrived at exam block, ready to test our knowledge and memory!

Best of luck team for the couple of weeks ahead. I know they can be daunting but I'm sure everyone has been working very hard over the last couple of weeks and there are going to be some fantastic results. Just remember, don't let stress get the best of you, just keep at it, keep prepping and I'm sure you will do very well. Just some quick tips, remember the library is a great place to get away from distractions and do some hard-core studying, and if you plan on taking a study break make sure you are outside, getting some sun or doing some exercise as this will help you be productive when you sit back down to keep going. Flicking through Facebook or Instagram is a second-best study break at best.

Finally, a special bit of good luck to the Freshers!! You've had an awesome first trimester, we all look forward to you guys finishing it off in an exceptional manner. All the AAs wish you the best, and we have no doubt in your ability to succeed in your academic ventures.

Thank you,  
Georgia Devenish

## NERD NIGHT

7.30pm Wednesday in the Dining Hall

If you can't attend your tutes  
please contact your AA and let them know.

GOOD LUCK  
WITH YOUR EXAMS

• EVERYONE •

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## From the Chaplain



### SPIRITUAL

A message from the Chaplain for our student body to assist in deepening their faith. Fr Francis is available to meet our student body every Wednesday afternoon and looks forward to sharing in the life of our College community.

### *Capsule for the Week*

We don't wake up in the morning and choose to fail. We work so hard to succeed. We do our best, and we often do it well. We consult, we seek the opinion of experts and we even seek help from those who have succeeded in our respective endeavours. We gave our best... but we failed.

Are we failures? It is not uncommon to think we are failures when our best isn't good enough for us to pass our exams. Come to think of it, we are good at what we do... We have the skills, the expertise... We topped the class the previous year... but here we are failing; not succeeding in life.

Are we any good? Self-doubt... depression... all because we failed. But is failure an end in itself? No! Simon for instance, was a skilled fisherman. He failed in his trade. But Jesus transformed him through his failure to be Peter... Your failure could open doors to who you can become.

Fr. Francis Afu

## Cultural Update



### CULTURAL

After the busy term with our production of Grease, I thought this Albies Update would be a great opportunity to hear from Sophie Cooper and Holli Backhouse who are this years SFK Reps (intercollegiate cultural competition).

### REPORT ON THIS YEAR'S SFK EVENTS - INTERCOLLEGIATE CULTURAL COMPETITION

The SFK competition kicked off at the start of the year with a keen group of freshers up at Lazenby Hall. We had a great turn-out from the Albies crowd with everyone coming to watch Nick Duff, Georgie Hook, Lil Hook, Jock Pattinson and James Bloomer steal the show. The group took us through to the semi-finals on the night, and finished up with 3<sup>rd</sup> place overall. Although we didn't manage to snag 1<sup>st</sup> place, we apparently won over the hearts of some of our fellow UNE collegians @uneloveletters.



The huge commitment to the Grease Musical meant that Albies missed out on public speaking down at EPC earlier this term. However, a fiery comeback was made by our debating team last week. Nick Duff, Georgia Meagher, Annika Spork and Will Killen took Duval by storm when they made it through to the grand final up against Wright College. Our team gave it their all despite some major obstacles, and we were happy walking away with 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall.

It's without a doubt that Albies are the underdogs of the SFK competition this year. As the representatives, we have received a huge amount of support from other colleges and been continually commended on the quality of our students' performances. We are currently sitting at 5<sup>th</sup> place in the comp, and still have further opportunities to bump up our position with Arts and Crafts coming up next Trimester. Can't wait!

*Sophie Cooper and Holli Backhouse*



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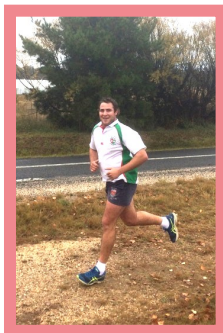
## MB/PT Sports Update



### HODSDONS RELAY

On Sunday Albies competed in the first MBPT competition this term in the Hodsdons Relay which entails a 3km relay run around the triangle track. The blokes started very strong with Fraser Campbell lighting up the course with a strong run. Will "long stride" Clark-Dickson and Pete "chafe" broker soon followed with an impressive run leaving most other colleges in awe of their pure athleticism and scintillating times. Damian Thompson and George Jones ran very well too end up 4th place overall which is an excellent result for the inaugural meet for the St Albert's College Middle Distance Running Syndicate (SACMDRS) \*pictured.

In the girls, initial rain discouraged athletes from turning up, like Grace Anderson, but a team still formed and ran very well. Misty Acton started exceptionally well for the girls with an Olympic like display of grit and determination, putting the team in the lead group. Annabel Tonks and Jess Zieltjes then built the lead further as they blitzed passed competitors from Earle Page and Duval. Struggling to find numbers, long time missing MB rep Lauren "all talk" Jordison stepped up to the plate, and delivered a run which epitomised her character and passion for MB sport. The final runner was Lucy Price, and despite the fact she only came to support, bought home the bacon for the girls who ended up winning the event!!!!



### VOLLEYBALL

MB and PT volleyball was held on Sunday, the last sport for the trimester. The boys couldn't get enough numbers for the first game, but were excited for the second opportunity against Mary White. Nick "morale" Duff played an exceptional game, running all over the court to cover for some other much less committed teammates, numerous times setting up Tom "Slamming" Seyffer with point winning spikes. This was unfortunately to no avail, as the boys went down 2-1. The next game against Wright was a much bigger test, but Jack "gettin points" Morrissey certainly lived up to his middle name, keeping us in it right till the end, before again going down 2-1. The last games saw the big inclusion of James "volleyball eternal" Bloomer who along with Brendan "power" Power provided many big scoring opportunities for Albies but unfortunately the last game was lost again, putting us in 7th for the day.

The girls, as per usual, were far more competitive and organised than the boys and it certainly showed. Huge wins against Austin and Robb, placed them in very good contention for a final sport, with excellent volleyball skill shown by Georgia "dance pants" Devenish and Savannah Dimmock. The last pool game was against Duval lead by Catie "Can Serve" Ledingham, as she set up excellent attacking manoeuvres around the court, along with great support from Katie Robinson and Lauren Jordison which landed them a convincing 3-0 for a spot in the final. Earle Page were the opponents for the grand final, as a big crowd gathered, mostly from Earle Page but Annabel Tonks did offer large encouraging phrases which certainly helped the girls. Despite a mammoth effort from Zara Dowsett, the girls went down in a close one 2-1 to claim 2nd place for the day.

Thanks for everyone for their support this Tri, looking forward to next Tri's events!

Tim McDermott and Catie Ledingham.





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## Netball Report

Term 2 has been very successful for our netty girls. Currently, Albies is one of the two top teams in both A grade, and B grade. With teams in A-Res and C grade close behind on the leader board!

A special thankyou to all the coaches and players that have turned up to the games, and training each week.

Keep up your fitness in the holidays girls! Looking forward to starting back up again for what will definitely be a successful Tri 2 for Albies netball!

Grace Hopkins



## Rugby Report

As round 7 in the New England Rugby Competition kicked off Albies found themselves with five grades playing on the Saturday.

Albies Mighty Fireies made the trek across town to Moran Oval to play the Blues 3rd grade team in which the boys stood up to the contest, as the team strapped shoulders and knees Richie Burke strapped the lot ensuring he didn't miss a joint. James Bloomer kicked goals off the ground, Todd Ellis and Toby Moore scored the tries. Our 4th grade came away with a gritty 14-12 win.

The rest of the Club tackled Baa Baa's at Alcatraz on their ladies day. The Albies ladies rallied early to take a dominate win 22-10 in their first game but sadly fell away losing their second game 15-0.

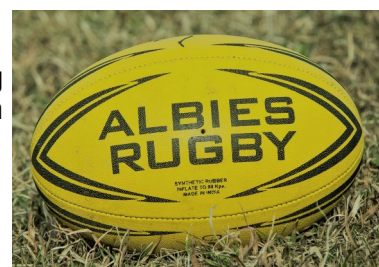
3rd grade toiled hard early as a bigger Baa Baa's team beat our boys up a little, although after getting a stern talking to from coach Charlie Mill at the break, our boys went back to the game plan. Albies played a wider running game of football to come away with a 34-7 win.

Albies 2nds played their best game of the year so far. With some rather large congestion to the line up, due to injuries and swaps between grades, our seconds ran riot on a huge Baa Baa's pack. Our seconds out scored their bigger opposition 61-8 keeping their undefeated season on track.

1st grade, who obviously too had some changes to their squad, pleased their coaches, as they topped off a wonderful day of Albies rugby. Our 1st grade boys won a hard fought game 34-14 even after a slow start.

Albies continue an undefeated season in 1st and 2nd grade leaving them sitting firmly on top of their respective piles and our other 3 grades are building with regular wins moving their way up ladders on their own.

Craig Norrie





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## Hockey Report

### 2ND GRADE

Last week was a big week for the Albies 2<sup>nd</sup> grade hockey team with three games being played. The first was last Monday night against a very tough opponent Guyra. The game started strongly for both teams and turned out to be very physical with the Albies centre-half copping numerous balls to the arms and hands which certainly left some impressive bruising. However, this did not deter the Albies girls as they used the width of the field and the strength through the halves, and centre-forward Ash Wilson, to be level with Guyra at half time. The second half was just as tough with both teams scoring another goal apiece to draw 2-2 at full time.

Backing up from their performance on the Monday the girls had to dig deep again playing NEGS on the Wednesday. As some dedicated Albies supporters braved the cold to cheer the girls on the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade team did not disappoint. After being defeated only weeks earlier by the NEGS team the girls had to play smart which is what they did. Some good balls to the forwards from the full-backs created some wonderful opportunities for the wings which they could eventually capitalize on. At half time Albies was down 2-1 but we won the second half and another draw was on the cards as the game finished with both teams on 3 goals each. A much bigger improvement was seen among the girls this game then the first game played against NEGS.

To finish a big week of hockey Saturday afternoon saw the team take on competition favourites, United. Missing several of the top players from the team, Albies did extremely well in defence with Fiona McDonald and Anthea Powell leading the charge and we managed to keep them scoreless until the last five minutes of the half when they scored three very quick goals. At half time the girls were not deterred by the score board and continued to maintain their strong defensive line. The attack from Albies in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half was also much stronger with Louisa Quiddington sending a strong ball to wing Ash Flint who converted this to a textbook goal at the post. Unfortunately, we were unable to close the gap created in the first half by United and the game finished with the final score being 3-1. Thanks must go to all the 4<sup>th</sup> grade players who played up in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade this week.

The final game for this Trimester for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will be on Wednesday night at 7:15pm as we take on Harlies.

Yours in hockey,  
Peta Bradley

### 4TH GRADE

#### Albies Update- 18th May- Hockey 4th Grade

On Saturday 13th May, the 4th Grade chicks battled in the rain and cold against United. With a few of our players away, we pulled a few of our 2nd grade players down to assist and make up the numbers. We started well with some great defensive skills at the back from Peta and Monique, assisting the attacking girls to get the ball down to our end and capitalise from a short corner, giving Katherine her first goal of the afternoon. Some great skills from United saw them score two quick goals before half time, taking Albies into the half time break 3-1. We soon capitalised again after the break with some great work from Brownny, Kaz, Maddy and Misty getting the ball down the field to get Katherine her 2nd goal of the game and even the score. United however, got a shot away past Fi after a short corner not long before full time giving them the win in the game.

The girls then backed up their great Saturday efforts on Sunday, with a few of our regular 4th grade players as well as Fi and Peta returning for a game against NEGS. NEGS came out firing and got a goal in early, however through some fantastic play down the field from Nat and defensive skills from Mel, Liz was able to get a goal through, evening up the score close to half time. Through some good coaching from 'The Boys' Albies went back on firing. With some great teamwork and stick skills securing a short corner, this enabled Kaz to get a shot away at goals. Some more great teamwork from the whole team and great positioning in the goal circle from Holli, secured Albies another goal, and another 3-1 win!

Well done girls on backing up and playing some great hockey over these two games!

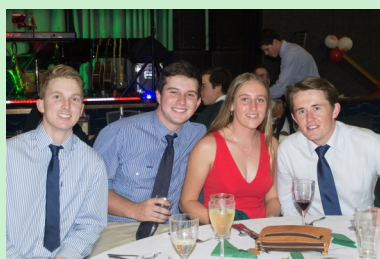
Karen Wilcocks





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## TRIMESTER 1 PHOTO GALLERY 2017



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# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

23 May to 5 June

- Jake Rayner
- Hannah Wareham
- Josephine Long
- Emily Glover
- Kaitlin McGregor
- Anthea Powell
- Grace Hopkins

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- Maggie Beach
- Josephine Bambling
- Ben Orman
- Molly Barlow
- Jock Pattinson

### Calendar of



Monday	22nd May	Examinations Commence
Friday	2nd June	Trimester One Ends
Wednesday	7th June	Albies NZ Sports Tour Departs
Sunday	25th June	Internal Students Return
Wednesday	28th June	Term 3 Fees Due
Sunday	2nd July	Albies Week Commences
Saturday	8th July	Albies Ball
Monday	17th July	Census Day
<i>last day to withdraw from T2 units : HECS deadline</i>		

### REMEMBER THIS WEEK TO:

- If you are leaving College at the end of Trimester 1, please notify the College office 2 weeks prior to end of term.
- Curfew has now begun: with the exception of 12—2pm & 5—7pm there is to be a quiet, study orientated atmosphere in the blocks. No resident or guest is to hold parties or drink on College grounds or cause a disruption in or around the blocks during curfew.
- Don't forget to sign out when you leave College — the folder will be left at the front desk and hand in your key. If the office isn't open place the key in the key box.

### MASS TIMES

#### SAINTS MARY AND JOSEPH CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL

Sunday Mass is held at 8am, 10am & 5:30pm each week

#### COLLEGE MASS

Monthly Mass — See Berni Lai for details

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