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**for 125 years**



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# Articulating and living our purpose

*Inspiring students to achieve personal excellence and to be outstanding citizens who work to create a just, loving and peaceful society.*

**Stemming from the provocations and insights gained** by exploring the question “What is an education worth having?” during the Guildford Grammar School Education Summit held earlier this year, as well as the reflections of our community on last year’s COVID-19 experiences, our staff have been working to co-create a framework that articulates not only our vision for learning but also the ways in which all members of our community bring our school purpose to life.

With our purpose and shared values at its heart, the ‘One GGS Matrix for Success’ is a framework that encapsulates the key pillars of our focus – Learning, Wellbeing, Community and Sustainability.

The Matrix also identifies four key ‘ways of being’ that we seek for all members of our community – Connected, Engaged, Future-focused and Empowered.

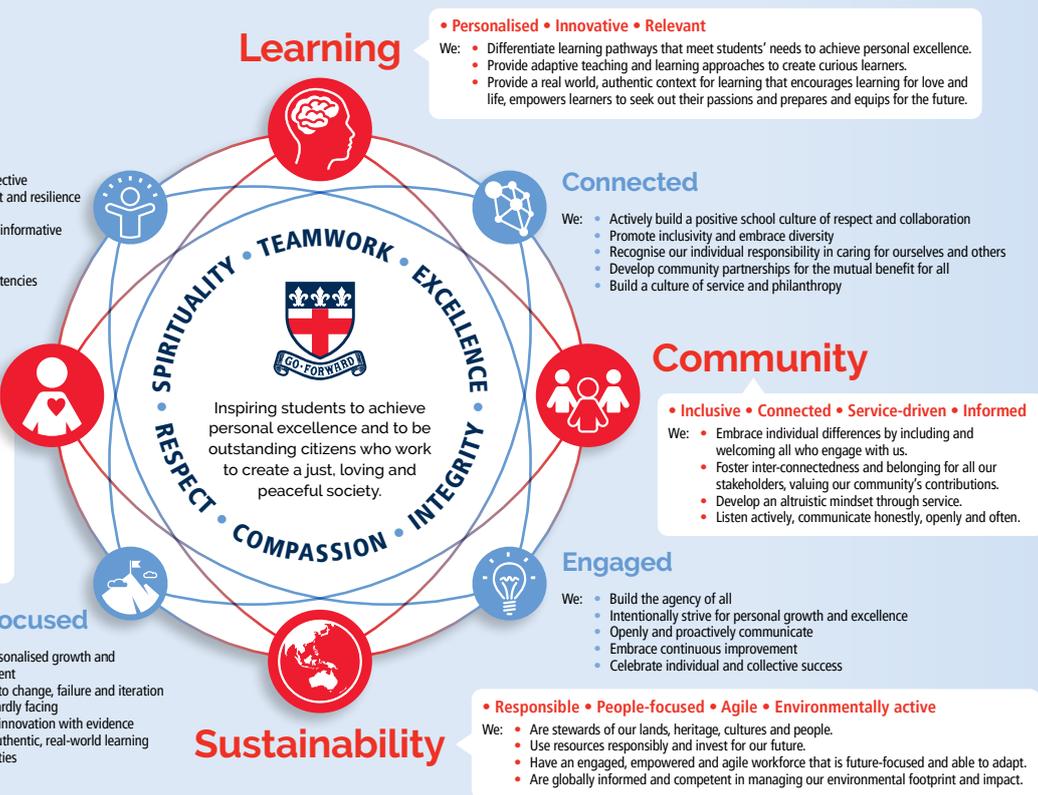
The entire staff have begun to imagine the ways in which we will bring this exciting vision to life and apply it to our daily work; in our learning spaces, through our rich and varied co-curricular opportunities and community outreach, and in the ways we care for our environment and each other. We will





# One GGS

Our matrix for success



seek vital student input next year that will further enhance our understanding of their perspectives and needs. Importantly, the articulation of our intentions and aspirations (the 'we' statements) can be traced to best



practice, both from what we know works well for us at Guildford Grammar School and what current research and future innovations are indicating.

The framework has also been used throughout this year to guide the work of the Council of Fellows and the Strategic Leadership Team in articulating our strategic intentions for the next five years. I look forward to sharing these aspirations and ambitious goals with our community next year when we launch the Guildford Grammar School Strategic Plan 2022-2026.

The One GGS Matrix for Success is a distillation of what we, collectively, have identified as important to us in our context at Guildford Grammar School. We are all interconnected and we value the interdependent nature of our school community. It provides both support and sustenance; a firm foundation and a sense of heritage, as well as hope, joy and



Mrs Anne Dunstan.  
Inspiration.

Our youngest students, our Little Explorers, will graduate from Guildford Grammar School in 2035. What will their hopes and dreams be? We must strive to connect, engage and empower all who are a part of a future-focused Guildford Grammar School. Ahead of us are compelling challenges and exciting opportunities to co-create an education that is responsive to the ever-changing world which will support our children and young people to thrive. Exciting times ahead!

**Mrs Anne Dunstan**  
Principal



# Service Learning

**A staple of the Guildford Grammar School culture and ethos** is its continually evolving focus on Service Learning, providing students with extraordinary opportunities to work actively and creatively within the community.

Our vision to create a positive impact on society is strengthened by the many Service Learning initiatives we champion. These are embedded into the curriculum program in the form of direct service, indirect service, advocacy, work in the broader community, fundraising and participation in co-curricular programs. The purpose of building a healthy Service Learning program is to engage students in projects that serve the community while building social, civic, leadership and academic skills, whilst realising our school purpose – *Inspiring students to achieve personal excellence and be outstanding citizens who work to create a just, loving and peaceful society.*

2021 has been a fruitful year for the Service Learning program, with many successful initiatives and meaningful contributions made by our students and school community, including, but not limited to the following:

## Containers for Change

As part of our effort to tread more lightly on the planet, Term 3 saw the first meeting of our One Planet Guildford Task Force. This is a group of staff and students (from the Prep and Senior School) who are working to make us more sustainable as a school. The Containers for Change scheme was introduced with a fleet of yellow wheelie bins as part of a new project to recycle used drinks containers in return for 10c each. We



estimate that we currently landfill around 150,000 used drinks containers each year. Every container recycled will raise funds to further Good Sammy's work and will fund environmental projects around the School.

## Tree planting

As part of our special activities to celebrate our 125th anniversary year, Preparatory and Senior School students planted approximately 140 trees on the campus during Spring, contributing to our green and spacious surroundings. We hope that in years to come, our students will proudly watch the trees grow and they will be a strong symbolic reminder of the School's very special milestone anniversary.

## Foodbank WA

Our Preparatory School families were inspirational in donating an amazing 605kg of food to help the charity fight hunger in Australia which will provide over 1000 meals for families in need.

## The Blue Tree Project

Harper House launched their support of the Blue Tree Project to raise awareness for mental health by planting a blue tree in Robinson Court on campus. This wonderful initiative is in support of the Blue Tree

Project's mission which is to help spark conversation and encourage people to speak up when battling mental health concerns. By spreading the paint and spreading the message that "it's OK to not be OK", we can help break down the stigma that is still largely attached to mental health.





Awareness that social leadership is a major component in creating social and community engagement is important for the future.

**Jeans for Genes Day**

Henn’s House led their long-standing initiative by supporting Jeans for Genes Day, where students swapped their uniform for jeans to support the cause. The day raises money for the Children’s Medical Research Institute, Henn’s House charity of choice.

Awareness that social leadership is a major component in creating social and community engagement is important for the future. Students, in support and leadership roles, learn how to make improvements to the conditions of others in various communities.

**National Child Protection Week**

National Child Protection Week provides an opportunity to acknowledge that all skillsets, all people, and all communities are resources for the important work of keeping young people safe. It is a commitment to make sure our communities have strong foundations for families and children.

To raise awareness for this cause, the students and staff who make up our Child

Safe Champions committee ran an event to enable students to meet, grab a snack and go for a ‘walk and talk’ tour around the Senior School campus to visit our ‘safe places’.

**Anglicare WA School Sleep Out**

In Term 3, 14 Year 10 students represented Guildford Grammar School at the Anglicare WA School Sleep Out at Optus Stadium, displaying their compassion and a strong desire to make a difference. The group gained a small sense of what it is to experience homelessness and developed their understanding of some of the complexities faced by the marginalised in our wider community, whilst meeting and sharing ideas with their peers from other schools.

This wonderful action supported the 3000 young Western Australians who go to sleep homeless every night and helped students learn more about the causes and complicating factors of homelessness – and what they can do to help. All funds raised went to Anglicare WA’s Street Connect.

Through immersion in the program, we aim to teach students to think critically about various issues that affect society locally, nationally and globally. We work to develop their sense of social responsibility and capacity to work constructively with a diverse group to address a social problem, focusing on open-mindedness, inclusivity and ethical behaviour.

**RUOK? Day**

We proudly supported RUOK? Day, where there were many activities across the whole school to promote the important question “Are they really OK?”. These activities included an RUOK? performance, a Conversations Café, awareness raising at assemblies, lunchtime activities, mentor and class activities, and special morning teas. Students and staff were encouraged to take some time to sit down, relax and talk. R U OK? wants to inspire and empower people to meaningfully connect with those in their world and lend support when they are struggling with life by asking “are you OK?”

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# Remembrance Day

Our annual **Remembrance Day** service, attended by our Preparatory and Senior School students, was held at the Memorial Quadrangle on 11 November.

The Remembrance Day service is an important school tradition, where our students and staff reflect on former students and staff who lost their lives in the various theatres of war. A service has been held at the School every year since establishment, except for the brief time the School was evacuated to Fairbridge in 1942-43.

The Principal, Mrs Anne Dunstan, along with **Oscar Hine-Baston** (11He) and **Nessa Mac Alasdair** (Yr6), laid a wreath on the Memorial, in memory of those lives lost in war.





# NAIDOC Week celebrations

We celebrated NAIDOC Week in September, with events and activities to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The week commenced with the raising of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags by siblings **Beau** (11Fr), **Isiah** (8Fr) and **Myah** (7Fr) **Wuruki**.

At a special assembly, Mr Barry Maguire performed a Welcome to Country, followed by performances by the Boodjar Bidi dance group.

Students used native flora to dye t-shirts, which were available for purchase. The proceeds of the t-shirt sales went towards procurement of a native species of plant to revegetate the school grounds, tying into this year's NAIDOC Week theme of 'Heal Country'.

Our Indigenous students treated the Senior School staff to a delicious morning tea made with bush foods such as rosella, bush plum and lemon myrtle.

NAIDOC week rounded off with a screening of the movie 'Sweet Country', an Indigenous free dress day, face painting, and a bush tucker BBQ lunch.





# Valedictory Day 2021

**We congratulated and farewelled our Year 12 students** in October, during Valedictory Week. This special time marks the end of many aspects of formal schooling, and includes a range of emotional and enjoyable activities and traditions, including the Valedictory Eve ceremony, final assembly and Chapel Service, followed by the Guard of Honour. This year was marked by some exceptionally rare wet weather, but not enough to dampen the spirits of all who attended!

Our Year 12's contributions to our School have been remarkable and we are excited for the next chapter in their lives.

To our Year 12s, you will always belong to Guildford Grammar School and be a part of its legacy, and, in turn, the community will always be there for you. We welcome you as our newest Old Guildfordians. Go Forward!







## Guildford on Swan Regatta

**In November**, we hosted the 21st annual Guildford on Swan Regatta, an important event in the PSA Rowing calendar.

With fabulous weather and magnificent support from large numbers of Guildford Rowing Association parents and volunteers, the event was a marked success. Students and parents from our fellow PSA schools enjoyed great hospitality and experienced our wonderful grounds. Congratulations to our First and Second VIII crews on their outstanding wins as well as fantastic results for our younger crews who navigated the challenging river course.





## Senior Academic Honour Society

An evening event is held each year to recognise the Year 12 students who have been admitted as members of our Senior Academic Honour Society.

Students must receive at least 10 A grades at the end of Year 11 and at the end of Semester 1 in Year 12 to be admitted to the Society.

This year, six students from our Year 12 cohort were inducted into the Senior Academic Honour Society. Congratulations to:

- **Will Bromage** (12He)
- **Ethan Dai** (12Be)
- **Liam Ilijovski** (12Be)
- **Jemima Lyford** (12St)
- **Leo Oldfield** (12SG)
- **Earl Wijayananda** (12SG)

We were honoured to have Old Guildfordian, **Professor George Yeoh** (Ha 1961-1964) attend the event as guest speaker.

Professor Yeoh shared stories of his time at Guildford Grammar School and how

*Left to right: Jemima Lyford, Earl Wijayananda, Ethan Dai, Leo Oldfield, Liam Ilijovski, Will Bromage.*

it ultimately led him to have a highly rewarding and purpose-driven life, not only professionally as a world-leading cancer researcher, but also how it helped shape his passion for contributing to a range of community activities.

We are confident that this year's students will take the values they have learnt at Guildford Grammar School and use their academic talents and gifts to make a difference in the world.



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From the archives:

# Swan River floods

The first *Swan* magazine published in **November 1904** reported that on the last day of the mid-winter holidays, the School received a warning that the Swan River was rapidly rising and that the Boat Shed was in danger. The water was already half way up the Boat Shed walls. **Francis Bennett** (1897-1906), **John Lefroy Crossland** (1899-1905) and **Wilfred Harper** (1897-1908) waded through the water and with considerable difficulty got into the shed, rescued the four, carried it to the master's cottage and stowed it in the wood shed. The flood continued to rise for several days. The water was half way up the banks of the School and was spread for half a mile of unbroken water, burying the Woodbridge orchard. The School appreciated the apples and oranges that were washed into the playground.

The November 1905 *Swan* magazine also recorded the Swan River flooding twice and again the boats had to be rescued in the June holidays by **Mr Charles Hutchinson**, staff and rowing coach (1905-1909) and **Mr Charles Walter Harper** (1896-1897). The boats were towed up to the Woodbridge machinery shed. The Boat Shed took a long time to dry out. The boats had only just been returned to the Boat Shed when a second flood came down quickly and a rescue party from the School had to again wade into the water to rescue the boats.

The August 1915 *Swan* reported that after a four-year absence, the Swan River flooded its banks. The water was nearly as high as the 1910 floods. The vegetable gardens and cow sheds were flooded. One cow had been left behind and had to be rescued. It was reported that in their new location, the cows were either watching the football or raiding the front gardens of the School! Even the pigs had to be moved to higher ground for a brief period.

The August 1917 *Swan* reported that the School usually had to contend with one flood every year, but in late August there was a treble flood. All previous records for the height of the water were broken.

The August 1926 *Swan* reported a bad year for the flu and floods. The Swan River rose on 20 July, remaining for more than a fortnight, breaking the 1917 record.

A flood was again recorded in 1930 and the House Rowing was again disrupted when the boats had to be removed to higher ground. The Swan River flooded again in 1939, 1946, February 1955, 1960, June 1963, 1978 and 1983, 1996, 2000 and 2017.

**Rosemary Waller**

Archivist



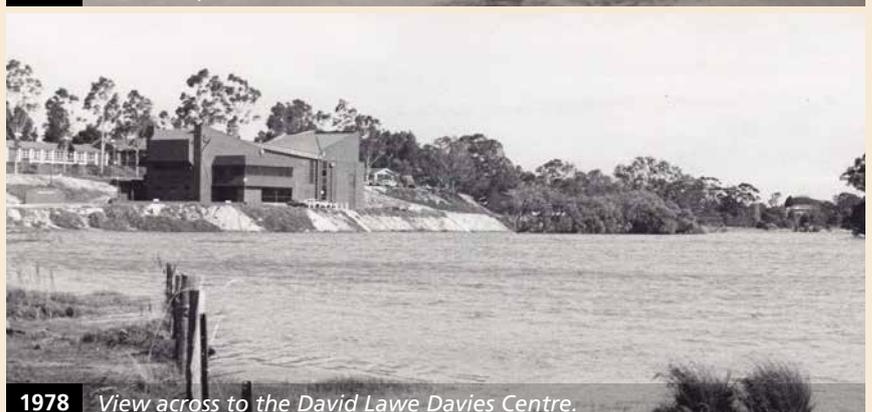
1926 View from the Chapel bell towers.



1939 The Flats, consumed by rising water.



1963 Flooded sports fields.



1978 View across to the David Lawe Davies Centre.



2000 Old Boat Shed.



# Chapel Gift Run

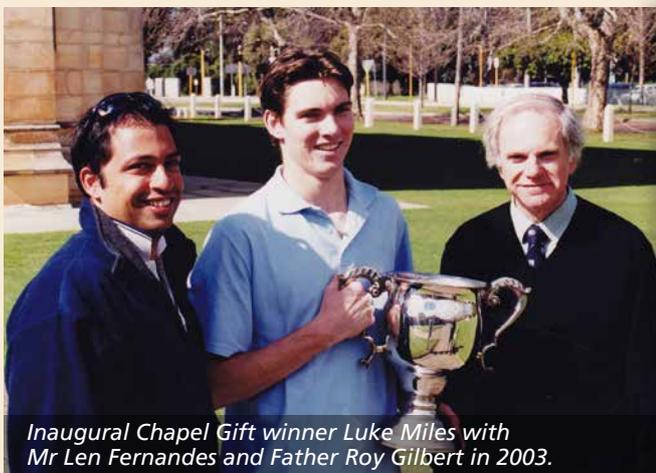
In Term 3, we held our annual **Chapel Gift Run** where students from each House race around the course, timed by the chimes of the Chapel bell.

**Yousef Elhosainy** (12Sc) won the boys' race, setting a new record time of 26 bells (1.14.40). **Lemarna Valentine** (10Wb) won the girls' race for a second time, which has only ever been done once before, with a time of 34 bells (1.34.82).

The Chapel Gift was initiated by **Mr Len Fernandes** (Staff) in 2003 and was the School's version of the famous run around the courtyard in the film *Chariots of Fire*. **Luke Miles** (Sc 1999-2003) was the inaugural winner at 27 bells, as seen in the photo below with Mr Fernandes and **Father Roy Gilbert** (Staff 1988-2008).



2021 Chapel Gift winners Yousef Elhosainy and Lemarna Valentine with Mrs Anne Dunstan.



Inaugural Chapel Gift winner Luke Miles with Mr Len Fernandes and Father Roy Gilbert in 2003.



# Can you help the archives?

Can you help identify the students and staff in the **1978 Stirling House** photo? A list of possible names can be provided.

Please contact **Mrs Rosemary Waller** in the archives on (08) 93779212 or email [rosemary.waller@ggs.wa.edu.au](mailto:rosemary.waller@ggs.wa.edu.au) to get in touch.



Stirling House, 1978.



# 'Symphony on Stage' - the Movie Edition



**An audience of more than 550** from the GGS community supported our Music students and the Guildford Grammar School Symphony Orchestra in September by attending 'Symphony on Stage' at the Heath Ledger Theatre.

It was a fantastic evening of outstanding performances, showcasing the talent and abilities of our students and the GGS Music program. Our musicians performed songs from well-known and much-loved movies including *Aladdin*, *Flashdance*, *Mamma Mia*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Shrek*, *The Blues Brothers* and *The Greatest Showman*.





# Science Week

## Science Week was held in August

and is celebrated annually in schools and communities across Australasia because of the significant contribution and impact Science has on our economy, progress and welfare.

This year's theme was 'Food, different by design' which saw the students look at food in the context of sustainability, healthy eating, marketing and biotechnology to enhance food production.

Many exciting activities were held including:

- Hydrogen and liquid nitrogen demonstrations at a Senior School assembly.
- Prep School students learnt how to make Hokey Pokey.
- Senior School essay competition on the 'Next Big Thing in Science' and a Science quiz.
- Lunch time BBQ to sample native Australian foods such as kangaroo, emu, crocodile and buffalo.
- Selection of lunchtime Science activities and demonstrations in Chemistry and Psychology for students to enjoy.



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# Drama productions



## ***Oliver Twist***

In November, the play *Oliver Twist* was performed by more than 50 Year 7-9 students over two nights in front of a packed house.

Congratulations to all the students involved and to Ms Jane Diamond and Mr Ben Nilsson for their dedication in directing and supporting the students through all the rehearsals and planning that took place prior to the performances.





### **The Wedding Singer**

In Term 3, our senior students presented four sensational performances of the hit musical comedy, *The Wedding Singer*. The cast and band of students from Year 10-12 performed original songs from the stage musical which celebrates all that we loved about the 1980s!

Congratulations to our senior students and Ms Lucy Felstead and Mr Mark Underwood for their hard work and dedication, working with the students to bring *The Wedding Singer* to Guildford Grammar School.

Thank you to the Guildford Arts Supporters group for their support of all the Drama productions in 2021.





# Moments and milestones

As we approach the end of the school and calendar year, it can be easy to focus on the 'to do' lists that sit in front of us and concentrate on what needs to be completed before the 'last day'.

A mix of fatigue, along with excitement and anticipation for the break ahead, often

means the final stages of the year end up being a race to the finish, rather than a period of reflection. I know I can be guilty of this 'rush', so this year rather than rushing to the finish, I spent some time reflecting on our Senior School in its 125th year and the events and observations that have made me so

proud of our staff, students and community. It is important when we undertake reflection not only for acknowledgement and celebration, but to also consider how we can build on these successes and experiences to continue to enhance our wonderful school.

So, to close out the final edition of the *Forward* for this year, I share a selection of my stand-out moments from our 125th year. This is not intended as a list of everything wonderful or enjoyable that has happened (that could almost be a PhD dissertation!), but I have picked my 'favourite five' to share:

- **Our new Boarding House.** The opening of our new boarding facility was a momentous occasion for many reasons. Obviously, it is a world-standard facility, stunning in terms of design and physical make-up. It is also a clear statement of our commitment to boarding and an acknowledgment of the importance that boarding has had in the life of our school. It also makes a very clear statement of our co-education philosophies and provides a long overdue but distinct offering within the Perth educational context for a family



Final Assembly, Valedictory Week.



*Valedictory Week Tractor Pull contest, this year won by St George's House.*



**Each of these milestones are important in reminding us that we must keep moving forward and learn from new experiences.**

environment where students from rural and regional areas can experience a first-class education. This project highlights the commitment to a bold vision by so many different groups – the School Council through to the parent and student groups who were our final ‘consultants’ after a number of design briefs and plans were created.

- **The resilience, adaptability and enthusiasm of our students.** I see this so many times each day. It is infectious and is the inspiration that drives our staff to be grateful for the opportunity to work in education with our young people. This was demonstrated by the adaptability shown as our students negotiated their second stint of remote learning; the grit and drive of our Year 12 Music and Drama students who performed over four consecutive nights in their final week of Term 3; or seeing a student who I know probably went against advice to do ATAR, soldier on, work hard and receive a pleasing set of final marks and an early offer to round out their schooling and head off to start their course of preference.
- **Acknowledgement of Country.** A new feature in 2021 has been the inclusion of an Acknowledgement of Country at the beginning of each Senior School assembly. This has predominantly been offered by students, but it has also

been wonderful for staff to offer their reflections and experiences on why this important and significant ritual is special to them and their individual contexts. This has taken the whole Senior School on a collective journey, to the places we have heard about and stories shared. It has helped us understand the importance of ‘place’ and the connection to country has in shaping all our lives.

- **The gratitude and care our students show for staff.** Whether it be the incidental thank you at the end of a lesson, the nominations I receive in my inbox for weekly staff recognition, or the box of macarons delivered by a Year 12 student to our crosswalk attendant



for “keeping us safe all these years.” It is pleasing to know that our students have an awareness of the privileged opportunity they have to be at a school like ours and the integral role our dedicated staff have in creating this environment.

- **Despite the School being 125 years old, there are still plenty of firsts!** This year, our female and male students competed together at ACC Swimming and won our division. Our fully female First XVIII Football and First XI Cricket teams represented our school on the hallowed Roberts Oval turf. In a PSA first, Theatre Sports was included as a competition for member schools, where our male and female students competed together and took out the inaugural trophy. These are only a few of the many ‘firsts’ that took place. Each of these milestones are important in reminding us that we must keep moving forward and learn from new experiences.

Undertaking your own personal reflection on the year that has been can be a reaffirming way to head into the festive period and new year. I encourage you all to take the opportunity to reflect on 2021 and some of the special moments which make you proud to be associated with our wonderful school.

**Mr Brad Evans**  
Head of Senior School



## 2022 Student Leaders

We congratulate the following students who have been appointed to formal positions of student leadership in 2022.

### Co-Captains of School

- **Fergus McNamara** (Wb)
- **Nalani Snoeks** (SG)

### Co-Vice Captains of School

- **Emily Nayler** (Be)
- **Beau Wuruki** (Fr)

### Co-Captains of Boarding

- **Jolie Cheetham** (Sc)
- **Nathan Dunne** (He)

### Prefects

- **Sally Carter** (Wb)
- **Jalen Coppin** (SG)
- **Jettah Cuimara** (St)
- **Lara Daffen** (Wb)
- **Georgia Frean** (Fr)
- **Oscar Hine-Baston** (He)
- **Jacob Howard** (Be)
- **Fergus McCallum** (Be)
- **Fergus McNamara** (Wb)
- **Asher Milne** (Be)
- **Emily Nayler** (Be)
- **Nalani Snoeks** (SG)
- **Beau Wuruki** (Fr)
- **Lewis Zolnier-Owens** (Fr)

### House Captains

- Bennett – **Jacob Howard**
- Freeth – **Georgia Frean**
- Harper – **Marcus Dixon**
- Henn's – **Jacob White**
- School – **Caleb Jowett-Blinman**
- St George's – **Thomas James**
- Stirling – **Luke Kelly**
- Woodbridge – **Lara Daffen**

### Sacristans

- **Preston Pensini** (He)
- **Dylan Snooke** (Sc)

## 2021 International Chemistry Quiz



The **International Chemistry Quiz** (ICQ) is truly an international competition with papers translated into seven different languages. It attracts students throughout Australia and 20 other countries around the world, including India, Germany and China. The ICQ was held from 27-29 July 2021, attracting more than 95,000 entries from schools in 21 countries, including more than 35,000 Australian students in 300 schools. This year, 162 GGS students from Years 7 to 12 participated. They all did exceptionally well with 39 achieving a Credit, 17 a Distinction, 12 High Distinctions and two achieving High Distinction Excellence.

Special congratulations to the High Distinction Excellence recipients, **Zac Macdonald** (7Ha) for a score of 28/30 and **Elizabeth Moss** (8Wb), who scored a perfect 30/30. Elizabeth was one of only five students in Western Australia to achieve this and will receive an ICQ lapel pin.

*Zac Macdonald and Elizabeth Moss with Mr Gary Foster, Head of Science Faculty.*



# Boarding news

There is a high level of excitement in the boarding community as our program continues to expand.

Less than a year after relocating into our new Boarding House, we are now making preparations to accommodate some of our 2022 boarders in the western wing of the boarding precinct, formerly Sir Francis Burt Hall. This expansion has allowed our boarding enrolments to extend beyond the 132 capacity of the new Boarding House and in 2022, we will have over 150 boarders in residence. This number has not been achieved for over a decade and is a strong reflection of our School, our facilities and our community.

The transition to co-educational boarding has presented a wonderful opportunity for us to embrace the past while also looking boldly to the future. This year, we created three new Guildford Grammar School boarding awards which we will acknowledge annually on our new Honour Boards located in the Boarding House. I wish to congratulate **Sophia Cowcher**



(12Ha) for receiving both the Academic Award (for achieving the highest Grade Point Average of any Year 12 Boarder) and the Citizenship Award (for consistently living

the School's values and exemplary service to the boarding community). I also wish to congratulate **Angus Wilding** (9Wb) for receiving the Endeavour Award (for the junior boarder who has applied the most effort and determination to the betterment of the boarding community).

As we farewell the class of 2021, we turn our attention to an exciting new chapter of Guildford Grammar School boarding. Our female boarding numbers have doubled each year since their commencement in 2020 and we will have over 60 girl boarders next year. We have created a home away from home for girls and boys from all over the state, country and the world and eagerly Go Forward into a bright and exciting future.

**Mr Matthew Weston**  
Director of Boarding



## Most Innovative Idea in a Boarding School Award

**Guildford Grammar School** received the 'Most Innovative Idea in a Boarding School Award 2021' by the Australian Boarding Schools Association for our VI wellbeing program.

The VI program was developed to ensure the School provides tailored and effective pastoral care and wellbeing support for our boarders throughout their time in boarding, and to help them with the social and emotional skills they need to succeed in a complex and challenging world.

Congratulations to our Head of Boarding, Mr Matthew Weston and all the boarding staff for this fantastic accolade!



# Rhett Bazzo selected by West Coast Eagles



We are very proud to share the exciting news that **Rhett Bazzo** (12Sc) has been selected at pick 37 in the 2021 AFL National Draft. Rhett was picked up by the West Coast Eagles for the 2022 season, allowing him to live out a lifelong dream, yet still be close to home.



Not only has Rhett been a major contributor to the Guildford Grammar School Football program, he also played a key role in the WAFL Colts premiership this year with Swan Districts. Rhett's strong and refined skillset and optimistic attitude toward the game and his team, placed him on the AFL's radar and positioned him as a promising recruit.

Rhett's passion for football is inspired by the memory of his late father, Swan Districts legend Steve Bazzo, to whom Rhett dedicates his major football achievements.

We have seen Rhett's progress and development as a footballer and are delighted that his dream of reaching the AFL has been fulfilled. We are confident that Rhett will be an asset to the West Coast Eagles and wish him well as he continues to broaden his footballing talents and ambitions.

From Guildford Grammar School,  
Go Forward Rhett!

## Dads' Big Breakfast



In **September**, we celebrated dads, stepdads, grandads and others who play a significant role in the life of our students. The morning started with breakfast, a blessing from **Father Barry Moss** and an address on fatherhood by the Head of Senior School, **Mr Brad Evans**.

The 'Old School Room' Museum was also open for everyone to wander around and soak up 125 years of rich and proud GGS history. The annual house tug-of-war battle took place, with Henn's House once again claiming victory! Thank you to the Friends of Senior School for organising this wonderful annual event.



## Len Fernandes

Head of Health and Physical Education

### What is your role at the School?

I am the Head of Health and Physical Education at Guildford Grammar School and am responsible for the teaching and learning of health and physical education.

### Where did you work before Guildford Grammar School?

I first worked at GGS from 2000-2005 and left to take up a sportsmaster's role at Wesley College, then worked at Mazenod College. During my time away from GGS, I played and coached hockey for the Old Guildfordians Hockey Club.

I returned to GGS in 2011. I was a year level Boarding Coordinator for five years, until recently, and also held an assistant Boarding Housemaster role at Malcolm Hall.

### What are the values that drive you?

The things that are important to me are honesty, integrity, trust, friendship, teamwork and family.

### What do you like most about your job?

I enjoy and am passionate about teaching our students. It's rewarding to see them grow and develop into capable young men and women. I also enjoy the collegiality of the people I work with.

### What three words would you use to describe your role?

Interesting, busy, and rewarding.

### Describe what Guildford Grammar School means to you

Having lived in Guildford for the past 20 years, Guildford Grammar School is the



The things that are important to me are honesty, integrity, trust, friendship, teamwork and family.

heartbeat of Guildford. It means a great deal to me and I feel privileged to be able to work and teach at such a beautiful, prestigious school which is celebrating its 125th anniversary.

### What do you enjoy doing when you are not working?

I love to play and coach hockey and spend time with my family.

### What does 125 years of Guildford Grammar School mean to you?

It means that we remember the traditions of the past and create memories for the next 125 years. I am proud to be a part of the history of the School.

### What makes GGS a community?

Our community spirit, a willingness to show that we care and to help others.

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# Examining excellence

with Dr Holly Miller



**“Excellence is not a skill. It is an attitude.”**

– Ralph Marston

**Excellence as a school value** is core to what both students and staff strive for in our everyday actions. While there have been many achievements at the highest level showcasing excellence, it is personal excellence that I believe is the most important and should be the most celebrated. All students who strive to achieve the goals they set, work hard for self-improvement and dedicate themselves to be the best they can be, and have so much to be proud of. Personal excellence is on display in every aspect of our school, be it a Music Ensemble, the sporting field, the classroom, on stage or in everyday actions of citizenship. We talk to students about not comparing themselves to others but looking inwardly to reflect on their own efforts and perseverance for improvement and growth that sees them achieve their personal excellence.

I encourage every student to take time to consider the year that has passed and reflect on where they have demonstrated the school value of excellence in their actions and achievement of personal goals. Perhaps it is overcoming nerves to take on a speaking part in the Drama production, learning a new skill on the basketball court, mastering a new group of spelling sounds and words, passing a swimming level that they may have attempted a number of times, or even consciously acting



on their goal to be ‘kind on purpose’ and help others.

I also encourage all students to reflect on what it sometimes takes to achieve their goals. Failure is a part of growth and achievement of personal excellence.

Many of us know the story of WD-40, but for those that do not, this product stems back to 1953 when three staff of Rocket Chemical Company set out to create a rust-prevention solvent to use in the aerospace

industry. They failed 39 times in their attempts to find the right ingredients and it wasn’t until the 40th attempt that the right recipe was created. WD-40’s name originates from this process. Imagine if they gave up at attempt 26 or even after their 39th failure? The achievement of personal excellence took 39 demonstrations of perseverance, grit, determination, commitment and self-belief that they could achieve what they had set out to, resulting in a household product that is still widely used today. We can all learn much from this story and I urge every student to remember WD-40 when they fail on their first try and when it feels like they will never get to where they want to go. Don’t give up, keep working hard and you too will achieve what you set your mind to.

Personal excellence is an attitude, it is a commitment to achieving your best, regardless of what others are doing. It is the determination to not see failure as an opportunity to give up, but as a catalyst to learn and strive for continual improvement. The achievement of personal excellence is what we at GGS will always be most proud of.

**Dr Holly Miller**  
Head of Preparatory School



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**STAFF PROFILE** **Fiona Marsh**  
Preparatory School Teacher

**What is your role at the School?**

I currently teach a Year 1 class in the Prep School.

**Where did you work before Guildford Grammar School?**

I commenced at GGS after graduating from university, starting off as a Year 5 teacher, then a Kindy teacher for three years. I also did my teaching 'prac' at GGS.

**What are the values that drive you?**

Community, respect, hard work and compassion.

**What do you like most about your job?**

Building relationships with students and their families. Getting to know the students' personalities is a great thing! I also love that our school is surrounded by nature and that learning can take place outdoors.

**What three words would you use to describe your role?**

Joyful, dynamic and challenging.



**I also love that our school is surrounded by nature and that learning can take place outdoors.**

**In one sentence, describe what Guildford Grammar School means to you.**

GGS is the place where my career began and it has provided me with opportunities to grow as an educator and team member.

**What do you enjoy doing when you are not working?**

I enjoy rock-climbing, cooking, reading, home DIY, and spending time outdoors and with family.

**What does 125 years of Guildford Grammar School mean to you?**

I love that the School has longstanding traditions, but is also integrating new trends in education, including becoming co-educational.

**What makes Guildford Grammar School a Community?**

A willingness of parents, students and staff to go above and beyond for others.



# Supporting our local firefighters

A group of our Year 5 students held a fundraiser event in September to support our local firefighters, and raised over \$1000.

This event took months to plan and included a bake sale, an obstacle course and the opportunity to look at the fire trucks and ask questions to the firefighters.

Congratulations to students **Islay Sutherland**, **Alice MacLean** and **Tate Tolchard** for their philanthropic and compassionate efforts.



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# Book Week



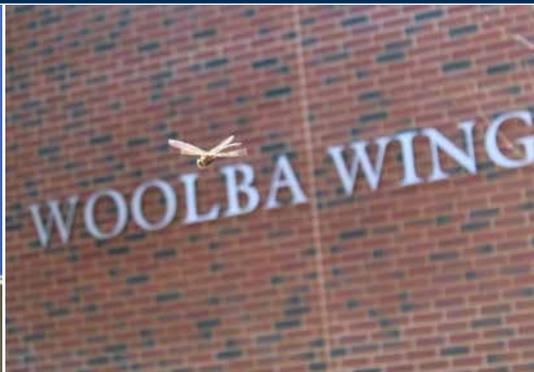
We celebrated Book Week in August with colourful displays, activities and stories which highlighted the importance of reading.

The week ended with the annual Book Week Parade at assembly, where our students and staff dressed up, inspired by this year's theme of 'Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds'.





# The Unframed Project



**During Term 3**, Year 6 students worked with Sandra Guzzi, the founder of the Unframed Project. The Unframed Project teaches positive mental health strategies through photography.

Over a five-week period the students learnt about composition and the brain, focus and resilience, exposure and self-talk, social media, contrast and perspective, and who to call if help is needed. They also rang the Kids Helpline so that they would know what to expect if they ever needed help or advice.

The students enjoyed the photography and thinking about the story that they wanted their photographs to tell.

Some of their feedback:

**Tabitha:** "The Unframed Project was personally very beneficial to me in many ways. Doing photography around the school was very calming, fun and relaxing."

**Joel:** "I liked learning about DSLR cameras and the angle shots, the grid and contrast."

**Kieran:** "I loved seeing how a camera is so similar to emotions. I loved the new way I can deal with my stress."



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# What's in a **word**: philanthropy

## **Philanthropy – Philanthropist – Philanthro-po, Philanthro-pa!**

In the last edition of *Forward*, we examined the difference between the words 'fundraising' and 'philanthropy.' This time we'll look at philanthropy!

I am often asked how to pronounce it, but I too had to learn when starting my philanthropy journey over a quarter of a century ago! Once we learn pronunciation, we want to know meaning and here history helps.

Plutarch described the word as meaning 'superior human beings.'

Aristotle thought it was a hard thing for man to do. The Roman Catholic Middle Ages suggested charity and selfless love reduced the purgatory sentence. Francis Bacon related it to goodness. Samuel Johnson defined it as love of mankind and good of nature. Today it is often coined as the 'love of humanity.'

Dictionary definitions are somewhat more prosaic and include:

- A person who seeks to promote the welfare of others, especially by the

generous donation of money to good causes.

- Someone who gives money to help people who are poor or sick, or to pay for things such as museums or schools that are good for society.

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- Someone who makes charitable donations intended to increase human wellbeing.
- Someone who seeks to promote the welfare of others, especially by the generous donation of money to good causes.
- Philanthropy consists of 'private initiatives, for the public good, focusing on quality of life'.



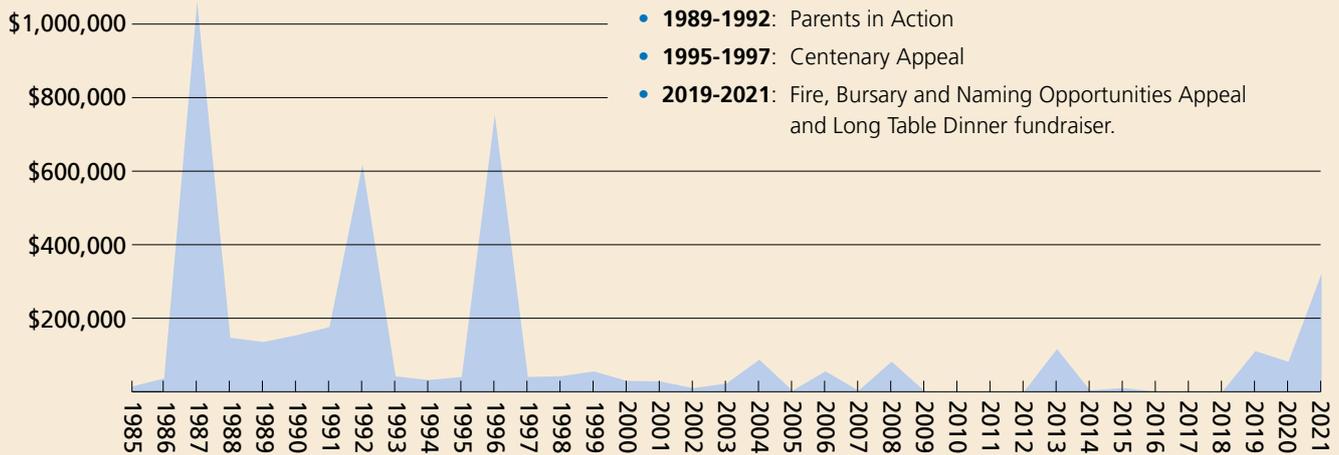
Ms Ilene Aveling

To see how your generous philanthropy makes a difference to Guildford Grammar School, please refer to the [Impact Report](#), which will have been emailed to you and is on our website.

Wishing you and your family a joyous and peaceful Christmas season.

**Ms Ilene Aveling**  
Development Manager

## Fundraising history



## Bequests

**We are grateful to those donors** who have remembered us in their estate planning. Bequests to Guildford Grammar School contribute significantly to our long-term financial wellbeing and help ensure the success of our programs. Naming Guildford Grammar School in your will is not difficult, and you can designate any amount or percentage of your estate that you wish. As you make plans for your estate, we hope that you will consider a bequest to us.

When you advise us of a gift-in-will, you will become a Member of the Oliverson Society and enjoy the benefits of meeting fellow members at special events.

For more information about bequests and other planned gifts, please contact our Director of Community Relations, Richie Longson on (08) 9377 9216 or [richie.longson@ggs.wa.edu.au](mailto:richie.longson@ggs.wa.edu.au).



# Thank you to our 2021 donors

Not only do our development projects and programs improve the fabric and facilities of the School, they enrich the life and education of the students. To the generosity of our donors, we extend our profound thanks.

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## Social events for donors

Many of our donors joined us for evening soirees this year.

Prior to school events, we were delighted to host over 100 guests at *The Wedding Singer*, the Baroque Concert and Symphony on Stage at the State Theatre – to name a few. These occasions are our way of saying thank you and bring together members of our community who support the School philanthropically – and who love to have a social occasion to catch up!



## Plaques and pavers

**Evidence of your support** for the Naming Opportunities Appeal will shortly be on display in the new Boarding House. The plaques and pavers provide an interesting, rich and lasting narrative in our boarders home away from home.

The Appeal did more than raise funds. It saw many of our community re-connect, eager to be part of Guildford Grammar School's boarding history. The emotional ties became evident as donors wanted to leave their own mark or commemorate past family or staff.

Thanks to you, these plaques will tell our story – from families who go back to 1907 to those who more recently become part of our community. Outside, the benches and pavers will add to this historic chronicle.

We will be having a celebration in the Boarding House in the new year – look out for your invitation. Thank you once again for your magnificent support.

**Philanthropy fun fact:** Plato established the first known endowment for the Academy in Athens in 387BC and then bequeathed his farm to ensure its continuation.



# 125 years of accomplishments by 125 Old Guildfordians – a look back in time



In commemoration of Guildford Grammar School's 125th anniversary, the following list of 125 accomplished Old Guildfordians has been compiled from a combination of community nominations, external records and the School Archives. Please note that this is not a list of the 'most accomplished' of the School's former students, nor is it recognition of service to the School.

This list aims to celebrate a cross-section of our community that have achieved excellence in adult life, including occupational, sporting, cultural, personal, altruistic or community-building endeavours. We can be proud of the outstanding achievements of those 125 Old Guildfordians listed, and we can be proud of our broader community with members following their own paths as they 'Go Forward' through life.

## Donald Aitken †

*Stirling House 1938-1941*

Met the road transport needs of an emerging Perth metropolis as the Main Roads Commissioner from 1965 to 1987, the youngest to fill the role at age 40. Honours awarded to Don include the Imperial Service Order, WA Citizen of the Year for the Professions, and an officer of the Order of Australia. Former Old Guildfordian of the Year.



## Francis 'John' Ballard

*St George's House 1948-1957*

He is an author of about 300 scientific publications and is a recipient of several research awards. He has served as President of the Australian Society of Biochemistry and as Vice-President of the biotechnology industry association, AusBiotech Ltd. He was elected to the Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering in 1997, awarded CSIRO's Business Excellence Medal in 2001, the Centenary Medal in 2003 and the ATSE Clunies Ross Medal in 2004. John received the BioSpectrum Life Time Achievement Award in 2012. A Managing Director of BR Angels Pty Ltd and co-founder of BioAngels Inc, both of which reflect his main activities as an angel investor. He is a Director of Neubody Pty Ltd, past Chairman of the Australian Proteome Analysis Facility Ltd and the biotechnology company AdAlta Pty Ltd and was previously a Director of the Australian Institute of Commercialisation Ltd and served on the Commercial Opportunity Panel of Adelaide Research & Innovation Pty Ltd. He was previously Managing Director and CEO of GroPep Ltd, positions he held since the inception of the company in 1988. In August 2000 he guided GroPep to a successful initial public offering and listing on the ASX. He was also the CEO of the Cooperative Research Centre for Tissue Growth and Repair from 1991 until 1999. John is an inventor on many of GroPep's patents and coordinated their prosecution and commercialisation.



## Robert Anderson

*Stirling/Harper House 1949-1958*

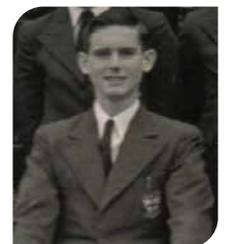
A Professional Mediator and Arbitrator who was formerly a Judge of the Supreme Court of WA (1990-2003). He was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1984. Other roles since then have included Chair of the State Legislative Review Committee, President of the WA Bar Association, Vice President of the Australian Bar Association, Chair of the State Planning Appeal Tribunal, President of the Industrial Appeal Court of WA, Special Investigator for the Australian Sports Commission Inquiry into Allegations of Illicit Drugs in the Sport of Cycling, Chairman of Abra Mining Limited (a publicly listed mineral exploration company) and Independent Australian Director of Abra Mining Limited following its takeover by Hunan Nonferrous Group of China. He was also Chair of the Statutory Review Reference Group appointed by the Minister for Police to conduct a review of the operation and effectiveness of the Criminal Investigation (Identifying People) Act 2002 (WA). In addition, he was the Principal author of the Reference Group Report tabled in State Parliament in April 2009. A report Robert wrote, after his inquiry into allegations of drug use in Olympic cycling, led directly to the establishment of the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (ASADA) in 2006. This agency is regarded as essential in the combatting of illicit drugs in all Australian sports.



## Peter Barnett

*St George's House 1944-1947*

Received a Member of the Order of Australia Award in recognition of service to public communication, particularly through Radio Australia.



## Albert Arcus †

*St George's House 1936-1939*

Rhodes Scholar 1946. Whilst studying Engineering at UWA, Albert served three terms as President of the Guild of Undergraduates at UWA before being elected as an Honorary Life Associate in 1946. In the same year he was awarded the Rhodes Scholarship. He represented Australia at the International Students' Conference in Switzerland in 1947. On leaving Oxford in 1949, he returned to Western Australia with an Engineering Degree. In 1954, he was appointed Australian Government Assistant Trade Commissioner in Indonesia.



## Tudor Barnett †

*St George's House 1938-1942*

Director-General of the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation (ASIO) from 1981 to 1985. He was awarded an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) in recognition of service to the Public Service.



† Deceased.



## Keir Beck

*Stirling House 1977-1987*

Beginning his career as a stunt performer, Keir Beck went on to become a two time Screen Actors Guild and two times Taurus Stunt Award-winning stunt coordinator and 2nd unit director. With an eye for action, Beck has shown a flair for writing and directing. In 2020 he wrote, directed, and produced the acclaimed short film *Driven*, in which he also acted. Beck is known for his work on *Matrix: Reloaded & Revolutions* (2003), *Casino Royale* (2006), *Mad Max: Fury Road* (2015), *Hacksaw Ridge* (2016), *Matrix 4* (2020) and Ron Howard's *Thirteen Lives* (2021).



## Kenneth Bladen †

*Stirling House 1949-1952*

Member of the Order of Australia (AM) "for service to veterans and their families, particularly through the Western Australian Branch of the Returned and Services League of Australia". Anniversary of National Service 1951-1972 Medal. Centenary Medal. National Medal. Lieutenant Colonel (retired) in the Australian Army. Foundation member of the Special Air Service Company.



## Bruce Bellinge

*Woodbridge House 1964-1967*

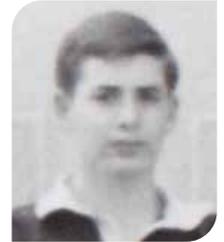
Established the first private enterprise Assisted Reproductive Technology (IVF-related fertility treatments) facility in Australia in 1981.



## Timothy Blain †

*St George's House 1958-1964*

Rhodes Scholar 1968. Timothy enrolled in the Faculty of Arts at UWA in 1965 and in 1966 was awarded the Convocation Prize for History. During the next two years, he worked towards an Honours course in History and Politics passing with First Class Honours. During his time at the University, he continued his interest in Debating and captained the Interschool Team in 1966. In 1969, he did tutoring in first and third year units in Political Science until leaving for Magdalene College, Oxford in August. He studied for his BA in Jurisprudence (the science or philosophy of law).



## John Blackburne

*Woodbridge/Harper/Stirling House 1957-1961*

Established the Blackburne name in real estate in 1967 and became the largest manager of residential investment and strata managed buildings in WA, with some 8500 properties under management with Blackburne offices in Melbourne and Sydney. Chairman of the syndicate Blackburne Subicentro Pty Ltd, which developed and marketed the retail shopping, office buildings and four apartment buildings in the Subi Centro precinct around the new train station. With a body of work spanning over 40 years, he has marketed 144 apartment buildings with over 3100 apartments. Rowing coach at Guildford Grammar School 1970-71. Chairman of the 'Parents in Action Appeal' for the building of the Oliverson Gymnasium and raised enough funds to enable the Gymnasium to be built from donations. Chairman of the fundraising programme to extend the School's swimming pool from 50 yards to 50 metres along with new starting blocks and lane ropes. President of the Guildford Grammar School Foundation 1997-2010 and he became a Patron of the Foundation in 1999. Trustee of the UK-based Guildford Grammar School Foundation Kangaroo Paw Trust. After 26 years of service to the Guildford Grammar School Foundation, John was made an Honorary Life Member of the Foundation at a Chapel Service held on 20 March 2017.



## David Blair

*Stirling/Woodbridge House 1961-1963*

David Blair is a physicist and Emeritus Professor at The University of Western Australia and director of the Australian International Gravitational Research Centre at Gingin. Awards include the 2021 Prime Minister's Prize for Science for his outstanding and ground-breaking research and findings relating to the discovery of gravity waves. He was also the 2008 Old Guildfordian of the Year.



## Charles Burns †

*1905-1909*

One of up to 20 indigenous soldiers to have completed active overseas service in both the First and Second World Wars. Service medals awarded were the 1914/15 Star, British War Medal, Victory Medal, Africa Star and the Defence Medal. The first Aboriginal student to attend Guildford Grammar School.



## Paul Blackburne

*Stirling House 1986-1993*

Executive Chairman of Blackburne, an award-winning integrated property group that specialises in development, strata management, property management, mortgage broking and property rentals. Paul was the winner (First Amongst Equals) of the Business News 40under40 Awards in 2016 for his business success, as well as his philanthropic interests that have included co-founding the Child Protection Unit, located in Cambodia, in collaboration with the Cambodian Children's Fund. Paul was also the 2014 Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year Finalist.



## Francis Burt †

*St George's House 1931-1935*

Former Governor of WA, former Chief Justice, former Patron of the Old Guildfordians Association, Centenary Medal, The Order of St Michael and St George- Knights Commander, Companion of the Order of Australia. Honorary Life Member of The Old Guildfordians Association, the Association's highest honour conferred in recognition of long and outstanding service to the Association.





**John Burt** †

*St George's House 1919-1929*

The Royal Victorian Order – Members of the Fourth Class, The Order of the British Empire – Commander (Civil).



**Keith Burton** †

*1912-1916*

Rhodes Scholar 1919. Served in France during WW1 in 1917 before being severely wounded and returning to Australia in 1918. While away, he was awarded his marksman badge for shooting in 1917 and the British Army Rifle Association Medal. He went on to University in 1919, taking an Arts course. He joined the staff at Guildford Grammar School in 1920 for a term before leaving in August for Worcester College at Oxford. He was awarded an Arden Prize to the value of 100 pounds and eventually took his BA Degree with 2nd class honours at Oxford in June 1922 and planned to return to WA in 1923.



**Frederick 'Ben' Carlin** †

*School/Stirling House 1926-1929*

After leaving school, Ben commenced work as an Articled Law Clerk, then to engineering at Kalgoorlie School of Mines, followed by coalmine work in China, 1939. Served in WW2 in the Royal Indian Engineers and rose to rank of Major. Ben saw his first amphibious jeep in West Bengal, left to the Indian Government by the departing American Army, leading to Ben purchasing his own in Maryland, USA, in 1946, and named the vehicle 'Half-Safe', after a radio advertisement for deodorant! The rest is history – Ben became the first and only person to circumnavigate the world in an amphibious vehicle – 39,000 miles over land and 11,000 miles over water, four oceans and five continents.



**Simon Carroll**

*Henn's House 1965-1969*

Simon's decorated career includes being awarded the AusBiotech Chairman's Excellence Award for service to the biotechnology industry (2010), Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation's (CSIRO) Medal for Business Excellence (2000), and three medical research fellowships. He was also a named inventor on a number of granted gene delivery patents. Simon has been a member of company and research organisation boards and advisory bodies including the Prime Minister's Science Engineering and Innovation Council Working Group on Biodiscovery (2005) and the Premier's Science Council Working Group on Medical Research (2002). Simon co-founded the Margaret River Cheese Company (1982). After studying internationally in the field of molecular biology and holding senior executive posts in science-based organisations, including the inaugural Director of the Western Australian Biomedical Research Institute and Professor of Biomedical Research at Curtin University, Simon is now Director of Science Partnerships at Scitech. 2013 Old Guildfordian of the Year.



**William 'Bill' Carroll**

*Henn's House 1963-1966*

Presented with a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) for significant service to neurological medicine, and to people with Multiple Sclerosis. President of the World Federation of Neurology (2018-2021). President of Australian and New Zealand Association of Neurologists, formerly Australian Association of Neurologists (1998-2000). Foundation Vice President and Treasurer of Pan-Asian Committee for Treatment and Research in Multiple Sclerosis (2007-2018). Non-Executive Director of Multiple Sclerosis Research Australia, Multiple Sclerosis Australia (2004-2016) and Director for MSWA, formerly Multiple Sclerosis Society Western Australia, (1996-2021). Chair of the Medical Research Advisory Board for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society of Australia (1998-2002), MS Research Australia and Research Management Council (2002-2014).



**Adrian 'A.J.' Carter**

*Henn's House 1990-1997*

Film director, producer and cinematographer. His short film 'Ronan's Escape' was selected for 17 international film festivals, gaining 12 award nominations and nine wins.



**Colin Chapman** †

*Stirling House 1939-1941*

Recipient of French Legion of Honour Medal, Bomber Command Medal and Clasp. The French Legion of Honour is France's highest decoration awarded for his contribution to the liberation of France. The order was established by Napoleon Bonaparte in 1802. Colin was a Rear Upper Turret Gunner in Lancaster heavy bombers during World War II as part of 463 Squadron, Royal Australian Air Force, based in the United Kingdom. He was attacked by German jet fighters when they were used for the first time in war. He was also an Airline Captain for 29 years with MacRobertson Miller and Ansett Airlines.



**Matthew Clape**

*School House 1985-1986*

Played for the Australian Football League. Played 29 games and kicked 14 goals for the Eagles between 1992-1994. He joined Carlton in 1995, adding 58 games (48 goals) in four seasons, with the highlight being a grand final win over Geelong in 1995.





### Donald Cleland †

1912-1919

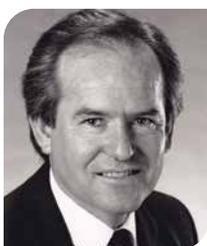
C.B.E. Administrator Papua New Guinea 1951-1969. Appointed to the Australian Imperial Force on 13 October 1939 as staff captain, 6th Divisional Artillery, Cleland arrived in the Middle East in February 1940. He was promoted temporary major in November. For his work as deputy assistant quartermaster general, I Corps, during the campaigns in Libya, Greece and Syria in 1941, he was appointed M.B.E. (1942) and mentioned in dispatches. He chaired the Legislative Council until 1964 and directed the introduction of the first House of Assembly elected by full adult franchise; he restructured the public service so that it would be dominated by Papua New Guineans, paid at a rate the country could afford; and he continued the elimination of discriminatory legislation, most obviously ending the liquor ban in 1962. While his reports were methodical, in his diary he made quick, shrewd judgements of people and events. He was knighted in 1961.



### Arthur 'Winston' Crane

*Stirling/St George's House 1954-1957*

Member of the Senate for Western Australia 1990-2002. President of Western Australian Farmers' Federation 1982-1989. Senior Vice-President, National Farmers' Federation 1987-1989.



### James Davies †

*Stirling House 1940-1944*

Australian Rules Football Player who won the Sandover Medal and Best and Fairest for Swan Districts and was their captain in 1944. Managed to play a few games with Carlton in the VFL before moving back to Perth to continue playing for Swan Districts and Claremont Football Club until 1953. He was elected as vice President and President of the WAFL for ten years and then nominated as a life member.



### John Day

*Woodbridge House 1968-1972*

Member of the Western Australian Parliament for 24 years from 1993-2017, representing the Darling Range and Kalamunda electorates successively. Minister for Health, Culture and the Arts, Planning, Science and Innovation, Police and Emergency Services during two periods in government. Currently Chairman of the Board of the State Library of WA, member of Art Gallery of WA Board. Honorary Fellow Planning Institute of Australia. Graduate from the University of Western Australia (Science and Dentistry). 2016 Old Guildfordian of the Year.



### Deborah Drake-Brockman †

*Daygirl*

A mining company director and welfare worker. Upon marrying Sir John Winthrop Hackett, Deborah became known as Lady Hackett. She was a society hostess and worked strenuously for the war effort during World War I. The French government rewarded her with 'La Medaille de la Reconnaissance Francaise', a medal solely awarded to civilians to express gratitude by the French government to all those who, without legal or military obligation, had come to the aid of the injured, disabled, refugees, or who had performed an act of exceptional dedication in the presence of the enemy during the First World War. She edited a tome, *The Australian Household Guide* (Perth, 1916) which purported to contain everything that an Australian housewife might want to know. Profits went to charities and a second edition in 1940 again raised large sums for the Red Cross Society. After the death of Sir Winthrop Hackett in 1916, Lady Hackett married Sir Frank Beaumont Moulden in Adelaide in 1918. As his lady mayoress in 1920-22, she raised money for Adelaide charities and re-established the South Australian branch of the National Council of Women, of which she was president in 1921. She became the first State commissioner of the Girl Guides' Association. In 1923, Lady Moulden became interested in some rare Australian minerals, specifically tantalite in the Northern Territory and at Wodgina in Western Australia. She personally visited and evaluated the sites of these minerals and, by 1925, she was convinced of the wealth tantalite could bring Australia. Lady Moulden decided it would be more advantageous to process the ore within Australia, so she moved to London in 1927 and formed Tantalite Ltd in 1932. She found, however, that it was difficult to persuade governments to process minerals in the country of origin. Returning to Australia to live, she formed a syndicate to mine wolfram in Central Australia. In World War II her tantalum was used in developing radar. With the obvious need for the minerals, the Commonwealth government resumed Tantalite Ltd, which had taken over the wolfram mines, for the duration of the war. In 1932 the University of Western Australia had honoured its benefactor's widow when the Winthrop Hall was opened by conferring on her the degree of Doctor of Laws, in absentia because of the recent death of Sir Frank Moulden. In 1936 in Melbourne, she married Basil Buller Murphy, a barrister, and she became known as Dr Buller Murphy. Dr Murphy supported the women's auxiliaries of Melbourne's hospitals and welfare committees. She published 'An Attempt to Eat the Moon', a book of legends of the Dordenup tribe of Aborigines that she had known when young.



### Edmund Drake-Brockman †

1897-1902

Major General, soldier, statesman and judge who served in both World One and Two. Was made a Companion of the Order of St Michael and St George for his services as Major at Gallipoli during 1915. He was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel. In 1918 he was promoted to Brigadier General and commanded the 4th brigade. After the war he was elected to the Australian Senate in 1919 as a Nationalist party representative and served until 1926. He then worked as a federal judge.

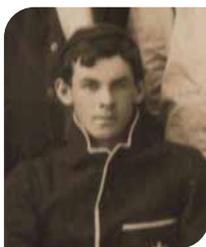




### Karl Drake-Brockman †

1899-1910

Rhodes Scholar 1910. Karl was awarded the Rhodes Scholarship in February 1910 and began at Exeter College, Oxford at the beginning of October. On arrival, he took up Rugby and was soon a full back for the 1st XV, which was an exceptional feat for someone who had played Australian Rules at school. He passed his finals in Law with First Class Honours. He was only the second Rhodes Scholar from WA to do so. After the outbreak of WWI Karl returned to England in 1915 and joined King Edward's Horse, 5th Royal Fusiliers, a regiment in which the majority of Rhodes' scholars enlisted. He served as a puisne judge in New Guinea in 1921.



### Bruce Duperouzel

Harper House 1966-1968

Played 12 Sheffield Shield matches for Western Australia and was a member of the team in winning the Shield in 1971/72 and 1972/73. Played 86 games with Claremont in the West Australian Football League (WAFL) between 1969-73. In 1971 he won the Best and Fairest Award with the Claremont Football Club and captained the Club in 1972 and 1973. Recruited by St Kilda in the Australian Football League (AFL), then known as the Victorian Football League (VFL), he moved to Melbourne in 1974 and finished the season as St Kilda's leading goal kicker. In 1980 he was the clubs top vote getter in the 1980 Brownlow Medal and in the same year he earned an All Australian selection. In 1982/83 he captained the St Kilda Club. He moved to Footscray and played a further 26 games in 1983/84. He represented Western Australia 7 times in State matches and the State of Origin carnival. Bruce is one of only four WA sportsmen in history who have played State cricket, State football, been a member of a winning Sheffield Shield team and earned All Australian selection in the AFL.



### Slade Drake-Brockman †

Henn's House 1926-1931

C.M.G, Chairman of the Western Australia Council. He became State Manager of WA in 1962 until his retirement from the company in 1978. He spent five years in the AIF during WWII attaining the rank of Captain. Slade's greatest achievement was his appointment as Executive Chairman of Western Australia's 150th Anniversary Board formed to plan and conduct the celebrations. Slade's other roles included Honorary Consul General for Belgium in WA since 1974; Chairman of the Council for Nedlands College of Advanced Education; Industry and Commerce Ambassador of WA Week; Councilor Perth Chamber of Commerce since 1978; Executive for the American Chamber of Commerce 1963-67; Vice-Chairman WA Heart Foundation Appeal 1968-69; Chairman and Member to the Advisory Board 1964-72; and Chairman and President of the Save the Children Fund (WA Division). Slade was awarded the Companion of the Order of St Michael and St George (CMG) for his services to Western Australia on 31 September 1979.



### Francis 'Frank' Edwards

Woodbridge/Freeth House 1963-1968

Brigadier (Retired). Former CEO City of Perth, former Independent Chair WA State Emergency Management Committee, former Commander 13 Brigade (Army Reserve), former Head of Australian Defence Staff PNG, former Commanding Officer and Chief Instructor of the Corps of Staff Cadets, Royal Military College Duntroon. United States Meritorious Service Medal (1987), Conspicuous Service Cross (Australia Day Honours List 1996). Graduate of the Army Command and Staff College and the Joint Services Staff College. 2005 Old Guildfordian of the Year.



### Thomas Drake-Brockman †

School House 1933-1937

Senator for WA 1958-1978. Minister for Air 1969-1972. During World War II, he joined the Royal Australian Air Force's 460 Squadron in 1941 as Sergeant air-gunner and served in the Middle East, Malta and the United Kingdom. He was awarded a Distinguished Flying Cross in September 1944. After the war he was a farmer and grazier and became vice president of the Australian Wool and Meat Producers Federation. Drake-Brockman was appointed to a casual vacancy as a Country Party senator on 12 August 1958. His appointment expired at the 1958 election, when he was elected to the Senate, with effect from 1 July 1959. He was appointed Minister for Air in John Gorton's second ministry. He remained minister until the defeat of the William McMahon government at the 1972 election. He was Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Minister for Administrative Services in Malcolm Fraser's caretaker government after the dismissal of the Whitlam government, but was not reappointed to Fraser's ministry after the 1975 election. Drake-Brockman was made a Knight Bachelor in June 1979.



### Simon Eissens

Stirling House 1981-1985

A celebrated pitcher once called 'Mr Consistency', Simon was born in Liverpool which allowed him to play for both Australia and Great Britain. He made his Australian Baseball League debut in the 1990/91 season and his superb performances saw him selected in the national team for the Barcelona Olympic qualifications in China. Simon later represented Australia at the 1994 Baseball World Cup in Managua, Nicaragua. A member of Team Australia in 1991, 1992, 1994 and 1995, Simon also played for the British national team at the European Championships in 2003 in the Netherlands, and 2005 in the Czech Republic. Simon was a Claxton Shield Team Member for the state team, whether it be playing for the Perth Heat or the Western Healers, from 1986-2007. In 2006, Simon held the record of 39 wins for WA's Heat and Healers and he won Claxton Shield Championships in 1991, 1997 and 2000. Simon has also been inducted into the Baseball WA Hall of Fame.



### Lindsay Evans

Stirling House 1974-1978

Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC) for outstanding achievement as the Director of Navy Weapons Systems in support of the Technical Regulation of Navy Materiel. Ensuring high profile acquisition endeavours such as the Air Warfare Destroyer and Armidale Class patrol boat. Championed a diligent approach to technical integrity and safety of personnel.



## Donna Faragher (nee Taylor)

*Prep 1980-1985*

Member of the Western Australian Legislative Council representing the East Metropolitan Region. First elected in 2005 at the age of 29, she is the youngest female Liberal Party member ever elected to the WA State Parliament. Sworn in as Minister for Environment and Youth in 2008 in the first Liberal National Government, becoming the youngest ever female Minister appointed in WA. Stepped down from the ministry in 2010 following the birth of her first child and appointed Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier and later Minister for Planning and Disability Services in 2016. She has held a number of shadow portfolios including Education and Training, Women's Interests and Disability Services. Currently serving as Shadow Minister for Community Services; Early Childhood Education; Seniors and Ageing; Youth. 2020 Old Guildfordian of the Year.



## Alwyn Garrett †

*1914-1917*

Received The Order of the British Empire - Knights Commander (KBE), The Order of the Bath - Companion (CB) and The Order of the British Empire - Commander (CBE). Australian Army Chief of General Staff 1956-1960 (now known as Chief of Army). At the outbreak of World War II he came back to Australia and in November 1939 was appointed Captain in the Australian Imperial Force. By June 1940 Major Garrett was again in Britain, on the staff of the 18th Australian Infantry Brigade; he was promoted lieutenant colonel on 16 September and briefly commanded the 2nd/31st Battalion. Sent to the Middle East in February 1941, he took part in the campaigns in Greece and Crete in April-May as a staff officer with the 19th Brigade and Saville Force. After further postings to Australian and British formations, mostly armoured, he returned home early in 1942. Promoted temporary Colonel in April, Garrett was senior operations officer on the staff of the 1st Armoured Division until October when he became Director of Armoured Fighting Vehicles, Land Headquarters, Melbourne. In September 1943 he joined the staff of I Corps. From December that year to October 1945 he was Brigadier, general staff, successively on the headquarters of I Corps, II Corps, New Guinea Force and, again, II Corps. Appointed chief of the General Staff on 23 March 1958, Garrett presided over a period of intense activity and change in the structure of the army, beginning with the disbandment of the national service scheme in 1959. Garrett was elevated to K.B.E. in 1959 and transferred to the Retired List on 1 July 1960.



## Raleigh Finlayson

*School House 1989-1995*

The Executive Director of Northern Star Resources Limited. Named 'First Amongst Equals', the highest honour at the 2018 Business News 40under40 awards. Former Managing Director of Saracen Mineral Holdings Limited.



## N'Fa-Deynde 'N'fa' Forster-Jones

*School House 1993-1996*

ARIA Award Winning Musician (with the band 1200 Techniques).



## Graham Gipson

*Stirling House 1945-1950*

Melbourne 1956 Olympics (Athletics). Won a Silver Medal for the 4x400 relay. He also won the 440 yards at the 1953 National Championships and achieved five second places and third place in 110 yard, 220 yard and 440 yard races at National Championships between 1953 and 1958.



## Gordon Freeth †

*School House 1928-1931*

Member of the Australian Parliament for Forrest as the Minister for the Interior and Minister for Works in 1958 and in 1963 he was appointed Minister for Shipping and Transport. In 1968 he was appointed Minister for Air. 1969 he was appointed Minister for Foreign Affairs. He then became an Ambassador to Japan and High Commissioner to the United Kingdom. Also won a gold medal for rowing in the coxed fours in the 1938 British Empire Games in Sydney. Kings Cup Rower. Former Old Guildfordian of the Year



## John Gladstones

*Prep/Stirling House 1938-1949*

Considered by many to be the father of the lupin industry and the world's leading authority on lupin as a crop plant. The first a crop and pasture legume breeder at The University of Western Australia and then the WA Department of Agriculture for more than 40 years. He bred the world's first crop varieties of narrow-leaf lupins which are now grown all over the world. Similarly John made a major contribution to the pasture industry through work on collecting, selecting and breeding subterranean clover and serradella varieties. His interest in wine grapes led him to identify Margaret River as a region for premium wine production and was instrumental in the region's early development. His importance as a viticultural researcher was recognised in 2008 when he received the Maurice O'Shea Award for outstanding contribution to the wine industry. Former Old Guildfordian of the Year.



## Michael Gannon

*Harper House 1983-1988*

National President of the Australian Medical Association. Obstetrician and Gynaecologist in private practice. Member of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland and Obstetric Lead of the Perinatal Loss Service at King Edward Memorial Hospital. President of the Australian Medical Students' Association in 1993. Recognised as the 2018 Old Guildfordian of the Year.





## Louis Goldie †

*Henn's House 1933-1936*

Professor Louis Goldie - Graduated from Law at UWA with first class honors. Served in the Australian military as a navigator and then a paratrooper. Studied law again at University of Sydney and graduated with first class honors and then his masters of laws. Worked as the Secretary to the Royal Commission on New Guinea Timber Rights. Then took a position as a legal officer for the Commonwealth of Australia's Attorney Generals Department. Then accepted a position as a lecturer at the Australian National University and then as Associate Professor of Political Science at the University of California in Los Angeles. Over his career, he taught at a number of institutions across America. He spent the majority of his career as the Director of the International Legal Studies Program and Professor of Law at the Syracuse University College of Law until his retirement in 1989. In recognition of his scholarship and devotion to the College of Law, he was presented with the Chancellors Award for Exceptional Academic Achievement in 1988. He founded the Syracuse Journal of International Law and Commerce in 1972, a journal that is still a well recognised source of scholarship on issues of public and private international law. From 1972-1973 he acted as consultant to the Republic of Korea on its Continental Shelf Rights in the East China Sea. He also served as Counsel for Turkey in the Aegean Sea dispute from 1975-1976. He then became the Senior Legal Officer in the Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations Secretariat.



## Arthur 'Pompey' Gull †

1899-1905

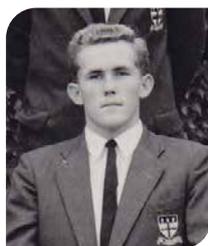
After leaving school he worked on one of the family properties at Balingup before at the age of 20 investing in pearling luggers first at Cossack and then at Broome. The nickname of Pompey was given to him by the local Aborigines when he was about 14 as a mark of respect for a white man whom they could trust. Arthur left Broome when World War 1 commenced and enlisted at Blackboy Hill on 19 January 1915 in WA's famous 10th Light Horse regiment. After three months training, he embarked for Gallipoli on the Troopship HMAT A20 Hororata as part of the 5th Reinforcements. He was one of the few West Australians to survive the infamous charge at the Nek in Aug 1915, the same action that killed the two Harper brothers. He survived by throwing himself behind the body of a very dead New Zealander, then crawling back into the trench after dark, to discover he had three bullet holes in the crown of his hat. After Gallipoli, parts of the 10th Light Horse were re-mounted on camels to become the Australian Brigade of the Imperial Camel Corps. Arthur as Sergeant was one of 20 Australians who were seconded to become an escort for Lawrence of Arabia, when he visited the British Headquarters in Aqaba. Arthur took part in some of Lawrence's raids on the Hejaz Railway. By 1917, Arthur was back with the 10th Light Horse in a support role for the 14th and took part in the famous charge at Beersheba. In the 14th he was amongst the leading contingents in the liberation of Jerusalem and the entry into Damascus and took part in the rout of the Turkish Army at the Barada Gorge. During his service in Palestine, Arthur was severely wounded by bayonet and left for dead on the battlefield for 24 hours before being rescued. He was also wounded by a rogue bull camel. His wounds were bound by an Arab boy who then carried him by camel 60 miles to the nearest military hospital. Arthur received a filed commission to Lieutenant and was awarded the Military Cross in September 1918 for leading an attack on Turkish machine guns in the gardens of Damascus during the liberation of the city. After the war Arthur re-registered his pearling luggers until the decline of the industry and managed a mine at Wodgina and then went back to farming at Three Springs. After leaving Three Springs he farmed at Doodlakine. Arthur was again called for service in WW2 where he was promoted to Captain and was in charge of fortifications on Rottneest.



## James 'Kaye' Greenham

*Stirling House 1953-1958*

A pitcher, hitter and infielder, Kaye was known for being a dominant player throughout his career and among the top players nationally. While still at Guildford Grammar School, Kaye was the first ever schoolboy representative of the Western Australia senior state team, and he was selected in every team he was eligible for between 1957 and 1974. He won five premierships with Swan Districts (between 1957 and 1963), one at South Perth (1966) and one at East Fremantle (1974). In 1959, the New York Yankees approached Kaye, making him one of the first Australians to be offered a professional contract by a US major league franchise. This opportunity to compete for a spot in the US major leagues was something that Kaye and his family agonised over. The offer was turned down and Kaye instead pursued and achieved his goal of becoming a doctor in Perth. Kaye's impact has been recognised before with his induction into the Australian Baseball Hall of Fame in 2014 and in 2021 being inducted into the WA Baseball Hall of Fame.



## Geoffrey Hale

*St George's House 1951-1953*

Kings Cup Rower. After graduating, Geoffrey undertook a Management Training Program with BP Australia, while continuing his sporting interests in rowing and underage football for Swan Districts and East Perth. He was called up for National Service in the Navy in 1957. Geoffrey's efforts in rowing took him all the way to the Rome 1960 Olympics. Geoffrey returned to Guildford Grammar School as Registrar 1970-1990, and as Community Liaison Officer 1991-1996. As MIC Rowing (1985-1994) he was a driving force in the establishment and success of the Guildford Rowing Association (GRA).



## Murray Grime

*Stirling House 1979-1984*

Regarded as one of the best hockey umpires in the world. Selected to officiate at four Olympic Games and reached the 200 international match milestone on 23 October 2016, the fifth person to achieve this feat. Murray was the 2004 Old Guildfordian of the Year.





### Harold Hamersley †

1908-1914

With a final rank for the Royal Flying Corps of Captain, he was awarded the Military Cross, British War Medal, and Victory Medal. The Military Cross was for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On one occasion whilst leading his patrol he attacked a formation of six enemy planes. In the ensuing fight he destroyed two of these machines, one falling in flames and the second crashing to earth, and during the same engagement assisted another officer in destroying a third. In addition to these he has destroyed five hostile machines and driven down three out of control. He is a magnificent pilot, displaying at all times an utter disregard of fear. Harold was commissioned as 2nd Lieutenant in the 16th Infantry Battalion and served at Gallipoli in 1915. He then transferred to the Royal Flying Corps in September 1917 and joined 60 Squadron flying over France. On 23 September he nearly became the 49th victory of Werner Voss. In the early stages of the famous fight in which Voss was killed, Harold's SE5 was hit and damaged by the German pilot. Fortunately, Harold survived this and other scraps and soon began to score victories over his enemies. He was promoted to Captain, won the Military Cross for Gallantry in leading fighter patrols and became an Ace Pilot, downing 13 enemy planes. Between 1920 and 1922 Harold again flew with the 60 Squadron in India and later for a time, was a test pilot for Avros, holding the altitude record in a machine powered by an Austin 7 engine. Harold became Squadron Leader in March 1935 and in July of that year went to Worthy Downs for engineering duties. In 1938 he was CO of the University of London Air Squadron and in 1940 was appointed CO of RAF Hullavington and was later President of the Aircrew Selection Board in Scotland. He retired from the RAF and died in December 1967.



### Kim Hames

*Stirling/Freeth House 1966-1970*

Dr Kim Hames achieved the position of Deputy Premier of Western Australia with responsibility for the portfolios of Health and Tourism. He was initially the Member for Dianella, then Yokine and finally Dawesville, then retired in 2017 after 20 years in Parliament. Previous portfolios included Housing, Aboriginal Affairs and Water Resources.

Dr Hames has also worked for 29 years as a General Practitioner, mostly in the metropolitan area, but including time in the regions and the Army Reserve. Prior to entering Parliament he was also a Councillor with the City of Bayswater for seven years. In 2011 Dr Hames was chosen as Old Guildfordian of the Year.



### John Hamilton †

*St George's House 1949-1953*

Became a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) on 8 June 2015 for significant service to the print media as a leading journalist and editor, as an author and educator, and to the veteran community. Won the W.G. Walkley Award for Journalism twice (1962, 1963) for reporting on Tasmanian Bushfires and Disappearance of Prime Minister Harold Holt. Other awards include the National Press Club Canada Award for International Reporting (1984). 2012 Old Guildfordian of the Year.



### Charles 'Walter' Harper †

1896-1897

Harper was instrumental in the creation of what is now Wesfarmers Ltd. He was chairman of directors of Westralian Farmers Ltd and was a founder of what would become Co-operative Bulk Handling Ltd. He was also involved in the development of the State's first two local wheat varieties, Gresley and Wilfred, named after his Old Guildfordian brothers who died at Gallipoli. Harper was chairman of Westralian Farmers when the company established the State's first public radio station (6WF) in 1924, now known as 720 ABC. The following year Westralian Farmers built the State's first pasteurised milk plant. The Royal Agricultural Society of WA inducted Harper into its Hall of Fame in 2000.



### Prescott Harper †

1896-1905

Rhodes Scholar 1905. Prescott attended Oxford for three years and finished his course with Second Class Honours in Science. Before this he had taken Third Honours in Mathematics, and taken double honours at the end of his third year instead of waiting an extra year, as is customary with honour candidates. On his return to WA in 1908, Prescott lived in Gingin and devoted his energy to scientific research, especially in relation to agriculture and pastoral conditions in Australia. During WW1, he enlisted in the 10th Light Horse and was in the Engineers of the 3rd Division in Palestine. He rose to the rank of Lieutenant. After the war, he returned to life at Gingin as a farmer and grazier. Prescott was a member of the Road Boards for thirty-six years, seventeen as Chairman. He was also Chairman of the WA Branch of the CSIRO from 1944 to 1949.



### Luke Herbert

*Henn's House 1990-1994*

Managing Director of the Linkforce Group. Grew up on a cattle station in the Pilbara. He set up Linkforce Engineering in 2007 which specialises in Mining Maintenance and Construction, and currently employs over 2000 personnel nationally.



### Geoffrey Hillman

*Stirling House 1924-1931*

Rhodes Scholar 1936. With brilliant scholastic achievements at Guildford Grammar School, he entered the faculty of Engineering at UWA. One of his main interests was the West Australian Student Christian Movement. At Oxford in 1938, he obtained First Class Honours in Structural Engineering with special reference to Wind Stresses in Rigid Frame Buildings. By 1946, Geoffrey had returned to Australia and was appointed as a lecturer on Engineering at UWA.





**Robert Hillman** †

*Stirling House 1930-1936*

Officer of the Order of Australia (AO). Centenary Medal. Appointed Director of Engineering of the Public Works Department in 1972, a position he held until his retirement in 1984. Among the many board position held by Bob, he was the State's representative on the Standing Committee of the Australian Water Resources Council from 1972 to 1983, and Chairman of the Western Australian Water Resources Council from 1982 until May 1984.



**John Hubble** †

*Henn's House 1936-1941*

Air Commodore R.A.A.F. Awarded the Distinguished service order for brilliant planning and leadership whilst commanding No 77 Squadron in Korea, the Air Force Cross and Bar in recognition of service to the RAAF, the Order of the British Empire - Commander (CBE) for commanding in Vietnam and The National Medal which is awarded for diligent long service to the community in hazardous circumstances, including in times of emergency and national disaster, in direct protection of life and property.



**David Holthouse** †

*School House 1949-1949*

Rear Admiral in the Royal Australian Navy. Appointments included Chief of Naval Engineering, Chief of Naval Logistics and Chief Naval Engineer, Chief of Naval Personnel and Naval Support Commander. Appointed an Officer in the Order of Australia in 1991. Holds HM the Queen's Sword (1954). Made an Honorary Fellow of the Institution of Engineers Australia, Institute's Highest Award (2004).



**Edmund Hudleston** †

*School House 1919-1926*

Air Chief Marshal, was a senior commander in the Royal Air Force. After the war he was the Head of the UK Military Delegation to the Western European Union Military Staff Committee in 1948 and the Deputy Chief of Staff for Plans and Policy at Headquarters SHAPE in 1951.



**Henry Hopkins** †

*St George's House 1925-1928*

Rhodes Scholar 1934. A Scholarship and a Vacation Cadetship with Western Australian Government Railways enabled him to attend UWA where he completed a Bachelor's Degree in Engineering and Science. He was captain of the College Football and Cricket teams. Hockey was his forte and he represented the state in 1933.



During his five-year Engineering course, Henry gained five distinctions and in 1932 was awarded the Norman Albert Prize for Engineering. He was only 21 years of age. He graduated from Brasenose College, Oxford.

In 1939, Henry held the position of Resident Engineer for the construction of the aerodrome and buildings for the Royal Air Force at Carlisle, England. During the war, he was awarded the DFC for his services to the Royal Air Force as a bomber pilot and flying instructor. After a period as a Structural Engineer, he returned to UWA in 1948 as a Senior Lecturer in Civil Engineering. Three and a half years later, he accepted the Chair of Civil Engineering at New Zealand's Canterbury University College. He was awarded the New Zealand Institution of Engineers' Fulton Gold Medal in 1953. He retired in 1977 and in 1980, his services to engineering were honoured with an OBE.

**Robin Jeffery**

*Bennett House 2000-2004*

Competed in the London Olympics (2012) in the C2 (Double Canoe) Men's Canoe Slalom event. More recently he represented Australia as a Canoe Slalom coach at the Tokyo Olympics (2020/1)



**Frank Johnson** †

*1917-1920*

Rhodes Scholar 1923. Frank was a member of staff at Guildford Grammar School from 1922-1923 and was assistant Housemaster of St George's House. He left for Merton College, Oxford in 1924. Frank returned to Western Australia in 1927 and commenced teaching at the Preparatory School for a term before joining the Senior School. He was Housemaster of School House from 1934-1938. He was in charge of Football, Athletics and the Library and was an inspiration to all the boys. After leaving Guildford Grammar School Frank went to Africa and worked in the Kenya Education Department in charge of post-secondary education for all races. He returned to Australia in 1962.



**Gerald Hubbard** †

*School/Stirling House 1945-1951*

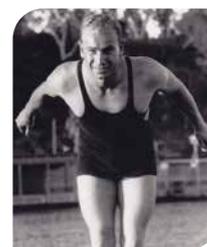
WA Sculling Champion 1953,54,56,58,59 and 62. Australian Sculling Champion Presidents Cup 1954.



**Ernest 'Brusher' Jones** †

*St George's House 1916-1922*

A talented swimmer who represented Australia and Western Australia putting the State on the swimming map. He went on to take 3 National titles at the Australian Championship Carnival in 1930 at 25 years of age. At the State and National level he won over 100 championships in his swimming career before retirement.





## Brendon Julian

*St George's House 1985-1987*

Played in the Australian Test Cricket Team between 1993 and 1995 and then was a regular member of the One Day team between 1998-1999 and was a member of the winning squad at the 1999 Cricket World Cup. Brendon also played in the Western Australian winning Sheffield Shield teams in 1997/98 and 1998/89. He retired in 2001 to become a presenter on Channel 9's Getaway and then presented sports news on National Nine News before moving to Fox Sports. On Fox Sports he is a commentator on domestic cricket matches and the host of Inside Cricket.



## Bernard 'Bill' Kean

*Harper House 1961-1965*

Graduated in medicine from the University of Western Australia before completing post-graduate studies in public health medicine. He joined the World Health Organization (WHO) in 1985, initially working as Regional Advisor in the Western Pacific Office in the Philippines. He subsequently worked as the WHO Representative in China before becoming the Director of Programme Management in the Western Pacific Regional Office. In 1999 Dr Kean transferred to the WHO Headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland to lead several WHO programmes. At the time of his retirement in 2009 he was Executive Director of the Office of the Director General of WHO. In 2009 he was selected as the Old Guildfordian of the Year.



## Reece Kershaw

*Bennett House 1980-1985*

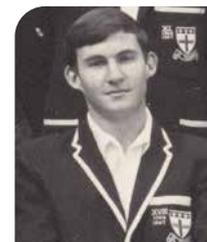
Became the Commissioner of the Australian Federal Police in 2019 after five years as the Commissioner of the Northern Territory Police Force. Commissioner Kershaw is a career Police Officer, joining the Australian Federal Police (AFP) in 1988 as a Constable within the ACT region. Throughout the early years of his career, he worked in General Duties and Criminal Investigations as a Detective. Commissioner Kershaw was also seconded to the National Crime Authority and the Australian Crime Commission. In 1999, Commissioner Kershaw moved to the AFP Perth Office and worked in Operations and Close Personal Protection. In 2003, Commissioner Kershaw was promoted to Superintendent, undertaking various leadership roles in the investigation of victim-based crime, high tech crime operations and deployments on overseas postings to the Netherlands, East Timor and The Solomon Islands. In 2010, he was promoted to Commander, leading Serious and Organised Crime investigations. In 2011, Commissioner Kershaw left the AFP to commence work for the Northern Territory Police Force (NTPF). His service in NTPF includes the positions of Assistant Commissioner Crime & Specialist Services and Darwin Metropolitan Service. In 2015, he was appointed Commissioner of Police and Chief Executive Officer of the Northern Territory Police, Fire and Emergency Services. Commissioner Kershaw was a Visiting Fellow for the Police Executive Leadership Program at the Australian Institute of Police Management and has completed the Australia New Zealand Police Leadership Strategy Program. He is a Graduate of the Federal Bureau of Investigation Law Enforcement Executive Development Program and the Australian Institute of Company Directors. Commissioner Kershaw also holds a Master of Business Administration, Graduate Certificate in Business (Banking) and a Certificate in Business (Europe). Commissioner Kershaw was a recipient of the NTPF Outstanding Leadership Medal, and in 2016, he was awarded the Australian Police Medal in the Australia Day Honours. Commissioner Kershaw was appointed as the AFP's 8th Commissioner on 2 October 2019.



## Anthony 'Tony' Kiernan

*School House 1963-1968*

Presented with a Member of The Order of Australia for "significant service to business, and to the community".



## Laurence Kiernan †

*School House 1937-1945*

Member of the Order of Australia. Former managing director of STW Channel 9. Honorary Life Member of The Old Guildfordians Association, the Association's highest honour conferred in recognition of long and outstanding service to the Association.



## Wallace Kyle †

*School House 1922-1927*

Air Chief Marshal Sir Wallace "Digger" Kyle served in the British Air Force during WWII as commander-in-chief of Bomber Command and its successor, Strike Command. Before the war, Wallace led the first east-to-west flight across Australia, with a squadron of Hawker Hart biplanes. Former Governor of WA, The Royal Victorian Order - Knight Commander. Former Old Guildfordian of the Year.



## Karl Langdon

*School House 1981-1985*

At the beginning of his football career, on joining the West Australian Football League's Subiaco Football Club, Karl played in Subiaco's 1986 premiership side in only his fourth league game. Drafted into the Australian Football League by the West Coast Eagles in 1987, he played 100 games and kicked 108 goals and was a member of the Eagles inaugural premiership team in 1992. Karl also represented Western Australia in the State of Origin as a centre half-forward.



## Heath Ledger †

*Woodbridge House 1987-1996*

For Heath's role in the movie *Dark Knight* he was posthumously awarded the Academy Award for Best Supporting Actor, Best Actor International Award at the 2008 Australian Film Institute Awards, the 2008 Los Angeles Film Critics Association Award for Best Supporting Actor, the 2009 Golden Globe Award for Best Supporting Actor – Motion Picture, and the 2009 BAFTA Award for Best Supporting Actor. Previously received an Academy Award Nominee for Best Actor for *Brokeback Mountain*. 2006 Old Guildfordian of the Year.





**Robert Lefroy †**

*St George's House 1919-1929*

OBE(C). Received The Order of the British Empire - Officer (Civil) for his work in the agricultural community.



**David Malcolm †**

*School House 1950-1955*

Rhodes Scholar 1960, former Chief Justice, Companion of the Order of Australia, Centenary Medal. After graduating from Oxford in 1962 with First Class Honours in Civil Law, David returned to Australia and was admitted to practice in 1964 and was a partner with the firm Freehill, Hollingdale and Page from 1964-1979. He was appointed Chief Justice of Western Australia in 1988. In 1990, he was appointed Lieutenant Governor of Western Australia and in 1992, was made a Companion of the Order of Australia. In 1999, he was elected as an Honorary Bencher of Lincoln's Inn, London. In 2000, he was awarded the honour of Citizen of the Year in Western Australia. David retired as Chief Justice in 2006 and took up an appointment as Professor of Law at the University of Notre Dame Australia. Former Old Guildfordian of the Year. Honorary Life Member of The Old Guildfordians Association, the Association's highest honour conferred in recognition of long and outstanding service to the Association.



**John Loutit †**

*Stirling House 1921-1927*

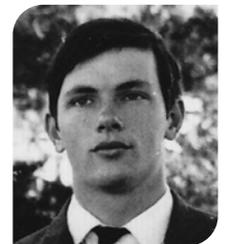
Rhodes Scholar 1930. Atomic Scientist. John studied Medicine in Melbourne until 1929 and hoped to proceed to Oxford in 1930. In 1934, he won an Open Scholarship at the London Hospital. By 1935, he had passed his final examination in Medicine and had accepted a position as Assistant at the Bernhard Baron Institute of Pathology at London Hospital. In 1939, he was appointed Registrar and in 1942 made Director of the Medical Research Council of London. John contributed to the development of improving techniques for the storage and transfusion of blood during World War 2. Between 1947 and 1969, John established and ran the Medical Research Council's Radiobiology Unit at Harwell. In 1954, he was made an Officer of the Order of Orange, Nassau. In 1956, he was awarded the Robert Roesler de Villiers Award by the Leukaemia Society for his discovery of a new therapy for the treatment of the disease. In 1963, he was made a Fellow of the Royal Society.



**Peter Maslen †**

*School House 1963-1969*

Former President of Starbucks Coffee International where he led growth from the start-up phase to a highly successful and well-established business in over 30 countries. Later he was the CEO of Knowledge Universe Education, one of the world's largest for-profit education companies. Prior to joining Starbucks, he served as president of Tricon Global Restaurants (now YUM! Brands) in Europe, with responsibility for the development and growth of the Pizza Hut, Kentucky Fried Chicken and Taco Bell brands throughout Western and Central Europe and former Soviet block countries.



**Kenneth 'Seaforth' Mackenzie †**

*St George's House 1927-1929*

Author, poet and journalist. At age 17, he began his prize-winning novel 'The Young Desire It', which is loosely based on his time boarding at Guildford Grammar School. 'The Young Desire It' was published in 1937 and won the Australian Literary Society's prize in 1939. Republished 2013. 'The Young Desire It' was called a near perfect novel. His second novel was 'Chosen People', published in 1938. A third novel published in 1951, 'Dead Men Rising' was based on a prisoner war camp he was posted at in Cowra where he witnessed the Japanese break-out. Awarded Commonwealth Literary Fund fellowships. Drowned in 1955 aged 41.



**John McGuire**

*Freeth House 1970-1972*

Captain of the 1st Aboriginal Team to tour UK. Member of 1978 Western Australian Football League Grand Final winning East Perth Football Club in 1978 and played more than 100 games for the club. Western Australian District Cricket U15 Shield Trophy named after him. Compiled 10,004 first grade runs at 36.24 across his career to make him the second highest all-time leading run scorer, tallying 15 first grade centuries, 55 half-tons and a highest score of 199 not out. Former Old Guildfordian of the Year



**John 'Jock' Mackie †**

*Henn's House 1940-1945*

A prolific local sportsman in Hong Kong, having represented the country in six different sports - including golf, rugby, cricket, swimming, tennis and hockey. As a golfer he was an integral part of the Hong Kong team throughout the 1950s and 1960s, spearheading the side that claimed the inaugural Putra Cup in 1961.



**Braydon McIntosh**

*Henn's House 1998-2002*

Braydon was a member of the 2001 National Swimming Squad, the 2002 Australian Open Swimming Squad and the 2003 Australian Youth Olympic Swimming Team, Sydney. At the Australian Age Championships in the 100m freestyle, Braydon was the fastest Australian for a 17-year-old. In 2004 he was a WA representative at the National Short Course Swimming Championships, Brisbane. Braydon was a training partner for Ian Thorpe when Ian started training for the short distance events.





## Robert Meadows

*Stirling House 1954-1959*

Solicitor General of Western Australia 1994-2011. Appointed Queen's Counsel (QC) in 1996. Honorary Life Member of The Old Guildfordians Association, the Association's highest honour conferred in recognition of long and outstanding service to the Association.



## Thomas Moody

*Woodbridge House 1979-1983*

Former Australian and State Cricketer, played for Australia from 1987-99, playing in 8 Test Matches and 76 One Day Internationals, which included 3 World Cups and 2 finals (1987, 1999). Tom and Steve Waugh became the first two Australians to win two World Cups. Over his career, Tom scored more than 21,000 runs in first class cricket and was awarded Wisen Cricketer of the Year in 2000. Former Coach of Sri Lanka and the Western Warriors (WA Cricket Team). He has been active with Cricket commentary for both television and radio both nationally and internationally since his playing career. Tom has coached many other overseas teams including the Sunrisers Hyderabad from 2013-19 Indian Premier League (IPL). Recently he was appointed the first Director of Cricket of Sri Lanka cricket and now holds a similar role with Sunrisers Hyderabad. Selected as the 2001 Old Guildfordian of the Year.



## Constantine 'Con' Michael

*Woodbridge House 1966-1970*

Con played first-class cricket for Western Australia, including taking 3/36 when he opened the bowling against the West Indies, the best team in the world at the time. He has received a number of National and State engineering awards over the years, culminating in 2019 with Con reaching Engineering Executive status for his many revolutionary telecommunications designs, and becoming the Australian Government's iAward national winner in 2017. He received the Engineering Executive (EngExec) post nominal which recognises eminent individuals in leadership and management roles. The exclusive status immediately communicates the well-earned prestige of leaders at the highest tier of their industry. He was the first West Australian to be awarded the Engineers Australia Neville Thiele award for outstanding achievement - the most coveted award in his field. He is currently working with members of the Parliament of Australia in Hon. Ken Wyatt, Minister for Indigenous Australians, and Hon. Melissa Price, Minister for Defence Industry and Minister for Science and Technology, to create better outcomes for Indigenous Australians by increasing their Digital Inclusion in very remote communities.



## Richard Moore †

*Prep 1942-1945*

A Major and Military Knight of Windsor, who was appointed a Member of the Royal Victorian Order (MVO) in the 2015 Queen's Birthday Honours list. It is an Imperial award that is entirely within the Queen's personal gifts, for services to the Crown, with no political or any other influence.

## Thomas Millar †

*St George's House 1938-1940*

Professional Fellow in International Relations, A.N.U. He was the founder of the Strategic and Defence Studies Centre at the Australian National University, and the main preserver of another, which is now called the Sir Robert Menzies Centre for Australian Studies in the University of London. He also served as Director of the Australian Institute of International Affairs from 1969 to 1976, helped found Radford College, spent periods as Academic-in-Residence at the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, chaired a committee of enquiry into Australian Army Reserves, and was on the Councils of the International Institute of Strategic Studies and the Royal Institute of International Affairs. Tom wrote nine books, of which *Australia in Peace and War* (1978) was probably the most influential.



## Michael Morcombe

*School House 1951-1953*

A Member (AM) in the General Division of the Order of Australia for significant service to conservation and the environment in the fields of natural history and ornithology as a photographer, illustrator, and author.



## Christopher Munn

*Woodbridge House 1975-1979*

Christopher has had a diplomatic career spanning over 33 years with Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. He held long-term postings in Jakarta (1988-91), Honiara (1993-95), Madrid (1995-99), Mexico City (2002-2005) and Pretoria (2012-2015). In Pretoria he served as Deputy High Commissioner and Acting High Commissioner. He also had short-term missions (up to a year) in Lima (2008), Port of Spain (2009), Nairobi (various from 2008-2010), Nauru (2018), Tuvalu (2019) and Rarotonga, Cook Islands (2020). He served Australia loyally and worked hard to advance the country's various policy interests as well as providing assistance and advice to many Australians. Chris led strong and successful teams and gave back to those people who worked for him by helping them on to bigger and better things. He used his Bahasa Indonesia (originally learnt at Guildford Grammar School) on posting to Jakarta and later as Director of the Australia-Indonesia Institute. He learnt Spanish and had two long-term Spanish-speaking postings. He finished his career with responsibility for New Zealand and Pacific issues.



## Jamie 'Stormie' Mills

*Woodbridge House 1979-1984*

Jamie's works are represented in galleries around Australia and Stormie's private and public commissions light up streetscapes across the globe from Perth to the UK, USA, Europe and Asia. He has been invited to participate in some of the world's most prestigious street art festivals and completed countless private and public art commissions. Most recently he was invited to create the first sanctioned street art mural as part of the prestigious Florence Biennale.





## Didier Murcia

*Harper House 1976-1980*

Member of the Order of Australia (AM) for significant service to the international community through support for the provision of medical and educational resources in Tanzania.



## William Parks †

*1909-1915*

Boarder and Prefect, won thirteen academic prizes. Member of 1st XI Cricket 1912-1915, 1st XVIII Football 1910-1915, Rowing crew in 1915 and Athletics and Shooting teams 1912-1915. Lance Corporal in the GGS Cadet Corps. After leaving the School, William attended evening classes at UWA, teaching in the day time first at Christ Church Preparatory School and for two terms at Guildford Grammar School. After winning the Rhodes Scholarship in 1917 he left in August to Join Worcester College at Oxford.



## Barry Ninham

*Stirling House 1945-1952*

In 2014 he was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) for distinguished service to physical sciences through landmark theoretical and practical advances in colloids and surfaces, and as an academic, educator and mentor. He is also the recipient of the Matthew Flinders Medal (2016), from the Australian Academy of Science, and the Centenary Medal (2001). He is an Emeritus Professor at the Australian National University (ANU). Barry founded ANU's applied mathematics department in 1970. ANU has created a professorship to honour him. He was selected the 2010 Old Guildfordian of the Year.



## Arnold Potts †

*1911-1914*

Famous Brigadier who served in the First World War and led 21st Brigade of the Second AIF during its defence of the Kokoda Trail during the Second World War.



## Rodger Ninham †

*Stirling House 1950-1955*

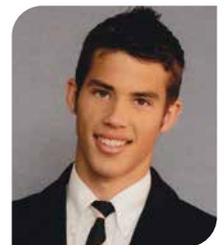
Rome 1960 Olympics (Rowing). Kings Cup rower 1960. Australian Sculling Champion Presidents Cup 1961. Australian Coxless Pair (Commonwealth Games, Perth 1962, Bronze Medal), Australian Coxless Pair (Olympic Games, Tokyo 1964).



## Alexander Rance

*Freeth House 2005-2006*

Former player for Richmond in the Australian Football League. Rance was a five-time All Australian (2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018), including being named Captain of the All Australian team in 2017. Alex also played in the Richmond 2017 premiership team.



## Kevin O'Halloran †

*Henn's House 1951-1955*

Australian freestyle swimmer of the 1950's who won a gold medal in the 4x200m freestyle relay at the 1956 Olympics in Melbourne. He was the first Western Australian to win Olympic gold. 1955 School Captain.



## John 'Jerry' Rendell

*School House 1947-1956*

As a senior official at the Department of the Environment in the United Kingdom, he was appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) by Prince Charles in 1998. He recently gave the School a copy of a new portrait of Randolph Stow which now hangs in the Senior Library.



## Simon Ottaviano

*Woodbridge House 1983-1985*

He received a Commendation for Distinguished Service in the Australia Day Honours List for 2013. As a Captain in the Royal Australian Navy, he was recognised for distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations, as Chief of Staff Headquarters Joint Task Force 633, on Operation SLIPPER from July 2011 to January 2012. Now a Commodore, he is currently serving as the Head of Logistics and Infrastructure. He was selected as the 2019 Old Guildfordian of the Year.



## John Roberts †

*St George's House 1943-1947*

Founding chairman and an executive director of the international construction company called Multiplex. John was passionate about horse racing and served as chairman of the WA Turf Club from 1984-1987. In 1988 he was awarded an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) for service to the construction industry and to the sport of horse racing.





**Tristan Russcher**

*Freeth House 1995-1998*

A Fellow of the Royal College of Organists and he has recorded with numerous CD labels, including OxRecs, Priory and Signum. In May 2005 he was the runner-up in the Pipeworks International Organ Competition and past recital venues include the National Concert Hall Dublin, St Mary's Pro-Cathedral Dublin, St Patrick's Cathedral Dublin, St Michael's Church Dun Laoghaire, Trinity College Dublin, Oosterkerk Amsterdam and Washington National Cathedral. In April 2012 Tristan became the seventh person to perform Francis Pott's epic two-hour solo organ symphony Christus, considered by many to be the 'Everest' of the organ repertoire. Tristan was the Director of Music at Saint Bartholomew's Church, Dublin, from 2010-2021 and is now the Associate Organist of Belfast Cathedral, Northern Ireland.



**Hubert Stables** †

*1909-1915*

Rhodes Scholar 1918. After leaving school Hubert joined the staff at Guildford Grammar School from 1916-1919. During this time, he was secretary and treasurer of the Tennis Club and OC of the Senior and Junior Cadets. He also edited the Swan magazine. At UWA, he obtained the Lady Hackett Prize in Latin in 1917 and graduated with distinction in Latin and Greek. Hubert left for England in December 1919 to take up the Rhodes Scholarship at Exeter College, Oxford. He returned from England in 1923 in charge of emigrants on the Largs Bay. He passed through Fremantle on his way to Brisbane. On concluding this work, he returned to WA to work for Messrs Villeneuve, Smith and Keall, Barrack St, Perth. Hubert was appointed to the Council for Church of England Schools in 1947 and was then appointed a Fellow of the new Guildford Grammar School Council from 1950-1971 and Chairman from 1960-1963. He was President of the Old Guildfordians Association and was elected an Honorary Life Member in 1965.



**Donald Sinclair** †

*1910-1917*

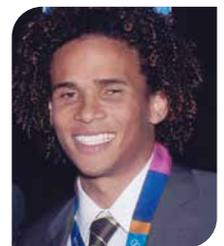
Rhodes Scholar 1920. In 1923, he took his Law Degree, passing with Honours. He was called to the English Bar the same year and returned to Western Australia in February 1924. He was President of the Old Guildfordians Association from 1927- 1931. He was also Captain of the WA Rugby Team. Suffering ill health, Donald temporarily relinquished practice and retired to the country. He recovered sufficiently to return to Perth in 1935 to open an office and in February resumed practice as a Solicitor.



**John Steffensen**

*Freeth House 1992-1996*

Competed in the 2004 Olympic Games in Athens and won the silver medal in the 4x400m relay team. Won the gold medal for the 400m and the 4x400m relay at the 2006 Commonwealth Games in Melbourne. Won the Bronze medal in the 4x400m race at the World Championships in 2009.



**Charles Smith** †

*Stirling House 1931-1937*

Hon. Mr. Justice C.H. Smith Q.C., Senior Puisine judge of the Western Australia.



**John Stokes** †

*Stirling House 1940-1942*

F.R.A.C.P, Chairman Division of Medicine, Royal Perth Hospital. As a very young man he joined the RAAF as air crew but with the end of World War II he entered medical school, graduating in medicine at the University of Adelaide in 1951. In 1958 he went to Boston USA, as a Research Fellow in Medicine at the Harvard Medical School associated with the Massachusetts General Hospital. He returned to the Royal Perth Hospital in 1959 as Honorary Clinical Assistant Physician and in 1964 became Honorary Physician. In his professional life he gave freely of his time to a number of organisations, being AMA Vice-President in 1972, Member of the Medical Board of WA from 1982-1987, a member of The Royal Australian College of Physicians Accreditation Board from 1973 to 1981, Chairman of its Specialist Advisory Committee 1974-1981 and a Member of the Council 1982-1984. John retired in 1991 and in recognition of his service to the Royal Perth Hospital was appointed Emeritus Consultant Physician.



**Ronald Snook**

*Freeth House 1985-1989*

Atlanta 1996 Olympics Bronze Medal in the Quad Skull (Rowing). Kings Cup Rower, Australian U23 Double Scull (NZ 1993).



**Julian 'Randolph' Stow** †

*School House 1950-1952*

Writer. Won the Miles Franklin Award in 1958. He was awarded the Patrick White Award in 1979. 2007 Old Guildfordian of the Year.



**Eric Southwood** †

*Stirling House 1929-1933*

Hockey Vice Captain of the Australian Tour of New Zealand 1948.

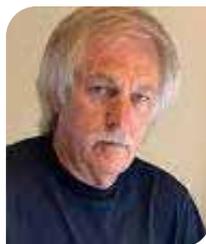




## John Swarbrick

*Harper House 1969-1972*

Chief Designer and Designer of Record for Kookaburra I, II and III, the yachts used in the lead up to and in Australia's unsuccessful America's Cup defence in 1987. To be eligible to compete in the America's Cup, Kookaburra III had to defeat Australia IV. Kookaburra III was also successful in winning Gold at the 12 Metre World Championships, Lulea, Sweden, in 1988.



## Martin Tripp

*Henn's House 1941-1942*

Regular Army Officer who was wounded in action, Awarded The Order of the British Empire (OBE) - Officer (Military) (Imperial). Final rank was Colonel.



## Albert Tan

*Henn's House 1963-1966*

Received a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) for 'significant service to tertiary dental education, and to periodontics'. Research and teaching has been an integral part of Albert's professional life, having lectured extensively in national and international meetings and conferences, with involvement in professional organisations at all levels. He is a Past President of The Australian and New Zealand Academy of Periodontists (ANZAP). For his services to the Academy, he was honoured with Life Membership in 2017. His research has resulted in numerous publications and he has also been a supervisor and examiner for numerous research projects undertaken by postgraduate students. He also mentors dentists pursuing postgraduate qualifications from the RACDS, and is currently on the Board of Studies in Periodontics.



## Geoffrey Tunbridge

*St George's House 1943-1948*

Played 117 VFL Games for Melbourne between 1957-1962. He played in three premierships for Melbourne in the late 1950s, and snapped the winning goal in front of the largest ever home and away crowd in the history of the AFL (a crowd of 99,346 attended the 1958 Melbourne vs Collingwood match at the MCG), to give the Demons victory by three points.



## Michael Tiller

*School House 1949-1953*

Former President of the Australian Orthopaedic Association, the Australian Medical Association's inaugural award for Service to the Community.



## Angus Turner

*Henn's House 1988-1994*

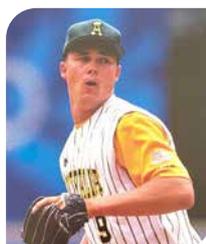
After winning a General Exhibition for the 1994 TEE Examination, Angus studied medicine at The University of Western Australia (UWA) and received a Rhodes Scholarship in 2001. While attending UWA at St George's College, Angus conducted the Choir and was elected Student President of the College in his fourth year. In 1998 he won the Dr Bill Jackson Rural Undergraduate Scholarship and travelled to Canada to study health problems faced by rural youth. He went to Oxford in September 2002 and then Melbourne to specialise in Ophthalmology. In 2010 Angus returned to WA after years of research into outreach eye service across Australia and established Lions Outback Vision at the Lions Eye Institute. As an Associate Professor, Angus was named 'First Amongst Equals' at the 2015 40under40 Awards. In 2019 he won the Professions Award at the Western Australian of the Year Awards. Angus completed the Avon Descent in both double and single kayak and organised kayaking expeditions for junior staff at the hospital. Angus joined Students and Practitioners Interested in Rural Practice, Health, Education Xetcetera (SPINRPHEX) Club, the WA branch of the National Rural Health Student Network which aims to address healthcare needs in rural Australia. He served on the Executive Committee for two years. With a passion for ophthalmology and inspired by the work of Rev John Flynn from the Royal Flying Doctor Service, he has treated eye disorders in Kununurra, Port Hedland and the Cocos Islands. Angus directs state-wide outreach services from a newly established Broome base. Angus was selected as the 2002 Old Guildfordian of the Year.



## Shane Tonkin

*Stirling House 1986-1988*

Known for his prowess on the mound as a pitcher, Shane originally played for the Perth Baseball Club and competed there from 1987-2003. The club, with Shane dominant during this time, won premierships in 1994, 1995, 1996 and 1997. With the arrival of the Australian Baseball League in 1989, Shane was elevated to the Perth Heat and played there until 1999, with Claxton Shield Championships in 1991 and 1997. A member of Team Australia between 1993-2001, Shane played at the 1993 International Cup in Italy, the 1994 International Cup in Japan, the 1994 World Cup in Nicaragua, the 1996 Honk Ball Tournament in the Netherlands, the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta, the 1997 World Championships in Barcelona, and the 2001 World Cup in Taiwan. At the 1996 Atlanta Olympics, Shane pitched with tremendous efficiency and recorded the lowest earned run average (ERA) of any Australian pitcher, which was 3rd overall in the world. In addition, Shane also played for international teams in Taiwan (1999, 2000) and Italy (2001, 2002, 2003). He won a Taiwanese Major League Championship with Taipei Gida Suns in 2000. Shane has also been inducted into the Baseball WA Hall of Fame.



## Carl Vine

*Woodbridge House 1967-1971*

He was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) for distinguished service to the performing arts as a composer, conductor, academic and artistic director, and to the support and mentoring of emerging performers. Carl is a prominent composer and winner of the Don Banks Music Award 2005. In 2001-2019 Carl was the Artistic Director of Musica Viva, the world's largest chamber music entrepreneur.





## Archie Weller

*St George's House 1968-1975*

Centenary Medal for service to Australian society and literature. Award winning writer of novels, short stories and screen plays. One such novel was made into the AFI award winning film *Blackfellas* and the novel republished to coincide with the opening of the film. In the 2000 AFI Awards, *Confessions of a Head Hunter*, written by Weller and Sally Riley, won the Best Short Fiction Film award and was nominated for Best Screenplay in a Short Film.



## Harold Whiteman †

*1908-1914*

Rhodes Scholar 1915. Harold was temporarily on the School staff in 1915 before leaving for Oxford in August to enter Exeter College. As War had broken out he was also expected to join the military force and serve in some capacity, which he did. After arriving in England he enlisted in the Inns of Court Officer's Training Corps and was promoted to 2nd Lieutenant on Anzac Day 1916. At that time volunteers were called for the Royal Flying Corp and he joined immediately. Harold began flying with the No 7 Reserve Squadron on 30 September. After only three hours solo flying he was moved to an advanced squadron. Harold was killed on his first flight on 23 October 1916, aged 21.



## Malcolm Wells

*Woodbridge House 1987-1991*

Brigadier Malcolm Wells was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross and the United States Bronze Star Medal, for distinguished command and leadership in action during warlike operations in Afghanistan, as the Commanding Officer of the 7th Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment (2012-2013). During 2020-2021 he commanded the Joint Task Force providing the Australia Defence Force's support to the national COVID-19 response.



## John Wickham †

*St George's House 1929-1936*

Justice of the Supreme Court of Western Australia 1969-1983, Chancellor of Murdoch University 1974-1980. Former Patron of the Old Guildfordians Association.



## Peter Whish-Wilson

*Henn's House 1983-1985*

As Senator for the Tasmanian Greens in the Australian Parliament, Peter holds various portfolios and is an ongoing campaigner for the protection of the marine environment and wild places. Formerly a lecturer in Economics and Finance at the University of Tasmania, Peter has had a career in money markets, including the role of Vice President of Merrill Lynch in New York. Peter co-owned a vineyard in the Tamar Valley with his family.



## Arthur Williams †

*Stirling House 1928-1929*

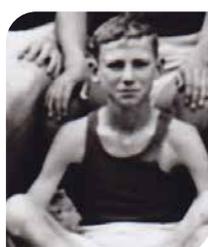
He served as registrar of UWA from 1954 to 1978. At that time he was the longest serving registrar of an Australian university. The sporting pavilion at University playing fields is named after him as he was the driving force in creating them. He has been honoured with the title of Emeritus Registrar and also with an MBE.



## Edward 'Ted' White †

*Stirling House 1937-1941*

Commanding Officer of the 10th Light Horse 1970-1973. He is one of the few, if not the only, soldier who has held almost every rank in the Tenth Light Horse Regiment. Left GGS at 16 to join Commonwealth Bank before enlisting for WWII. Fought for AIF in New Britain (PNG) followed by occupation of Japan with British Commonwealth Occupation Forces. Rejoined bank upon return in 1947 and Citizen Military Forces (CMF, now Army Reserve). Youngest WA branch manager for Commonwealth Bank managing branches throughout W.A. before joining what would become 10th Light Horse upon returning to Perth from Broome in 1961. Ted White assumed command of 10th Light Horse regiment in 1970 as a Lieutenant Colonel until 1973. Promoted to full Colonel in 1973 and designated Commander of 5th Military District Training Group until retiring from active duty at end of 1976. Made Honorary Colonel of 10th Light Horse 1977-1981 ending over 20 years of active service with the Regiment. Retired from Commonwealth Bank in 1985 after more than 40 years, ending career as Manager Banking Operations at St Georges Terrace branch and Branch Inspector. Also served on WA 150th Anniversary Committee commemorating 1801 French landing at Cottesloe in 1979. Member of Rotary Club and Treasurer Swanbourne High School in 1977 and Salvation Army Village Nedlands Church Charity 2015-2021.



## Brian Wright

*Stirling House 1964-1969*

Brian was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) for service to architecture through leadership roles in professional organisations and contributions to the establishment of standards for the education of architects and the practice of architecture. He was President of the Architects Accreditation Council of Australia (2002-2006) and was on the Architects Board of Western Australia Award (2005). In 2004 he became a Life Fellow of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects (LFRAIA).



## Cheng 'George' Yeoh

*Harper House 1961-1964*

Professor of Physiology. Head of WA Institute for Medical Research's Laboratory for Liver Disease and Carcinogenesis. In 2014 he became the Head of WA's Cancer Council. Fellow at the National Health and Medical Research Council. 2014 Old Guildfordian of the Year.





# Old Guildfordian of the Year 2021

## Commissioner **Reece Kershaw**

Australian Federal Police

### A life of justice and public service

For **Reece Kershaw** (Prep/Be 1980-1985), Australian Federal Police Commissioner, service is more than a vocation, it is a lifestyle. For most of his career, Reece Kershaw has dedicated himself to justice and public service.

Reece's career and remarkable achievements were recognised at the Old Guildfordians' Annual Dinner on Saturday, 9 October, when 231 former students and staff gathered to celebrate and applaud his selection as the '2021 Old Guildfordian of the Year'. While Reece was unable to attend in person, due to COVID-19 border restrictions, his address was live-streamed from Canberra.

Reece attended Guildford Grammar School from 1980 to 1985 as a student in the Preparatory School and Bennett House. In Year 12 he was a House Prefect, a member of the debating team and captain of the chess team. He said of playing in the chess team: "The skills I learnt playing chess at school have stayed with me today. The strategic moves and counter-moves we make harden our borders and help keep Australians safe."

Reece spoke about how navigating adolescent life and its challenges had the potential to throw him off course, but that he always knew his 'true north' because of the values instilled in him by his parents and Guildford Grammar School's guiding spirit. After his six years at the School, respect, fairness, tolerance, resilience, self-reliance and embracing a sense of justice became muscle memory.

One of Reece's early role models was his former Headmaster, the late **John Moody** (Staff 1979-1996). To him, Headmaster Moody epitomised resilience and the importance of forging ahead in life, despite setbacks. John Moody graduated from Duntroon Military College in 1958 with the Queen's Medal and Sword of Honour. Unfortunately, when playing his first game for Norwood Football Club, he ruptured a kidney, ending his military and football career. Despite no teaching qualifications,



Moody was offered a job at his former school, Kings College. He studied Economics and Education part-time at the University of Adelaide, becoming the Headmaster of Kings in 1973. In 1979, he was appointed the Headmaster of GGS. Headmaster Moody strived to increase enrolments, which then required the creation of a new day house, which was named Bennett House after GGS's first principal, Frank Bennett.

Reece played 1st XI Cricket in Year 12, along with 1st XI Soccer in Years 10, 11 and 12. At the Annual Dinner, Reece shared an anecdote of a cricket game with Headmaster Moody's son, **Tom Moody** (Wb 1979-1983), a former Australian international cricketer. Reece recalled delivering Moody what he thought was the best 'yorker' in his life and quickly shot his arm up, expecting the bails to fall. As he waited for a line-up of back slapping from his teammates, one of them asked: "Reece, what are you doing? Tom just hit the biggest six I've ever seen!".

After leaving Guildford Grammar School, Reece moved to the north-west to work as a bank teller. A career in banking could have been satisfying, but he felt something was missing. Reece had been taught by and knew of so many people who had served their country, including his father, and had a strong feeling he was cheating his country if he didn't serve in a similar way.

His father sent him advertisements for two jobs – one with the Australian Defence Force (ADF) and one with the Australian Federal Police (AFP). Reece was instinctively drawn to the Army, as his father had been a soldier and served overseas before becoming an accountant. He wanted to emulate his father and wear a uniform to make him proud. However, his father believed it would be career-limiting to start as a Private in the ADF and strongly steered him to the AFP. Reece took his father's counsel and applied to join the AFP in Western Australia, with John Moody as a referee.



He joined the AFP in 1988 and went on to hold several positions, including working in the Organised Crime Intelligence Unit, as a team leader of Operations of Close Personnel Protection and Chief of Operations for United Nations Police in East Timor. He was a Superintendent at The Hague in 2003, a Superintendent of Child Protection Operations and the Acting Commander in the Hi-tech Crime operations. He had also been an Acting Assistant Commissioner for Serious and Organised Crime.

Reece left the AFP in 2011 to join the Northern Territory Police Force as Assistant Commissioner, Crime and Specialist Services. In April 2015 he was appointed as the Commissioner of Police and Chief Executive Officer of the NT Police, Fire and Emergency Services.

On becoming the Commissioner of the AFP In October 2019, Reece said rejoining the AFP felt like he was coming home. "The AFP, like Guildford Grammar School, is to me about deep-rooted connection. I am proudly a police

officer, but also proudly an Old Guildfordian – in part, the former because of the latter."

Reece said he has been indebted to Guildford Grammar School for decades in many ways. He was recently contacted by his former Bennett Housemaster, **Robert 'Rube' Edmonds** (Staff 1969-2002) and his wife, Wendy, after seeing Reece appear on the ABC's Q&A program. Mr Edmonds provided Reece with some positive feedback on his Q&A contribution, but then dealt a blow! Mr Edmonds still had the House Diary that recorded contributions to the Bennett House emergency fund. He sent Reece a photo of a diary entry which showed he still owed Bennett House a debt of 10 cents!

While that debt has been resolved, Reece is unsure he will ever repay his debt to the teachers, tutors, mentors and for the friendships forged at GGS.

On receiving his Old Guildfordian of the Year award, Reece spoke about how GGS has been a beacon for so many parents

for 125 years and how the culture ensures each student has the same opportunities. He also spoke of the deep respect he holds for accomplished Old Guildfordians and the significant contributions they have made to Australia. These included **Slade Drake-Brockman** (He 1926-1931), **Professor Louis Goldie** (He 1933-1936) and **Dr Angus Turner** (Henn's 1988-1994).

More can be read about the achievements of these individuals in the List of 125 Accomplished Old Guildfordians in this edition of *Forward*. Reece said, "These exemplary Old Guildfordians, showcase not only a triumph of Guildford Grammar School, but of Australia." He added, "I am truly humbled to be among them who, in many cases, have made the world a better place."

Thank you, Reece, for your outstanding contribution to Australia and its citizens. Congratulations on being our Old Guildfordian of the Year.

## Vale: Remembering John Pope and John Lyall

### John Pope

11 March 1918 – 26 September 2021

**John Campbell Pope** (Prep/St Georges 1928-1935) was born in Katanning in 1918, the third son of Dr Edward and Olive Pope. He attended Katanning Primary school until the age of 10. He then joined Guildford Grammar School as a boarder where he became a prefect, captain of swimming and a member of the 1935 winning Alcock Cup football team.

John wanted to go to university, however with two older brothers studying medicine in Melbourne and two younger sisters at Kobeelya Church of England Girls' School in Katanning, his family could not afford it. So John joined the Commonwealth Bank.

John became engaged to Helen Brisbane, daughter of David Brisbane CBE, a prominent WA engineer and director. They had known each other as children in Katanning when Helen was a boarder at Kobeelya and later reconnected at a Karrinyup Golf Club Ball.

After the beginning of World War II, John volunteered for service and joined the WA-raised 2nd/28th Battalion, which was sent to the Middle East in early January 1941. In March, as part of the 9th Division, the battalion was sent to Libya to garrison an area east of Tobruk, a strategic deep-water Mediterranean port. In April, after a strong attack by the German Africa Corps under General Erwin Rommel, the battalion was forced to withdraw to Tobruk and helped defend it for the next six months.



John Pope



The Allied troops were given the name 'Rats of Tobruk' after pro-German propagandist William Joyce, better known as 'Lord Haw-Haw', began describing them as living like rats in underground dug-outs and caves. The term became a badge of honour.

As a company sergeant-major, John was a major player in the 2/28th's unsuccessful attempt to take the heavily defended German posts, known as Sugar Six and Seven, in August 1941. The action cost the battalion dearly with 88 killed, wounded or captured. John was one of those captured and taken to Campo 57 in northern Italy.

After the Italian surrender in September 1943, John was taken to Lower Silesia in Germany. In late 1944 with the Russians advancing on the Eastern Front, the Germans started moving prisoners to the west of Germany, fearful they would become part of a larger invading force if freed by the Russians.

In January 1945, in the middle of a freezing winter, they began a 30-day march. On day

17, John and two mates, Tom Comins and Allan Beecroft, escaped. Their freedom lasted three days before they were recaptured, handed over to the Gestapo and taken to cells inside massive underground tunnels within a mountain near Nordhausen where V1 and V2 rockets were being made.

While awaiting execution by a firing squad, their lives were spared by a senior Gestapo officer, who could not understand why Australians would cross the world to fight in a conflict he perceived was not their problem. The trio were sent back to join the other prisoners without any punishment.

During an air raid in late March 1945, the trio escaped again, eventually linking up with American troops who provided them with travel passes, food and clothing. They commandeered a German officer's vehicle and drove to Paris. They were soon 'reacquainted' with Australian authorities after being spotted swanning around Paris by a British military policeman. They were transferred to Eastbourne in England before being repatriated to Australia.

Despite requesting to rejoin the 2/28th Battalion fighting in New Guinea, John was discharged from the army in July 1945.

John and Helen married in August 1945 and John rejoined the Commonwealth Bank in Katanning. He transferred to Perth in 1949 and was eventually appointed Branch Manager at Cottesloe, also taking on the role of president of the CBA Managers' Association.



In 1962, with three sons at Scotch College and not wanting to disrupt their education by taking promotions in regional WA or in the eastern states, John resigned from the Commonwealth Bank and joined stockbroking firm Saw, Cambridge and Brannelly. He subsequently became a partner and was elected to the committee of the

Perth Stock Exchange. He retired in 1986.

In 1971 Helen lost a long battle with cancer. In the early 1980s John met Muriel Gadsdon and formed a partnership which lasted more than 30 years until her death in 2015.

John kept in touch with his fellow escapees after the war. Tom Comins was a RAAF flight-lieutenant and became one of Sydney's

leading specialist surgeons. Allan Beecroft was a warrant officer class one with the 2/12th Battalion and became a chief dyer for woollen mills in Tasmania.

John passed away in September 2021 at the age of 103. He was one of Australia's longest-lived Rats of Tobruk. There are only 17 known still alive.

## John Lyall

13 September 1923 – 25 October 2021

Born in Subiaco to William 'Bill' and Gwendolyn Lyall in 1923, **John Lyall** (Prep/Henn's 1932-1936 & 1938-1939) spent his early years in the Gascoyne region, firstly on Calijidi station, and then on Lyndon and Minilya stations, where his father was the manager. It was a true outback lifestyle and John's playmates were the children of the Aboriginal stockmen.

Schooled by governesses until going down to Perth in 1932 at the age of eight, John boarded at Guildford Grammar Preparatory School and later in Henn's House. After his parents moved to Perth, John spent several terms at Hale School in 1937. When his family left for Kalgoorlie, John returned to Guildford Grammar School and remained there until 1939.

Later joining his family in Kalgoorlie, John spent a short time working in a clerical role at South Kalgoorlie Consolidated Mine.

John's father was a former member of the 10th Light Horse Regiment, serving in Gallipoli and then the Sinai during World War I. With the world at war again, it seemed inevitable that John would follow his father's footsteps and enlist. On 7 December 1941, at the tender age of 18, John joined the Royal Australian Air Force. Having completed training and now a sergeant, John embarked on a troopship from Melbourne across the Pacific to San Francisco, then Boston by train, and on to New York. Here he boarded the Queen Elizabeth I, which had been converted to a troop ship, and crossed the Atlantic to arrive in Gourock on the Clyde in Scotland.

Between 1943 and 1945, John saw service at several air bases in England. He was seconded to the Royal Air Force's 214 Squadron as part of Bomber Command based at Oulton. From September 1943 until November 1944 he served as a rear-turret gunner on Short Stirlings and sometimes as a waist-gunner on B-17 Flying Fortresses, both four-engined heavy bombers.

As a rear-turret gunner, John wore a leather flying helmet with intercom connections to the cockpit. It was the loudest position in the aircraft, due to engine noise. The flying suit was electrically wired for warmth and John was bitterly cold when it once failed. While the unpressurised aircraft's rear turret had a perspex dome roof, few gunners flew with



John Lyall

it intact as there was better vision without it. The rear turret was uncomfortable, and John often sat in an immobile position for nine hours when on a raid. He wore an oxygen mask and once sustained frostbite when he removed the mask. He also suffered back injuries when the aircraft was shot at in combat, resulting in two engines being shut down and a subsequent emergency landing. Landing heavily at an airfield in Essex, the plane split in two with 217 heavy machine-gun holes in the fuselage.

John was the only Australian in his crew, with five Englishmen and one German-speaking Canadian. His squadron was put into a special duties group for radio counter-measures, flying B-17 Fortresses tuned into the German ground stations controlling their night fighters. The squadron jammed transmission and, in John's words, "causing havoc" with communications.

After Victory in Europe Day, John was based at Moreton-in-Marsh in Gloucestershire, instructing and later joining RAAF's 467 Squadron doing training missions in Lancaster Bombers for a planned deployment across Europe and the East to China, for eventual raids on Japan. The plan was abandoned after the USA atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki ended the war in the Pacific.

In total, John went on 35 bombing sorties over occupied Europe, four of which were abandoned. In 2015, some 70 years after his wartime service, John received the French Legion of Honour for his part in the liberation of France.

In the midst of war, love blossomed. While based at Oulton, John met and fell in love with a member of the Women's Auxiliary Air Force, Cynthia Farman. Having come from a British naval family, Cynthia was now stationed on an adjoining base. John and Cynthia were engaged on Cynthia's 21st birthday, 5 July 1944, and married on

12 December 1944. A year later, John had to leave a pregnant Cynthia in the UK and return to Fremantle aboard the troopship 'Aquatania'. Cynthia stayed behind for the birth of Sandra in February 1946, then waited four months before being allowed to sail on the war brides' ship 'SS Orbita' for a six-week journey to Fremantle.

John returned to Kalgoorlie with Cynthia and baby Sandra. He resumed work at South Kalgoorlie Consolidated Mine and attended Kalgoorlie School of Mines at night to study accountancy. Their second daughter, Jennifer, was born in December 1947. Life was very different for Cynthia but she adjusted well and threw herself into socialising with the many friends they made. They had lots of fun partying at Menangina Station, home of **Stephen 'John' Tonkin** (He 1938-1942) and wife, Maxine. John was best man at John and Maxine Tonkin's wedding at the School Chapel in August 1951, with **Bruce Eassie** (St 1934-1939) as a groomsman.

Having moved to Perth, John became a volunteer and office bearer with the Lions Club of Manning, later being made a Life Member. In 1978, he was appointed Honorary Secretary of the newly established Lions Save Sight Foundation. John was instrumental in coordinating and running the Save Sight country eye-screenings program, with lots of hands-on help from Cynthia. In 1995, after several years of assisting with the planning and building the new Lions Eye Institute in Nedlands, John was appointed building services manager, a position he held for 10 years until he retired in 2005 at the age of 82. John was held in high esteem by all he worked with at Lions and, for his work, received the Melvin Jones Award, the highest accolade of excellence from Lions International.

John and Cynthia were tremendous partners in life. Cynthia sadly passed away in December 2020, one week before their 76th wedding anniversary.

At the age of 98 and having led a life filled with adventure and service to country and community, John passed away in October 2021. As a lovely show of respect for John and his father Bill, the 10th Light Horse were at John's funeral and a new horse at the regiment has been named 'Johnny Boy'.



# Sharnee swapping catwalks for nature



**COVID-19 has changed the lives of us all.** The implications of lockdowns and isolation has, for many, brought about a re-prioritisation of life's elements and a re-imagining of what the 'perfect career' may look like.

**Sharnee Gardner** (nee Gates), (Prep 2006-2010) left Guildford Grammar Preparatory School for Perth College and later at 13 years of age, departed to pursue her modelling dream in Sydney. As Sharnee discovered, a model's life was not easy. It took a lot of hard work, discipline and personal sacrifice. She had to work to help pay her way with food, rent and fashion school. On working her way up, Sharnee learned that a top-level model has to live cleanly, eat well, be committed to exercise, be organised, and be on time. Sharnee had to look amazing even if she was sick, or tired from trying to sleep on a plane, or freezing cold modelling summer fashion on the top of a building in London. The travel schedules could be relentless, as could the fashion shows. Sharnee once sprained both ankles when the dressers ripped off her knee-high boots during a quick two-minute change window, so they had to cut the backs of the next pair of shoes so that she could still walk out injured.

Sharnee became an international model and has graced major catwalks in Paris, Germany, Milan, New York, Sweden, Switzerland and Sydney, and she has also featured in publications like Harper's Bazaar UK, Elle UK and in the Esprit Spring 2018 Campaign. Demand was high for her unique and exotic look, something Sharnee attributes to her mixed heritage of Aboriginal, Kurdish, Burmese and Welsh. With her star rising in modelling circles and an apparent life of glitz and glamour laid out before her, Sharnee's

path looked set. One could be forgiven for thinking she had it easy, riding her abundant beauty to fame and fortune. However, nothing could be further from the truth.

Modelling is a complicated industry, so Sharnee had to quickly learn how to confidently navigate the commercial side, including intricate contracts, self-promotion and relationship building. The resulting work was lucrative and, at 19, she purchased her first home. While Sharnee developed a good business acumen, she made sure to retain a strong sense of humanity, donating 10 percent of her income to the poor. Sharnee also made sure 10 percent of her income was saved and a further 10 percent went to an emergency fund, which was a smart move as she lived for a year on her savings when in COVID-19 lockdown.

While Sharnee loved life as a professional model, work was hectic and unrelenting.

When COVID-19 hit and travel bans meant she could no longer go abroad for modelling work, Sharnee was forced to step out of her usual routine and draw a deep breath. On realising she hardly spent time in nature anymore, a model's existence suddenly lost much of its shine and Sharnee couldn't stomach the thought of a wholesale return. Forced to consider her options, she became deeply introspective for the first time in her life and began to explore her passions. By allowing true and brutal honesty with herself, Sharnee came to the realisation she wanted to investigate a career in horticulture, but wondered if she could find enough work in that industry to sustain a comfortable lifestyle.

As reported by BBC.com on 4 November 2021, Sharnee aligns with three-fifth of UK

workers who intend to switch to a different job as a result of COVID. In line with this revelation, work-based training programs from the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) in the UK, which trains the professional gardeners of the future, has experienced a 58 percent increase in demand for its work-based training programs in 2021. This is the largest increase experienced by the organisation in decades.

In 2021, Sharnee accepted a traineeship with the London Wildlife Trust to study Wetland Conservation. After gaining additional experience working as a gardener for Painshill Park Trust, Sharnee has now won a three-year horticultural apprenticeship with the Royal Horticultural Society in Wisely and spends her time cutting lawns, pruning trees and planting beds.

Sharnee shared with BBC.com, "Working at the RHS has given me an opportunity to slow down and appreciate my surroundings. I love watching the sunrise over the garden. It's very important to me to do something that makes me happy. The significant decrease in wage was definitely worth it because I love what I do. But to get by, my partner and I got a flat mate, and I still do the occasional modelling job, too."

Currently 23 years of age, Sharnee is happy and enjoying life with her English husband, a model who is also a sitcom writer and stand-up comedian. Sharnee's renewed purpose has, for the least part, created a greater sense of balance when surrounded by nature's gifts. While the future is not certain, Sharnee's newfound appreciation for the important things in life has empowered her to build the career she wants, working amongst the flowers, bees and the trees.



# Out and about

Visit [www.oldguildfordians.com.au](http://www.oldguildfordians.com.au) for more photos of reunions and events.



**Class of 2010 Reunion**  
24 July 2021, Inglewood Hotel



**Class of 2001 Reunion**  
31 July 2021, Foundation Pavilion, Guildford Grammar School



**Old Guildfordian Parents – Boarding Tour & Morning Tea**  
26 August 2021, Guildford Grammar School



**Class of 1991 Reunion**  
28 August 2021, The George, Perth



**Class of 1961, Old Guildfordians' Annual Dinner**  
9 October 2021, Dining Hall, Guildford Grammar School



**Class of 1971, Old Guildfordians' Annual Dinner**  
9 October 2021, Dining Hall, Guildford Grammar School

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**Class of 1981, Old Guildfordians' Annual Dinner**  
9 October 2021, Dining Hall, Guildford Grammar School



**Old Guildfordians' Annual Dinner**  
9 October 2021, Dining Hall, Guildford Grammar School



**Old Guildfordians' Annual Dinner**  
9 October 2021, Dining Hall, Guildford Grammar School



**Class of 1970 Catch-up**  
6 November 2021, Zamia Café, Kings Park

## Reunions and Events 2022

**Due to the impact of COVID-19**, the status of events could change suddenly. Please ensure we have your correct contact details, including your email address and mobile number for quicker updates. Send any updates to **David Williams** at [og@ggs.wa.edu.au](mailto:og@ggs.wa.edu.au) or 11 Terrace Road, Guildford WA 6935, or call **(+61 8) 9377 8522**.

EVENT DATE	EVENT	VENUE
Wednesday 9 February 5.30pm-7.30pm	Tour of the School followed by a sundowner	School
Thursday 10 February 9.30am-11.30am	Tour of the School followed by morning tea	School
Saturday 26 February 7.00pm	GGs Connect (for Class of 2013-2021)	Perth CBD
Friday 18 March	Old Guildfordians' Golf Day	The Vines Country Club
Friday 1 April 7.00pm	Beverley and Districts PSA Old Scholars' Association Annual Dinner	Beverley Golf Club
Wednesday 6 April	50 Plus Reunion Day	School
Wednesday 4 May 2.05pm	OG mentors sought for student Careers Expo followed by networking function	School
Saturday 11 June 7.00pm	Class of 2000 Reunion	Perth CBD
Saturday 30 July 7.00pm	Class of 2002 Reunion	Perth CBD
Saturday 27 August 7.00pm	Class of 1992 Reunion	Perth CBD
Saturday 8 October	Annual Dinner	School
Saturday 8 October	Reunion for Classes of 1972 and 1982 at the Annual Dinner	School
Monday 17 October 11.45am	PSA Old Boys' Golf Day	Cottesloe Golf Club, Swanbourne
Wednesday 26 October 6.30pm	AGM	Foundation Pavilion, School
Saturday 19 November 7.00pm	Class of 2012 Reunion	Perth CBD

**Reunions every 10 years – help us organise yours: 1972, 1982, 1992, 2002, 2012 to celebrate in 2022**

**The Old Guildfordians Association** holds reunions for classes every 10 years. If you are from the class of **1972, 1982, 1992, 2002, or 2012**, we need your help to make it a celebration worthy of the occasion. If you are not sure what your class year is, consider what the calendar year was when your age group graduated in Year 12, even if you left before your final year.

If you would like to assist in organising your reunion, please contact David Williams on [og@ggs.wa.edu.au](mailto:og@ggs.wa.edu.au) or **(+61 8) 9377 8522**.



## News

*In year order*

**Stephen 'John' Tonkin** (He 1938-1942) celebrated his 95th birthday in December 2021.

**Albert Tan** (He 1963-1966) graduated in Science (1969) and Dentistry (1973) from The University of Western Australia (UWA), and commenced practice in Periodontics in Perth in 1978, having completed his postgraduate training at The Royal Dental Hospital, University of London. He subsequently completed his PhD through the University of Queensland in 1990. For over 40 years he has maintained his specialist private practice, together with an active role in teaching at UWA – at the undergraduate and postgraduate levels. In 2012, Albert was inducted into The Campbell-Wilson Roll of Honour by the UWA Dental Alumni Society for his contribution to dental education in WA. He is currently an Adjunct Professor at the UWA Dental School. In 2021, he was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia (AM). Albert has been a consultant periodontist at Perth Children's Hospital (PCH) for over 40 years and remains committed to the care of children with special needs, especially in multi-disciplinary cleft lip and palate treatment. Read more about Albert in this edition of the Forward (see the list of 125 Accomplished Old Guildfordians).

**Trevor Rose** (Fr 1966-1970) currently lives in Pelican Point, Bunbury after retiring from his family's dairy farm at Burekup. He has been married to Susan for 37 years and they have a son, two daughters and eight grandchildren. Trevor still does some part-time work driving a truck. Football is his main sporting interest, namely the South Bunbury Football Club of which he is a Life Member and Club Trustee. Over many years, Trevor has occupied the majority of roles at the Club, including President in 1989-1990, with one of his proudest life moments being a Premiership in 1989. As an inaugural Member of the West Coast Eagles, Trevor and Susan attend as many home games as possible, along with their youngest daughter who is a WCE tragic! Upon leaving GGS he played cricket and hockey, and he still tries to attend as many first-class games of both as he can.

**David McMillan** (St/Ha 1963-1973) and wife, Janine, recently settled into their newly built home in Busselton. While the house was being built, they travelled, via caravan, to all corners of Western Australia over a 10-month period and they had a ball. After working for 40 years in forestry, David is now retired and enjoying life.

**Michael McMullan** (St 1972-1976) sadly passed away, after a short illness, at Albany Hospice in October 2020, aged 61. He is survived by his wife, Jennifer, and son, Zearben.

**Shane Harington-Hawes** (Wb 1982-1986) left Perth in 1995 bound for Sydney for a job as a cameraman on Beyond 2000. He travelled via Melbourne and by the time he got to Melbourne the job no longer existed, so he decided to stay in Melbourne. He has been in the audio visual (AV) business in Melbourne ever since. Shane founded an AV rental business in 2003 which he ran for 10 years. In 2013, he decided to learn the AV installation business with some long-time associates and started his own AV installation business on 1 July 2017, called Cloud Audio Visual. 20-plus years of experience goes a long way and he is currently working nationally with some of Australia's largest corporate organisations and government departments. Shane married Nuan in 2009 in Bangkok and they have three young children named Sunshine (11.5), Hugo (10) and Oakley (4.5 months) with all ages as of September 2021. They live a few minutes from the best beach in Melbourne and have two AirBNB listings (Seaford, VIC) which they absolutely love. Shane would enjoy seeing any of the guys from around 1986 if they are in Melbourne. Give him a call on 0474 423 356. LG - Life's Good.

**Luke Hewitt** (Wb 1981-1986) performed in Black Swan Theatre's production of *Every Brilliant Thing*, a unique one-person show "with a story about life in all of its facets; the good, the bad, the light, the dark", says Luke. His character, the Narrator, starts a list of every brilliant thing in the world after his mother attempts to take her life.

**Gerren Goodwin** (Fr 1985-1989) has become Coach Captain at Villa Carlotta Travel, a company that specialises in providing exclusive Australian and worldwide holidays for the retired and semi-retired.

**Jeremy Hurst** (Be 1986-1990) is a co-founder of SpacetoCo, an online booking system that allows anyone to share and book community spaces by the hour. He and the team were proud to be one of the winners at the 2021 National iAwards, receiving the award for the Government and Public Sector solution of the year. The iAwards is Australia's longest running and most broadly scoped innovation recognition program, promoting excellence in the Australian digital ecosystem from the likes of Google Maps, Atlassian, Wotif and WiseTech Global.

**Adrian Kemp** (Wb 1987-1991) is an economist based in Sydney and, in 2014, he co-founded a firm of consulting economists called HoustonKemp Economists. The business advises on infrastructure, competition and economic regulation across the Asia-Pacific. After a four-year stint in Singapore, Adrian returned to Australia in early 2020. He enjoys playing with big datasets, turning his mind to public policy problems and sailing whenever possible. Adrian regrets not being able to attend the Class of 1991's 30-Year Reunion this year, but he hopes it will be a little easier to get across the WA border in time for the 40-Year Reunion!

**Burke Maslen** (Sc 1987-1992) was recently recognised by The West Australian's Steve Butler as one of WA's 'Bush Legends'. Burke, the son of former WA Parliament MP Dudley Maslen, is a fourth-generation family member from Mardathuna Station in the Gascoyne.

**Glen Wareing** (Wb 1988-1992) has been married to Mel for 18 years, with three children named Zac (16), Ace (14) and Tilly (9). After a year of a science degree, Glen left university to start a business called 'Joey Soft Serve Ice Creams', now Perth's largest fleet of ice cream vans. In 2018 he established 'Joey's Swan Valley Diner' an American 50s style restaurant. Glen would love to see Old Guildfordians drop in for a great burger, coffee or ice cream.

**Raleigh Finlayson** (Sc 1989-1995) has become the Executive Director at Northern Star Resources Limited.

**Muhammad 'Fahmi' Ahmad-Yusoff** (SG 1991-1996) and wife, Rachel, welcomed their handsome little boy, Noah, to the world in August 2021. They look forward to Noah meeting his Brunei family in the not-so-distant future.



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# Business Networking Hub

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Use this facility to increase exposure for your business and access the advice and support of mentors or become a mentor yourself.

In the past, the ability to list a business on the directory was a feature reserved for members of the Old Guildfordians Association. During these difficult times, the Association has decided to support the businesses of all Old Guildfordians, whether they are members or not.

To take a look, simply go to the link below and filter your searches to show businesses and/or mentors and then select the industry.



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**Thomas O'Sullivan** (Fr 1989-1996) featured in the theatrical production Sydney II: Lost and Found and plays Able Seaman Allan Rowe - one of 645 crew who lost their lives on 19 November 1941. Eighty years after the German Raider 'Kormoran' sank 'HMAS Sydney' off the coast of Carnarvon, Australia's worst naval disaster was brought to life with theatrical performances in cinemas. The performance delved into the battle, subsequent controversies and 67-year search for the wrecks at the bottom of the Indian Ocean.

**Maurice Braun** (Ha 1992-1997) and his wife, Gaynor, happily announce the birth of Louis George, their second child, in September 2021. Louis' sister, Georgia, is thrilled to have a baby brother. It took a couple of months for the right name to reveal itself for Louis.

**David Gray** (St 1994-1999) has become the Cabin Supervisor at Hevilift, which provides fixed and rotary wing charter aviation services. He is also a Performing Arts Teacher at Apan Academy in Perth.

**Alexander McSporran** (Be 1992-1999) is now the General Manager for cardiology, sleep and respiratory medicine for GenesisCare, Western Australia.

**Stewart Walters** (Wb 1996-2000) is now the Chief Executive Officer at The Market Bull, a media platform providing daily stock news throughout the world.

**Cruze Ah-Nau** (St 2004-2007) currently holds the position of Operator at Rio Tinto.

**Matthew Miller** (Sc 2003-2007) is now the Contract Administrator at Built, Perth. Built is a construction, refurbishment and fit-out business operating in Australia and New Zealand.

**Thomas Emery** (Fr 2001-2008) has taken on the position of Business Development Manager at Challenge Pumps in Perth. The business works in the space of underground mine and open pit de-watering.

**Todd Holloway** (Ha 2003-2009) is in California and working as an Assistant Wine Maker.

**Ainslea Kipling** (Prep 2004-2009) is a third-year Surveying undergraduate at Curtin University. She has also been awarded a scholarship via MNG and works there two days per week.

**Angus McCormack** (Wb 2002-2009) has graduated from Medicine at Deakin University (Geelong) at the end of 2019 and has just been

accepted into training at The Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine (ACRRM). Commencing with training as a Paediatric Registrar at Grampians Health.

**Chad Abbot** (Prep/Wb 1997-2010) graduated from The University of Western Australia and moved to Sydney to finish his Doctor of Medicine degree. He is now working in New South Wales as a Registrar in the Intensive Care Unit and working towards specialising in Anaesthetics.

**David Armstrong** (Prep/Sc 1997-2010) recently started a new job as the Chief Financial Officer for Muldrew Heavy Haulage. David is currently living in Bayswater with other Old Guildfordians, **James Hillgrove** (Prep/Ha 1997-2010), **Andrew Hillgrove** (Prep/Ha 2000-2013) and the former School Captain, **Hendy McMahan** (Prep/Wb 2010-2018). David is the Vice President at Kalamunda Cricket Club and

is also on the Board of Directors for the West Australian Suburban Turf Cricket Association.

**James Hillgrove** (Prep/Ha 1997-2010) was elected as the President of The Old Guildfordians Association at the Annual General Meeting on 27 October 2021.

**Wesley Kipling** (SG 2003-2010) is a Boeing 777 Second Officer with Cathay Pacific and cannot wait to get flying again once the pandemic restrictions ease.

**Ryan Musson** (Wb 2006-2010) and Lauren Corner were married at a beautiful ceremony at Eagle Bay Brewing Co, in the south-west region of Western Australia on 20 November 2021.

**Bryce Holloway** (Ha 2004-2011) lives in Melbourne and is working as a videographer.

**Kieran Hug** (He 2007-2011) was awarded the West Coast Eagles' WAFL Best and Fairest for season 2021.

**Lachlann Lawton** (St 2010-2011) will be performing as Moralès in the production of *Carmen* at the 2022 Perth Festival on 25 and 26 February. This will be a large-scale outdoor arena spectacular at the WACA Ground.

**Matthias 'Matt' Bryder** (Ha 2008-2012) has started a new role as the Assistant Property Manager - Retail at Colliers, Perth.

**Jonathan Armstrong** (Prep/Sc 2002-2014) recently completed a Master of Professional Engineering at The University of Western Australia. He is currently working as a Graduate Project Engineer with Monadelphous. Jonathan recently bought a house with his partner, Jade, and is living in Kalamunda.

**Fredrick Kersley** (Prep/Be 2008-2015) competed in the 2021 Melbourne Cup - the esteemed horserace that stops the nation. He rode 'Master of Wine', finishing 16th overall.

**Thomas McCormack** (Wb 2010-2016) recently graduated with Honours in Biomedicine from Monash and Deakin universities.

**Philip Raymont** (Former Staff 2009-2021) started a new position as Priest-in-Charge, Anglican Parishes of Beverley-Brookton, Quairading and York at the Anglican Diocese of Perth.

**Rhett Bazzo** (Sc 2019-2021) has been selected by the West Coast Eagles with Pick 37 in the 2021 AFL National Draft.

## Vale

*Our sympathies are extended to the families and friends of the following Old Guildfordians:*

- Reginald Adkins (St 1940-1942)
- Francis 'Frank' Brown (SG 1946-1953)
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