



## GOVERNOR RE-OPENS COLLEGE AND PRAISES PREDECESSOR

Following almost a decade of extensive renovations, Warrane was officially re-opened by the Governor of NSW, Her Excellency Professor Marie Bashir AC, on September 2.

The re-opening ceremony followed the Governor's delivery of the 2009 Warrane lecture on the "Legacy of Lachlan Macquarie, the fifth Governor of New South Wales", to mark Macquarie's bicentenary.

The historic event came 38 years after Warrane's first opening by the then Governor, Sir Roden Cutler in 1971.

In her lecture before a packed audience in the College's main common room, Professor Bashir emphasised Governor Macquarie's spirit of community service – a central feature of Warrane's ethos over the past four decades.

She noted that over the years since its opening fellow Warrane lecturers had shared their insights and reflections on issues "as diverse and relevant to 21st Century Australia as Ethics in Business, Media Ownership, Entrepreneurship in Education, and most importantly, Social Justice for Aboriginal People".

She argued that Lachlan Macquarie's contribution to Australia in his "12 momentous years in office" from May 8, 1809, also remained relevant to the concerns of modern Australia.

"He stands today as one of the greatest of Australia's leaders for his time, certainly one of our greatest governors, a true pioneer of the nation, unmatched for vision, magnanimity, compassion, and zest for accomplishment," she said. "He was, I believe, the founder of modern Australia..."

"In many ways he set the pattern, and defined the priorities of enlightened public administration in the modern era. He built schools, hospitals, a beautiful lighthouse, and roads. Today, we call these infrastructure; he built on a scale not seen before. It was he who instituted our system of public and private education. And we see his influence today in the emphasis given to education by all Australian governments.

"Indeed, two hundred years ago, he saw the critical role of education in building a nation, and made it one of his



first priorities. At the end of his period as governor, one-fifth of the colony's revenue was being spent on educational services."

Professor Bashir said she saw the legacy of Lachlan Macquarie in so much of the nation's lifestyle and shared values, particularly Australia's belief in the "fair go".

Thanking Professor Bashir for her lecture on behalf of the College, David Bolton acknowledged that, as a former collegian, she understood well the goals of a university college. He pointed out that Warrane had always sought to assist with the formation of the whole person, not only on an academic level, but in the cultural, spiritual, sporting and social spheres as well.

He said the College had striven to instil a spirit of community service in its residents through projects like work camps with disadvantaged communities in Australia and overseas and participation in community service programs like the St Vincent de Paul night patrol.

Dozens of Warrane old boys, present and former staff members and distinguished members of the wider community attended the re-opening ceremony. They included the first Master of Warrane, Fr Joe Martins, the architect of Warrane and former mayor of Randwick, Mr Ken Finn, and Professor Bashir's husband, former Sydney Lord Mayor and Rugby legend Sir Nicholas Shehadie.

# MASTER'S LETTER: "Y FOR YEARNING"



**Introduction:** Summing up a generation in a word carries with it all the risks that a similar summary of a creed or culture bears. It carries the added concern that the biographer usually manifests the prejudices of some prior generation and hence is at best unreliable, at worst a worrier or wowser.

Such an accusation could be leveled at critics of Generation Y, which is often accused of being 'selfish'. It would be incredibly complex to prove that 'Gen Y' is more selfish than any previous generation. In any case, it remains always true that giving young people the opportunity to think beyond themselves is beneficial both to their personal development and to society. Providing such opportunities is one of the cornerstones of Warrane's philosophy. Such opportunities begin of course with simple acts of service to fellow residents. They also have more institutional manifestations.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

Residents of Warrane continue to have many opportunities to engage in community service, both formally and informally. For instance, a team of five volunteers from Warrane participates in St Vincent de Paul's Night Patrol program every month, providing food and company for Sydney's homeless. Night Patrol commences at 6pm on a Sunday night, with the preparation of sandwiches and hot drinks for over 250 people. Volunteers follow a route around Sydney's CBD, stopping to serve food and meeting various people making use of this service.

Every two weeks, a team of at least two volunteers participate in St Vincent de Paul's "Task Force" program. Volunteers make home visits to residents in housing estates in Redfern, providing company as well as vouchers for food and utilities. Residents are also able to make regular visits to nursing homes and housing estates in surrounding suburbs. Normally on the weekend, volunteers spend an hour or so talking to residents and, sometimes, performing musical numbers.

Warrane College has also been organising voluntary workcamps since 1987 in remote parts of Australia or under-developed countries. The most recent Warrane Workcamp was held in Surabaya, East Java in November 2009. The aim of the project was to build an

extension to a technical school in the town of Blora. The project required 20 student volunteers. Volunteers can expect to make a significant impact to a community in need through hard work and cultural exchange. On the personal level, they sharpen their team-building skills and learn a bit about themselves. Recent workcamps have taken place in Kenya, Vietnam, Fiji, Santa Teresa (NT), and Vanuatu.

## CONCLUDING COMMENTS

Inevitably each generation is partly a product of its age. In a recent address entitled, "Generation Y Bears Unusual Burdens", delivered to the Pontifical Council for the Laity's 8th International Youth Forum, Mary Ann Glendon, the Learned Hand Professor of Law at Harvard and President of the Pontifical Academy for Social Sciences, has this challenge for the youth of today: "I would suggest that the 'Y' in Generation Y might stand for yearning -- yearning, questioning, searching, and refusing to be satisfied with easy answers. No one has understood this better than Pope John Paul II -- and that, I suspect, one of the reasons why young people love him so much and why the World Youth Days have been such a transformative experience for so many ... What a difference you Catholic university students are going to make in the world! No one can foresee just how each one of you will respond to your baptismal callings to holiness and evangelisation. But one thing is certain: there is no shortage of work to be done in the vineyard. There are families to be founded and nurtured; intellectual frontiers to be explored; young minds to be taught; the sick to be cared for; the poor to be lifted up; and the faith to be handed on to future generations. My wish for you is that the Lord will multiply you, and that each one of you will touch thousands of lives."

This is how Warrane has been trying to prepare young men of all faiths, and none, who have passed through our doors over the past decades: "ad multos annos".

# BIRTHS AND MARRIAGES



A number of recent Warrane Old Boys became husbands and fathers in 2009. In April Thomas Bolton (2004-08) married Melinda Fletcher. They are currently living and working in Forster. In May Richard Fowler (2001-03; 2006-07) married Karolina Gasparovic. They are living in Chippendale. Richard met Karolina at a Warrane Harbour Cruise in 2007! In June Steve Dejong (2000-01; 2004; 2007) married Melissa Emery in Jindabyne. They are living in Sydney and both are working at Mallesons Stephen Jacques.

In what is likely to be a first, Warren Jones (2008-09) moved out of Warrane one fine September afternoon and married Erin Simpson the next day.

On December 30, 2008 Stephanie Jaucian, wife of Albert (2003-2005), gave birth to Nicholas. Both Nicholas and Albert are looking prosperous. Steve Joseph (2002-2005) became a father in August when Emily gave birth to Edmund. At around the same time, Dom Perrottet (2001-03) and Helen became the proud parents of Charlotte, and Dave Ramadge (2002-06) and Allison gave the world Thomas Roy.

Are you an Old Boy with births or marriages to report? Please forward the information to [p.elias@warrane.unsw.edu.au](mailto:p.elias@warrane.unsw.edu.au).

# KENYAN WORKCAMP

Warrane's latest workcamp, which helped to build a science laboratory for students in a small village in Kenya in eastern Africa, was a great success on all fronts.



The 19 volunteers who set out to construct the new building in the village of Meru, near the foot of Mt Kenya, worked hard – probably harder than they have ever worked before – but they said it was one of the most enjoyable things they had ever done.

“It was great fun getting to know the locals,” said Electrical Engineering student Ben Ting. “When we first arrived the school was just breaking up and most of the students just stood there looking at us not knowing quite how to react. But then one of our guys kicked a soccer ball in the air. Then they all went wild, cheering and running and kicking the ball. They performed all sorts of acrobatics and flying kicks. It was a great feeling being there among them.”

The hard work began with clearing and levelling the site.

“For days on end we seemed to be levelling ground and carrying blocks,” said Chris Rowland. “But later we moved on to rendering walls, mixing concrete and brick laying.”



One of the most surprising aspects of the project was the fact that the local women were determined to help with the hard manual labour.

"One day a group of very well dressed women came along," Ben explained. "They seemed to be dressed in their best clothes – very colourful and impressive. They took the shovels from us and got behind the wheel barrows and worked very hard. All we could do was to look on feeling a bit bewildered."



During the building work the volunteers made friends with many of the local people who used to gather around on the site which was only about 50 minutes from the town markets, the local gathering place. "Every day there was a big gathering of locals, mainly kids, but often parents as well. The older ones helped us a lot. They spoke English," Chris said.

"We got to know two kids from the local school in particular – Kelvin and Isaac." Ben added. "There was also a Principal from another school four kilometres away. His name was Henry Mwenda. He was only 26 years old. He played Kenyan songs on a guitar. The village had very good mobile phone reception, but because there was no local electricity, Henry used to collect our phones and ride his bike to his school which had electricity to recharge them for us.

"We stayed in the house of a local doctor, Dr Nyaga. His mother, "Mama Nyaga", looked after the cooking with a group of other locals. They reminded us of the staff at Warrane – they really took great care of us, cooking three meals a day, washing all of our clothes with a great deal of love and care, pressing everything and even sashing our thongs. They were very good to us."

While they were in Kenya, the group also took time out to bathe in the local waterfalls, to climb Mt Kenya and to go on safari.

"The waterfall was about a half an hour's walk away," Ben said. "The water which came down the mountain was freezing, but it was amazing to swim in. Then there were the spectacular sunrises and the clear night sky which allowed you to view the stars with fantastic clarity."

Chris added: "We walked up Mt Kenya to one of the peaks which was about 3400 metres up. The highest



peak is about 5500 metres. The safari was fascinating. We were surrounded by wildlife – everything from giraffes and zebras to water buffaloes, elephants and lions. The Riff Valley was absolutely incredible."

When the volunteers had finished their work all the walls of the new building were up, about 90 per cent of the roof was completed and the land in front of the building had been cleared and leveled. Most of the scaffolding had also been removed. The main thing that remained to be done was the fitout with benches and equipment.

On the final day of the workcamp, the locals treated the volunteers to a big celebration. Many members of the village came along to express their gratitude and treated the workers to a feast of roasted goat, instant noodles, chips and the local beer, Tuscander.

The volunteers said they came away with a real sense of achievement. The science laboratory they helped to construct will be used by 160 high school students.

The Kenya project was only the latest in a long history of workcamps that Warrane has helped to organise over the years. They have included a number in outback Australia and in developing countries, including Fiji, Sri Lanka and Vanuatu.

# DEAN ACKNOWLEDGES WARRANE'S CONTRIBUTION TO AUSTRALIA

The Dean of the UNSW Faculty of the Built Environment, Professor Alec Tzannes, congratulated Warrane on its impact on wider society and Australian culture when he visited the College as guest speaker at the inaugural dinner for second session.



He said, that having grown up in the local area, he had known of the College by reputation for many years and considered it "an honour and a pleasure" to be asked to be a guest speaker.

Professor Tzannes, who has had wide experience as an architect working both for government and in private practice, established his own firm, Tzannes Associates, in 1982. Since then his firm has received more than 40 state and national awards, including Australia's top award for new residential work.

In his address he spoke on a wide range of topics connected with architecture, landscaping and urban planning, emphasising the need in all of these disciplines to promote the greater good of society and to have a favourable impact on the nation's culture. He said that over the past two decades, design had been more influenced by "communal values".

"We recognise much more the responsibility we have in the built environment to the public domain," he said.

Other Wednesday night guests at Warrane this year have included: former International Rugby Referee Mr Wayne Erickson who is now Principal of St Andrew's College at the University of Sydney; the Director of IPG Print, Mr Rod McCall, who is a former Australian Rugby Union Wallaby Captain and current director of the Australian Rugby Union; Public Speaker and Columnist Mr Rick Kullander from Cedar Rapids, Iowa,

in the United States; Former Commissioner of the Independent Commission against Corruption, The Hon Barry O'Keefe AM QC, who is the Immediate Past President of the National Trust; the Senior Meteorologist at The Weather Channel, Mr Richard Whitaker; Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) at the University of New South Wales, Professor Les Field; the NSW Minister for Veterans Affairs, Minister for Justice, Minister for Youth Affairs, and Minister for Volunteering, The Hon Graham West; Mexican Chef, Restaurateur and owner of Aztecas Restaurant, Randwick, Mr José Crus; the Chief Executive Officer (Australia) of Merrick & Co (a multinational company specialises in mentoring CEOs by CEOs), Mr Anthony Howard; and the President of the English Speaking Union and National Convenor of Australians for a Constitutional Monarchy, Emeritus Professor David Flint.

# CELEBRITY GUEST PROVIDES VALUABLE ADVICE



If there was a popularity award for guest speakers, ours would have to go to Sydney journalist Kate Waterhouse. Kate, from the famous horse racing family (daughter of bookmaker, Robbie, and horse trainer, Gai), agreed to give residents some pre-Ball advice on how to look after their dates at Warrane's 2009 Ball which was to be held the following week.

The main common room was crowded out as residents listened carefully to Kate's tips on how a young lady expects to be treated on a formal occasion.

She explained that for a girl, a ball is a very big occasion – "like a wedding". Her advice included:

- welcome your date with a discreet kiss on the cheek, rather than a hand-shake or a kiss on the lips;
- It is a good idea to wear a tux if you can;
- Present her with a corsage or a bunch of flowers;
- Move her chair out from the table and help her to be seated;
- Accompany her on the dance floor, even if you are not a great dancer;
- Be sure to escort her home.

Overall, Kate's theme was that "boys are normally not into details or small things, but girls are".

"So if you want to impress her," she said, "look after the little things... Girls like to be fussed over with flowers and phone calls. It is about being thoughtful."

Although Kate's advice was mostly serious, the questions from the floor were punctuated with humour. Probably the biggest laugh of the night was provoked by the question: "At what point is it all right to ask your date if you can finish her meal?"

## DR MARK SCHEMBRI APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF STUDIES



Warrane had a new Director of Studies for 2009, Dr Mark Schembri. As many residents and old boys will already be aware, Mark is one of Australia's leading veterinary surgeons. He is also the recipient of a Monash Scholarship which will entitle him to undertake studies at either Harvard, Princeton or Yale in 2010.

Mark has been a resident at the College since 2006. Since then he has participated in many College activities, including acting as first-year study co-ordinator and helping to run sports camps.

A veterinarian at Agnes Banks Equine Clinic near Richmond, Mark is also a veterinary surgeon for the Australian Jockey Club, the Sydney Turf Club and Royal Easter Show where he helps to oversee the care of 15,000 animals each year.

In 2008, Mark was also an official veterinarian for the Australian Olympic Equine Team.

"The equine events were held in Hong Kong," he said. "It was a great privilege to be part of the team and I had a great time there. It was a real thrill to see the team win the silver medal in eventing."

On his position at Warrane, Mark said he was aiming to help residents to realise their academic potential. "I want them to see how important their academic performance is, to aim for academic excellence, and to learn how to enjoy study in this wonderful environment that the College provides.

"They must never underestimate where their study could take them. I never thought that I would go to the Olympics."

Mark said he wanted to see excellent tutorial groups for all subjects as well as one-on-one tutoring.

"We have a very impressive group of first-years this year with an average UAI over 90. Calibre is everything and you can see it when you have your first interaction with them.

"We also have a wonderful Dean and Assistant Deans who are very focused on achieving excellence."

## NICK MURPHY WINS SCHOLARSHIP



Nick Murphy is one of Warrane's new high-performing first-year residents. Mark won a Scientia Scholarship at UNSW after his impressive results in the HSC which earned him a UAI of 99.9 per cent.

In the HSC Nick took four-unit Maths, Physics, Economics and Advanced English. In three-unit Maths he scored 98, in four-unit Maths, 95, in Physics, 96, in Economics, 95 and in English 94.

We asked him how many hours of study it took each day to achieve his results. "Three or four," he said. "It tended to vary, but I tried to put in however much time that I felt was necessary each day."

A keen Rugby player, Nick says he also kept fit during Year 12 by running for 30 to 60 minutes two to three times each week. During the HSC he actually stepped up his exercise regime, running every day.

Nick has five sisters and a brother. His father, Peter, operates an online business while his mother, Donna, is fully engaged as a homemaker and home-schooling some of Nick's siblings. He began his academic career at St Joseph's College, Gregory Terrace, Brisbane, but when his family moved to Sydney four years ago he studied at Redfield College, Dural.

Nick will receive \$10,000 a year over the next three years from the Scientia Scholarship while he studies Medical Science.

Nick enjoyed representing Warrane in a number of sports in his first year in college and is looking forward to taking on the role of Sports Director in 2010.

He also enjoyed the extra-curricular activities on offer at the College. He found the College's proximity to the UNSW campus helped him to take advantage of the services and facilities available at the university.

## THE YEAR IN SPORT

The final formal dinner for 2009 recognised collegians' individual and collective achievements in sports. The highlight was Warrane's victory in the inter-college basketball competition, headed by Miguel Zaragosa. Miguel received Coach of the Year for his work in this sport. Warrane took out the Tennis tournament for the third year running and we were again spear-headed by Sri Lankan ace Naveen Karyiwasam as well as new recruit Truman Biro. The Most Dedicated Sportsman was Nick Mortimer and Sportsman of the Year was Tom Wall. Tom earned the award with strong performances in rugby, soccer, and various other sports.

Guest speaker and Olympic rower James Chapman encouraged residents to persevere in their goals, sporting or otherwise, even if circumstances delay them for many years.

Thanks to the efforts of 2009's sports directors Tom McManus and Hugo Reynolds, all sporting teams this year were fitted with uniforms and equipment emblazoned with the college shield. Tom and Hugo have handed over the reins to 2010's directors- Oliver Perrottet and Tom Wall.

The evening was also the occasion for presenting the annual Bevan Corbett Award for the Outstanding First Year Collegian. This year the recipient was Matthew Saxby.

## FORMER DEAN, RICHARD VELLA, SETTLING IN TO NEW ROLE



Warrane's former Dean, Richard Vella, who has moved on from the College after spending 12 years with us, says he is settling in to his new role as Director of Dartbrook Study Centre in Chatswood.

Richard saw many changes during his time at Warrane, beginning in 1997. When he arrived Dr Chris French

had not long taken over from the College's inaugural Master, Dr Joe Martins.

He said the biggest project in which he was involved at Warrane was the College renovations which have seen all of the residential rooms refurbished and common rooms and public areas updated.

"The college is now a very different place and I think we can be proud of what we have been able to do to prepare it for the 21st Century," he said.

"I had a great time at Warrane and met many impressive people there. I will always have fond memories of my time at the Warrane."

In addition to his position at Dartbrooke Study Centre, Richard gives regular talks and courses at Nairana Study Centre in Pennant Hills. In both centres the spiritual care has been placed in the hands of Opus Dei, the Catholic Church's first personal prelature which also provides spiritual care at Warrane.



# DINNER AT WARRANE

The early years of Warrane are etched in history now. Those first five years saw Warrane having to fight to preserve its identity during the turbulent early '70s. But persevere it did, with students from all over Australia and Asia and some from further afield.

Exciting times they were, during which the spirit and traditions of Warrane were formed. Many of those early students like to reflect back and comment on those times when many great friendships were forged. For many, the years have gone too quickly and some of us have not been able to keep in touch with each other.

In June some of those early students came together for a dinner hosted by Warrane's Master, Professor Tony Shannon. The catalyst was a visit from one of our very first residents, Willie Wong. Whenever Willie comes to town a small group meet up for a meal. Willie comes from Malaysia and now resides in Kota Kinabalu where he is involved in the family Business in Building and Development. Married to Anna with whom he has five children, Willie has maintained contact with Warrane over the years. While at Warrane he was responsible for initiating the Sportsman of the Week award – known ever since as the Willie Wong Award. All Warrane residents have since become familiar with it and many are still the proud possessors of a Willie Wong Pennant.

Joining the dinner that night were an illustrious group of former residents:

Les Wielinga, the former CEO of both the NSW Roads and Traffic Authority and the Sydney Metro, and now Director General of the Department of Transport and Infrastructure, NSW.

Graham Curd is a Senior Counsel and head of Legal, Commercial and Operations, for Westpac.

Dr Michael Campion, a Gynaecologist at the Royal Hospital for Women as well Lt. Col. in the Army Reserve. He has served in Iraq and Afghanistan amongst many other places.



Michael Kennedy, a Partner in Macquarie Partners, Accountants in Sydney, who spent many years running the biggest accounting practice in Dubbo.

Charles Burfitt, the Director of Little Hills Press, who has been in the book publishing business for many years.

The coordinator for the evening was David Bolton who has been associated with Warrane from its very beginning in 1970 and who continues as a Council Member.

Some of those present had not seen each other for many years. Stories and anecdotes from the early years abounded – it seemed we had only left a year or two ago!

Everyone was interested to hear the others' stories and how they had come to where they are now. The common link was Warrane and people spoke very enthusiastically of those early years. Everyone agreed that time had flown.

Over the coming months and years the College hopes to have more such dinners. If you are from those times and haven't been in touch for some time it would be great to hear from you. You would be welcome to join us for such an occasion. (Contact: [d.bolton@warrane.unsw.edu.au](mailto:d.bolton@warrane.unsw.edu.au))

# DAVE MAUNDER WINS UNIVERSITY MEDAL

University Medal Winner David Maunder is not the type who spends all his time at his desk swatting for exams while the rest of the world passes him by. On the contrary, Dave is known around Warrane College for his willingness to get involved on many fronts and his advice to other students is to try to do the same.

"Get involved in as much as you can - without burning yourself out, of course," he says. "Getting the full University experience is important."

While he was working hard at completing his courses in the UNSW School of Electrical Engineering and Telecommunications and Computer Science and Engineering, his other interests included his local church, a Christian group on campus, rock climbing at the University of Sydney, Combo Dancing, and the Electrical Engineering mentoring program. To top it all off, he also found time for academic tutoring at Warrane and various college-related activities.

"I tried to work more efficiently than hard," he said. "I think the key is working out how to use your time most effectively. I also tended to match my effort with the times - for example by doing very little study in Week 1 and working hard leading up to exam time."

David says there are really no hard and fast rules to follow to ensure success at university. He recommends that younger students work out what works best for them. "I'd say work out what works for you. Different strategies work for different people. Also, try to keep up and learn as much as you can during formal contact hours - this will save you time later."

Does he have any advice about controlling the urge to play computer games or watch movies? "Plan to have breaks and save these activities for then and use your time as effectively as you can when doing your uni work. You'll also benefit from a clear work/rest distinction. Another suggestion is to do your uni work somewhere you're less likely to be distracted."

David said that he believes living in College has helped him to succeed. He says for a start the convenience of living close to the university and having meals provided was of great benefit during the busy times. "The supportive environment also helped," he said. "For example, I became ill during fourth year and the staff and my college friends were very supportive during that time."

David, the son of Dennis and Roslyn Maunder, grew up in Tamworth where he attended the Carinya Christian School. He says he is thankful for the sacrifices his parents have made and their support and emphasis on education through school and university. On the academic front, he has also benefited from the fact that his father, Dennis, is a Chartered Accountant and his sister, Kate, is a Civil Engineer. He said he became interested in electrical engineering and computer science partly because he always enjoyed maths, computing, electronics and problem solving. "It seemed like a good combination of my interests," he said.

David is now immersed in a graduate program at Canon Information Systems Research Australia (CiSRA) - Canon's Australian research centre, a position he says he is enjoying very much.

Lachlan Dally, a first year resident from Canberra, was awarded a 2009 UNSW Co-op Scholarship in Computer Science. His mentor is David Claridge, an old boy of Warrane.

Truman Mak has received the Australian School of Business Dean's award.

Paul Carmichael has been awarded the BHP Billiton Mitsubishi Alliance (BMA) Rural Scholarship in Mining Engineering.

Nick Woodward has received the Faculty of Engineering Dean's award.

Nicholas Wong was awarded 'The Energy Australia Electrical Energy' 3rd Year Prize.

Jonathan Sum has graduated with a Bachelor of Commerce and is now doing a Master of Actuarial Studies.

Miguel Paredes has graduated with a Bachelor of Architectural Studies and is studying for a Master of Architecture.

Alex Perrottet has been admitted as a lawyer of the Supreme Court of NSW.

Jonathan Cleary and Jude Zelime made it on to the 2008 Faculty of the Built Environment Dean's List.

The following current residents were included in the Faculty of Engineering Dean's Honours List for 2008:

Timothy Gotts	Nick Woodward	Ian Donaldson
Jeremy Wong	Andrew Subramaniam	
Nicholas Wong	Benjamin Ting	

## SCHOLARSHIPS

The College has awarded three scholarships and three bursaries to residents for 2009.

The three Merit Scholarships went to Nick Murphy (Academic), Chris Pidcock (Cultural) and Tom Wall (Sporting).

The scholarships and bursaries are annual awards that are made by the college thanks to the generosity of former residents who act as sponsors. Anyone who would like to contribute should contact either the Master, Professor Tony Shannon or the Dean, Arthur Escamilla.

# College Notes

Tony Shannon recently spent three weeks in Cambridge, Massachusetts, mainly at the Harvard Graduate School of Education. This was in response to an invitation to participate in an International Workshop on "Mind, Brain and Education". This involved a month-long pre-Institute e-conference exchange of papers and ideas on a number of questions posed prior to the Workshop.

Tony made presentations to some affinity group meetings related to topics he addresses in the Warrane Diploma of Educational Studies program. He was also able to learn about the latest advances in neuroscience as they apply to cognitive science with some of the leading figures in the field.

While he was there, Tony visited Elmbrook Student Center, a residence in the care of Opus Dei, in Follen Street, Cambridge. The original Elm Brook had been the site of a tannery. Elmbrook was the name of the residence of the British Military Governor, Lieutenant General Thomas Gage, prior to the War of Independence. There were many battles in this war in the Boston-Cambridge areas. Tony was present in Boston for the big Independence Day celebrations, including a performance by Neil Diamond.



David Curran, our long-standing college bursar, recently led a group that attended the UNIV Congress, an international congress for university students, in Rome. The group also traveled around Rome and Spain with a side trip to Ireland for some. The highlights of the trip were the Easter ceremonies at the Vatican and an audience of UNIV participants with the Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI.

Warrane's Autumn Seminar, held this year on May 2, looked at the topic of temperance. Speakers were the author of *Parenting for Character* and Principal of Redfield College, Dural, Mr Andrew Mullins and James Franklin and Judy Stove from The Restraint Project. The project, based at UNSW, is devoted to examining restraint in Australia, looking at philosophical ideas on the virtue of temperance to the role of self-control in Australian history, especially in the mid 20th Century. It also looks at modern sociology and the psychology of anti-drug campaigns. The speakers answered popular views which suggest that the whole concept of self-control is a myth and that it is even undesirable. They argued that excesses and addictions take a grim toll, particularly on young people and that the time has come to promote a return to restraint. Copies of the seminar will be made available. Contact Phil Elias p.elias@warrane.unsw.edu.au.

On Saturday 23rd May the College hosted its traditional Parents' Day. It was a great opportunity to catch up with the parents of current residents. Activities began with a buffet lunch and included a series of presentations on the life of Warrane and a concert organised by the residents.

The College celebrated Anzac Day this year with a first. Residents flew national flags from college windows in a proud display of national fervour. A group of college residents also rose early to attend the Anzac Day commemorative dawn service, and made their way to The Cenotaph at Martin Place before 4.00 am. Many residents also came along to an Anzac Day barbecue in the College courtyard.



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