

**Melbourne High School  
Old Boys' Association**

**Green Maroon & Black  
Patrons' Club**



**28<sup>th</sup> Year  
AGM & Annual Dinner**

**18 May 2022  
The MHSOBA Unicorn Club**

# MHSOBA Green, Maroon & Black Patrons' Club

## Twenty Eighth Annual Dinner 2022

### PROCEEDINGS

7.00 pm - 7.20 pm	Registration and Pre-dinner Drinks
7.20 pm	<b>Welcome &amp; MC</b> Mr Colin Green OAM, Executive Officer
7.25 pm	<b>Annual General Meeting</b> Daryl Brooks, Patron-in-Chief
7.40 pm	<b>Entrée</b> <i>Crispy skinned pork belly with chilli caramel, poached prawns and herb salad (GF)</i>
8.00pm	<b>Induction of new members</b> Daryl Brooks, Patron-in-Chief
8.20pm	<b>Principal's Address</b> Dr Tony Mordini PhD
8.35pm	<b>Main Course</b> <i>Slow cooked rich beef cheeks with pomme puree, beef jus and salsa verde (GF)</i>
9:10pm	<b>Occasional Address</b> Mr Grant Johansen <i>The foundation years at MHS and its significant role in developing community</i>
9.30 pm	<b>Dessert</b> <i>Seasonal berry and meringue eton mess alternating with Individual chocolate hazelnut tart with a salted caramel sauce</i>
10.00 pm	<b>To Finish</b> <i>Selection of cheeses, fruits and biscuits</i>  <i>Bottomless filtered coffee</i>
10.30 pm	<b>Close of formal proceedings</b>

---

#### **Wine selection**

Sparkling	Devils Corner (Tas) Chardonnay Pinot Noir Sparkling NV Cuvee
White	Camfield 2021 Pinot Gris
Red	Camfield 2018 Shiraz

## **Devils Corner (Tas) Sparkling NV Cuvee**

Made from a blend of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, Devil's Corner NV Sparkling Cuvee, is a fresh and lively bubbles with plenty to offer. It shows fresh fruit flavours of crisp apple and citrus tang with underlying hints of yeast complexity. This is a well-balanced sparkling with great length of flavour and a dry refreshing finish. Perfect from Tasmania.

## **Camfield Family Wines**

*The GM&B is most grateful to GM&B member Ross Camfield for the provision of these two excellent dinner wines for tonight's AGM & Annual Dinner.*

The Camfield Family Vineyard is a limited production vineyard with hand crafted specialised wines. Located near the tiny township of Moonambel in central Victoria. Throw a boule on a piste outside a vineyard in ruggedly beautiful surrounds deep in the Pyrenees wine region – Victoria that is, not that other famous wine area between France and Spain. It's no surprise that these two regions share a name, with sweeping vistas, a passion for Petanque and diverse wine growing areas with distinct microclimates producing world-beating wines. The climate here is unique.

### **CAMFIELD 2021 PINOT GRIS**

The wine displays elevated aromas of nashi pear, guava and sweet white nectarine. Soft golden hues of light honey with coppery overtones. Elegant, medium weight, round and structural with a fine balance between acid and sweetness which adds to the intensity of the flavour.

### **CAMFIELD 2018 SHIRAZ**

This Shiraz is dark in colour due to the ripeness and richness of the fruit and has been matured in French oak barrels for 3 years. This wine exhibits flavours of dark plums and ripe black cherries, with leathery overtones. It shows soft and subtle tannins with notes of chocolate. A rich, sumptuous and delicate wine to be enjoyed now or over the next decade.

## 2022 Principal's Report



Dear Members,

It is with pleasure that I provide this report.

I have been in the role of Principal for nearly a year and a half and time has certainly flown by. I remain committed to a vision that will take the school forward, continue to build the brand (nationally and internationally), maintain its academic position as one of the highest performing schools in the country, strengthen existing partnerships, establish additional partnerships, and preserve Melbourne High School's incredible heritage.

Melbourne High School's heritage provides a competitive advantage. Its strong heritage imbues the School's culture and traditions providing resources and a platform for future development, innovation and success for its students, staff, alumni, and partnerships. Accordingly, I am continually grateful to the MHS Old Boys' Association, and its coterie group the Green, Maroon and Black Patrons' Club for their specific contributions in areas such as scholarships, heritage

and entrepreneurship projects, leadership development programs and academic mentoring workshops.

### **Achievements thus far**

As a starting point I have deliberately focused on building relationships with current and past students, teaching and education support staff, potential education partners and other stakeholders such as local government, business groups and key service providers. Strong strategic partnerships are critical to the school's ongoing success. Covid has thwarted some plans, but many opportunities have been taken in between lockdowns. I will continue to fill my diary with events and meetings that will help materialise future plans.

Additionally, I have used staff, student, alumni, family, and stakeholder meetings and events to continually enunciate our purpose, create a sense of belonging and strengthen a culture of service and generosity. We are more than just marks and it is important to be regularly reminded that many of our alumni have had an impact well beyond their specific areas of study or professional activities. We graduate doctors, teachers, engineers, accountants, entrepreneurs, architects (the occasional truck driver) ... but our alumni are also accomplished in and passionate about the arts and sport, they have high technical skills, they publish books and papers, and they serve the wider community in a myriad of ways. I am not interested in leading an ATAR (Australian Tertiary Entrance Rank) factory! That does not mean I want to lower the focus on academic excellence. I am committed to maintaining high academic achievement while at the same time ensuring we graduate well-rounded individuals who are prepared for life, can exercise leadership, and have a sense of social justice and social responsibility.

'On the ground,' over the past 17 months minor infrastructure works have resulted in four classrooms being renovated, repairs to the pool (which have subsequently created a revenue stream), retrofitting the windows in the Nineties Building to create better air flow and air quality in the building, energy efficient lighting in the library and repairs and polishing of the parquetry on the ground floor.

With respect to teaching and learning, the school has commenced its review (conducted every four years). The review will inform the next strategic plan 2022 – 2025 and specific annual targets aimed at improving academic achievement, teacher quality and personal and career development outcomes for students.

The review will also inform the strategic use of human, financial and physical resources. For example, an Acting Assistant Principal has been appointed to assist me in the areas of data analytics, corporate governance, policy, and accountability.

Other projects include an evaluation of the school's business services; the employment of Learning Specialists to develop digital content and scope out a feasibility study for the International Baccalaureate; the introduction of Ace Performance to oversee our gym and pool and provide students with tailored strength and conditioning programs; and the introduction of a case management model in Student Services.

### **Strategic Intent**

Over the past year I have been working with staff to create the narrative that will underpin Melbourne High School's next 'chapter.' We have arrived at the following -

*Strengthened by the legacy of those who have gone before, Melbourne High School is an aspirational community, where the exploration of new frontiers and the sharing of wisdom will continue to be forged by adaptation and evolution as we seek to be courageous in our learning endeavours and audacious in our contribution to the world.*

These words capture what makes Melbourne High School quintessentially different to many other high schools. Additionally, because its students are so highly capable, there is (in my opinion) a duty and responsibility to actively serve the communities in which we work and live.

Our legacy is also of a rich and diverse curriculum that includes the Liberal Arts and a wide array of co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. I plan to further enhance these programs to broaden their scope (e.g., Applied Ethics in our Philosophy program, a Cricket Institute, and a Centre for Entrepreneurship and Leadership Development).

### **Moving forward**

In the ensuing months we will see the completion of the Centre for Higher Education (CHES). This project has been achieved due to the vision of old boys who through the MHS Foundation Ltd. saw an opportunity to develop a learning facility for gifted and talented students. This facility will open in 2023 providing a range of VCE and Higher Education courses. It will be a joint venture with 5 schools – MHS, Mac.Rob, Melbourne Girls, Richmond High, and Prahran High. It is an extremely exciting project for public education.

The school review will guide the development of the strategic plan, leadership structure, wellbeing initiatives, and teaching and learning. I will keep you informed of developments through our regular meetings.

I hope to also have a Master Plan developed later this year. This will help us consider how best to use existing infrastructure and design the infrastructure needed for the next 25-30 years.

Thank you for your ongoing support. The school is well served by its alumni, they are central to our ongoing success.



Dr. Tony Mordini  
Principal

## MHSOBA Green, Maroon & Black Patrons' Club

# AGM AGENDA

**18 May 2022, 7.25pm - MHSOBA Unicorn Club**

<b>Invitees:</b> All members		
<b>Guests:</b> Principal Dr Tony Mordini		
<b>Chairman:</b> Daryl Brooks, Patron-in-Chief		
Topic of Discussion	Action Required	Action By
Confirmation of previous 19 May 2021 AGM Minutes	<b>Motion:</b> That the minutes re a true and accurate record of the 2021 AGM. Moved: Seconded: Outcome:	Daryl Brooks
Patron-in-Chief's Address	Update on this year's progress	Daryl Brooks
Treasurer's Report	2021 Financial position & introduction of Hello Club membership management portal	Colin Green
Activity Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Membership (Colin Green)</li> <li>• Heritage/Archives (Luke Savage)</li> <li>• Junior Leadership Program (Wayne Chow)</li> <li>• MHS Foundation (John Wertheimer)</li> <li>• OBA &amp; School Council (Peter Stathopoulos)</li> </ul>	Members' attention is drawn to the tabled reports enclosed within this booklet.  <b>Motion:</b> That the reports as tabled be accepted. Moved: Seconded: Outcome:	Daryl Brooks
2022-2023 Nominations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Patron-in-Chief (Daryl Brooks)</li> <li>• Deputy P-i-C: David Saul</li> <li>• Secretary: Simon Bowen</li> <li>• Joint Treasurer: Deniz Arakan, Alan Stein</li> </ul>	There is no need for an election as these were the only nominations received.	Executive Officer
AOB		Daryl Brooks
<b>Next AGM: Wednesday 17 May 2023 – 7.00 pm The Unicorn Club</b>	Please mark in your diaries now!	
<b>Next Forum Tuesday 18 October 2022 – 5.30 pm The Unicorn Club</b>		



# Green, Maroon & Black Patrons' Club

## AGM MINUTES

19<sup>th</sup> May 2021 7:00 pm – via Zoom in lieu of The MHSOBA Unicorn Club

**Attendees:** Colin Axup, Ross Boyd, Daryl Brooks, Ted Goldstein, David Saul, Peter Stathopoulos, Alan Stein, Managala Prasetia, Lewis Shobbrook, Simon Bowen, Charles Macek, Keith Elsner, Knowles Tivendale, David Kitchen, Frank Penhalluriack, Scott Green, Stephen Pole, Jeffrey Rosenfeld.

**Apologies:** Dale Allchin, Isaac Apel, Lewis Apostolou, Mel Barnett, John Barr, Ron Beazley, Todd Bessemer, John Brooke, Ross Camfield, Simon Crean, Peter Dolkas, Lincoln Easton, Dechlan Ellis, Drew Fairchild, Georges Fast, Anthony Felber, Geoff Grant, Colin Green, David Grundmann, Max Grundmann, Ian Gust, Darvell Hutchinson, Les Innes, Peter Ivany, Colin Johansen, Len Kliman, Paris Kritharides, Jeremy Ludowyke (MHS Principal), Ben Mahoney, Paul Marcun, Mark McConnell, Chris McGrath, Steve McIntosh, George Pappas, Damian Powell, Scott Reid, Rob Robson, Louis Roller, Andrew Scott, Kevin Silberberg, Warren Soffer, Geoff Sussman, Robin Tuckerman, Ajai Verma, John Wertheimer, Allan Whitehead, John Howell, David Lea, Kwong Lee Dow, Phillip Macumber, Roger Martin, Jim Mathieson, John McIntosh, Alan Munday, Sally Ng (Guest Pres Palladians), Steve Pilmore, Laurie Pole, Alan Rae, Adam Ashton, Barry Atkinson, Wayne Chow, John Connor, John Dodd, Marcus Elgin, Robert Barber, Jim Adamopoulos, Nicholas Psychogios, Gordon Broderick, Gavan Scott, Jack Warhaft.

**Chairman:** Daryl Brooks (Patron-in-Chief)

Topic of Discussion	Action Required	Action By
Confirmation of previous Executive substitute AGM minutes, 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	<b>MOTION:</b> That the minutes are a true and accurate record of the 2018 AGM. <b>Moved: David Saul</b> <b>Seconded: Keith Elsner</b> <b>Outcome: Carried</b>	Daryl Brooks
Patron-in-Chief's Address	Update on this year's progress.	Daryl Brooks
Treasurer's Report	<b>Moved: Knowles Tivendale</b> <b>Seconded: Charles Macek</b> <b>Outcome: Carried</b> Update on finances, financial year 2020. Acknowledged the dedication and commitment of Scott Green over 26 years <b>Moved: David Saul</b> <b>Seconded: Keith Elsner</b> <b>Outcome: Carried</b>	Scott Green
Committee Reports ▶ Membership (Colin Green) ▶ Heritage (Luke Savage) ▶ Junior Leadership Program (Wayne Chow) ▶ MHS Foundation (John Wertheimer) ▶ OBA & School Council Liaison (Peter Stathopoulos) ▶	Members' attention is drawn to the tabled reports. <b>MOTION:</b> That the reports be accepted. <b>Moved: Jeffrey Rosenfeld</b> <b>Seconded: Ted Goldstein</b> <b>Outcome: Carried</b>	Daryl Brooks
2021-2022 Nominations ▶ <u>Patron-in-Chief:</u> Daryl Brooks ▶ <u>Deputy P-i-C:</u> David Saul ▶ <u>Secretary:</u> Simon Bowen ▶ <u>Treasurer:</u> open ▶ Executive Officer Colin Green	There is no need for an election as these were the only nominations received.  All those nominated were unanimously congratulated by members present.	Daryl Brooks
AOB	School organ status – 2 phase approach for interim operation followed by a permanent solution. Forum in October Mission and purpose of the	Daryl Brooks



	<p>GMB  Entrepreneurship pursuit (thanks to the prior work of Keith Elsner)  Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May MHSOBA at the Unicorn Club and Zoom.</p>	
<p><b>Next AGM:</b>  <b>Wednesday, 18 May 2022 – 7.00 pm</b>  <b>The Unicorn Club</b></p>	<p>Please mark in diaries now!</p>	
<p><b>Next Forum:</b>  <b>Tuesday 19 October 2021 – 5.30 pm</b>  <b>The Unicorn Club</b></p>	<p><b>Theme:</b> Future in the Changing times</p>	

# 2022 Annual Report

## Patron-in-Chief: Daryl Brooks



I am pleased to report that in the face of continued adversity for the duration of 2021 the GM&B Patrons' Club persevered boldly to ensure that its good work continued throughout the year, characterised relentlessly by optimism and agility.

All monthly meetings of its Executive Committee, its Annual Reporting and its two Members' Forums in March and October were convened online with high level interest and participation. The March Forum provided great opportunity to introduce the incoming Principal Dr Tony Mordini and to learn of the challenges being experienced by our Mac.Robertson Girls' High School alumni colleagues through the initiatives of The Palladians. Our second Forum in October provided valuable opportunity for Dr Mordini and School Council President Mr Henry McLaughlin to inform GM&B

membership directly of their perspectives on significant challenges and priority directions going forward in the areas of Teaching & Learning, Wellbeing, School Management and School Governance.

A number of GM&B representatives continued to support and contribute to the work of each of the School Council sub-Committees in 2021, and our key programs moved online to maintain consistency and momentum. Wayne Chow and his organising committee for the Junior Leadership Program for Year 10 MHS and MGHS students created flexible communication and delivery solutions that were achievable only with the wonderful assistance and support for the program that was provided by the leadership teams and teaching staff of both schools. Unfortunately, the challenges for Mentoring for Year 11 were insurmountable in 2021 and consequently the GM&B Executive is now in a consultative phase with stakeholders designing a framework for a revamped Mentoring Program that will likely emerge from the JLP experience for students in senior years, extend into tertiary years and perhaps invite mentor and mentee experiences for mature alumni as well, that would be not dissimilar to models adopted in other prestigious schools.

GM&B in 2021 further considered entrepreneurship as a matter of great importance and opportunity to today's students in changing times, being of high prominence within its own GM&B membership ranks. Given the circumstances of 2021 at the time, GM&B Executive withheld from advancing proposals or further initiatives in Entrepreneurship until better opportunity to align its efforts in accordance with school initiatives emerges. Similarly with the Heritage Program, 2021 provided less opportunity to support notable developments, but the GM&B is anticipating the school's upcoming celebrations with a keenness and readiness to support in whatever way it can.

GM&B was proud to actively support a recognised need for the school organ to be replaced and was understanding that there were unavoidable delays to the proper installation of its speaker systems in 2021. Unveiling of the new fully installed school organ in the Memorial Hall now offers an exciting prospect for the year ahead, as it will bear full testament and tribute to the spirit of music in the school, especially through its underscoring of the evocative massed singing experience. The memories are cherished by Old Boys, but the experience for current students has been severely curtailed. We look forward keenly to developments.

I wish to thank the School Principal, Dr Tony Mordini, his Leadership Team and Staff, School Council President Mr Henry McLaughlin and School Council members and sub-committees for the high-level collaboration and welcoming of involvement of the GM&B in their work during such a difficult year for all. We look forward to more conducive circumstances ahead, stronger alignment with the strategic pursuits of school leadership in 2022, and to supporting the good work of so many great people in this great school.

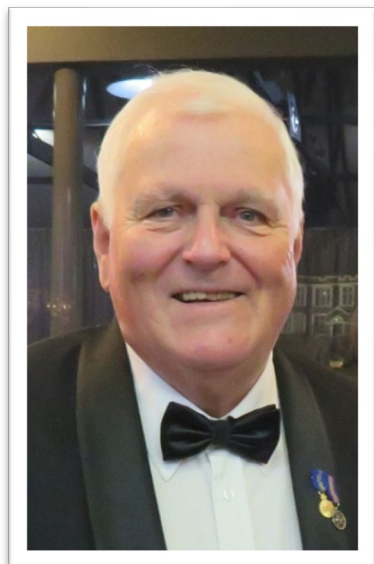
***Honour the Work***

*Daryl Brooks*

# 2022 GM&B ACTIVITY REPORTS

## 1. Finance and

### Hello Club Membership Management: Colin Green OAM



I have acted in the role of Acting Treasurer since no appointment was made at the 2021 AGM with subsequent attempts to obtain a Treasurer from our own members. The work of Scott Green in this role for many years is greatly appreciated.

For the whole of 2021 no member fees were charged due to Covid-19 impacting our activities the previous year. It was felt appropriate that member fees be cancelled for the whole of 2021. The money showing as Member fees is in reality late payments for 2020. Nonetheless we still contributed to MHSOBA for services rendered, although in a reduced way.

Wayne Chow gained approval for a LinkedIn Training Portal to facilitate remote training for all his Junior Leadership Group Leaders from MHS and Mac.Rob.

A joint contribution with MHSOBA was made to thanks outgoing Principal Jeremy Ludowyke for his years of service to the school, MHSOBA and the GM&B Patrons' Club.

#### Accounts 1 January 2021 – 31 December 2021

	Chq	Sav	Total
<b>Opening Balance</b>			
Jan 2021	\$ 7,531.26	\$ 45,317.95	\$ 52,849.21
<b>Income</b>			
Interest	\$ 0.63	\$ 200.75	\$ 201.38
Member Fees	\$ 10,750.00	\$ -	\$ 10,750.00
Organ (Foundation) reimbursement	\$ -	\$ 11,850.00	\$ 11,850.00
<b>Expenses</b>			
MHSOBA Ann subs		-\$ 2,525.00	-\$ 2,525.00
Volunteering Victoria	-\$ 77.00		-\$ 77.00
SurveyMonkey	-\$ 312.00		-\$ 312.00
LinkedIn Trg Portal		-\$ 2,634.50	-\$ 2,634.50
Jeremy Ludowyke gift		-\$ 1,000.00	-\$ 1,000.00
Other	-\$ 1,350.00		-\$ 1,350.00
Website hosting & maintenance	-\$ 1,980.00		-\$ 1,980.00
<b>Closing Balance - Dec 2021 (Calculated)</b>	\$ 14,562.89	\$ 51,209.20	\$ 66,772.09
<b>Closing Balance - Dec 2021 (Bank statements)</b>	\$ 14,562.89	\$ 51,209.20	\$ 65,772.09

The GM&B Patrons' Club is financially sound and has sufficient funds to allow for ongoing activity development in 2022 and beyond. The income will be less from member fees than in the period up to 2021 as the new membership structure brought in during the latter part of 2021 sees reduced fees for younger Old Boys (under 30) and those residing away from the Melbourne Metropolitan area

Late in 2021 the Executive approved the adoption of **Hello Club Membership Management Portal** (developed in NZ). This will allow for self-management of members' accounts and provide accurate statements showing monies owed and invoices to be sent in November each year. Constant follow-up should alleviate the need for the Executive Officer (or Treasurer) to spend excessive time chasing members' payments.

Hello Club also provides an opportunity to include our mentees, mentors and Junior Leadership participants in programs advancing further activities of the GM&B.

## 2. Membership: Colin Green OAM

This time last year membership of the GM&B Patrons' Club was 87. It is currently 96. Since the 2021 AGM report there has been one member who has passed on (Darvell Hutchinson). We thank him for his contribution to the GM&B over many years as an original Foundation Member. In addition, Mel Barnett has been transferred to the inactive list through ill health.

There are 11 new full members in 2022, and the continuation of 12 Program Members. It is to be hoped that these **Program Members** will eventually join the GM&B Patrons' Club as full members. Lewis Shobbrook indicated in the last week he will be joining as a full financial member.

It seems the membership numbers will hover between 90 and 120 which is precisely what the original founders of the GM&B some 28 years ago hoped would be the case.

The age range of 30-45 remains a vital demographic group of Old Boys who would possibly benefit from GM&B membership. Their contribution would be welcomed by the GM&B and the school. Regular GM&B email newsletters, together with a revamped website, seek to overcome the 'tyranny of distance' and members have commented positively about this initiative.

The revitalised website of the GM&B Patrons' Club ([www.gmbpatrons.com.au](http://www.gmbpatrons.com.au)) has been well received. It is now serviced and regularly updated by **Trilogy Web Solutions**.

The GM&B Executive is acutely aware of the need to keep the membership drive going as we need to attract new younger members to replace those who have given so much over the past 28 years. Those established or up-and-coming professionals would be ideally suited for membership of this group, so the school can maintain its excellent connections throughout the professions, management, and industry groups.

The intensive membership drives late in 2021 have proved successful, with 11 new members being inducted tonight. **LinkedIn** has been used to contact eligible MHS Old Boys and invite them to join the GM&B. This will continue to be the main method of recruitment to ensure older members, as they step aside, are being replaced by younger members who have new visions for the future of the GM&B. If any members would like to contribute to the ongoing membership drive, either in terms of personal time or 'ideas from left field' then please let us know as soon as possible.

**Further support from existing members who may wish to consider nominating others as GM&B members would be also most welcome.** Your Executive looks forward to your continuing support in this area.

*If each current member (96) was able to nominate one known Old Boy (friend or business associate) who would possibly like to join the GM&B and could possibly benefit from it, then please pass on their details to Colin Green who will follow up the nomination. This may result in a 10-15% take up, or another 10+ new members. A most worthwhile exercise!*

The GM&B needs to grow annually through the addition of 10 or more new members. We welcome your support.

New categories of membership were introduced late in 2021, specifically to attract younger members and members from Regional Victoria, Interstate and Overseas. The new categories of normal membership are:

- a. The Joining Fee for **Melbourne Metropolitan applicants over 30 years of age** is \$300 with a \$250 annual subscription. This is payable in advance and the yearly fee is calculated from 1 January to 31 December. The annual dinner and business forum dinners are included in this subscription, together with the GM&B tie and a framed limited-edition lithograph of the school by noted Old Boy artist Graham McKenzie.
- b. The Joining Fee for **Melbourne Metropolitan applicants under 30 years of age** is \$100 with a \$250 annual subscription. This is payable in advance and the yearly fee is calculated from 1 January to 31 December. The annual dinner and business forum dinners are included in this subscription, together with the GM&B tie and a framed limited-edition lithograph of the school by noted Old Boy artist Graham McKenzie.
- c. The Joining Fee for **Regional Victoria, Interstate and International applicants** is \$200 with a \$100 annual subscription. This is payable in advance and the yearly fee is calculated from 1 January to 31 December. These fees cover both Forums and, if attending the AGM & Annual Dinner, an additional fee of \$100 will be incurred and invoiced, together with the GM&B tie and a framed limited-edition lithograph of the school by noted Old Boy artist Graham McKenzie

### 3. Archives Report: Luke Savage (Honorary School Archivist)



The last year has seen a significant change in the archives, with onsite visits return and the return of offline events.

#### **Events:**

With the return of offline events (real life, or face to face, in the old parlance) there has been a chance to meet people again. Notable events have been:

- Graeme Duke's Funeral in December 2021
- Marg O'Bryen's funeral 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022. Being held at Springvale, the opportunity was taken to visit the old boys buried in the War Cemetery at Springvale.
- Brian Corless' funeral two days later, to which the Archivist facilitated a School Flag for Brian's coffin.
- GM&B Forum 22 March 2022
- 'Brigadier Pompey' Elliot service 23 March 2022, organised by old boy and President of the 15<sup>th</sup> Brigade Association, Lambis Englezos at the Burwood Cemetery,
  - The opportunity was also taken to visit an old boy WWII casualty buried at Burwood, a member of the R.A.A.F. He was killed during training.
- Launch of **M.H.S.** (the book on Ray Willis compiled by his wife, Ruth) the first event involving the MHS community for some time. This was a special night.
- Military History and Heritage Victoria Conference 9 and 10<sup>th</sup> April 2022. Held at the Waverley R.S.L., which has strong connections to MHS, the Archivist attended in a private capacity, though took the opportunity to discuss MHS. One of the other delegates, her father had attended MHS, and she wishes to donate material relating to him as a result.

#### **Archives:**

Cataloguing continues apace, some notable recent donations are:

- Sheet music of the organ procession used at Speech Night, composed by Ian Tyler who played the organ at Speech Night for many years. Plus some letters, and details for the Town Hall organ. David Rush facilitated this donation.
- A book of poetry compiled by Field Marshall Wavell, and once owned by George Langley. George's granddaughter in law donated this following her mother-in-laws death.
- Material relating to Charles Arblaster and Dorothy Clack, both former students of MHS, donated by family member Liz Rushen.
- Two cigarette cards of Alec McKenzie, MHS Sports Master, from his days when he played for Geelong.
- War Medals of Jack Anson, student and teacher of MHS, purchased and donated to the archives by a benefactor.
- More of the uncatalogued photos held in the archives are being processed.

### **Scanning:**

Scanning on publications is mostly complete, though the December 1946 Unicorn is rather scarce and has yet to be scanned.

Work has commenced on two new major projects, scanning Student Records, starting with the 1930's records and photos. Photos are being scanned (both sides) as a high-quality TIFF. With around 8000 catalogued photos, this could take some time. Incoming material is also being scanned where possible.

### **Enquiries:**

The number of enquiries from old boys, family of old boys, and others, continues to increase. Pushing the scanning projects on will help provide more detailed responses to these enquiries.

The usual obituaries and articles are written for the MHSOBA Newsletter, to keep the community informed and to provide a permanent record.

A number of large projects are shaping up

- MHS tour to the WWI Western Front battle sites and graveyards, of which Lambis Englezos is the driving force.
- Centenary of Forrest Hill book.
- Improving the display of material in the Heritage Room, bringing several display cases back into commission.

After a busy year, the archives look forward to building on the opportunities the post COVID world offers.

## **4. Junior Leadership Program: Wayne Chow**



The Junior Leadership Program (JLP) is an extracurricular program designed for MHS and MGHS students who are interested in Leadership. The program has been a growing success over the past 9 years, with the support from the communities of both schools. JLP is driven by a trialled and tested framework of materials and activities, but more importantly the program empowers our group leaders to come up with their own style, technique and methods to foster student discussion as long as they meet our success criteria. The program and the framework cover six sessions across various leadership topics. We revise the material regularly and are currently trialling new group activities in 2022.

This year we continued the program in the face of COVID uncertainty with a combination of virtual meetings and face-to-face sessions. As we anticipated disruptions might affect students and group leaders attendance, the committee has decided to limit the numbers of students to 80, with the support of 18 alumni from both schools. The small group sessions were conducted at both MHS and MGHS campuses.

JLP 2022 kicked off last year with our Leadership Symposium 2021 via the virtual platform at the requests of both schools. The three symposium speakers were selected from very different professional backgrounds and we were fortunate to hear their experience and different leadership journeys:

### Ms Caroline Tucek-Szabo

A senior and passionate immunologist from Moderna Therapeutics Australia, spoke to the students about her leadership experience during a crisis and how her dynamic style of leadership has led her team to assess, pivot and execute with care. Her presentation provided a behind-the-scene perspective during the peak of the COVID omicron epidemic.

### Mr Lewis Shobbrook

Senior manager from The National Australia Bank who has returned to JLP for the third time. Lewis gave us his perspective on ethics and leadership, and why integrity in leadership matters. I was particularly impressed with the four examples of bad behaviours in business.

**JUNIOR LEADERSHIP PROGRAM** **ONE MINUTE LEADERSHIP**

**MHS Memories**

Highlight of my time would be stage crew adventures (climbing high above Memorial Hall to hang lighting rigs), watching makeshift lunchtime gigs in the music rooms, Winter Concerts, theatre sports... too many to name!

Lewis Shobbrook  
MHS Class of '08

**Learning Leadership**

“Be willing to learn by doing - seek to do important things that seem ambitious and difficult, and ask people you admire and respect for advice and help as you do it. Don't beat yourself up if it doesn't go 100% according to plan - if you're willing to keep trying you will grow through any mistakes into a better person and more effective leader.”

If you would like to learn more about JLP, please go to <https://forms.gle/5ikQTAfmBPQYRWJW7>

### Miss Aditi Venkatesh

Our final speaker was a tertiary student who now works at Atlassian in Sydney. Aditi gave us an insight on the importance of resilience in Leadership and drew from her experience in learning from lessons and failures.

To deliver the JLP across both school campuses and to support our students, the program is fortunate and is well-supported by a core group of capable and dedicated committee members from GM&B and The Palladians. Over the past 2 years, some of the highlights of our work include:

1. Using technology during COVID lockdown, the committee has remained flexible and committed to continue the

delivery of JLP to MGHS and MHS. We have embraced virtual workspaces and online communication platforms to disseminate materials, discussion and feedback.

2. One of the positives as a result of the disruption is moving to 'paper-less' delivery of the program as we have saved hundreds of dollars in printing and trees. No longer do we need to print session notes and learning journals for our students and group leaders.
3. To increase our GM&B, MHSOBA and alumni presence on various platforms, Mangala Prasetia has designed and launched a new initiative on social media. He has created the One-Minute Leadership posts that regularly showcase our leaders and their inspiring quotes. If any alumni are interested, please reach out to Daryl or myself.



4. In addition to MHSOBA email databases, we also learning how to use social media to better disseminate news and notices. More importantly, the speed with which we communicate has resulted in a higher level of collaboration and quicker decision making. This, I believe this is the new way to work and continue into the future.

At the time of writing, The Junior Leadership Program will be looking at the Mentoring and Entrepreneur programs, including possible future events, which may align to both school's offerings extra-curricular program and student learning. Watch this space.

I would like to thank Dr. Sally Ng, President of The Palladians, for her continual support and combined efforts to grow The JLP to where it is today. And lastly, a shout out to our talented bunch of committee members from GM&B and The Palladians:

- Daryl Brooks – Trainer and Consultant
- Deniz Atakan – Symposium Host, Planner Facilitator
- Alan Stein – Planner, Program framework revision and Coordination
- Joanna Zhong – Group leader training and session coordinator
- Mangala Prasetia – Communications
- Evania Lok – Group leader training and Coordination



are

will

in

and

***Honour the work.***

## 5. MHS Foundation: John Wertheimer AM RFD



The Melbourne High School Foundation is the School's fundraising organisation. Through its trusts and funds, the Foundation provides unique opportunities for donors, including parents, past students, businesses, and philanthropists, to support the education and wellbeing of past, present, and future students and staff.

Below are details of the Foundation's individual Trusts:

- **The General Trust** promotes and manages bequests, endowments, and donations to enable MHS to provide high-quality camps and excursions, sports programs, equipment and facilities, vocational training opportunities, and activities that enrich the educational experience at MHS.
- **The Scholarship Trust** provides funds for scholarships, bursaries, and prizes, giving much-needed assistance to students who would struggle to meet the basic costs of education.

- **The Arts and Cultural Trust** raises funds to promote and support the Arts within the School, the City of Stonnington and the wider community. Areas of interest are music, media and theatre studies, studio arts, visual communication design, and Aboriginal and cultural heritage.
- **The Health Promotion Trust** focuses on programs that support the physical and emotional wellbeing of all the school's staff and students.
- **The Future Fund** is unrestricted, enabling the MHS Foundation to build financial stability and respond to the school's most pressing needs.

The Foundation also supports fundraising for the MHS Building and Library Funds. All donations, excluding contributions to the General Trust, are tax-deductible.

### **Governance and operations structure**

Our Board members, with support from the Foundation team and external fundraising consultants, are responsible for:

- determining policy and direction
- creating and implementing plans to raise funds
- processing donations
- allocating funds in conjunction with the School
- overseeing the five trusts and funds

### **Presidents Report**

With the generous support of our community, the MHS Foundation had another busy year supporting the School to deliver a stimulating and supportive learning environment for all students irrespective of their backgrounds or circumstances. Here are just a few examples of what we achieved in 2021:

### **The Centre for Higher Education Studies (CHES)**

Nine years ago, the MHS Foundation purchased land adjacent to the School at 669 Chapel St and in 2020, negotiations were completed for the purchase of the land by The Victorian School Building Authority.

Work is now underway on a state-of-the-art facility that will provide the boys at Melbourne High School and secondary school students across Victoria with a unique educational opportunity.

The Centre for Higher Education Studies (CHES) will offer high-achieving and capable secondary school students, first-year university courses and select VCE subjects, contributing to their ATAR, whilst gaining university credits. Outside of CHES programming hours, the facility will be available for use by the MHS community for classes and other events. The centre will be operational in 2023.

### **Supporting students**

Fifty-six students from families struggling to meet the basic costs of education were awarded scholarships, bursaries, and prizes. Activities included school fee contributions, cash awards, book subsidies and the provision of laptops, and school uniforms.

### **Mental Health First Aid**

Funds raised through the 2021 Annual Appeal will support the roll-out of a Mental Health First Aid Program (MHFAP) designed to build the capacity of teachers, parents and students to understand and respond to mental distress and crises.

Developed in Australia in 2000 and now used in 24 countries, the MHFAP is designed as a suite of training courses that provide individuals with the knowledge, skills and confidence needed to support a person experiencing a mental health problem or mental health crisis, including being suicidal.

The Health and Wellbeing Fund is supporting two Wellbeing Team members to undertake training in the MHFAP. Once trained they will conduct annual programs at MHS to build the capacity of staff, parents and students to understand and respond to mental health within the school community.

### **Double basses and an electric organ were purchased for our talented musicians.**

The Foundation responded to a request from Friends of Music to address the school's shortage of Double Bass instruments. With only one functioning double bass for performances, rehearsals and music lessons, student learning was significantly impacted.

Three additional double basses have now been purchased for the Music Department, with funds from the Arts & Cultural Trust, greatly improving opportunities for students to practice and perform.

Members of the Old Boys GM&B Patrons' Club banded together to raise funds for the purchase of an electric organ for the school.

## **Fundraising initiatives update**

Once again, the MHS Foundation delivered diverse fundraising activities and initiatives, raising critical funds for the School. Below is an overview of our outcomes in 2021.

### **Annual Appeal**

With the generous support of over 400 donors our **end** of tax year appeal raised \$125,634 in 2021. The donation breakdown is as follows:

- Future Fund - \$19,198
- Classrooms - \$28,753
- Scholarship Trust - \$37,197
- Arts & Cultural Trust - \$10,743
- MHSOBA – Scholarship Trust - \$2,812
- Library Fund - \$1,501
- Health Promotion Trust - \$15,219
- Millgrove - \$10,000
- General Trust - \$211

### **Fixed Scholarship, Awards & Speech Night Funds**

In 2021, 125 donors contributed \$43,575 towards fixed scholarships, awards and speech night prizes helping us to recognise excellence and ensure no student is left behind.

### **Regular Giving**

The Foundation now has the capacity to accept regular monthly gifts from our donors. Building this capacity will help to increase the long-term sustainability of our Trusts. Collectively our regular donors will provide regular ongoing support that will enable the school to plan for the future.

### **Classroom Giving Day Campaign**

Due to COVID19 the Giving Day Campaign scheduled for December 2021 was again postponed and rescheduled for September 2022. To date, nine classrooms have been renovated with funds raised through our Classrooms for a New Century Campaign. Progress to date has been slow due to COVID-19 restrictions halting construction on-site.

## **New Directors**

In 2021, four new directors joined our Board including old boys, Ben Mahoney (EX 1991) and Rodney Cocks CSM (EX 1994) and past parent Angeline Yeoh. Chitra Amaradasa, who for many years, supported the MHS Foundation as an observer has joined our Board of Directors and we also welcomed Gulrez Kaur as a Board Observer.

These new members will lend their significant expertise to the governance and strategic direction of the MHS Foundation moving forward. The Directors Report to follow provides a more detailed overview of the new members' experiences.

## **Farewell to Wendy Brooks and Partners**

After more than 5 years of providing strategic fundraising support to the Foundation, Wendy Brooks and Partners stepped down from their consulting role. I would like to take this opportunity to recognise their strong and effective contribution to the Foundation's success. We are pleased to announce that we are welcoming back Emer Diviney who will support our fundraising activities moving forward. Emer is joined by Tony Ericson who provides design and communications support.

### **In Closing**

By 31 December 2021, the Foundation and its trusts had improved their financial position. This was a significant achievement, as it was again a year of unusual circumstances.

Our success in 2021 was made possible by a wide range of individuals. I keenly thank my fellow board members, new and existing ambassadors and patrons, the MHSOBA Council, the GM&B, Finance and Administration Officer Jodie Gunton and MHSOBA Events Manager Jo Malley.

My sincere thanks to our generous donors and volunteers. Each one of you has supported Melbourne High School's students and staff, past, current, and future.

With best wishes,

**Col. John Wertheimer AM RFD President**

May 2022

## **6. MHSOBA & School Council Liaison: Peter Stathopoulos**



### **Dear fellow Green, Maroon & Black Patrons**

It is with great pleasure that I submit my President's Report to you all so you are across the activities undertaken since I last tabled a report for you.

2021 presented yet another year of office closures and no in-person events due to the global COVID-19 pandemic. Despite lockdowns and harsh restrictions, we successfully delivered a range of key initiatives including:

- MHSOBA Annual General Meeting (via ZOOM)
- Student Vocational Seminar Series (via ZOOM)
- MHS Careers Evening
- VCE Exam Master Class Series (via ZOOM)
- Annual Scholarship Program (via our website)
- Student and Adult Memberships
- Business Directory
- Ongoing CRM and website development

Throughout the year we continued to keep Members and our community informed through:

- Website engagement
- Ongoing social media posts (Facebook, LinkedIn, Instagram and Twitter)
- Personalised and broadcast EDMs (Electronic Direct Mail)

- Quarterly newsletter

### **MHS Principal**

Following Jeremy Ludowyke's retirement at end of 2020, MHSOBA produced "[A Tribute to Jeremy Ludowyke](#)". Contributors included Honorary School Historian Dr. Alan Gregory AM, Honorary MHS Life Patron Tom Wodak, former Assistant Principal David Smyth, stakeholders and students. We were delighted to recognise Jeremy's years of service and achievements throughout his tenure via this publication.

In 2021 we extended a warm welcome to Dr. Anthony Mordini, new Principal to Melbourne High School. Understanding the myriad complexities, intricacies, stakeholders and history of the School, MHSOBA placed itself at Dr. Mordini's disposal. It has been our pleasure to assist and support Dr. Mordini in his new role. We are delighted the relationship between all parties is positive, collaborative and continues to grow. The future will bear much fruit for us all as Dr. Mordini's dynamic plans for the school evolve.

### **MHSOBA Inc. Committee**

Throughout 2021, the Committee met monthly online via ZOOM. With experience gained in 2020, the team was adept at meeting this way and effectively continued to manage the Association's affairs.

We welcomed Mangala Prasetia, MHS 2014 to the Networking and Student Support Sub-committee where he has and continues to provide social media support for various initiatives. As in 2020, GM&B Patron-in-Chief Daryl Brooks joined our monthly meetings and shared updates. We thank both gentlemen for their time.

My sincere thanks to our dedicated Committee members for their expertise, steadfast support and contribution:

Warren Fall	MHS 1975	Vice President and Chair, Membership Sub-committee
Ted Goldstein	MHS 1966	Treasurer and Chair, Finance Sub-committee
Marco Dogliotti	MHS 2011	Secretary and Chair, Facilities Sub-committee
Peter Douros	MHS 1984	Chair, Scholarships Sub-committee
Guy Velik	MHS 2016	Chair, Student Engagement Sub-committee
Simon Anderson	MHS 2003	Chair, Networking and Student Support Sub-committee
Mangala Prasetia	MHS 2014	Networking and Student Support Sub-committee

### **MHSOBA Team**

Amid curfews and lockdowns, our part-time team worked offsite for the greater part of 2021. Jo Malley (Event & Operations Manager) focused on Reunions (all but one cancelled), online events and programs, communications, Scholarships, social media, our website and operations. Jodie Gunton (Accounts Manager) continued to manage the Association's finances in league with Treasurer Ted Goldstein.

I thank the team for their contribution whilst working remotely and for their support of our Members, affiliates and key stakeholders under often challenging circumstances.

### **EVENTS**

With COVID-Safe Plans, QR codes and density quotients in place, we hoped to deliver a series of 2021 Reunions and "Reunions Revisited" from 2020 in The Unicorn Club.

This was not to be. All but one event was cancelled, the 10-Year Reunion for the Class of 2011. Beyond that, our event calendar was once again ravaged by government mandates and snap lockdowns which resulted in the cancellation of

- Class of 2010 – 10-Year Reunion Revisited
- Class of 2000 – 20-Year Reunion Revisited
- Class of 1980 – 40-Year Reunion Revisited
- Class of 2020 – 1-Year Reunion
- Class of 2016 – 5-Year Reunion
- Class of 2001 – 20-Year Reunion
- Class of 1981 – 40-Year Reunion
- Class of 1991 – 30-Year Reunion
- Classes of 1970 and 1971 – 50-Year Reunion
- Golden Years Luncheon
- Annual Dinner
- Appreciation Evening

Just as marketing and ticketing events requires significant investment, so too did the progressive cancellation of events. We thank Old Boys who purchased Reunion tickets and were patient as events were progressively cancelled.

With the cancellation of events, some Old Boys asked, “*why don't you just reschedule them?*” To them we responded:

*...our event calendar is governed by busy MHS and school affiliate calendars and the availability of the MHS leadership team. Planned months in advance, we also consider affiliate club calendars, public holidays, school holidays, The Unicorn Club availability, myriad religious observances and celebrations, and significant calendar and public sporting events.*

*...As ever, we thank you for your patience under ever-changing and challenging circumstances.*

This year we plan to deliver a mix of “Reunions Revisited” from the past two years; combined cohorts for significant flagship Reunions; and key Reunions for 2022.

## **EVENTS - London Calling!**

Mid-2021, Old Boy Nicholas Antonas (MHS 2001) reached out to MHSOBA. A lawyer living and working in London and a member of the exclusive Reform Club on Pall Mall, he proposed hosting a private dinner for Old Boys living in London or the United Kingdom. In full support of this initiative, MHSOBA emailed all Old Boys with London or UK addresses on our database and posted the event to social media. With only 16 places available, the dinner was quickly oversubscribed. The event was held in late September with



great success. We understand the “London Calling” Old Boys now meet regularly for drinks and are heartened by their ongoing sense of camaraderie and community.

Old Boys living interstate or internationally are encouraged to [contact MHSOBA](#) for support in hosting their own Old Boys gathering.

Front Left to Right: Arth Mishra (MHS 2017); Garrick Pepper (MHS 2007); Luke Woodard (MHS 2004); Tom Posa (MHS 2012); Tim Harper (MHS 2000); Nicholas Antonas – event host (MHS 2001); Richard Blackett (MHS 1984); Dulan Dantanarayana (MHS 2010); Edmund Bao (MHS 2010) and Daniel McNamara (MHS 2005)

### **EVENTS – VIP Book Launch, “MHS Ray: A Life”**

After years compiling a biography of husband and former MHS Principal Ray Willis, Ruth Willis’ book “MHS Ray: A Life” was published in 2021.

The book recognises Ray’s life and tenure as Principal at MHS from 1992 to 2004. We felt the publication was deserving of a launch that celebrated Ray’s contribution and brought together past teachers, past students, colleagues, friends and family.

In consultation with Dr. Mordini and Ruth Willis, we were able to co-present a launch event in the Memorial Hall on Wednesday 23 March 2022. Attended by over 100 guests, it was a fitting tribute to a much loved, distinguished and highly respected Principal. After two years of lockdowns, it was wonderful to gather once again at the Castle on the Hill.



Left to Right: Jeremy Ludowyke (retired MHS Principal), Dr. Anthony Mordini (current MHS Principal), Luke Savage (Honorary School Archivist), Ruth Willis (author “MHS Ray: A Life”), Dr. Alan Gregory AM (Honorary School Historian), Tom Wodak (Honorary Life Patron, Melbourne High School)

## **Student Vocational Seminars**

Our annual program was delivered in September via ZOOM. Two Seminars – Medicine and Law – were co-presented by Old Boys, giving students further insight into these areas of specialisation.

We appreciate the contribution of Mr Hoang Vu of S&C Electric Company who delivered the Engineering Seminar. MHSOBA enjoys a positive relationship with S&C Electric and hopes to co-host student engineering workshops with them in the future.

We acknowledge and appreciate the contribution of these gentlemen in support of our Vocational Seminar Series:

### **Vocational Seminar Series Presenters 2021**

Mr Nicholas Benbow	William Buck	MHS 1996
Mr James Zong	Classical Pianist	MHS 2014
Mr Christos Stathopoulos	Christopher James Lawyers	MHS 2011
Mr Tom Egan	Dept. Premier & Cabinet	MHS 2011
Mr Shayan Soroush	Student of Medicine, Monash Uni	MHS 2020
Mr Kiran Rasaratnam	Student of Medicine, Monash Uni	MHS 2020
Mr Hoang Vu	S&C Electric Company	Associate

## **STUDENT ENGAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE - VCE Exam Masterclass Series**

Following input from MHS teachers, Masterclasses focused on three sessions last year – Specialist Mathematics, Psychology and English.

We thank Guy Velik – Chair, Student Engagement Sub-committee – for his extensive consultation with MHS staff to scope, plan and deliver these sessions for Year 11 and 12 students.

We also acknowledge the following Old Boys who gave of their time to present the Masterclasses:

Mr Avanish Yogaramanan	Specialist Mathematics	MHS 2019
Mr Shayan Soroush	Psychology	MHS 2020
Mr Malith Fernando	English	MHS 2018

## **MHS Careers Evening 2021**

We enjoy a positive working relationship with Mr Bill Theodoropoulos, Careers Coordinator at MHS.

In 2021 MHSOBA was asked to provide expert Old Boys across 11 professions to present at the School's first online Careers Evening and to provide a closing keynote speaker.

Our sincere thanks to the Old Boys below for contributing to this significant event, and to Dr. Steven Schmied for his closing keynote:

Dr. Victor Jia Wei Zhang	The University of Melbourne	MHS 2011
Mr Simon Anderson	AGL Energy	MHS 2003
Mr Sean Lester	Atlas Brokers	MHS 2009
Mr Alan Stein	Allens Lawyers	MHS 2012
Mr Andrew Nunn	Get DQD	MHS 2003



Mr Po Goh	Music Teacher & Accompanist	MHS 2016
Mr Matthew Nicholas	Tennis Australia	MHS 1999
Flight Lieutenant Jordan Cowley	Royal Australian Air Force	MHS 2008
Mr Tom Mackie	Agon Environmental	MHS 1997
Associate Professor John Troupis	Monash University	MHS 1983
Dr. Steven Schmied	Schmied Research & Development	MHS 1989

### **Annual General Meeting**

The 2021 AGM was held at The Unicorn Club on Monday 24 May at 6:30pm.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

As with 2020, Membership subscriptions in 2021 were average. This can be attributed to students learning remotely, parent and student information evenings being held online, and a lack of Reunions and other in-person social events. We are optimistic subscriptions will steadily increase in 2022 and beyond with the return of live events.

### **Social Media & Quarterly Newsletter**

Each year we post regularly to Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter and Instagram. Each cohort has their own Facebook page for targeted communication. Our communication calendar includes broadcast updates, obituaries and feature posts. We also post on behalf of affiliate organisations such as the MHS Foundation.

Our continued and sincere thanks to Dr Alan Gregory, School Historian and Luke Savage as Honorary School Archivist for their assistance in preparing obituaries and countless articles for our newsletter which focus on historic matters connecting MHS and the MHSOBA. This is particularly true with the passing of a number of significant MHS teachers in 2020 and 2021.

### **Website & CRM**

Our CRM – integrated with our website - continues to support enhanced reporting, record-keeping, and targeted communication. We are continuously improving and streamlining systems for optimal functionality.

### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

This year's Scholarship Program opened on Monday 5 July and was due to close on Friday 13 August. Given the impact of snap lockdowns, the Committee extended the close date to Friday 17 September, the end of Term 3.

As is usual, we received high quality submissions and congratulate current MHS students and Old Boys completing tertiary studies who were awarded a Scholarship.

To the program we welcomed new supporters Mr Peter Ivany AO, Mr Steven Pilmore and The Men for All Seasons. We anticipate more new sponsors joining in 2022, and thank these Old Boys and their families for their ongoing commitment:

Mr Peter Ivany AO	MHS 1971
Emeritus Professor Ross Fitzgerald AM	MHS 1961
Mr Steve Pilmore	MHS 1966
Mr John Ly (Nguyen)	MHS 2002
Mr Ben Mahoney & Family	MHS 1991
Dr Abhishek, Dr Amit and Dr Ajai Verma	MHS 2001, 2003, 2006

Mr Lambis Englezos AM	MHS 1971
Mr Greg Webber & Family	MHS 1993
The Men for All Seasons - Mr Peter Day, Mr Anthony Watkins & Mr Mark Wood	MHS 1983, 1983, 1982

## **MHS FOUNDATION**

I would like to thank Sam Theodore (MHS 1982) for continuing in his role as the Non-Elected Director who has been nominated by the MHSOBA. It was welcoming for Emer Diviney to return to the MHS Foundation. Emer's work is tireless on behalf of the MHS Foundation and MHS and it is extremely pleasing to see her back engaging with the wider MHS Family once more.

## **SCHOOL COUNCIL**

The majority of School Council meetings were held virtually last year once again but it did not stop school business from continuing under what I would term imperfect circumstances. I personally found it difficult to maintain my hands on approach to certain responsibilities considering I was not able to be at the school and to meet face to face. Congratulations to Dr Anthony Mordini, Pelissa Tsilimidos, Marcus Sharp, Andrew Sloan and the staff of MHS for the manner in which they again adapted to the circumstances and then navigated the school and its students during last year.

I would like to extend my special thanks to outgoing Assistant Principal, Marcus Sharp for his assistance and collaborative manner in which we were able to work for the period that he was in office. It's always sad to see committed, leading teachers depart however I'm sure that Marcus will be successful regardless of which path he decides to take in his professional career.

I would like to thank School Council President, Henry McLaughlin for his efforts last year and for the open lines of discussion that we had.

## **GREEN, MAROON & BLACK – Patrons' Club**

Being involved with the GM&B has been a pleasure since I was invited to be part of the executive. COVID-19 did not diminish the group's ability to interact and meet however it was again virtually.

Although areas like the mentoring of Year 11 students did not reach the heights that it should have last year, I'm sure that the future of that and other programs remain very strong. The Junior Leadership Program showed no signs of slowing down regardless of the situation that we all found ourselves and I must congratulate Wayne Chow, Daryl Brooks and Deniz Atakan and their ever-expanding team for growing the program.

Unfortunately, the hands-on interaction that I have had in the past with the School Heritage program again took a back seat last year. Luke Savage was still able to complete many projects remotely and again I must thank him for the immense support that he gives me in preparing written work for the MHSOBA quarterly newsletter.

I must thank Patron-in-Chief, Daryl Brooks and Deputy Patron-in-Chief, David Saul for their continued support and Executive Officer, Colin Green for their leadership and contribution this year to the greater MHS community. Daryl has been attending regular MHSOBA Committee meetings and I know that this has strengthened the lines of communication that we have amongst ourselves.

Due to scheduling issues the MHSOBA held it's 2022 AGM on Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, a couple of weeks prior to when it was originally projected and all in accordance with our Articles of Association.

At the AGM I stood down from my role as President of our association, as expressed at the previous AGM in 2021. I look forward to maintaining some input as I will remain involved with

the MHSOBA Committee in a developing role titled, Community Engagement. I hope that this will help to bring all parts of what I have termed *The Greater Melbourne High School Family*, closer together.

Therefore, it is with great pleasure that I can advise you all the Colin Axup, exit 1984, has been successful in being named the President of the MHSOBA. Coilin has been a member of the GM&B Executive committee for a number of years. His skill set and knowledge in the areas of education, leadership and management place him perfectly to be one of the finest leaders that the MHSOBA has ever had. I'm sure that all members of the GM&B will do as I will and give Colin and his committee all the support that they need. Marco Dogliotti also stood down as the Secretary of the MHSOBA and his immense support in the role will never be forgotten by all those who served on the MHSOBA Committee for almost ten years. Peter Douros has now been installed as the Secretary. Guy Velik and Simon Anderson have also moved on from the committee and I thank them for their valued input over several years. Bowan Hafey and Robin Sutcliffe have now joined the committee. I'm sure they will be looking to get the wheels of industry turning now that we are open for business again.



Mr Peter Stathopoulos  
President, MHSOBA Inc.

## NEW INDUCTEES 2022

### DANIEL BAKER (MHS 1988-1991)



After leaving Melbourne High School at the end of 1991, I attended the University of Western Australia and subsequently completed a Bachelor of Engineering (Civil) at University of Melbourne.

His introduction to industry was with BHP Steel in an entry level sales role. The automotive industry loomed large at the turn of the century, and Daniel was at the forefront of introducing locally manufactured anti-intrusion door safety beams into all Australian car manufacturers through the establishment of a greenfields site in Altona. Continuing in the steel industry with Atlas Steels, Daniel started to focus on managing projects in the oil and gas industry across the Asia Pacific region.

A subsequent move to Boral's Building Products division set up a more generalist career path in managing businesses. An opportunity to manage Boral's Tasmanian business arose, and I relocated to Hobart in 2013. Boral had the largest supply and install plasterboard business in Australia, and I took on the leadership of the Victorian and Tasmanian contracting business in 2015.

In 2018 I joined Downer Group in Tasmania looking after the operational management of Downer's Roads business across the State incorporating asphalt plants, a road surfacing business, minor civil works, and road maintenance business. I am currently Executive General Manager with Stornoway, a Tasmanian infrastructure services business encompassing operations in roads, bridges, civil and maintenance, traffic management, specialist access and water.

### FAZAL CADER (MHS 1972-1975)



Having peripherally experienced the Army as a senior NCO in the cadets I had, with many others, applied to join RMC Duntroon in 1976. Unfortunately, I soon found out that one cannot be an officer and a gentleman and have asthma as well. So, being unwilling to enter Monash as a penniless student, plan B was activated, and I joined the CommBank as Bank Officer.

After 10 years in the branches and specialist departments, and a stint as the VP (Victoria) of the CBOA, I could not resist the lure of private enterprise and resigned from the bank. As I was already a part-owner of a travel agency in George St, Sydney, I moved up there to work in it. However, I was coming to realise that finance was my thing so that didn't last long, and I joined a commodities futures trading company. I stayed in the industry, trading FX, soft & hard commodities futures

until my father asked me to help in the family business.

In Sri Lanka our family have been gem merchants for over 135 years and I helped my father with the Australian arm of the business, introducing it to Australian jewellery manufacturers and jewellers. However, I decided that setting up the first overseas branch of Bartercard in Sri Lanka was too good an opportunity to miss and with the help of local investors we were soon operational. After seven years in Sri Lanka, I decided to move back to Australia in 2000

On my return, I joined my brother-in-law in buying a mobile phone service business. This venture lasted approximately 13 years after which I sold it to be able to stand as a Liberal Candidate in the 2010 and 2013 Federal elections against another OB, Simon Crean. As I was unsuccessful, I became full-time consultant in the payment services industry to an ASX-listed group of companies where I remained until 2020 when I was approached to become the

MD/CEO of a payment services company. I am now busy bringing this start-up company to its full potential.

### **ILIJA GRGIC (MHS 1986-1989)**



Ilija was born and raised in the Inner-West suburb Yarraville, Melbourne and went to Kingsville Primary, Footscray High and then Melbourne High School. His final year at MHS was in 1989 after which he went on to the University of Melbourne and was formally educated as a Chemical Engineer (1996) and MBA (2004) from AGSM. Ilija has worked in the Oil & Gas, Energy, Petrochemical, Construction and Mining industries for more than 26 years covering project management, asset development, asset and production management and management consulting.

He recently established a construction company along with a consulting company in 2018, where he has focused a majority of his time and energy in establishing the Keyway Built and ICHH Consulting businesses.

Prior to and during the above period Ilija also played as a professional athlete in the Australian Football League with Footscray, West Coast and Essendon.

Ilija's current role is varied including technical hands-on as well as asset and project management including leadership and mentoring roles, as part of his construction and consulting businesses. One of Ilija's key objectives is to improve the overall impact his companies and he has on his local community, which now includes working as a board member on organisations in education and health.

Ilija is passionate about education, health, the outdoors and all sports and enjoys spending time away on all types of adventures with his family and friends enjoying good food and especially good company.

### **GRANT JOHANSEN (MHS 1975-1978)**



Grant Johansen currently supports the national response to the Covid-19 pandemic, as Logistics Director with Aspen Medical, focussing on establishing and maintaining respiratory testing and vaccinations centres across Australia.

After leaving MHS in 1978, Grant attended the Royal Military College Duntroon and served in the Australian Army for 31 years. His career primarily involved logistics operations, maintenance, supply, command and leadership, training, and strategic planning, as well as international representational and operational positions that include the United Nations in Africa and East Timor, the United States Army and an Advisory role to Papua New Guinea's Defence Force.

Following his retirement from the Army, Grant returned to Africa to lead a major logistic project supporting the United Nations, before managing companies and corporate projects in PNG, delivering transport, security, international freight forwarding for the PNG resource sector, and shipping throughout PNG and the Asia Pacific region.

In 2000, Grant was the reviewing officer at the MHS ANZAC Day Parade and delivered the ANZAC Day Address to the School in the Memorial Hall. Grant is a life member of the MHSOBA and we welcome him back to the Unicorn Club on his induction to the GM&B.

## **TORSTEN KASPER (MHS 1984-1987)**



As Managing Director of Chisholm & Gamon Property, Bayside's leading real estate team, Torsten Kasper is committed to setting the highest standards of excellence to which the whole team aspires.

His hands on involvement with the business means he is continually using his experience, extensive industry knowledge and dedication to inspire and motivate colleagues while delivering exceptional results for his clients.

Every day Torsten brings his marketing, negotiation and communication skills to the benefit of each and every client transaction.

"We take our responsibility to our clients very seriously", says Torsten. "This means ensuring we are informed and up to date with the latest market news and trends. It also means we try to set new benchmarks in professionalism, ethical behavior and final outcomes".

Torsten's education and qualifications put him at the forefront of the industry as a licensed auctioneer, agent and industry speaker.

In his spare time Torsten enjoys watching the football, playing tennis, swimming at the local pool and spending quality time with his family and friends.

## **CHRIS KELLY (MHS 1989-1992)**

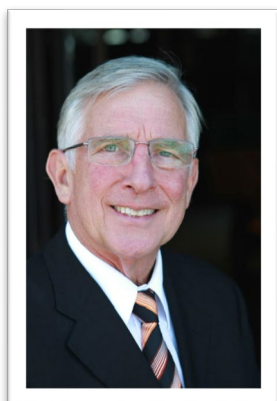


After graduating from MHS 1992, I completed a Bachelor of Applied Science at VU which led to a variety of different jobs in the sports and fitness industry. I was a keen footballer and played with MHSOBFC for a number of years, captaining the Reserves team for several years.

After a few years, I made the decision to travel to Africa and Europe and spend some time living and working in London.

On my return Australia in 2000 I decided a change of direction was required and while working at UBS in their Operations department I completed a Graduate Diploma of Applied Finance. From here I was able to move into a Sales trading role on the Institutional & Wholesale Broking desk. In this role I had the responsibility for the sales and execution of client trades across their financial planning and fund management clients. After finishing at UBS I moved to Patersons Securities, now Canaccord Genuity, in a Sales Advisor role dealing with Intermediaries and HNW clients.

## **RUSSELL LANSBURY (MHS 1959-1962)**



After finishing at MHS in 1962, I attended Melbourne University on a teaching scholarship and completed a BA in Psychology and Political Science. I continued post graduate studies in Sweden and at the London School of Economics (LSE) where I gained a PhD. I returned to teach at Monash University in 1974 and moved to Sydney in 1981: first to Macquarie University and then to the University of Sydney where I was Professor and Head of the Department of Industrial Relations from 1987 to 2009. I have continued to be involved with the University of Sydney Business School and serve as an adjunct professor at RMIT.

I have been fortunate to spend periods overseas working at the International Labour Organisation (ILO) in Geneva and as a Senior Fulbright Fellow at both Harvard and MIT in the US. I have also been

a Shaw Foundation Professor at Nanyang Technical University in Singapore. I received honorary doctorates from Lulea University of Technology in Sweden and Macquarie University in Australia. I was awarded an Order of Australia (AO) for services to industrial relations and higher education. In 2021, I published a memoir: *Crossing Boundaries: Work and Industrial Relations in Perspective* (Routledge Books, London and New York)

My wife, Gwen, taught Physiotherapy at the University of Sydney. Our daughter Nina is a senior lecturer in public health at the University of Queensland and our son, Owen, has a flourishing IT business in Sydney. We have four grandchildren, one of whom, Maya, is in her final year at Melbourne University.

I would like to pay my deep respects to two great teachers from MHS who both passed away during the past 12 months. They both had a profound influence on me and many other 'old boys' who were privileged to be their students: Graeme Duke taught me the importance of research and Graham Worrall inspired me to become a teacher. It was a great honour to be taught by them.

### **BRUCE LANYON (MHS 1968-1971)**



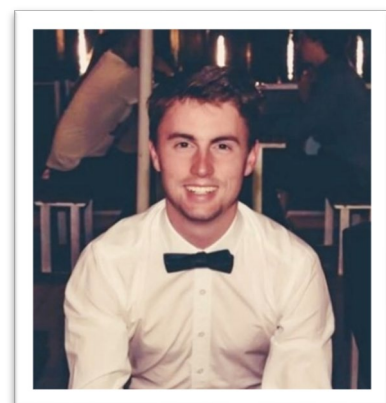
Following a business degree at RMIT, Bruce worked as a Chartered Accountant with EY and Price Waterhouse for six years before moving to corporate banking with Grindlays and ChaseAMP for a further seven years.

He started in the investment industry in November 1987 as an analyst researching a range of Industrial sectors at Randalls and other stockbrokers. After another four years, he became a successful portfolio manager at Colonial Investments in Melbourne, specializing in small cap stocks. This was followed with the move to what is now Morgan Stanley Wealth Management as a senior wealth adviser in 1999.

As a Wealth Manager, his clients include charities, superfunds, family offices and HNW individuals. This work covers structuring and advice on asset allocation, and security selection for income and growth.

Bruce holds a BBus(Acc), MBA, and US Series 7 license. Memberships include being a Fellow of CAANZ and a Senior Fellow of FINSIA. He is an Alumni of Leadership Victoria and has been a director, Finance committee member and adviser in the NFP sector. Interests include keeping active with cycling, tennis, swimming, reading, history and travel.

### **HUGO NICOLACI (MHS 2009-2012)**



After my enjoyable years at Melbourne High School came to a close, I attended The University of Melbourne, where I completed a Bachelor of Commerce (Finance) and subsequent Masters in Engineering (Civil).

My initial plan was to work as an engineer, but my interest in financial markets deepened following summers spent working in the equity research team at Goldman Sachs.

Following the completion of my undergrad I accepted a position in the Goldman Sachs Asia-Pacific Graduate program in 2017, based in Singapore. My time there offered opportunities beyond work experiences, growing my appreciation for travel, culture, and food, before moving to

Sydney in 2018.

As an analyst, I began work in the Australian and New Zealand Energy and Utilities team and garnered an appreciation for the energy market and supply chains, with a particular focus on the Australian LNG exporters, refiners, and gentailers. More recently I have moved across into the Resources team, with a focus on listed equities in the Australian Metals and Mining complex, while also gaining a broader exposure to the relevant global commodities.

For some work-life balance I have continued pursue interests which were fostered at MHS, including playing hockey, running, music, while remaining involved in the various associated committees/organising bodies.

### **JAMIE REID (MHS 1982-1985)**



I am an urban planner by profession, a vocational direction that was very much inspired by my experience at Melbourne High. The one subject that strongly engaged me throughout my high school years was Geography. Given the apparently limited career options available to geographers in the 1980s, and a strong parental push to do a vocational-oriented degree, I chose urban planning as a career. I gained both the Bachelor of Town and Regional Planning and Bachelor of Planning and Design degrees at the University of Melbourne, graduating in 1990.

Over the subsequent 30 odd years I have largely stayed within the planning profession, meandering between technical and leadership roles; and between government and the private sector. Sixteen of these years were spent working for government, culminating in Directorships at Yarra Ranges and Baw Baw Shire Councils. These roles exposed me to a fascinating range of responsibilities in addition to planning, including building regulation, arts and culture, emergency management, local laws, and public health.

The other half of my career has been spent working as a consultant in the private sector. In 2009 I joined a small consultancy, Planisphere, and later successfully merged it with two other firms to create a national business – Ethos Urban. Ethos Urban now operates across three States and employs over 150 staff. Although my role in the creation of the company was a career highlight, the COVID-19 pandemic sent me looking for fresh challenges.

My current role is Chief Future Built Environment Officer for the Greater Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust. Here my portfolio involves land strategy and acquisition, masterplanning, design, infrastructure and facilities construction and asset management. I have now been in the role for 6 months and am enthralled by the organisation and the deathcare sector. The role draws upon all of my previous planning and governance experience, while extending me in areas such as project management, finance and asset management.

Outside of my work life I have been actively engaged with community and sporting groups. I have played lawn bowls competitively for just under 20 years and have been a Board member at two clubs. I have one adult son and two primary school-aged stepchildren. I currently live in Preston with my partner, the kids and our pet chihuahua.

I live in the vain hope that St Kilda will win an AFL premiership during my lifetime.



## MARCUS SAUNDERS (MHS 2009-2012)



After graduating MHS in 2012, I commenced a Bachelor of Commerce degree at The University of Melbourne. Initially looking to pursue an engineering post graduate pathway, I discovered a passion for economics which consumed most of my (academic) university life. This included an Honours in Economics, receiving first class honours and a member of the Dean's Honours List in each of my university years.

Post university, I worked for two years at Credit Suisse as an Investment Banking Analyst in the Melbourne office covering General Industrials. Through this work, I gained initial experience across a diverse range of industries (including retail, oil & gas, TMT and industrials), product types (M&A, debt and equity) and an appreciation for the many forms of caffeine.

Since 2019, I've worked for TPG – a US based private equity firm – in their buy-out team based in Melbourne. TPG listed on the NASDAQ in early 2022 and invests across a range of industries and product types. Current Australian investments include: Greencross Pet Wellness Company (pet retail / vets including Petbarn); Novotech Health Holdings (Asia based clinic research organization); Funlab (out of home entertainment including Holey Moley and Strike) and Made Group (vertically integrated beverage company including Cocobella).

# 2022 GM&B ANNUAL DINNER ADDRESS

## MR GRANT JOHANSEN (MHS 1975-1978)



---

*For a detailed statement of Grant's CV see earlier section of this report on 2022 New Inductees.*

---

### Synopsis

Our time at MHS is short. Four years, less than five percent of the average Australian male lifespan. How then, can our youthful school life, influence so heavily on our professional and personal lives, as well as encouraging us to continue to give back to the School and students?

For me, the answer lies in the foundation that MHS establishes, and the sense of MHS Community, on which we build and continue to develop throughout

all aspects of our lives. This is evidenced by the strong and enduring sense of "*honouring the work*" that continues well beyond our short time at school.

The foundation is comprised of knowledge, skills, attitudes, ethos, values, ethics and resilience. The commitment to "*honouring the work*" and the knowledge and values gained as a member of the MHS Cadet Unit, supported me throughout my Military career, proudly serving in overseas operations and in Australia. This knowledge also applied when transitioning to commercial life when leading organisations in Africa and PNG, meeting the challenges, engaging with a diverse range of organisations and local staff as they navigated their lives in sometimes extraordinarily difficult environments.

The MHS Community, established through the commitment of staff, students, parents and friends, the Old Boy's Association, sporting clubs and cadet units, has established true and enduring friendships that have influenced my life, career decisions, supported me through challenges, with the camaraderie being some of the most enjoyable through my life so far.

MHS, indeed the very motto '*Honour the Work*', has established a foundation and a community, that has shaped my life and career, and I look forward to continuing engagement through the GM&B.



## CURRENT GM&B MEMBERSHIP: As at 18 May 2022

*(not including Program Members)*

Pref Name	Surname	PostNoms	Title	Initials	MHS Exit	Occupation
Dale	Allchin	JP	Mr	D V	1970	Retired
Isaac	Apel		Mr	I	1964	Managing Partner
Lewis	Apostolou		Mr	L I	1988	Partner (Lawyer)
Adam	Ashton		Mr	A	2010	Communications
Barry	Atkinson		Mr	B R	1956	Retired Civil Engineer
Colin	Axup		Mr	C R	1984	School Principal
Daniel	Baker		Mr	D P	1991	Commercial & Engineering Professional
Robert	Barber		Mr	R F	1957	Managing Director
Mel	Barnett	OAM	Mr	M	1955	Solicitor
John	Barr	AM	Mr	W H J	1954	Metallurgist & Mining Engineer
Ron	Beazley		Mr	R C	1955	Lawyer
Todd	Bessemer		Mr	T W	1987	Management Consultant
Richard	Blackett		Mr	R E C	1984	Commercial Manager & Investor
Simon	Bowen		Mr	S J	1984	General Manager Operations
Ross	Boyd		Mr	R M	1974	Aust Public Service, Asst Secretary
Gordon	Broderick		Mr	G J	1962	Managing Director
John	Brooke	OAM	Mr	J D	1956	Farmer
Daryl	Brooks		Mr	D L	1970	Exec Trainer & Educator
Fazal	Cader		Mr	F	1975	Company Director
Ross	Camfield		Mr	R L	1975	Travel Manager
Wayne	Chow		LtCol	W	1994	Dentist
John	Connor		Dr	J K	1954	Business Consultant
Simon	Crean		Hon	S F	1966	Former Federal Politician
John	Dodd		Mr	J A	1958	Civil Engineer (Retired)
Peter	Dolkas		Mr	P	1985	Banker
Neil	Duncan		Mr	N C	1956	Managing Director (Retired)
Lincoln	Easton		Mr	L K	1984	Director
Marcus	Elgin		Mr	M R	1979	CEO
Dechlan	Ellis		Lt Col	D R C	1985	Retired
Keith	Elsner		Dr	K H	1961	Orthopaedic Surgeon
Drew	Fairchild		Mr	D	1992	Finance
Anthony	Felber		Dr	A D	1971	Radiologist
Lindsay	Fox	AC	Mr	L E	1953	Truck Driver
Ted	Goldstein		Mr	T E	1966	Accountant
Geoff	Grant		Mr	G A	1962	Retired Photographer
Colin	Green	OAM	Mr	C C	1962	Executive Officer
Scott	Green		Mr	S P	1984	Director
Ilija	Grgic		Mr	I	1989	Director
John	Grigsby		Mr	J R J	1993	Secondary Teacher (Retired)

David	Grundmann		Dr	D	1964	General Medical Practitioner
Max	Grundmann		Mr	M	1964	Managing Director
Ian	Gust	AO	Prof	I D	1957	Research Director
Les	Innes		Mr	L P	1970	Retired Company Director
Peter	Ivany	AO	Mr	P A	1971	CEO/Managing Director
Colin	Johansen		Mr	C A	1974	CEO
Grant	Johansen		Mr	G A	1978	Logistics Manager
Torsten	Kasper		Mr	T	1987	Owner & Managing Director
Chris	Kelly		Mr	C C	1992	Stockbroker - Sales Advisor
Gary	Kent		Mr	G B	1978	Public Servant
David	Kitchen		Mr	D	1998	Public Servant
Len	Kliman		Dr	L J	1971	Obstetrician & Gynaecologist
Paris	Kritharides		Mr	P S	1982	Dentist
Russell	Lansbury	AM	Prof	R	1962	Retired Professor Emeritis
Bruce	Lanyon		Me	B A	1971	Investment Adviser
Kwong	Lee Dow	AO	Prof	K C	1955	Retired University VC
Charles	Macek		Mr	C	1964	General Manager
Phillip	Macumber		Dr	P G	1956	Hydrogeologist
Ben	Mahoney		Mr	B C	1991	Lawyer
Paul	Marcun		Dr	P R	1983	Pharmaceutical Scientist
Roger	Martin		Dr	R F	1960	Medical Research Scientist
Jim	Mathieson		Mr	J S	1955	Director
Rodney	Maule		Mr	R D	1985	Director of Safety
Mark	McConnell		Mr	M	1989	Profesional Director / Private Equity
Chris	McGrath		Dr	C J R	1983	Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeon
John	McIntosh		Mr	E J	1960	Retired
Steve	McIntosh		Mr	S	1988	Export Sales & Marketing Manager
Alan	Munday		Mr	A R	1974	General Manager
Stephen	Munday		Mr	S J	1981	National Development Manager
Hugo	Nicolaci		Mr	H	2012	Financial Analysr - Associate
George	Pappas	AO	Mr	G	1963	Chancellor
Frank	Penhalluriack		Mr	F W	1958	Proprietor
Steve	Pilmore	OAM RFD	Mr	S R	1966	Executive Director
Laurie	Pole		Mr	L J	1959	Civil Engineer (Retired)
Stephen	Pole		Mr	S	1988	Airline Pilot
Damian	Powell		Dr	D X	1985	Retired Principal
Nicholas	Psychogios		Mr	N	1979	CEO
Alan	Rae	OAM	Mr	A H	1954	Civil Engineer
Jamie	Reid		Mr	J S	1985	Exec, Chief Future Built Enviro Officer
Rob	Robson	CBE	Mr	R A	1944	Retired CEO
Louis	Roller		Assoc Prof	L	1958	Teaching Associate
Jeffrey	Rosenfeld	AC OBE	Prof	J V	1970	Neurosurgeon
David	Saul	AM	Brig	D H M	1980	Logistic Manager
Marcus	Saunders		Mr	M	2012	Investment Analist
Andrew	Scott		Prof	A J W	1980	University Professor

Gavan	Scott		Mr	G	1984	Business Owner
Kevin	Silberberg		Mr	K	1963	Honorary Treasurer KC
Warren	Soffer		Mr	W H	1969	Director
Peter	Stathopoulos		Mr	P	1982	Proprietor
Geoff	Sussman	OAM JP	Assoc Prof	G	1955	Academic Tissue Repair & Management
Troy	Sussman		Mr	T	1987	Actor and Director
Knowles	Tivendale		Mr	K J	1992	Transport & Urban Planner
Robin	Tuckerman		Mr	R K	1961	Consultant Australian Packaging Industry
Ajai	Verma		Dr	A K	2006	GP Doctor
Jack	Warhaft		Dr	N	1955	Anaesthetist & Hospital Manager
John	Wertheimer	AM RFD	Colonel	E J	1954	Company Director - Management Consulting
Allan	Whitehead		Dr	A L	1985	Emergency Medicine Specialist

*Shading = Newly inducted GM&B members 2022*



# Constitution

## The Green, Maroon and Black Patrons' Club



Affiliated with the  
Melbourne High School Old Boys' Association Incorporated

*Incorporating amendments passed at the Special General Meeting at the October Forum, 22/10/2012*

### COMMENCEMENT OF THE GM&B CLUB

Following a recommendation by the Council of the Melbourne High School Old Boys' Association Incorporated, the establishment of the Green, Maroon and Black Patrons Club was approved by a minute of the Council meeting of 11 October 1993.

It commenced formal operations on 1 May 1995 at the conclusion of the Foundation Membership period.

#### 1. NAME

The name of this club is the Green, Maroon and Black Patrons Club, herein after referred to as the GM&B Club ("**the Club**").

#### 2. PURPOSE

2.1 The purpose of the **Club** is to bring together former students and staff who wish to maintain a high level of philanthropic, benevolent and intellectual interest in the ongoing welfare of the MHSOBA Inc. and the Melbourne High School.

2.2 The **Club** will provide an opportunity for former students and staff of this inclination to meet, fraternise and socialise, on an irregular basis, in the best interests of the Association and the School.

#### 3. MISSION

The mission of the MHSOBA GM&B Patrons' Club is to contribute to the sustainable development of Melbourne High School so that it is nationally and internationally competitive and recognised as such through

the excellence and quality of its educational and experiential programs, its facilities and the achievements of its students and their pride in the School.

#### 4. AFFILIATION

4.1 The **Club** will always be affiliated with the Melbourne High School Old Boys' Association Incorporated, subsequently referred to as the MHSOBA Inc., whose registered number is A001 544P and which was incorporated on 27 January 1988.

4.2 The Articles of Association of the MHSOBA Inc. shall apply in any circumstance not covered by the Rules, including voting at meetings.

4.3 The rate of affiliation fee will be determined from time to time by the MHSOBA Inc. Council.

#### 5. MEMBERSHIP

5.1 The Executive will invite prospective members of the Club to join on the basis of

- recommendation for membership by an existing member;
- their demonstrated loyalty to the School and the MHSOBA Inc. over the years past;
- their genuine interest in the well being of the School and the Association; and
- their understanding and acceptance of the membership and joining fees



applicable at the time of joining.

5.2 If the prospective member advises the Secretary in writing of his/her intention to accept membership he/she will be admitted to membership as from the date of receipt by the Secretary of the notification subject to ratification at the next Executive meeting.

5.3 Providing the conditions in clauses 5.1 and 5.2 are met, or deemed to have been met by the MHSOBA Inc. Council, all former students, teachers and former teachers of the Melbourne High School are eligible to become members of the Club.

5.4 The President of the MHSOBA Inc shall be an ex officio member of the Club.

5.5 The Club may at any General meeting by a two-thirds majority vote of those present offer memberships in the Club to any person who is not included within clauses 5.1, 5.2 or 5.3.

5.6 The Club may at any Annual General Meeting by a two-thirds majority vote of those present confer Honorary Life membership on any member.

## 6. CATEGORIES OF MEMBERSHIP

Subject to the above there shall be three categories of membership:

6.1 Founding Members, those who were invited to join prior to the end of April 1995 by the MHSOBA Inc. Council

6.2 Joining Members, those who join by invitation or recommendation after 1 May 1995.

6.3 Honorary Life Members.

## 7. REGISTER OF MEMBERS

The Secretary of the MHSOBA Inc. shall keep and maintain a register of members in which shall be entered the full name, address and date of entry of the name of each member. This register will be kept at the MHSOBA Inc. Office, Scoreboard Pavilion, Melbourne High School, Forrest Hill, South Yarra, 3141.

## 8. RESIGNATION OF MEMBERS

8.1 A member of the Club who has paid all moneys due and payable by him to the Club may resign from the Club by first giving one months notice in writing to the Secretary of his intention to resign and upon the expiration of

that period of notice, the member shall cease to be a member.

8.2 Upon the expiration of a notice given under clause 8.1 the Secretary shall make in the register of members an entry recording the date on which the member whom the notice was given, ceased to be a member.

## 9. DISCIPLINE OF MEMBERS

9.1 Under exceptional circumstances, if the ideals and high standards of the Club were under threat by a member, the Executive may request that member to make personal representation to the Executive to justify why he/she should remain a member of the Club.

9.2 In this event the Executive would report to a General meeting of the Club which would then decide by a majority vote of those present what action should be taken, including suspension or expulsion.

## 10. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

10.1 The Secretary shall call an Annual General Meeting of the members of the Club in each calendar year.

10.2 Twelve members personally present constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of an Annual General Meeting of the Club.

10.3 The business conducted at this meeting shall be:

10.3.1 The election of a:

- Patron-in-Chief;
- Deputy Patron-in-Chief;
- Secretary;
- Treasurer.

Nominations for these positions must be received by the Secretary prior to the Executive Meeting immediately preceding the scheduled AGM, with the date of the Executive Meeting being advised with at least 7 days notice to members. It is usual for the Deputy Patron-in-Chief to take over the role of Patron-in-Chief once his term of office is completed in compliance with clause 12.2.

10.3.2 To receive reports about any special projects undertaken by the Club on behalf of the MHSOBA Inc. or the School;

10.3.3 To receive a financial statement from the Treasurer

10.3.4 To receive other business for which due notice has been received in writing by the Secretary.

10.4 The Annual General Meeting generally will be held in the month of March - April each year, followed by the awarding of GM&B Patrons Certificates at the Annual Club Dinner.

## 11. EXECUTIVE

11.1 The Executive shall comprise the:

- Patron-in-Chief
- Deputy Patron-in-Chief
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- President of the MHSOBA Inc (ex officio appointment)
- Executive Officer (appointed by the Executive)
- Chairs of the various operational committees and such other member or members who are co-opted from time to time by the Executive ("the co-opted member").

11.2 All ex-officio members of the Executive have the same voting rights as the other elected and appointed officers.

## 12. TERM OF OFFICE

12.1 The members of the Executive shall hold office for a term of 12 months or until the next Annual General Meeting which ever shall later occur.

12.2 The Patron-in-Chief shall be eligible to serve for an initial term and for two successive terms thereafter.

12.3 Any co-opted member shall serve from the date of co-option until the Executive Meeting that is first convened after the next Annual General Meeting.

## 13. EXECUTIVE OFFICER

13.1 The Executive shall appoint the Executive Officer at the first executive meeting convened after the Annual General Meeting.

13.2 The Executive Officer shall hold office until the Executive meeting that is first

convened after the Annual General Meeting following his/her appointment.

## 14. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS

14.1 All general meetings of members of the Club other than the Annual General Meeting shall be called Special General Meetings.

14.2 The Patron-in-Chief of the Club, or any group of 10 members, may request in writing that the Secretary call a Special General Meeting. The objects of such a request for a meeting must be made clear in the Notice and in the Agenda for the meeting

14.3 The Secretary shall call a meeting by sending such notice to all Club members, specifying the reasons for the meeting, its location, date and time of commencement. 14 days notice of a Special General Meeting must be given to all members.

14.4 Additional items may be placed on the agenda for transaction provided the member/s notify the Secretary in writing no later than 7 days prior to the Special General Meeting and written notice thereof is given by the Secretary to the members no later than 24 hours before the meeting.

14.5 No business other than that set on the agenda shall be formally transacted at the meeting.

## 15. PROCEDURES AT SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS

15.1 All business that is transacted at a Special General Meeting and all business that is transacted at the Annual General Meeting with the exception of that specially referred to in this Constitution as being the ordinary business of the Annual Meeting shall be deemed to be special business.

15.2 No item of business shall be transacted at a general meeting unless a quorum of the Club members entitled under these rules to vote is present during the time when the meeting is considering that item.

15.3 Twelve members personally present constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of a general meeting of the Club.

15.4 The Patron-in-Chief of the Club shall preside at any general meeting of members. In his absence the Deputy Patron-in-Chief shall act as Chair or the meeting shall elect a Chairman for the duration of that meeting.

15.5 Voting shall be by a show of hands save, in respect of the voting for the Patron-in-Chief and for the members of the executive, if it is the will of the meeting, by a secret ballot.

## 16. OFFICERS OF THE GM&B CLUB

The officers of the Club will be the members of the Executive.

## 17. ELECTION OF THE PATRON-IN-CHIEF

17.1 All members of the Club are eligible to stand for election to this office providing due notice is received by the Secretary at the Executive Meeting prior to the AGM.

17.2 Nominations for this position will have the right to briefly address the members of the Club about their policies at the Annual General Meeting.

17.3 It is usual for the Deputy Patron-in-Chief to take over the role of Patron-in-Chief once his term of office is completed.

## 18. FUNDS AND FEES

18.1 The fees payable by members comprise:

- initial joining fee, and
- annual fee.

The Executive will from time to time determine the fees.

18.2 Securing the fees to be paid by members is the responsibility of the Treasurer. Members who default in their annual payments may be subject to review of their membership by the

Executive upon recommendation of the Treasurer.

18.3 The Treasurer will present the Annual Financial Statements at the Annual General Meeting or, in his absence, by the Patron-in-Chief or in his absence by the Chair of the meeting.

18.4 Other income may be derived for special purposes of the MHSOBA Inc. and the School as agreed from time to time.

## 19. PUBLICATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

The normal means of communication is through email newsletters to members together with a printed Annual Report prepared for the Annual General Meeting.

## 20. DISPOSAL OF ASSETS

In the event of the winding up or the disbanding of the Club, whatever assets and property are held after payment of all just debts and liabilities shall not be distributed to members but to the MHSOBA Inc., or in the event that the MHSOBA Inc. is disbanded then the assets and property shall revert to the Melbourne High School or to a fund with similar objectives to the Club.

## 21. CONSTITUTION

The Constitution may be amended in accordance with the procedure and resolution passed by a two-thirds majority of those present at a Special General Meeting.

### MHSOBA Inc. Administration Address

**MHSOBA Inc.**  
Melbourne High School  
Forrest Hill  
South Yarra Vic 3141

Telephone: 03 9824 0480 Fax: 03 9827 0257

Email: [administrator@mhsoba.asn.au](mailto:administrator@mhsoba.asn.au)  
Web: [www.mhsoba.asn.au](http://www.mhsoba.asn.au)

#### Executive Officer GM&B Colin Green OAM

Email: [colin@gmbpatrons.com.au](mailto:colin@gmbpatrons.com.au)  
Mobile: 0411 759 132

## *Since 1994 ...*

*The mission of the MHSOBA GMGB Patrons' Club is to contribute to the sustainable development of Melbourne High School so that it is nationally and internationally competitive and recognised as such through the excellence and quality of its educational and experiential programs, its facilities and the achievements of its students and their pride in the School.*