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Developing fine young men



welcome

to this edition of Villa Voice. Unfortunately, COVID-19 impacted our plans to bring you our May edition as many of the events and activities we report on and preview simply did not occur.

Even now as we prepare for 2021, our advertised event dates are still a 'TBC' depending on the status of COVID restrictions. We are certainly looking forward to gathering again at the many community events that bring us together and make us uniquely Villanova.

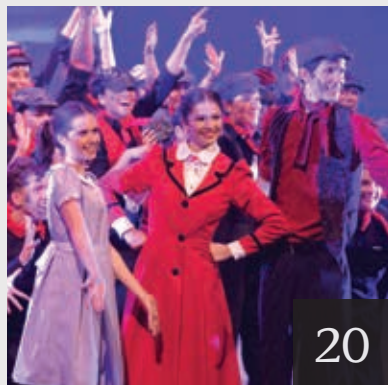
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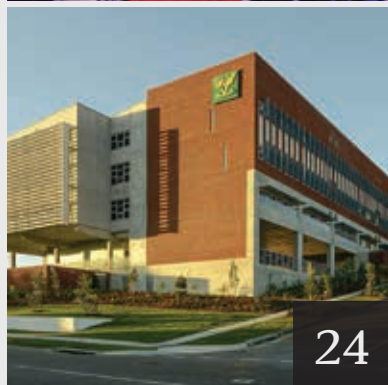
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PRINCIPAL'S welcome

MR MARK STOWER — COLLEGE PRINCIPAL

What a year 2020 has been. Few people dancing and celebrating at New Year's Eve parties at the end of 2019 would have foreseen the rise of a pandemic and the spread of COVID-19 across so many countries including Australia. We have been fortunate to have kept the rate of infection low and the community spread almost to zero for most of the past six months. Our hearts and prayers go out to all those people who have lost loved ones through the pandemic.

The pandemic has impacted almost every aspect of College life. This year we have undertaken learning from home with students engaging with schoolwork through a variety of online and digital tools. All social gatherings with members of our community had to go on hold. Sport and cultural activities were halted. The number of visitors to the campus was reduced significantly and physical distancing and rigorous hand hygiene protocols introduced.

For a College that has a strong community bond, the restrictions on gatherings has been difficult. Our parents, staff and Old Boys have missed the many opportunities during the year to meet informally on the sidelines of sporting fields and at the many social functions normally held during each term. Slowly we are returning to some

semblance of normality with school sport and cultural activities resuming for students from Term Three.

This year we took possession of the St Thomas of Villanova Learning Centre. The new building provides 19 new learning spaces including a new lecture theatre to accommodate up to 120 students. The Junior School students formally moved into their new spaces at the commencement of Term Three and I am pleased to say the staff and students love their new classrooms. Our Senior students have taken ownership of the top floor of the new building creating a "learning common" where students and staff gather to work collectively or individually on set tasks. There is even a small kitchenette to provide Senior students with a place to make a coffee or to heat up a snack during lunch breaks.

As we continue to navigate the pandemic and its effect on our daily lives, we take comfort that members of our community are there for each other to assist where needed. For some of our families, the pandemic has meant job losses and we continue to offer our support to families who may be experiencing difficulties.

One of the most difficult aspects of the pandemic is the uncertainty that it creates. However, I am certain that Villanova College will continue to thrive and be a place of comfort and routine for our community.

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MICROSOFT TRANSFORMATION *program*

MR JOHN CHRISTIE — DEAN OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

The College began preparations at the beginning of the year to transform the way we deliver the curriculum using the many digital platforms we use. The introduction of the BYOD program five years ago prompted teachers to adopt a range of applications, and whilst this provided many opportunities, an element of consistency was lost.

This year, Villanova has embarked on an educational transformation journey, joining with Microsoft and fellow partners, to assist in building capacity, guiding transformation, and providing early access to new research and solutions. The program will give us a relentless focus on securing strong student outcomes by creating a safe, secure and efficient educational environment that will provide personalised and predictive learning that empowers students. To prepare, a number of staff have completed a range of workshops.

LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP:

This workshop explored the critical components and conversations needed to drive whole-school education transformation and technology deployment, and the technical solution designs which underpin it. When planning whole-school technology integration and deployment in education, it is vital to consider all components of the vision, strategy and solution to ensure ultimate success for the vision of enabling effective use of technology by teachers and learners. Designed from vast experience of deployments globally, this workshop described some of the most commonly faced challenges, considerations and requirements and used real world experience to provide solutions and thought leadership.

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INCLUSIVE CLASSROOM WORKSHOP:

Microsoft provides a robust platform for students to fully engage with the curriculum, their classmates and their teachers in powerful new ways. These tools and solutions work in tandem with Universal Design for Learning (UDL) principles, among others, and help teachers spend less time creating workarounds and more time working with their students. The workshop detailed how students can demonstrate their understanding using inputs other than keyboarding and text and be equipped with productivity and collaborative tools, and skills they will use throughout their lives.

MICROSOFT INNOVATIVE EDUCATOR TRAINER WORKSHOP:

This two-day workshop equipped staff with the skills to train other educators in the integration of technology in the classroom. The goal was to provide trainers exposure to the many Microsoft technologies and resources that support student-centred learning based on authentic problems and projects. The overall intent is to introduce trainers to the training materials through hands-on activities and conversation so that trainers may enable teachers in their schools to get more out of the Microsoft products they have access to and take advantage of the many free tools available to students and educators.

The College envisages the program will expand to all staff and students throughout 2021.

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CELEBRATING *excellence*

Over the past few years the College has recognised its high academic achievers at the Celebration of Excellence held at the Queensland Performing Arts Centre. COVID restrictions saw our 2020 celebrations held on campus in the Hanrahan Theatre, split over events for Years 5 – 9 and for Years 10 and 11.

Absent from this year's proceedings were our Year 12 students and the presentation of the College Dux and Proxime Accessit, and the Awards of Distinction. Due to the introduction of external exams for Queensland Year 12 students in 2020, academic results have been delayed, and considering some maths/science exams carry a 50% weighting on final results, a decision was made to hold over the awarding of Year 12 prizes until next year to present a more complete indication of achievement. Year 12 Awards of Distinction prizes were presented at the Graduation Ceremony in mid-November and as these missed our print deadline for Villa Voice, our recipients will also be featured in the next edition in 2021.

Congratulations to Outstanding Achiever Award recipients in 2020 for Years 5 – 11:

Dux of Year 5	Archie Dickinson
Proxime Accessit Year 5	Oscar Kallis
Dux of Year 6	William Dolphin
Dux of Year 6	Reuben Wagels
Dux of Year 7	Wade Wildin Powell
Proxime Accessit Year 7	Lucas Fleming
Proxime Accessit Year 7	Nikolas Katakis
Dux of Year 8	Daniel Egert
Proxime Accessit Year 8	Ronan Flaherty
Dux of Year 9	Thomas Winn
Proxime Accessit Year 9	Mitchell Rieck
Dux of Year 10	Liam McConville
Proxime Accessit Year 10	Lachlan McGregor
Dux of Year 11	Harry Corrigan
Dux of Year 11	Patrick Perrier

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT



Each year, the Australian Institute of Physics (AIP) acknowledges the highest achieving students in secondary school courses with the award of Certificates of Excellence in Physics.

This year, based on their confirmed results (which constitute 50% of their final mark), 30 of Villanova's 53 physics students received the Certificate of Excellence in Physics, receiving 90% or better on their internal assessment.

We are very proud of the students and their teachers.

Mrs Juanita Jacobs,
Science CAL



Congratulations to Year 11 student Luke Palmer who was joint winner of the 2020 QETA and UQ Student Economics Competition. 1,600 students from 33 schools throughout Queensland entered the competition. Of the 64 Villanova College Year 11 and 12 students who participated in the competition, 11 students received a High Distinction and 16 students received a Distinction.

Darren Muller (Year 12) achieved third place in the inaugural Business Educators' Association of Queensland Accounting Competition. Over 500 students participated and given the number of participants and the degree of difficulty of the questions, it was an outstanding result.



Year 9 student Thomas Rieck has placed in the top 1% of entrants in the 2020 Australian Geography Competition. This year's event saw 65,000 students take part with Villanova College students recording a number of Distinctions and High Distinctions.

THE SENIOR CLASS OF 2020

It was meant to be the most memorable year of their schooling journey. A year of firsts and lasts. The first time to wear the white shirt as a College Senior. The first cohort to sit external ATAR exams. The first students to take up residence in the St Thomas of Villanova Learning Centre. The last time to play in Goold Hall or run out on Villa Park in the green and gold. The last war-cry, tuckshop purchase and assembly. What the Coronavirus pandemic took away in events and experiences, our Seniors made up for in their attitude and resilience in making the best of their final year together.

COLLEGE CAPTAIN, MAX McCAUL:

"I believe that this year has brought us closer, both as a Senior cohort and as a College. We have come out of this situation with a new appreciation for the activities and opportunities we are presented every single day."

Max said the constant uncertainty had been extremely challenging – "What was allowed, what wasn't because changing COVID-19 restrictions made it very difficult to organise certain activities."

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STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT, MURPHY WOODGER:

"Honestly, to be able to have participated in various events was great, considering the impact of COVID-19 in Queensland could have been significantly worse and knowing what Year 12 students in Victoria have gone through."

VICE CAPTAIN, TADGH O'NEILL:

"In the end, whatever we did has been with mates and I wouldn't change anything for the world."

According to Head of Senior School, Mr Matt Levander, the 2020 Student Leadership Team have navigated the challenges associated with their interrupted year with pragmatism and resilience.

"With a significant focus placed on the mental health of our young men in responding to the pandemic, our student leaders have invested enormous energy into positive mental health awareness programs, culminating with the RuOK Round for Rugby and Football to conclude Term 3 sport," Mr Levander said.

"The music leadership group created their own podcast series and the ministry leaders established the new Villa Green Team which were two other notable achievements associated with their leadership vision."

For all that COVID-19 threw at them, our Class of 2020 can certainly say their Senior year was memorable. Their adaptability and resolve to make things count, has seen them walk their 'brothers in arms' creed in 2020.

"In the end, whatever we did has been with mates and I wouldn't change anything for the world."

2021 College Captains

Villanova College congratulates the Student Leadership Executive team for 2021 and wishes them the very best in their service of the College in 2021.



The outgoing 2020 Student Executive Team with incoming 2021 leaders: (L-R) Luke Palmer, Thanasi Keskinidis, Louis Henderson, Mr Matt Levander, Max McCaul, Tadgh O'Neill, Murphy Woodger

College Captain: Louis Henderson
Vice Captain: Thanasi Keskinidis
Student Council President: . . Luke Palmer

NEW YEAR 7 *classrooms*

MS KATE ALEXANDER — COLLABORATIVE AND REFLECTIVE PRACTICES PROGRAM LEADER

The teaching spaces are furnished with a range of flexible furniture and have been designed to provide an environment that allows greater scope to deliver learning activities.



Artist's impressions of the dynamic learning spaces inside O'Donnell

The new Dynamic Learning Classrooms will be ready for Year 7 students at the beginning of the 2021 school year and form part of the masterplan for the Coorparoo campus.

With the completion of the St Thomas of Villanova building, our Year 5 and 6 students have now vacated the O'Donnell building and surrounding precinct.

This has allowed our Middle School students to make the most of the terraces and extra handball and basketball courts. There has also been a lot of action happening inside the walls of O'Donnell, with the six teaching spaces being remodelled into three Dynamic Learning Spaces, which will allow for co-teaching of Year 7 classes. Each of the new classrooms will feature a 56-seat auditorium, break out spaces in the former corridors and brand-new battery-operated lockers. The teaching spaces are furnished with a range of flexible furniture and have been designed to provide an environment that allows greater scope to deliver learning activities, which develop 21st century skills, including critical thinking, communication, collaboration, team work and personal and social skills.

Principal, Mr Mark Stower, said the classrooms have been designed to optimise the use of flexible learning spaces.

"The classroom design builds on the work undertaken with our Year 5 and 6 classrooms and offers students an exciting and refreshing environment in which to explore their first year of secondary education."

Each Dynamic Learning Space will cater for a total of 56 students (two classes of 28 students). Each class will be assigned two specialist teachers in Mathematics/Science and Religion/History/Geography/English. The co-teaching model allows teachers the ability to work as members of a team, enhancing their own teaching practices through collaboration with their peers.



THE UNSEEN *curriculum*

MR STEPHEN ROUHLIADEFF — HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

Our students and Junior School team are officially in our new home – the St Thomas of Villanova Learning Centre.

We are surrounded by windows, city views and green spaces. Priority is given to boys' education – where room to move, an understanding of a student's abilities and challenges, and a culture that is inclusive of everyone is so important. Every day, your sons are learning their best habits; they are on a journey of self-discovery and mastery of negotiating and teamwork. It is a learning and workplace for the future, supporting the very individuals who will be our leaders, your sons.

In the five months we have lived in the St Thomas of Villanova Learning Centre, we are benefitting from the past five years of planning. It took research, national visits and tours and professional pods to discuss and debate the students' best interests. In addition, our Junior School team incorporated Restorative Practices, Collaborative Reflective Pods, and Nationally Consistent Collection of Data to best plan, teach, learn and reflect for who really matters – your sons.

So, you might ask, why is a typical day in our space so inspiring? The answer is that two classes work together and they work together well. A daily timetable exists where two classes sometimes work together or during other lessons, they have the incredible space to themselves. Students have a choice of teacher, the ability to decide which learning space – and always, a choice of tasks at a pace that best suits them. This means their mindset that day and their ability to focus and comprehend is matched. Your son now has the potential, support and practice to build a sense of belonging, self-worth and understanding of his strengths through all aspects of the learning environment. He will have the scaffolding to figure out how to manage and improve his challenges. It is the chance for young men to know themselves, each other and their educators in a way that is safe, steady and secure.

Our regular Principal Tours are absolute proof of the power of learning potential in boys. We drop into classes and witness their day to day experiences. It might be 'Circle Time' where the NFL ball is the talking tool and boys

choose who they want to listen to next. It might be students performing poetry they have just written to an audience of their 53 peers. It might be the daily differentiation of students in Mathematics where students learn a concept together and then decide at what level they wish to work within – across potentially five spaces. On any day I can guarantee that teachers and students will be engaged.

What a privilege it is to be in the St Thomas of Villanova Learning Centre. How grateful the Year 5 and 6 students are, knowing that every day the Villanova College values – the search for truth, community and interiority are real. They are living parts to our pedagogical practice and desire to foster a balanced, happy young man who has brothers to his left and brothers to his right, across eight year levels of their lives and beyond. This is the unseen curriculum, the elements that make any student successful with their parents, teachers and mentors supporting every move, every day with your sons.

“Every day, your sons are learning their best habits; they are on a journey of self-discovery and mastery of negotiating and teamwork.”

The Villa Man

THE QUALITIES OF THE VILLANOVA GRADUATE

MR JOHN HOLROYD — DEAN OF MISSION AND IDENTITY



Naming the Villa Man

Since 2011, Senior students have referred to character qualities they admire as belonging to the “Villa Man.” The concept was first articulated by the Senior cohort of 2011. In a year of disruption caused by new building, the student leaders – badged and unbadged – wished to create an even deeper unity by supporting all the different interests and team pursuits of their cohort. The Villa Man expressed the idea of appreciating “all the different kinds of young men we have in our College.” (Christian Welch, College Captain, 2011).

The beauty of the concept is that it encompasses everyone. As Christian puts it, “Villanova is not an OP1 [academic scholarships] nor sporting factory...there’s better markers of how we develop young men.” It is within reach of *any* student to become the Villa Man by becoming “the best man they can be, expressing the Villa Values – mateship, compassion...” (Current Year 11 student). Harrison Adams (2011) adds that you create the ground for the Villa Man, “the more you can engage with the younger students.” Hence the Year 12 cohort of 2011 established the Year 5-12 breakfast.

Subsequent Senior cohorts have all found new dimensions in the Villa Man, for example the 2019 motto,

“Where your passion lies,
success will follow

could almost have been the vision for 2011, because “you can be passionate about a lot of things at Villa” (Matt Rolls, College Captain, 2019). In each leadership year, key qualities of accountability, taking every opportunity, and wanting to leave things better also emerge.

One of the underlying trends made obvious by discussing the Villa Man with different Senior cohorts is the powerful way in which the students themselves take the lead in “building of character.” (Will Stevens, 2019). In about Year 9 or 10, there seems to be a tipping point, where students take more interest in becoming “good quality people who make a big difference in their community” (Christian Welch). This is such a liberating and refreshing project, ringing true for students, because it does not hinge on being gifted at sport or academics. It creates possibility for each boy to aspire to be a Villa Man, and brings to life St Thomas of Villanova’s insight that we are born to share the “natural gifts and graces” which we have received. As soon as a critical mass of boys gets interested in the Villa Man project, barriers tumble down, and the *cor unum* spirit the boys so relish accelerates: working for the green and gold/ the cats/ the “crest on the chest”/ something bigger than yourself.

But can this concept of the Villa Man be applied in the Middle School?

Middle School Villa Man Conference

At the end of last term, a conference exploring the applicability of the Villa Man was held, with about 25 Middle School students in attendance. The risk was that the boys would glaze over at mention of what might seem an abstract concept; so Henry Manning (Year 8) conducted a wide-ranging survey asking over 250 Middle School students where they see people and behaviours in the Middle School whom and which they admire. The results were humbling. There was a flood of warm-hearted tributes to boys and staff who every day make a difference through their enthusiasm, warmth, kindness, inclusivity, gentleness, and compassion.



If these are the qualities of the Villa Man in the Middle School, the students present were quickly able to analyse that the main “blockers” for becoming that man are arrogance and individualism. No one mentions natural talent, e.g. giftedness at sport, as being a characteristic of the Villa Man. It is *how* gifts and talents are used which make the difference.

Seven leaders from the Senior Cohorts of 2019-2021 – Messrs Rolls and Stevens (2019); McCaul, Woodger and Collie (2020), and Reid and Henderson (2021) – lent their assistance by sharing their reflections on their journeys through Middle School. The next step is to develop some posters in which Middle School boys will put into words what they want and expect from their peers and friends in terms of day to day actions.

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and talents are
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the difference.

The distinctive qualities of the Villanova Graduate

Do different cultures – in the different boys’ schools – create different outcomes? Surprisingly, the answer in the case of Villanova College is yes. It would be interesting to listen to the views of different past students and family members on why this is the case, but I would like to venture a few remarks, based on conversations with recent Old Boys:

AUGUSTINIAN CHARISM:

Augustine is a highly intelligent searcher for truth, who pours all his heart and mind into creating good communities. This capacity to see and articulate how community is made is gold for a 21st century boys’ school. Even more, the call to find truth within a faith community is lived out each day, with the chapel bell ringing at 8.00am each morning, and with our two Augustinian chaplains providing a ministry of presence.

INTERIORITY:

The ultimate guide for the truth of how I live my life lies deep within me: that is the source of my dignity, and that of every person who passes through the gates of Villanova College. This is a profound and liberating insight – and yet it is somehow so big that we miss it in restlessly searching outside ourselves. The importance of building the habit of looking within to find your moral compass is

not easy to put into one word, but it is a practice which is highlighted at Villanova College as the basis of having a truly diverse community. If I don’t feel that my gifts and unique personality are seen or valued, then “community” won’t mean anything to me.

LEAGUE TABLES:

When Jesus began his mission in strong support of the lame, the blind, the ashamed, the outcast, the loner, he saw that the big thing holding these people back was a social structure of putting everyone into league tables. Jesus lives out that outsiders and “losers” are perfectly good and acceptable to God *just as they are*. Christ preferred the company of sinners. He turned over the trading tables in the Temple, and turned over all the systems by which human beings confer phoney status. To its great credit, Villanova is a Christian school where becoming a better person finally matters more than labels. The marker of your value is what you do in giving your gifts and graces to the community.

To read more about the attributes of an Augustinian graduate, visit:
www.vnc.qld.edu.au/ourcollege/anaugustiniangraduate



THE YEAR IN *sport*

To say it was an interrupted year for Villanova sport would be an understatement.

“ Given the interruption, the College performed exceptionally well, recording its best results in years in swimming and cross country.”

The Trimester 1 AIC sports of AFL, cricket and volleyball had just one round to play when COVID restrictions forced its cancellation. Term 2 was a write-off. To ensure those not able to play Term 2 sports were given the opportunity, the AIC Management Committee determined that Term 3 would be split to incorporate basketball and tennis in the first four weeks and chess, rugby and football in the remaining five weeks. Unfortunately, renewed COVID restrictions also saw the cancellation of the finals round for chess, rugby and football and the rugby league competition.

Given the interruption, the College performed exceptionally well, recording its best results in years for swimming and cross country. At the AIC Swimming Championships, our 12 years to Opens placed fourth in the Aggregate, also taking out the Year 6 and 12 years age division.

The race for the AIC Cross Country Championship was tight, with only four points separating the top four schools. Villanova finished the competition in second place, falling short by a solitary point to Ashgrove. Our 12 years team again stepped up to take age division honours (with St Edmund's), as did our Year 5 and 15 years team.

The College was also AIC Champion School in cricket with four individual aggregate premierships (Aggregate Champion Schools were not awarded in sports beyond Term 1 due to the shortened season).

Villanova tasted great success at Queensland Championships. At the Volleyball Queensland Schools Cup in October, the Year 10 team won the Honours

division to become the best team in Queensland for their age. Villanova also won gold in Year 7 division 2. The First basketball team placed seventh at the Champion School of Queensland Tournament from a field of 20 of Queensland's best schoolboy teams.

Throughout the year, joint premierships were awarded to teams who finished on top of their pool but didn't get to play their final.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING PREMIERSHIP/UNDEFEATED TEAMS AND THEIR COACHES:

AFL	6A, 5A
Basketball	10B, 10C, 10D, 9A, 9C, 8C, 8D, 7B, 6B, 6C, 6D, 5C, 5D
Chess	Senior B, Intermediate A, Junior B
Cricket	Champion School, 3rd XI, 4th XI, 10A, 9B, 6 Blue
Cross Country	Year 5 & 6 Aggregate Champions, Year 5 Age Champions, 12 Years Age Champions, 15 Years Age Champions
Football	5th XI, 10C, 7A, 7B, 6 Gold, 5B
Rugby	8 Gold, 6A, 6B, 5A, 5C
Swimming	Year 6 Champion School, 12 Years Champion School, Year 5 & 6 Aggregate Champions
Track & Field	Year 5 Champion School, Year 6 Champion School, Year 5 & 6 Aggregate Champions
Volleyball	2nd VI, 10C, 9C, 7B

Trifecta FOR OUR JUNIORS



At the recent AIC Track and Field Championships in October, both our Year 5 and 6 teams convincingly won their age divisions and in doing so, claimed the AIC Aggregate Trophy. While this was an outstanding achievement in its own right, the win cemented an historic place in the College's record books.

Back track to March at the AIC Swimming Championships, our Junior team took home its first AIC Aggregate trophy for the year, as well as winning the Year 6 age division and coming second in the Year 5 division. Then in August, and with a committed squad training under experienced coach, Mr Tom Lonergan, our Juniors took out the AIC Cross Country Aggregate, sharing the trophy with Marist College Ashgrove.

It is not often that one school takes out the AIC Swimming, AIC Cross Country and AIC Track and Field trifecta in one year.

Director of Sport at Villanova, Mr Craig Stariha said the Junior team's performance drew much attention from the AIC Competition throughout the year.

"The future looks great for Villanova with so many talented prospects in our Junior School coming through the ranks," he said.

WELCOME BACK *Ben!*

Former Wallabies captain and Old Boy Ben Mowen (2002) will guide the development of College rugby players and coaches when he joins the College in 2021 as Director of Rugby Coaching and Player Development.

Ben is the current Junior Wallabies Contact and Forwards Coach and the Reds Academy Assistant Coach. His illustrious representative career includes 15 tests for the Wallabies, six of those as Captain. The Mowen family returned to Brisbane at the end of 2019 following six years playing for French clubs.

"I have great memories of my time at the College as a student and as a rugby player and I'm really excited to be returning to guide the development of current and future generations of Villa rugby players. I am very much looking forward to working closely with the parents and teachers who have done an excellent job in evolving the rugby program from what it was when I was at Villa," Ben said.



"I'm really excited to be returning to guide the development of current and future generations of Villa rugby players."



"Rugby players (including Tom Twaddell, pictured) will be guided by former Wallabies captain Ben Mowen next year."



MRS JUSTINE SILK — PRODUCER

During the last week of February, the Villanova and Loreto College communities were treated to an absolute visual and aural spectacle when our bi-annual musical was staged in Hanrahan Theatre. This year we tackled the movie and Broadway hit, *Mary Poppins*. The show was performed to four sold out audiences with a separate special preview matinee for local primary schools.

The cast and orchestra contributed approximately 130 hours of rehearsals over Term 4, 2019 and into Term 1 of 2020. There were songs to learn, lines to be remembered and some amazing dance moves that needed mastering, as well a whole show of songs that our wonderful musicians perfected throughout this time. Our crew joined us for the last three weeks of the process to help put the finishing touches on scene changes, lighting and sound. The devotion and enthusiasm of every student involved in the show surpassed all our expectations and they all went about the process with absolute 'precision and order'.

Being able to go from the very beginning of the audition process to creating a high calibre musical in just seven weeks was something special. Among the many things I took away from performing in the show was to grab every moment with both hands - it really was a special experience.

I think we made our school communities and families proud.

Dylan Crouch, Musical Captain



A show like this cannot occur without an amazing team of staff who have the vision, commitment, passion and expertise to bring the show to life and inspire our student performers. The result? A show that many said was of such a professional standard, it would not have been out of place on Broadway.

“The arts can help students become tenacious, team-orientated problem solvers who are confident and able to think creatively.”

(U.S Secretary of Education, Arne Duncan)

This was certainly seen throughout every step of our production with students 'reaching for the stars' in every aspect of the show. To all students involved in the show, keep reaching for these stars and as we have learnt throughout this journey, 'anything can happen if you let it'. We hope the magic of *Mary Poppins* stays with you for the rest of your lives. You are all 'practically perfect' in the eyes of the production team and we thank you for sharing your talents with the community.



Gala CONCERTS

In a year where live performances have been a rarity, the Gala Concerts held on Thursday 3 September presented an opportunity for Villanova's music students to share their music with a live audience.

A willing group of volunteers and staff banded together to organise the event and ensure its successful staging under COVID-safe requirements.

"I received much positive feedback from the community thankful for the opportunity to witness the boys' performances and also to share the event with other family members via the streaming service," said Mr Michael Jones, Director of Music

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PLANNING FOR *future generations*



The completion of the St Thomas of Villanova Learning Centre marks a significant milestone in the first stage of the master plan for the development of the Coorparoo campus and Villanova Park.

After years of planning and a 12-month construction period, the St Thomas of Villanova Learning Centre welcomed its first students in Term 3 this year.

The three-storey building incorporates the Junior School precinct for Years 5 and 6 students on two levels and a new hub for the College's Senior students on the top level.

Principal, Mr Mark Stower, said the design was informed by research about how boys learn best.

"The new spaces provide teachers with dynamic new delivery methods for teaching and learning with flexibility to suit individual or group work.

We've also been explicit in demanding that the design, paired with engaging and challenging learning experiences, drive the development of critical thinking, creativity, communication, teamwork and collaboration - skills we know are highly valued now and in the future," he said.

The top level of the St Thomas of Villanova Learning Centre was designed with a specific focus on providing Year 12 students in particular with the opportunity to prepare for their transition beyond Villanova.

The Study Commons features a flexible open plan layout and facilitates individual and small group collaboration both in and outside school hours, while the auditorium replicates a university learning environment.

AT A GLANCE

JUNIOR SCHOOL PRECINCT

- Six learning suites comprising 12 flexible learning spaces (classrooms) over two levels
- Eight break-out project spaces
- Undercover play area including multiple play platforms and terraces
- Direct access to playing field
- Junior School Student Services
- Staff offices and meeting rooms

SENIOR SCHOOL EXPANSION

- 120-seat auditorium
- Study Commons for small group and individual study
- Two mathematics suites
- Four tutorial rooms
- Senior School Student Services
- Student Café (seating and kitchenette facilities for Year 12 students)
- Staff offices and meeting rooms



The design was informed by research about how boys learn best.

Mr Mark Stower – Principal



THE GRAND NEW STAND AT VILLA PARK

While plans to officially open the grandstand at Villanova Park were quashed by COVID this year, Villanova students continued to make the most of the new facility in the interrupted 2020 sporting season.

The western grandstand and changerooms, also part of Stage 1 of the College master plan, were built following an arson attack in 2017. The facility features seating for 300, home and opposition change rooms, and a canteen for post-match functions.

The grandstand will officially be opened during Old Boys Round on Saturday 1 May, 2021.

The Villanova College Foundation

GIVE IF YOU CAN

END OF YEAR APPEAL

COVID-19 has impacted so many in our community. It has also meant the cancellation of much needed College fundraising events.



Artwork by Brian Doyle '62

As 2020 draws to a close, we ask you to GIVE IF YOU CAN, to raise much-needed funds to support Villanova College. All donations over \$2 are tax deductible and together we can transform lives forever.

How you can support your Villanova College Foundation



GIVE IF YOU CAN

Help him become a proud Villanovan. Give the gift of a Villanova College education to students in need, by donating to our life changing bursaries.

My journey at Villanova was made possible by a bursary and now I am studying in my chosen field of biomedical science. I received an excellent education, but Villanova also built my skills and an important part of my character. Words can't express how grateful I am to be part of the Villanova world. Anas S (2019)

THE TERRY HENDLE BURSARY

The Terry Hendle Bursary has transformed lives by providing tuition fees to over 40 families for whom, without this essential support, a Villanova College education would not have been possible. Established by the Hendle family and the Villanova Old Boys Association in memory of Villanovan Lance Corporal Terry Hendle, this legacy aims to ensure no boy should miss out on a Villanova education, or the opportunities and lifelong bonds shared by Villanova College students, due to hardship.

THE WIENEKE FAMILY MUSIC BURSARY

The Wieneke Family Music Bursary assists students who are seeking to pursue Music in their Villanova College education but experience financial barriers to ongoing participation. The bursary provides music tuition fees enabling students to continue their development of these important skills.

"Because music was thought to have a therapeutic effect, the troubled Hebrew King Saul summoned David, who was renowned for his skill with the harp. David's pleasing performances soothed the worried king and saved David's life. In these troubled times, the therapeutic effect of music is a gift that our young Villanovans need more than ever. Can you assist to make the healing, calming and satisfying experience of music a part of a boy's experience at Villanova?" Fr Peter Wieneke OSA (1962)



We have multiple families in need of bursary support and ask you to **GIVE IF YOU CAN** a tax deductible donation via the online link www.vnc.qld.edu.au/support-villa or the enclosed donation form with pre-paid envelope. All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

Further information about the legacies and impacts of the Terry Hendle Bursary Fund and the Wieneke Family Music Fund can be found at www.vnc.qld.edu.au/support-villa or the Villanova College Website under the section "Support Villa".



GIVE IF YOU CAN - Building blocks for today and the future

Villanova College is committed to preserving our proud heritage while providing high quality, teaching and learning environments informed by evidence on how boys best interact, learn and grow into Villa Men.

OUR MASTER PLAN INCLUDES:

- Complete refurbishment of Year 7 and Year 8 classrooms incorporating flexible learning spaces,
- Modifications to Goold Hall to better accommodate whole of College and community sports and traditions,
- Transformation of Mendel Hall into a new Science, Technology and Engineering Centre,
- The construction of additional training and sport facilities,
- The construction of a centre for the Visual and Dramatic Arts, Business and Technologies.

Informing every aspect of the master plan is the focus on providing our students with positive settings for friendship, lifelong learning and a place to re-visit throughout their lives.

GIVE IF YOU CAN to the Villanova College Foundation Building Fund via the online link www.vnc.qld.edu.au/support-villa or the enclosed donation form with pre-paid envelope. All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

For any enquiries or further information please contact Nat Davidson at the Villanova College Foundation on ndavidson@vnc.qld.edu.au or 3394 5665.

“As a proud Villa Old Boy, I have so many cherished memories of my time at the College. It is great to see the values of Villa still standing strong and no doubt it will continue to grow with the new and enhanced facilities for the College.”

Kush Sami (2011)

Thank you for supporting our Villanova community

Mark Stower
College Principal

Paula Hctor
Chair – Villanova College
Foundation Committee

Chris Andersen
(2003)
VOBAI President

Father Peter Wieneke
OSA (1962)
College Chaplain and Past Rector

Thank you

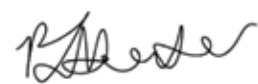
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“...the natural gifts and free graces we receive are not for ourselves alone, but we have received them that they might be of benefit to all.”

St Thomas of Villanova

The Villanova College Foundation thanks all members of our community for financial and in-kind assistance. All support is appreciated and is testament to the caring and compassionate community that has continued throughout the proud history of our College.

The Villanova College Foundation was re-established in 2018. On behalf of the College and Foundation Board we would like to acknowledge the kind and generous contributions made since 2018.



Paula Hctor
Chair – Villanova College Foundation Committee
Current Parent and Proud Donor

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Anonymous, 1968

We also respectfully thank donors who wished to remain anonymous.

In his own words, Brian Doyle (Prefect, Class of 1962) designer of our 2020 Appeal artwork “hid in the back corner of classrooms at Villanova from 1959 to 1962 drawing cartoons”.



A young Brian Doyle



He was fined a penny of his lunch money whenever he was sprung... but could never understand why Father Gerry Dullard left all nine pennies near the door at lunchtime!

Fortunately, he did not starve and spent the next half century cartooning for advertising agencies, publishers, printers, corporations, businesses and government departments

creating classroom support material in education and career training. In semi-retirement he visited almost a thousand schools from the Gulf to Birdsville and Sydney showing kids who said they couldn't draw “properly” how to have FUN by drawing “cartoon style” instead”.

**On behalf of Villanova College,
we thank you Brian.**

WELCOME NEW FOUNDATION MANAGER

My name is Nat Davidson and I am honoured to be assisting the Villanova College Foundation in its important work with past, current and future members of our Villanova community.

I am a St James' Catholic Primary and Lourdes Hill College Old Girl and went on to study teaching and then social work. I have had many different roles, including Kids Help Line, Disability Services and, for the past 12 years, as Fundraising Manager with a charity helping families experiencing multiple forms of disadvantage including domestic violence.

Being back on the grounds of Villanova has brought back many memories as my three brothers are Old Boys – Adrian Mengede (1977), Peter Mengede (1979) and Paul Mengede (1981) (pictured below), as is my partner Anthony Davidson (1981). My family has lived in the same street near the College for over 55 years and I have recently moved back into the suburb. While much has changed and the College has expanded, it is brilliant to see the strong community of care that has always been such a distinguishing part of Villanova.

Over the first few weeks in the role I have been humbled by how welcoming everyone has been and the care shown toward the Villanova community over this very challenging year. With an office in the Middle School area I am appreciative of being surrounded by laughter and seeing the friendships amongst the students – it lifts the spirits!

The Villanova College Foundation raises awareness and funds to provide bursaries for students of families experiencing financial hardship and for building upgrades to the Coorparoo campus and at Villanova Park. The role also works closely with the Villanova Old Boys Association. I have thoroughly enjoyed connecting with Old Boys and learning about the many different pathways of life after Villa.

I am always keen to chat about the Foundation on ndavidson@vnc.qld.edu.au or 3394 5665.



OLD BOYS news

VILLANOVA OLD BOYS ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE

President	Vice Presidents	Treasurer	Secretary
Chris Andersen (2003)	Luke Moloney (2004) Xavier Vasta (2012)	Paul Green (1982)	Jack Drake (2011)

Members: Harrison Adams (2011), Steven Bremner (staff), Nat Davidson (staff), Peter Ferguson (1964), Tim Gillespie (2004), John Godwin (1986), Simon Healy (1977), Justin Kerr (1988), Fr Peter Wieneke (1962), Kath Underhill (staff)

CHRIS ANDERSEN — PRESIDENT — VOBA

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Old Boys and members of the wider Villanova community

What an interesting year it's been! 2020 has been a year like no other and has involved challenges for many members of the Old Boy community, myself included.

2020 has also meant the requirement to cancel the Old Boys dinner and events at which we would gather. It has been great to hear about Old Boys who have supported each other this year through informal catch ups or check-ins and staying in touch - this is the Villa spirit.

As you know, we couldn't hold events this year but there is plenty of work we can continue to do online to foster community and make us realise just how lucky we are to have our brothers walking beside us when times get tough and celebrating together when we're doing well.

What I'd love to do is to use this time to document some stories of Old Boys helping Old Boys and celebrating the strong bonds that we share. At times like this, we know who our mates are and many of them are the blokes we went through school with.

If you have a story you'd like to tell, I'd love to hear it at oldboys@villaoldboys.com.au and we'll share it accordingly on Facebook and Instagram.

We are also taking this time to reflect and reach out to Old Boys and seek your feedback about what you would like from the Villanova Old Boys Association moving forward and ways that we can all be better connected.

I ask you to consider completing the short online survey (details next page) which will give us ideas for planning a bigger 2021.



I look forward to hearing your feedback and catching up with you at one of our events in 2021.

Chris Andersen (2003)
President

survey

OLD BOYS news

How can we make your Villa Old Boys experience the best it can be in 2021?

We've created a survey so you can give us your thoughts on how we can better serve you in the future. Please use the below link to give us your feedback.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZVFZLHB>

It should only take a few minutes but it will help us immensely in planning future events.

MEMORIES FROM WHINSTANES

ALFRED MOORE (YEAR 10, 1954)

In the very early years, most of the students came from the north side of Brisbane, with a large number travelling by bike. This provided the opportunity for races around the three school buildings before classes and at lunch break.

These races were hotly contested and while the area for riding was adequate on three sides, the space on the southern side was down to approximately two metres between the building and a low stone wall. The inevitable jockeying for position resulted in the odd crash and a few injuries, requiring a drive to the hospital by one of the priests.

After a few such trips, our racing days were over.

As the school was in the horse racing area, a number of students had a keen interest and knowledge of the industry. I recall Fr Hanrahan telling us that the best time to study was early in the morning when we were fresh.

He then asked the class what time they surfaced which was 7.00am give or take except one student who arose at 5.00am. When asked if that was to study, the reply was "no" but to watch the track work over the back fence.

In Year 7 we occupied the first room at the top of the stairs in the main building. Sometimes we were told to study while the priest went back to the residence. This was not the result, with fun and games the norm. We worked out that if we positioned the windows to catch reflections, we could monitor the pending return of the teacher so by the time he arrived, the angels were all studying quietly.

On occasions, a few of us helped out with the Villanova Players by acting as ushers or undertaking other tasks. On his first day in class Fr Cameron announced that his name was Rod Cameron, not the Hollywood cowboy actor by the same name, but there to teach us Physics and Chemistry.

Fr O'Shea taught me to be an altar boy (Latin in those days) and as I lived close to the school, I assisted on a number of weekdays until he moved north. Mass was conducted in a small chapel in the residence. Three priests said Mass there starting a few minutes after each other.

Two were assisted by Br Fitzgerald. On most days this was fine except the day Br Fitzgerald was unwell and I had to be server for all three. It was a real juggling act, but somehow I got through it.



Matthew Zeremes (1998), along with fellow creator Guy Edmonds, has won an Emmy at the 9th International Emmy Kids Award for their comedy program, *Hardball*. The duo picked up the prestigious award in the Live-Action category at the Award's virtual ceremony in October. This follows their success at the Prix Jeunesse International Awards (Munich - June 11) where *Hardball* was judged the world's best children's fiction program for 7 to 10-year-olds.



Their comedy series, *Hardball* tells the story of newly-arrived Kiwi kid, Mikey and his goal to become the "sweetest-bestest-acest" handball champion in Western Sydney.

Matthew is also an accomplished actor and director and has appeared on television, in film and on the stage in Australia and internationally.

Michael Luck (2013) graduated from the University of Queensland in 2019 with First Class Honours in Psychology Research. Michael will also receive the Universities Academic Award for Excellence for 2019.

Design Poets, directed and owned by **Khoa Nguyen** (2003), was shortlisted for the prestigious International Restaurant and Bar Design Awards for their work on Eddy + Wolff, a bar and restaurant in Robina.

Michael Zullo (2005) – Michael and his Sydney Football Club have secured yet another A-League premiership, this time taking out the national title against Melbourne City in August. His grand final victory came on the back of the birth of twin boys, Sam and Anthony earlier in the week.



Another Old Boy added to the growing list of Villanovan authors is **Murray Bird** (1980) who has co-authored the book *More of the Kangaroo*. The book provides a comprehensive 150-year history of the evolution of AFL in Queensland. Murray was recently interviewed on ABC Brisbane radio. As has become a tradition with Villanovan authors, Murray recently donated copies of his book to the College.



Rylan Kindness

Rylan Kindness (2018) — Solving a simple problem has led to the creation of a business that now employs seven, operates nationally and services 500,000 customers every year. The CEO is just 19 years old and a proud Old Boy.

Rylan Kindness started Parking Deals Australia as a Year 10 student out of his bedroom with just \$200.

Rylan's business inspiration came from his parents who were becoming increasingly frustrated at trying to find affordable inner-city parking. Parking Deals Australia shows users the best price for parking in the area they want and offers a daily deal with a discount.

Rylan has forged relationships with 40 parking companies Australia wide and has extended the reach into airport and cruise parking. Parking companies advertise their spaces on the site for free, with Parking Deals Australia receiving a commission from each booking.

Rylan is the first to admit it hasn't all been smooth sailing.

"In Year 11 I realised that traditional schooling was not for me and I had a better shot at trying to make my business work. For the next two years I spent all my lunch breaks

working and straight after school caught the bus to the city to work," he explained.

A specially negotiated Year 12 program allowed Rylan to focus on his start-up business. During his Senior year, Rylan worked two days in his business and attended school for three.

The COVID pandemic, however, hit the business hard. When the tourism industry flatlined and P&O cancelled all their cruises in March (Parking Deals Australia's largest customer base), Rylan quickly realised the app had to 'adapt or die'.

Adapting saw Rylan cut business costs and re-examine the market. Realising a new demand for the storage of cars, boat and caravans, new suppliers were sourced and reflected on their website.

Storage proved "just as good as parking", and in hindsight, the experience had been a positive (albeit stressful) one for the business.

"The pandemic has changed the mindsets of people," he said.

"A lot of businesses are vulnerable and are now more open to innovation. That's what happened to Parking Deals Australia; it paved a new way for us."

Liam Brennan

Liam Brennan (2007) — At just 26 years of age, Villanova Old Boy Liam Brennan became the youngest person in Australia to be appointed Chief of Staff to a Cabinet Minister. That Minister was Senator George Brandis QC (1974) and it was no coincidence that Liam came to be working in the office of a fellow Villanovan.

An 'unashamedly humanities student at Villa', Liam harboured no early desires to enter the political world. However his studies over Years 11 and 12, and a trip to Canberra as Villanova's first representative at the National Schools Constitutional Convention certainly piqued his interest.

Liam first met Mr Brandis at his 2007 graduation ceremony where the then Senator, along with another politician and Old Boy in Ross Vasta (1984), were guests. Liam struck up a conversation with Mr Brandis and stayed in touch following graduation. A few months later, after graduating with an OP1, Liam was offered a position as an electorate officer in the Senator's office, working his way through the ranks to become Chief of Staff in March 2017 (while also completing a Bachelor of Laws and a Graduate Diploma of Legal Practice).

Overseeing a staff of 18, Liam describes working in politics as "complex and demanding" with lots of time spent away from home, including at least 15 weeks when Federal Parliament sits.

"There was hardly a normal week working in politics! Usually the week started on a plane bound for Canberra or somewhere else. You'd get into the office by 6.30am and start by reading the newspapers, then co-ordinate the office, prepare for media interviews and Question Time – all while watching what was going on in the Senate. Following Question Time, you would normally meet with stakeholders, ministers and Departments on different policy issues.

We'd knock off around 9.00pm, head off for a quick team dinner and then off to bed. Only to repeat it the next day!"

Despite the demands of the job, Liam says working in politics was a definitely a vocation for him.

"I got to meet so many interesting, inspiring people – not just world leaders, but hard-working people from all walks of life. I helped implement some pretty amazing legislative reform, which certainly changed people's lives for the better. This made working in politics deeply satisfying and very interesting."

Liam cites meeting President Obama at the 2014 Brisbane G20 Summit, his appointment as the youngest Chief of Staff to a Cabinet Minister and playing a small role in the achievement of marriage equality in 2017 as career highlights to date.

Following Mr Brandis' appointment as Australian High Commissioner to the United Kingdom, Liam pursued a career in the corporate world and now manages the Government and Public Affairs division at Qantas in Sydney. Much of his year has been spent responding to the devastating impact that COVID-19 has had on the aviation industry (Qantas grounded 150 aircraft and stood down 20,000 employees).

"I've been working closely with governments on securing financial support for airlines, maintaining a minimum network of flying around Australia and repatriating Australians who are stuck overseas," he said.

"I was fortunate to have several excellent teachers throughout my time at Villa. But I must single out Antonietta Neighbour and Dianne Martin. To this day, I believe my academic/co-curricular success at Villa came down to the teachers who taught me, and these were two of the best."

His number one piece of advice for students:



"In every single thing you do, do it because you love it, enjoy it and want to do it. You'll do well at school if you study and do what you love. That was my trick – never let a teacher tell you the only way to get an ATAR of 99 is to study maths or science (I didn't)!"

75 GOLDEN YEARS

They first crossed paths in Grade 2 at St Joseph's Convent Nundah in 1946 and later joined some of the earliest students at the newly-opened Villanova College at Whinstanes. Little did they know back then that their friendship would span decades and together they would celebrate some of life's greatest milestones.

Villa Voice recently caught up with Paul Liddy and Pat Loth (from the class of 1955), and with Paul's wife Glynne, we heard some terrific stories from the early years. Stories of the early Irish priests and their continued friendships through the years, of the origins of the legendary Villa mince roll (Paul's mum ran an Ekka fundraising stall selling Yatala Pies but when that proved so successful, Yatala Pies took back sales the following year and curried mince rolls were the replacement), of long trips to school when the College moved south of the river, of boxing matches between teacher and student, of Saturday mornings at school, and of classroom shenanigans and discipline.

When the College moved to Coorparoo in 1954, Paul and Pat made the trek across the river to continue their education at Villanova. The hour-long trip involved a walk, a train and a tram. If they had cadets or sports training after school, they would often return home in the dark.

Paul and Pat would go on to be among only the second cohort to complete Senior at Villanova, graduating with just six other students in 1955. In their Senior year, Paul served as the second College Captain and Pat was awarded Dux of the College.

With surnames beginning with L (and a little help from someone higher up the ranks to pull a few strings), Liddy and Loth found themselves side-by-side in the 11th National Service Battalion for three months following graduation.

Two years' service in the Citizen's Military Force (the present-day Army Reserves) followed.

Pat went on to forge a career in sales that would take him throughout Queensland to Melbourne. He held executive positions in business equipment, data communications and microwave technology companies.

Paul began his career as a trainee sales representative for Johnson and Johnson before embarking on a career in insurance. He retired in 1996 after 16 years as the Queensland manager of Catholic Church Insurance.

Despite their careers, Paul and Pat always kept in touch. Paul served in Pat's bridal party when he married Desley in 1962. Paul married Glynne in 1964. They lived two doors apart in Stafford a few years later, cementing a beautiful friendship between the two families that exists today. Even after various moves around the state for both families, they reunited in Melbourne spending five years together. Christenings (Pat and Desley are godparents to Paul and Glynne's son Michael – OB 1982), anniversaries, children's 21st birthdays, weddings, grandchildren and international travel were all milestones celebrated together.

Through their lives, the men have maintained strong connections to the College and to the priests who taught them and instilled in them a 'whole life' learning philosophy. Paul and Pat both served on the inaugural Old Boys' Executive in 1958 and contributed another ten years to the Association.

In 2021, Paul and Pat celebrate 75 years of friendship. They are indeed, loyal sons of Villanova.

Tyler Iwinski

Tyler Iwinski (2013). He has interviewed Professor Jimmy Choo, founded his own fashion label, won the Face of TAFE competition and advises and styles Chanel clients: Tyler Iwinski (2013) is living his dream.

"I knew from the start that my passions did not lie in mathematics and physics at school. I wanted to work with my creative strengths while also being able to create and design something practical. Art and Drama were the two subjects which I always found to push me outside of my comfort zone and allow a sense of genuine creativity and curiosity," he explained.

This creativity flourished when the College's guidance counsellor suggested fashion was the perfect medium and steered Tyler towards a TAFE program which saw him complete a Certificate II and III in Fashion over Years 11 and 12.

"Having the choice and support to learn something that was in line with my career trajectory while in Senior School was fantastic and nurtured my passion for a career that I was keen to explore."

After graduating from Villanova, Tyler completed a Diploma of Fashion and went on to study a Bachelor of Applied Fashion at the University of Canberra.

Tyler was afforded the opportunity to interview Professor Jimmy Choo after winning the Face of TAFE competition in 2017 which allowed him to showcase his work from certificate to bachelor level.

"Professor Choo is a very humble and wise man with a quick-witted sense of humour. He encouraged me to be persistent and patient and to surround myself with supportive people."

Tyler currently divides his time between his work for Chanel where he advises clients and assists with styling and sourcing of items and as creative director of his own label, Sküel Work Apparel which he founded in 2019.

"Juggling the two areas of work can be exhausting but having the creative outlet is highly rewarding and therapeutic."

Tyler stays connected with lecturers who continue to offer support and guidance and is appreciative of TAFE pathways.

"I started studying fashion while at school and even though I did not complete an OP I still found myself with a bachelor degree at the end of my studies thanks to the pathways and smooth transition offered by TAFE."

His advice for current students?

Be open to opportunities that present themselves - even if you feel you are not eligible, you most likely have the skills and know-how. And don't settle for 'fine'.

And throughout his career, Tyler still appreciates his Villanova roots.

"I am thankful for the experience, the friendships which I still cherish to this day, the support and guidance from influential teachers and knowing that I had so many activities and opportunities on offer," he said.

Photos: TAFE Queensland

The Legendary Villa Mince Roll

It's been a staple on the Villanova Tuckshop menu since the 60s.

Dot Blair tweaked the original recipe (mince, oatmeal, tomato sauce and mixed herbs – and we hear curry too) when she took over as Tuckshop Convenor in 2004. With ingredients now including mince, olive oil, fresh onion, garlic, celery, tomato, carrot, tomato paste, (secret) herbs, Worcestershire and soy sauce, red wine, stock powder and brown sugar – it's no wonder Villanova's legendary mince roll remains a firm favourite of growing Villanovans even today.

FATHER PETER WIENEKE OSA

My memory of mince rolls goes back to when the Tuckshop was in the original building, between the Rector's office and Langlands. Tuckshop was not a regular experience for me as my Mum was too conscientious about a packed lunch for her boy. But, on whatever day it was that mince rolls were served, I was a regular customer. Payment came from my weekly 'pocket money'. Much discernment went into how that was spent as it was not copious. Second on the list of items for 'pocket money' expenditure was a potato scallop from Sammy's Fish and Chip shop at the tram stop on Old Cleveland Rd where the Coorparoo Post Office is currently located.

Now, I'm pretty sure that I didn't get my first pair of long pants until Year 9. On an August morning, as the Westerlies blew up Seventh Avenue during 'little lunch', nothing warmed up my heart (and bare legs) more than a mince roll from the Tuckshop.

The big, white, round rolls were delivered fresh from the Dan Sullivan bakery about the time we arrived at school. You could smell them and the cream buns on your way to class.

Later, when the mince roll was placed in my hand, the butter on the roll was melting from the warmth of the hot mince. Licking the liquid butter from your fingers was the first taste experience. That was followed by the heavenly flavour of the mixture of roll, warm butter and savory mince. There was an aura associated with the mince which, in later life, I identified with Italian herbs.

Of course, the positive experience of the Villa mince roll was negated by students having to drink a bottle of milk supplied by the Government Free Milk Scheme. Even on a cold August day, the taste of the milk, which was unrefrigerated and, left sitting in the Queensland sun until 'little lunch', was sickening.

JOHN GODWIN (1986) SHARES HIS MEMORIES

I was more a meat pie and cream bun boy.

I do remember the mince rolls being made in the Tuckshop where the IT office currently occupy – under Cascia. I think my first memory was when I was about 3 or 4. I had just been rounded up and sent back to the Tuckshop where my mother was volunteering. I had stolen Demp's cane (Fr Dempsey – the Rector) and was giving St Thomas (statue) a right royal whipping... and anyone else who got in my way. Brian Canavan, who was in Year 11 or 12 at the time, told me I got him a good one.

Through my thick dirty glasses which had a patch over the right eye, I remember seeing the carrots and onions being peeled and shredded through the metal grinder and/or the grater. Once ground, the vegies were mixed with the mince and ground again with some other secret herbs and spices, like tomato sauce and something else fancy like that. The rolls were fresh and crunchy.

Over the years the popularity of the mince roll was challenged by the expanding menu that was heavily influenced by the growing cultural melting pot. Pizzas, noodles, ham and cheese toasties, sushi, chicken rolls and pork ribbles became competitors to mince roll sales and threatened its inclusion on the menu. It is good to see that Dotty and her brigade of helpers has continued the mince roll line and hasn't leaked the secret herbs and spices.

It's a long way to the top
if you want a Villa Mince Roll!


2021 Old Boy Diary Dates

* All events subject to COVID restrictions

FRIDAY 26 FEBRUARY Langlands Drinks	MONDAY 1 MARCH AGM	SATURDAY 1 MAY Old Boys Day at Villa Park v. Iona College	SATURDAY 7 AUGUST Old Boys Dinner
TBC Charlie Fisher Cup	SUNDAY 12 SEPTEMBER Deceased Villanovans' Mass	SATURDAY 9 OCTOBER Mothers of Villanova Old Boys	SATURDAY 20 NOVEMBER Class of 2020 Welcome Back

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BIRTHS

They were great mates at school, and now with daughters born just weeks apart, it seems **Nick Underhill** (2005) and **Patrick Weightman** (2005) are going to be kept on their toes as their daughters grow up together. Congratulations on the arrival of Persephone Margaret Underhill on May 7 and Charlotte Rose Weightman on May 23 (below).



Mark Schofield (2005) and wife Jessica welcomed a baby boy, Brooklyn Seth in February 2020 (right).



Double trouble in the Hackett family with Alice Nancy Hackett born 14 July to **Tom** (2006) and Emily Hackett, closely followed by cousin, Georgia Rosemary Hackett on 30 July 2020 to **Callum** (2007) and Chrissie Hackett (above).



Father John Barry OSA



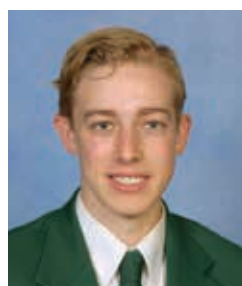
Father John Barry OSA died in Melbourne on Christmas Day 2019.

John was educated at St Monica's Cairns, St Joseph's Convent Nundah and St Joseph's College Nudgee.

After joining the Augustinians, he completed his studies at Villanova University and at the Catholic University of America. His first appointment as a young priest was to St James' Coorparoo.

Father John taught at Villanova from 1959 until the end of 1969. In the following year he was elected to the position of Provincial of the Australian Province, a position he held for the maximum of eight years.

Past students of Villanova from the years John was on staff would remember him as a dedicated priest with all the energy of youth. Memories will include John Barry as an Augustinian of the Vatican 11 mindset and practice, a teacher of science, 1st XV coach, Y.C.S. chaplain, Cadet Officer and sportsman. Many Old Boys knew John as friend and mentor, celebrant of their wedding or the priest they called upon in times of joy or sorrow.



Tyler Bouwhuis

Tyler Bouwhuis (2017) was tragically killed in a road accident in March. Brother to Dylan in Year 11. A tribute bench has been erected for Tyler in a park at the end of Paxton Street, Cleveland overlooking Moreton Bay.

Tribute by Massimo Horky (2017)

Tyler started his journey at Villanova the same year as me, Year 8 in 2013. We both arrived solo without any of our primary school peers. This was the beginning of our friendship, trying to break into the already tightly bonded groups for which Villa is renowned. Not long after we were joined by Ben (Slater) and we became the three amigos.

We were never the straight A students, the perfect missionaries or made the Firsts BUT what we did achieve was far more important. We never failed to make the most of every moment we spent together at Villanova. Tyler loved to pull out his guitar on lunch breaks and play it next to Ben and I. Tyler and Ben both shared a love for playing music a little more than I did. Tyler and I talked a lot about our plans to join the police force one day and we dreamed about what working together would be like.

Tyler was like a brother to me; he was always the person I would go to when I needed to talk about anything important happening in my life. He was always a particularly good listener and made time for his friends. I think the hardest part about his passing is how much we are missing him.

Unfortunately, words cannot really describe the kind of bond that the three of us shared, despite our quite different personalities. I knew that we would be brothers for life. Tyler's memory will always be with me and my hope is to achieve our dreams for both of us.

BEREAVEMENTS

Peter John Cleary (1975) passed away in Toowoomba in May 2019. Peter was immensely popular, excelling in sport, especially swimming and cricket. He studied accounting and went on to become the Chief Financial Officer of Heritage Bank.

Bernie Cochran father to Greg (dec. 1987), Tim (1988) and Damien (1992)

Thelma Gould late of Duhig Village, passed away 23 September, aged 103. Thelma had been associated with Villanova for over 60 years with family members attending from the first day at Coorparoo in 1954 until 2018. These include her son-in-law Harold Morley (1958), her son John Gould (1961), her five grandsons, Marc Morley (1980), Adam Morley (1981), Michael Gould (1990), Martin Gould (1991), and Jeremy Morley (1996). Three great-grandsons also attended Villa: Lachlan West (2004), Callum West (2011), and Harry Morley (2018). Marc was the first son of a Coorparoo Old Boy to attend the College and Lachlan was one of the first grandsons. Thelma visited the College in February to see a preview performance of Mary Poppins with other residents of Duhig Village.

Nicholas Jordan (1995) passed away in Newcastle in June after a short illness. Brother of Timothy (1995) and sister Emma (Loreto College).

Hegal Joseph (2018) passed away in August 2020. Brother of Frank (2014). See the tribute written by Conor Gillam.

John McCafferty: father to Mark (1974), Greg (1984) and Sean (1989)

Celebrating the life of Hegal Joseph by Conor Gillam (2018)

As we pass the three-month anniversary of the tragic passing of Class of 2018 alumnus Hegal Joseph, the heartache and loss felt by his family, friends and the College community remains raw and unquelled. And while the pain of Hegal's loss is bound to persist for some time more, we pray and trust that with time, the great sense of loss we now feel will be overcome by the wonderful memory of the son, brother and friend that Hegal was.

Many knew Hegal as an excellent football player. He represented the College from his first year at the College in Year 6 until his final year in 2018. In Year 10 he was selected in the First XI and featured as an integral member of the College's premier football team for three full seasons, becoming one of just a select handful to do so. His incredible passion for the game was clear for all to see, not least in his abounding talent, skill and dedication to the sport. In his time representing the College, his commitment and humility was exemplary.

While it would be impossible not to remember Hegal as the tremendously humble and accomplished footballer he was, those who had the privilege of sharing their school years with him will remember Hegal for so much more than that. His unique and sometimes peculiar sense of humour together with his outgoing but unassuming personality meant that laughter – and on occasion, innocent mischief – seemed to follow him wherever he went.

Dion McCarthy (1958) passed away in June. Dion is thought to be Villanova's first senior Queensland representative (rugby union), having played three games for Queensland in 1960. Dion was capped as Queensland player #714 against New South Wales in Newcastle on May 7. He played two further games, one more against New South Wales (10/05/1960) and against New Zealand (14/05/1960).



Cecily McMahon passed away 5 August 2020. Wife of Ed McMahon (College architect – Mendel Hall, Priory, Tolle Lege Library and Goold Hall), mother of Tim (1980) and Gerard (1989) McMahon; grandmother of Tom (2011), Ben (2013), Luke (2017) and Andrew (2018) Ellison.



In many ways, Hegal embodied the Augustinian ideals that underpinned his education at Villanova. His exuberant personality helped him to bring incredible happiness, pride and joy to those around him. At the same time, he was a curious and industrious student who truly embraced an eternal search for truth founded in values of humility, service, love and a deeply personal interiority.

As he so often did in football, he has now gone ahead of us all, leading the way along a path up which we are all one day bound to travel. He has gone far too soon. And as we now search to find truths and reasons as to why he had to go so soon, the only truth we find may well be a truth we have known all along – *You have made us for yourself O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You.* With time, we trust comfort can be drawn from this truth, and from our faith and belief in that we too will one day join our dear friend Hegal in peace. And until that time comes, we pray that in his wonderful memory we might find solace.

Terry McGlone (1955) passed away 15 September 2020.

Barbara Mullins (wife of Danny, deceased) and mother of Peter (1972) and Barry (1974).

Mathew Ready (1955) passed away in December, 2019.

Wills 'Trevor' Rieken (1962) passed away on 1 October, 2020.

Richard Sayce (1963) passed away on Friday 4 September. Father-in-law to Darren Richards (1988), grandfather to Riley Richards (Year 10).

Julia Slack passed away 30 June, aged 101. Mother of Michael (1968) and Andrew (1972).

Paul Smeaton (1955) passed away 8 June 2020.

Christopher Woodgate (1998) passed away in January. Father to Liam in Year 5 and uncle to Steven, also in Year 5.

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OLD BOYS BAND TOGETHER

A commitment to honouring the memory of their fellow Villanovan Craig O'Neill inspired the Senior class of 1994.

Craig O'Neill attended Villanova from 1987 to 1992. His active life included cycling, skateboard riding, jet skiing, videography, computer games and most of all, music. Craig held a particular interest and skills in drumming and percussion.

Craig was a member of the College guitar group which was well regarded and toured interstate. His love of percussion was so strong that he received special exemption to regularly drum before school (this was arranged in Goold Hall so as not to wake the Priory)!

Craig is also remembered for his care and compassion and for his loveable personality. He was always willing to lend a hand and be of service to others.

In the years since Craig's sad passing in 1992 at the age of 15, his classmates banded together to raise funds in his memory and established the Craig O'Neill Endowment Fund.

The College has continued to foster strong musical education as a key part of the curriculum. Recently, College students and their band, *The Rentons* were recording an

original song for the QUT Real World Song Competition and Triple J Unearthed, when the tried and true College drum kit ran into technical problems.

When news of the drum kit's issues reached the class of '94, they were quick to respond and a new kit was purchased from the Endowment Fund, with additional support from the Villanova Old Boys Association, in honour of Craig's legacy.

"We remember Craig's dedication to drumming and wanted to do something special to honour him and his talent. I am thankful to the class of 94 and the Villanova Old Boys Association for getting behind this. I know the drums will be appreciated by many more Villa boys for years to come", said Anthony Scodellaro, 1994 College Captain.

Current Year 11 band member and drummer Tyler Castles said, "practice and rehearsal throughout Villa has become a daily routine for me. The music programs have offered me the chance to play in bands across multiple instruments, but I've always retained eagerness for the drums. The arrival of the new kit will significantly enhance the ability to practice, play and record for every student and band looking to fulfill their inner percussive desire."

SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Villanova College wishes to thank Jon Carson (1978). An impact of COVID-19 has been a lack of drum kit stock and long delays. Jon has been a professional drummer since leaving Villanova and assisted in sourcing and setting up the kit.



Front Row: John Turrisi, Craig O'Neill, Sean McCoola
Back Row: Phillip Isaac, Anthony Katsanevas



IN THE DAN O'CONNOR MEMORIAL RECORDING STUDIO
Front row: James Lewis (backing vocals/guitar), Sean Kearns (vocals/lead guitar)
Back row: Belinda Tucker, Steve Bremner, Anthony Scodellaro (1994), Tyler Castles (drums), Tim Gillespie (1994), Michael Jones, Justine Silk and Aidan Pedrina-O'Connor (bass)

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CADETS LEAVE LASTING MEMORIES



We're hoping our readers can shed some light on this subject.

During construction of the Veritas building and Staff Centre in 2010/11, the old change rooms and armoury storage room (currently the Tuckshop) were gutted to reveal the walls at the side and back of the armoury. On closer inspection, Father Pete Wieneke OSA discovered that some of the officer cadets had been registering their presence over the years.



While we can identify most of the names, we wonder if there are any stories behind this tradition.

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AFAS Elders – 2020 Project

by Tony Hindmarsh

A tropical island, lots of sunshine and smiling happy friendly locals. No helicopters, planes ambulance, police or fire brigade sirens. Sounds idyllic and in many ways, Kinatarkan island off the island of Cebu is paradise found.

But nothing is ever easy. Kinatarkan is regularly hit by Typhoons. It is also a very poor island with a population of approximately 10,000 and an average annual wage of 7,000 peso (\$220) with a heavy reliance on what you can grow or catch for food. For several years AFAS Elders have raised funds to support projects on Kinatarkan.

In 2016 the AFAS Elders built a Moringa (a super food that is grown and semi dried on the island) drying shed. In 2018 the AFAS Elders built a mat weaving hut on the island. We also purchased several items, from our own money, for the midwife service which is the only medical service on the island. This included a refrigerator to store vaccines (previously vaccines were stored alongside food in the midwife's home fridge) and several other items for the clinics. These projects are improving all residents' lives, not just individuals. It is also important to note that we pay for our own travel, accommodation and food. All money donated goes directly to projects.

In 2020 we were scheduled to visit the island but due to current COVID travel restrictions this will not occur. We would however still like to maintain the connection and contribute to improve the daily life of residents.

A significant way we can do this is through the provision of a steriliser for the midwife clinics. Currently, the midwife must make regular trips to the mainland or another island to sterilise equipment for use in delivering babies and other medical procedures on the island (there is no hospital, doctor or ambulance service on the island). With the cost of a steriliser around \$2500 and a similar annual budget to run the midwife clinics, the purchase of a steriliser is simply unachievable.

If you know of anyone or any business (locally or in the Philippines) that might be able to assist the Elders in obtaining a steriliser for the midwife clinics, please contact Tony Hindmarsh on thindmarsh@vnc.qld.edu.au

AFAS COVID-19 RESPONSE TO OUR ADOPTED COMMUNITIES

Since the pandemic commenced, AFAS has been checking in on the communities it visits and supports - Divino Amore Academy-Talisay City, Basilica Del Santo Nino-Cebu, Colegio San Agustin Bacolod-CEP (CSAB-CEP) and La Consolacion College Murcia to determine how they have been coping during these trying times.

All communities have indicated that food is the biggest concern. In response, AFAS donated \$5,000 to each community to give food relief to our scholars and other members of these communities. Specifically, we are assisting through:

- Weekly feeding sessions to 100 homeless at the Basilica in Cebu
- Provision of 5kg bags of rice to 150 families at CSAB-CEP
- Donation of food parcels to 40 families (with further assistance pending) and Missionaries of the Poor at Divino Amore Academy
- Donation of food parcels to the Adopted Outreach Community and to scholars and at-risk students at LLC Murcia

Volunteers help repack the groceries bought in bulk - milk and chocolate powders, bars of laundry soap, bags of rice, canned goods and cooking oil. Volunteers also deliver these goods to households - much like an Uber Eats service. These food parcels help a family survive for another week.

Inevitably, the beneficiaries give a grateful cheer to the volunteers and for the kindness of AFAS. These relief services reflect the genuine concern that AFAS has for the underprivileged in the Philippine islands. Help beyond boundaries - this is what solidarity looks like. SALAMAT!

To read more about the work of AFAS, visit www.afasvillanova.org

If you would like to contribute to the purchase of the steriliser, donations may be deposited into the following AFAS account:
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Account: 276167450
When making a deposit please include 'Steriliser' and your 'Name'



Volunteers packing food hampers



Just some of the students AFAS is assisting during the pandemic

OLD BOYS *news*

FROM THE *archives*

SNIPPETS FROM THE 1960 VILLANOVAN

The Seniors of 1960 consisted of 17 boys from the previous year with an additional three new students, a grand total of 20 boys. Graham Clinch was elected College Captain, and also captained the First XV.

From the cohort a group of five became Senior Prefects:

Each year students from all over the State entered the School Science Contest. In 1960 Senior student, **Michael Connor** gained second place in the Senior Division with his equipment for producing *sound modulated light*.

His work was commended as outstanding in the field of Physics.



On the sporting front...

Reportedly, Villanova **rugby** came into its own and while records were not impressive on paper, the First XV made its presence felt in the T.A.S. competition. The match against Ashgrove ended in a defeat 0-35 which didn't improve too much against St Peters: another defeat 0-34. In the game against St Laurence's, the forwards seemed to have lost their fire however, the team celebrated a win against Rosalie, 14-5. Alan Gell and John Perrier were mentioned as *adding sparkle to the backs*, and Graham Clinch as *setting a fine example to the rest of the team*.

Mr. Carew trained the **special swimming squad** with a regular weekly work out. The first College Swimming Carnival was held at Langlands Pool with the Cup Winners being: Open - M. Mooney, U16 - M. Lewis, U15 - B. Masterton; U14 - J. Crawford, U13 - D. Schmiede, U12 - M. McCauseland; U11 - R. Downey and U10 - P. Mullen. At the T.A.S. Swimming Carnival Villanova came fifth with a fine effort by K. Kruysmulder winning the Open Breaststroke.

It took several weeks for the **First XI** to develop. The cricket season started on a rousing note with an outright win over Shorncliffe, Errol Davis knocking up 98 and John Perrier, 45. The Captain, Errol Davis was selected in the T.A.S. team and overall was congratulated on his fine performance for the season.

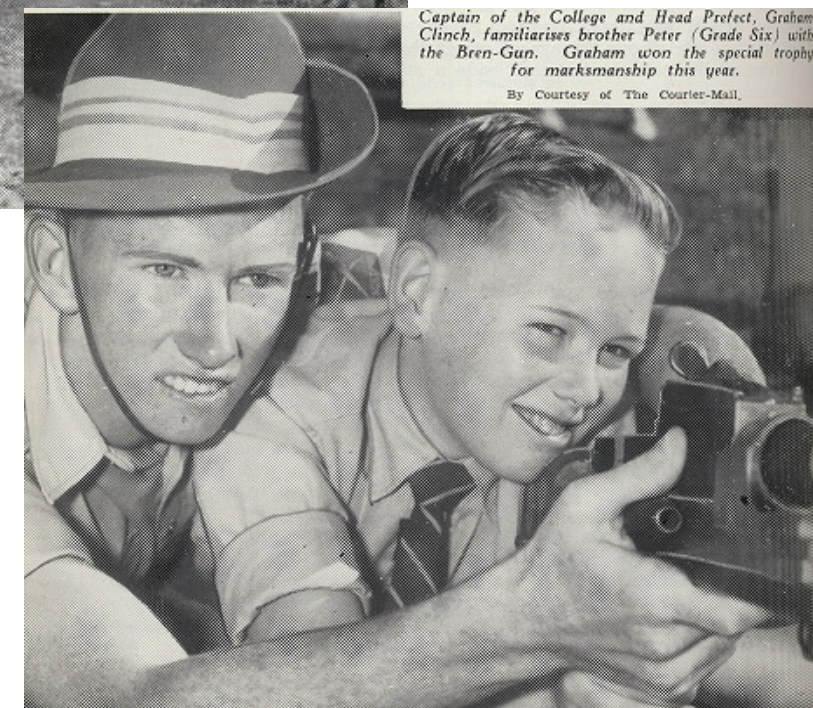
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Robert Walker wins the U12 high jump at Villa, and then went on to equal the record at the Combined Catholic Colleges Junior Athletics.

The Secondary **athletes** made an outstanding improvement, breaking many records at the Annual School Sports. The Cup winners for 1960 were: Open - A. Gell, U16 - P. King, U15 - L. Schlecht and U14 - P. Davis.

The highlight of the T.A.S. meet was **Paul Toohey's** record-breaking run in the Open mile: the glamour event of the Athletics Carnival.



The **Cadet Unit** year traditionally ended with the Passing Out Parade. This year Major Roberts was the Inspecting Officer for the afternoon and he paid sincere compliments to the Unit for its fine appearance and bearing. He urged Unit members to use the knowledge gained in Cadets by keeping in contact with the Army when they left Villanova.

And in conclusion...

In his *Rector's Letter*, Fr. Louis Hanrahan spoke of the *necessity of courteous behaviour at all times*. He continued by saying courtesy is really consideration for others. Giving up your comfortable seat on the tram or bus is an act of denial, and to stand aside and allow a lady to enter a door before you is an act of mortification. He wrote of boys being mannerly enough outside but disrespectful, surly and disobedient to parents and quarrelsome with siblings. His *Letter* concluded with 'the more courtesy and consideration you show, the more manly you become'.

The information contained in this article is from the 1960 Villanovan. Any updates can be emailed to shomann@vnc.qld.edu.au



2021 *community* EVENTS

SATURDAY 20 MARCH Villanova International Carnival	SATURDAY 24 JULY Villanova Ball
SATURDAY 1 MAY Old Boys Day and Official Opening of Grandstand – Villanova Park	SUNDAY 12 SEPTEMBER Deceased Villanovans' Mass
FRIDAY 7 MAY P&F Annual Mothers' Night	SATURDAY 9 OCTOBER Mothers of Old Boys afternoon
FRIDAY 28 MAY Sports Club Lunch	SATURDAY 30 OCTOBER Derby Day for Ladies

** All 2021 events subject to COVID restrictions. Please note that any cancellations/postponements will be advised through the College's Facebook page.*





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