



# THE STREAMER

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St Patrick's College, Silverstream **Foundation Newsletter**

## Earthquake strengthening on Dowling Block required

Rector Gerard Tully reports that, "In the interests of ensuring all our school buildings are safe the Board of Proprietors recently commissioned a detailed seismic assessment of the Dowling Block, the oldest of our school buildings. The assessment has revealed that a number of parapets around the building do not meet current seismic strength requirements and will need to be strengthened. This is particularly so on the south-east side of the Dowling Block. Although there is no immediate risk, it is possible that during a strong earthquake some of the brick on the parapets could fall.

The College has therefore taken the precaution of erecting fencing to prevent people from standing directly under the areas of concern. The Dowling Block was extensively strengthened in the 1990's so we will continue to use the interior of the



*The checking the parapets along the south eastern side for seismic strength*

building as normal. We hope to have the parapets strengthened during the April school holidays."

### Special thanks to all financial members

The number of financial members continues to grow and the Foundation is very grateful and appreciative to the 111 members who have to date been able to contribute. The Foundation is a registered charity and all donations receive a tax credit for the donor.

### E Newsletters

The Foundation is endeavouring to make contact to update our database from postal to email addresses to make communications more economical.

The Foundation has been set up to help our students achieve their full potential in their learning, extra-curricular activities and Catholic formation. We invite Old Boys, parents and friends of the College to join the Foundation and share in the life of our College community.





# Streamers out and about



**Alan Furness (1953 -56)**

Alan and his wife Carol from Blenheim were able to attend Fr Noel Delaney's Requiem Mass and then visited the College before heading north on their holiday.



**Mike Devoy (1961-64)**

Mike and his wife Karen visited in January while down from Hamilton.



**Ron Young (1963-65)**

Ron visited the College for the first time in 50 years while down from his home in the small town of Plymouth, Massachusetts, USA where he has lived and worked in the IT Industry since leaving New Zealand.

Plymouth was the site of the first English colony founded in 1620 in America by the Pilgrims.



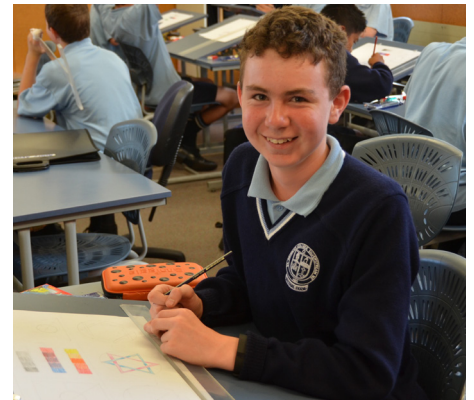
**John Mitchell (1952-54)**

John from Auckland visits the Technology Dept. (winner of the 1954 woodwork prize).



**Matt Ryan (1972-75)**

Matt and his wife Pip from Blenheim, inspecting the new gym.



**Henry Mahony 2016**

Henry is a 3rd generation Streamer Grandfather Mike (1953-57) RIP, father Sean (1981-85).



Stream Alumni at Fr Noel's funeral Fr Kevin Connors, Shirley Mahony, David Crombie.



**Gerry Paul (1993-97)** Noelle McDonnell, Nicola Joyce and Dublin born Gerry

Gerry plays at a gig on St Patrick's night at Meow along with Noelle McDonnell and Nicola Joyce from Ireland. Noelle and Nicola played at the very successful inaugural Coastella Music Festival at Southwards on Easter Saturday. This family friendly Festival featured veteran singer-songwriter Don McGlashan and other international acts was organised by Gerry and Paul Brown.



## Coming Up



### Foundation luncheon

**Wednesday 15 June 2016**

Come along to the 35th Traditional 1st XV v St Bede's @ Silverstream

Kick off 1.30pm

Join us for lunch and drinks from midday in the Pavilion

Numbers required for catering

RSVP by **Monday 30 May** to:  
foundation@stream.school.nz

### Rector in London

Gerard Tully has been awarded a Principal's Sabbatical for Term 2 2016.

He will be in London on **12 May** and arrangements for an informal Old Boys' evening are being put in place. This is being co-ordinated by Bill Hawkes.

### Winter sports fixtures

**Wednesday 25 May 2016**

Traditional Sports fixture v New Plymouth Boys High School @ Silverstream.

**Wednesday 8 June 2016**

Traditional Sports fixture v Wellington College @ Silverstream.

**Wednesday 22 June 2016**

Traditional Sports fixture v Rongotai College @ Silverstream.

**Wednesday 29 June 2016**

Traditional Sports fixture v Palmerston North Boys High School @ Palmerston North.

**Wednesday 27 July 2016**

Traditional Sports fixture v St Pats Town @ Kilbirnie.

## College News



Callum McLachlan celebrating scoring a century in the St Bede's traditional



The 1st XV after winning their traditional match against St Bede's and reclaiming the Evatt Cup



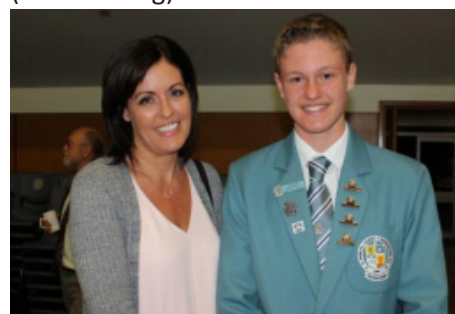
The College Leaders for 2016: Albert and his four deputies

Josiah Bautista, Robert Griffith, Albert Latailakepa, (Head Boy) Jarrod Harawira, Te Tahinga Whaanga-Davies

### Scholarships passes 2015

Congratulations to the following students who gained Scholarship passes in these most prestigious of examinations:

Samuel Traynor: Drama  
Jeremiah Go: Economics  
(Outstanding)



Michael Allen Yr 12 achieved Gold Scholar 2015, with his mum, Nicki.



# Chapel's renovations have been completed



*The freshly painted chapel exterior*



*The staff are welcomed into the chapel by Te Tahinga Whaanga-Davies*



The Chapel was completed in time to start the new academic year for 2016. The contractors were able to restrengthen the building to bring it up to earthquake code requirements. The roof was replaced and the lengths of the covered ways upgraded to external guttering systems to prevent any leaking. The external building was repainted white replacing the olive green. Internally the only visible sign of renovations has been carpet replacing the cork tiles in the foyer.

## Ian McMullin JP (1942-45)

Ian was honoured to be asked to give the Old Boys address at the opening of the Chapel in 1977. In his address Ian brought out the theme of gratitude. "Gratitude to the total Silverstream family, Rectors, Clerical and Lay staff, in those intervening 46 years, Parents, Friends and present Pupils, whose encouragement, loyalty, and financial support have contributed to this

## Recent Weddings



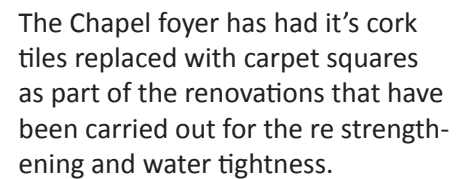
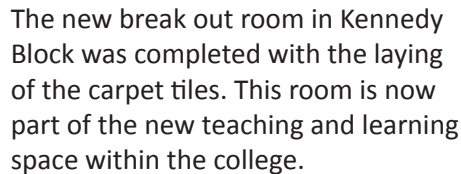
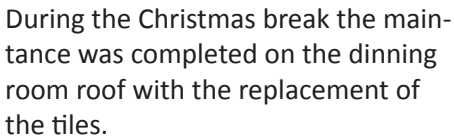
*Richard Davidson (1998-02) and Sarah Watson with their wedding party in Dunedin*

Leighton Bambray (2001-05)	m Rebecca Braddick	Pongaroa, CHB
Andrew Campbell (1995-97)	m Anna Bradley	Taupo
Matt Anderson (1996-00)	m Katie Patterson	Brisbane
Mark Beehre (1996-00)	m Nina Lillo	Silverstream
Adam Dysh (2001-02)	m Stephanie Dahlberg	Auckalnd
Paul Nixon (1990-94)	m Michelle Pilcher	Lower Hutt
Ahmad Mahboob (2005-09)	m Anum	Lahore, Pakistan
Todd McSweeney (2000-04)	m Kylie Jeeves	Otaki

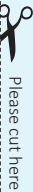
historical day becoming a reality." Throughout his life he has held a deep affection for the Marist priests that help in his formation as a young man during his years at Silverstream. In an interview recently he said he had three loves in his life: Family, Silverstream and Horse racing. His home in Hamilton he welcomed visiting clergy, and he affectly called his home Marian House. He boasted of giving hospitality to seven different Silverstream rectors over the years. He holds both Fr Jack Parker and Fr Gerry Mills as special friends and mentors.

His love of horse racing started while at Silverstream when he slipped out of boarding school and attended his first race meeting at Trentham. His horse Red Crest won 1966 Wellington Cup along with Parlimetary and Waitkins Handicaps and and the runnerup in the 1967 Melbourne Cup. Ian now lives in retirement in Taupo with his wife Patricia.

The Foundation is more than happy to help co ordinate Year group reunions. John Watson (1976-80) is currently helping to arrange a 40th for his intake of '76 for Labour Weekend. Please let the Foundation know if you are keen to set the wheels in motion for the intakes of 1957, 67, 77, 87 for 2017. The earlier the planning gets under way the better.



**PLEASE TICK BOXES WHERE APPROPRIATE AND SEND YOUR FORM TO:**  
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Email: [foundation@stream.school.nz](mailto:foundation@stream.school.nz)



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## In Memoriam

**PIGOU, John Douglas** (1943-47)

Died 4 December 2015 Age 85  
The Hague, Netherlands.

**HARE, Gerald James** (1963-67)

Died 20 December 2015 Age 65  
Wanganui.

**GOLDFINCH, Terence Thomas (Terry)**  
(1940)

Died 20 January 2016 Age 89  
Auckland.

**PAGET, Brian James, Br Luke SM**  
(Staff) (1976-96)

30 January 2016 Age 78  
Christchurch.

**DOSSOR, Michael Robert** (1953-55)

4 February 2016 Age 77  
Masterton.

**JAMES, William (Billy)** (1952-56)

5 February 2016 Age 77  
Waikanae.

**YOUNGMAN, Maurice John**  
(1946-47)

Died 10 February 2016 Age 86  
Te Kuiti.

**DELANEY, Noel Thomas SM**  
Reverend Father (1935-40)  
Staff (1954-63)

Died 13 February 2016 Age 93  
Silverstream.

**MAIR, Rhys Michael** (2012-16)

Died 27 February 2016 Age 17  
Silverstream.

**TILLER, Thomas Patrick** (1934-37)

Died 1 March 2016 Age 94  
Sunshine Coast, Australia.

**McCARTNEY, John Patrick** (1950-54)

Died 2 March 2016 Age 79  
Palmerston North.

**MAHER James John** (1950-54)

Died 23 March 2016 Age 86  
Blenheim.



*Fr Noel Delaney SM 1935-40*

1940 Head Prefect, 1st XV, Captain of the athletics team that won the McEvedy Shield, 1st in the 100 yards in 11.5 seconds, and 1st in the 220 yards in 25 seconds. He also won the Gilbert Memorial trophy for "good conduct".



*College haka and farewell*

He was ordained in the Greenmeadows Chapel by Archbishop O'Shea on the 12th December 1948, and took up his first appointment at St. Bedes in 1949.

Noel joined the staff at Silverstream from 2nd term 1954 to 1963.

Music, English and Sport were high on the agenda during his time here and in 1962 he wrote the words and music to a production called, "The Parted Ways", and another called "The Young Patrick".

Kevin Watson was teaching at Silverstream at this time and became a life long friend of Noels.

His other passion was gardening and once again was prepared to share his knowledge if you were prepared to take it seriously.

Special thanks to Noel's nephew Bernie Atkins (1974) for excerpts from his eulogy.



*Rhys Mair 2012-16*

Rhys was riding a quad bike on a farm in the Hinakura area, east of Martinborough, when his accident occurred.

Rhys' college friends paid tribute to him at the annual McEvedy Shield athletic competition by wearing arm-bands.

A banner displayed at the event read: "Rhys, we will never forget you".

Rhys was an active member of the cadet corps, and was shaping up to



*Senior Students give haka*

be a police officer, he had recently been training at the police college gym in order to meet their fitness test.

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