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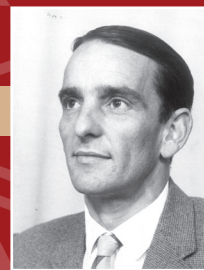
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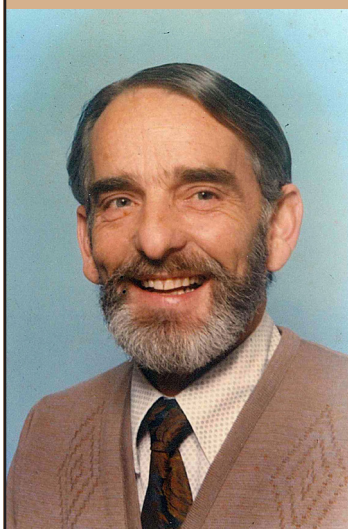


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# The Thornton Years News



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We have now reached our sixth issue of the Thornton Years News. It is great that we are still able to keep these publications coming and from feedback received many are enjoying the memories and there is the odd chuckle.

To make these publications work it is important that you embrace them and let me have news, gossip, memories or your stories of later life. What makes them interesting is to hear the stories from the past but also to be able to hear stories of life post St Peter's. It is now over 50 years since many of you started your journey in life at St Peter's (and certainly over 40 years for almost everyone.)

What we are aiming to do is to not only bring you information but also allow you to reconnect with friends you might have had at school and in many cases not had much, if anything, to do with since. This is one of the reasons we are running a reunion for the Thornton Years next April. It will give you an opportunity to revisit the school in a relaxed and casual atmosphere and see what is still there and what has changed and developed. It's a chance to reconnect with classmates and renew acquaintances from long ago.

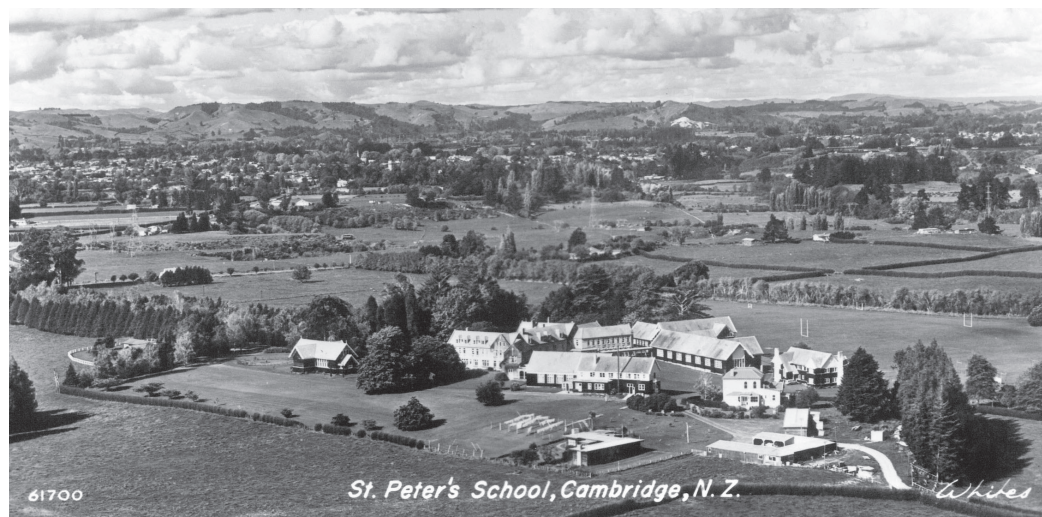
So a further article on the reunion is in this issue along with a plea to consider a visit to your past. It can only be a success if we get buy-in and attendance of a wide cross section of the years. You come, we will provide the memories.

To keep these newsletters interesting and fresh I need you, the reader, to help by contributing. So if you are able to provide a story, a profile, memories of your time at St Peter's, details of your life post St Peter's or information on friends please keep it coming to me. Take a few minutes to jot down thoughts and I will make it into an interesting story.

As editor I wish, again, to express special thanks to Kath Carmody, the graphic designer at the school who takes what I prepare and puts it into the form that you receive and understand. And also to Kay Greed (the school archivist) and her team that produce for me many of the old photos and background from the school archives.

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Aerial photo of St Peter's for 1964 prospectus (from Owl Spreads its Wings)

# Thornton Years

1961-1978

## Reunion

Friday 20 — Sunday 22 April 2018



*David Thornton departs  
– drawing by H F Rive.  
(from 1978 Chronicle)*

### NOW IS THE TIME FOR HIS PUPILS TO RETURN FOR A REUNION

As requested by many, we are organising a reunion to celebrate the Thornton Years, a chance for the Alumni to come together and relive some of their experiences that shaped their lives.

I thought that the above picture and caption really captures the whole idea of the reunion so will continue to use it.

As you would all be aware by now the reunion for the "Thornton Years 1961 to 1978" is a definite starter. We have put all the bookings in place and are working on bringing you an unforgettable event.

While we can make it an event to remember, what it really needs is as many of you as are able to make the commitment to attend some or the entire event. The style of the event will be casual informal so no one will feel out of place. I am working through the lists and reminding those who have not yet responded. While we have a number of registrations, and even more indicating they will come, we are always looking for more. To those who have registered or advised they will attend, maybe will attend, maybe not or definitely not attend – thank you, as it helps on targeting those yet to reply.

One of the first to register and confirm will be coming is Grace Thornton (and her daughter Nicky alumni of 1977). Grace is really looking forward to meeting as many of you as possible and would love to see how you have all grown and developed. So if Grace can make the commitment then surely some of you can (partners welcome).

We have tried to fit a programme that will be of real interest and will be a focus on the things that were important to you in your time at St Peter's. We will have displays, talks and walks that explore what St Peter's was like and what made it so important to those who were there. We have tried to give a reasonable notice so there's a chance for some old boys to plan a trip home!

And of course it will be a chance to renew friendships with those who are there (and you may not have met since leaving the School) and to talk about those who are not there for whatever the reason. "Age waits for no one" – so why not grab the opportunity while it is there and come and help us make the event a success. Forget any perceived problems that you think may prevent you coming, overcome any uncertainty and help us all together celebrate your time at St Peter's and remember the huge influence David Thornton had on your lives. His effort over his eighteen years as Headmaster at St Peter's is what has helped build the school to what it is today.

This reunion will be a chance to do that. This will be the first major reunion for the Thornton Years ever held. When we did one for the Broadhurst Era in 2015 we had over 100 old boys and over 40 partners. The total attendance was around 170 (ages ranged from early 60s to mid-90s). With 74 of those housed in the school dorms. The only regrets we heard later were of those who were unable to attend. We would like to think we can have over 200 in attendance including past staff that we can locate. (We have reserved 134 beds at the school most in single rooms,) We also encourage anyone who wants to bring their partner and show them what they have probably heard so much about over the last 40 years or so.

If you want to discuss anything on the reunion or get particulars please contact:

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## Memories from Rosemary (Rose) Todd (Staff 1974–2017)

### WHEN THE KIDS WERE SITTING IN THE DINING ROOM

When the bell went ... silence reigned and then prayers were said. After prayers, you were allowed to talk and boy were you a rowdy lot! The hand signals to the "server" were learned quick smart so that your portion size (the food you love or hate) came in large or small. After dinner, the bell went again and then you all left the dining room like the good little boys that you are.

### THE ICE CREAM

Orange-chocolate chip was the favourite (especially for Mike Brock) ... and if you were sitting at the table with him, you got extra as it was his favourite. Mark Hannah's was vanilla French ice cream. What does this tell you about these two, especially as I have been working in the kitchen for many years?

### COCOA

Morning tea was hot milk & cocoa which you boys all loved. We were ambushed all at once!

### TEACHERS TROLLEY

Bringing the teachers trolley back, you guys were in the TV room and you would hear the trolley coming. I'd be ambushed (again) to see if any biscuits were left over. I'd give you guys one biscuit at a time knowing that we were breaking the rules ... but you sure loved them!

### PREP-SCHOOL CHRISTMAS DINNER

All laid out, set up ... chips, sweets and THE SOFT DRINK ... it's not like I'm trying to say something here. You filed in, sat down and opened the soft drink. Some of you skulled the drink and then you had to run outside (a very quick exit) to the ablution block or the nearest "bathroom". You then came back to your lovely dinner of ham, salads, trifle and ice cream etc.

There were no more quick exits that night that I know of.



Rose and Barbara



Steve Watkins and Rose

### LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

You all were up early (breakfast @ 5:30am for some) so that the 6am bus was caught to Auckland on time. For some it was a struggle and I kept asking 'are you taking the bus to Auckland? Best you hurry or you will miss it'. (Personally, I don't think they woke up properly until they actually reached Auckland.)

### FLAG DAY

Flag Day had been happening for a long time (Day One in fact) but when the Cafeteria system came online you guys got hot pies, hot chips, jelly and ice cream (the favourite!). After that all of you went to Matamata where you unsuccessfully tried to drown Mike Brock. Ah, good times ....

Hope to see you all at the Thornton Reunion.

Am I working ... No. Will I be there ... Yes. It'll be great to catch up with you all.

**Editor's Comment:** Thanks a lot Rose – you have some fond memories and served one of the most important roles at the school – you kept the tummies full. Rose started in the early 70s and is still working in the school dining room. She has fed over 7000 subsequent students (not to mention the staff). Your Alumni recently recognised her outstanding service to you in your time of need and she was made a "Life Member" of the St Peter's School Alumni. And yes as she says she will be at the reunion next year – she has already registered and was one of the first to do so. So now it's your turn to register and ensure you are there.



Rose and Marc Scott at the celebration morning tea for Rose's 60th birthday - June 2015

# Memories

## Craig Shortt (1974–1976)

SOME MEMORIES AND A QUESTION ANSWERED

**An extract from the last Newsletter on the article from Brian Wilkins Page 2 "Myth or Legend?"**

*"The job of pushing the laundry baskets down to the laundry not only allowed the boys to play dodgems along the walk ways, but enabled them to converse with the kitchen staff through the windows at the other end. Occasionally, after not so subtle hints, a nice young lass would relent and pass out some cake or biscuits (something never seen in the dining room). Unfortunately that act of kindness was akin to feeding the wild life. Before too long these angelic boys had weaseled their way into the kitchen. While chatting to their new found friends, they observed a large storage room with a big box labelled Griffins Chocolate Wheaten Biscuits X 24. The temptation was too great! The best young criminal minds gathered together and planning commenced immediately. It was rumoured, through the grapevine, that a night opp had been successful! If so, they certainly didn't share their booty with this goody goody two shoes! Perhaps someone can enlighten us?"*

### **The Answer (from Craig)**

*The Issue we were faced with once we acquired the box of biscuits, and they were plain, not chocolate, (in our case) was what to do with them... So our master minds decided we have to sit up all night trying to eat them all to get rid of the evidence.... Not a great reason ... in fact I seem to remember it wasn't a pleasant experience at all..... Never to be done again..... there after we stuck to raiding the Orchard ..... But that's another story a lot of guys would know about.*

### **And another memory**

Does anyone talk about the room above the old gym, that housed all the costumes used for plays and shows? There was a small stairway that led up to the music room, which had a small landing half way up, and the entry door to the room was on the stairway.

There were plenty of rumours about the room and all the seriously cool costumes, swords, shields, helmets etc stored up there, everything a kid needed to play war with.

There was also rumours of a student who was walking around up there and fell through the ceiling and dropped down into the gym below, and broke both his legs. So the room was full of mystery, and no one we knew had ever been in there.

One day when looking for a good hiding place I discovered a gap between the outer and internal walls in the stairway leading up to the music room, being small I was able to squeeze between the inner and outer wall panels and work my way up inside the walls, and popped out into the mystery room with all the cool costumes in it.

It was quite dark in places, smelt musty, but very cool. When you were ten years old, it was very cool. Being careful not to step on the floor without top panels on it I had a great look around. And yes it was full of all the things the stories were made of.



I visited the room several times and took a mate with me, because he didn't believe me.

The last visit there, someone heard us in there and reported us to a teacher, who turned up looking for us. We heard him coming and just managed to get into the wall space as they came into the room. We had to stay there about 15 minutes while they searched the place top to bottom. They knew we were in there, but couldn't figure out where we disappeared to.

But that was my last visit to the room above the gym. The thought of getting caught, and the fear of the sandshoe again was too much for me.

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**Editor's Comment:** Thanks Craig. It's always good to get the stories that didn't make the chronicles or official newsletters. If you come to the reunion I am sure Rose Todd, who was on the kitchen staff at the time and probably one of those "nice young lasses" referred to above, will have some interesting stories from the other side. She has registered and is coming. She is still on the Kitchen staff over 40 years later!



# Memories

## Steve Knowles (1977–1979)

MY JOURNEY AFTER ST PETER'S

Hi Neil

Well done on finding me and thanks for the Thornton Years. I had a quick look through today, it brought back memories. Great to see Mrs Falls, Mr Campbell and Hanna, plus the pic of the kids running to the school pool. I remember the ice for the morning swims mid-winter.

My three years at St Peter's did kick my life in the right direction. Running was my thing at school winning track and cross country plus was awarded school colours for sport. I continued on at various times over the decades with sports; racing motorcycles in the 80s, winning national and endurance races like the Castrol 6hr Manfield 1986 in 600cc, then adventure races in the 2000's, although second was our team's best international placing in a 3 day race in Patagonia Glacier National Park (a week after racing a 5 day race in the Amazon).

On the professional side I started an apprenticeship with the NZPO as a technical officer in 1981. Moved into IT early days of Telecom and was project managing strategic projects like their customer National Faults System developments in the late 90s and left after project managing delivery of the Southern Cross Cable NOC Centre in early 2000's.

With a young family and more on the horizon we moved out of AK mid 2000's and lived off the grid. Investing more time in our own companies in areas we were more passionate about, sports media and event management applications which is where we are at today - sportzhub.com and eventplus.co.nz.

Cheers

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**Editor's Comment:** Hi Steve. Thanks for sharing some background on your post St Peter's days. Maybe some of your classmates can return the favour and you can all meet up again after 40 odd years at the Thornton Reunion next April?



Steve – Senior Cross  
Country Champion,  
1979

## Bruce Turner (1977–1979)

RESPONSE TO ARCHIE RUSH ARTICLE  
(ISSUE 5 MARCH 2017)

Really great to see the latest newsletter and the great stories within.

With regards to the Hobby Room Article.

My father, Bruce Turner Senior (sadly passed Dec 2015 aged 82) was the builder. Mum and Dad moved onto the grounds during weekends and parked their caravan between classrooms in the senior school. As Dad was both a builder and architect with his company Pleasant View Builders from Rotorua, he worked / volunteered with Bob Galloway, and B Tizard and Sons, Keith Bissett and myself. Dad took great pleasure in having Keith, myself and the Tizard boys carrying bags of cement and assisting with brick laying in the hot sun.

Dad was proud of his contribution and was never the type to seek recognition; however, I remember the project vividly and I may have photos buried away among Dad's possessions.

I was in Oliphant house (Brian Fitzgerald) at the time and remember being proud of having my dad on the tools getting involved with students and staff.

Keep up the good work mate.

Regards

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**Editor's Comment:** Thanks Bruce. Always great to get feedback and nice when a story provokes memories and comment from those involved. Might see you next April at the reunion, a chance to inspect the building that is still in use!



Brian Fitzgerald, Bruce Turner Snr with daggy  
Hat, B Tizard, Keith Bissett



From Left Dean Andrews, Fitzgerald, Tizard, ??,  
Turner Snr, Bruce Turner Jnr – striking blocks

## Reverend Denis Mellsop (1976–1981)

TEACHER & CHAPLIN RECONNECTS

Greetings! And thanks very much, for your wonderful supply of the *Thornton Years*! Please keep them coming! Yes that's me with dear Brockie and all in the staff photo (*Issue 2*).

I arrived from Invercargill (Mark Hannah had contacted me) and was the school chaplain/teacher at St Peter's from 1976–1981. I married my precious wife Rosemary when we were at St Peter's in 1977 and lived in the chaplains residence next to Mike and Lynn Brock.

Then we moved to Nelson Diocese to be the vicar of Kaikoura, and we were there until 1986. At this stage I moved to Nelson and was Hospital Chaplain for 9 years for the the 4 Nelson Hospitals.

I retired in 1995, but am still an honorary priest, at the cathedral here, 56 years after Ordination in the old St Marys Cathedral, Auckland. Thanks again! You really have, refreshed our very happy first five years, with many wonderful staff and boys.

Bless you all.

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**Editor's Comment:** *I think the best I can add is the comments in the Chronicles on his arrival in 1977 and departure in 1981. They show his background before arrival and the departure comments show how he adapted to St Peter's. I have since been talking with Denis and both him and his wife are intending to come to the reunion – maybe a place for him in one of the chapel services?).*

### 1977 Chronicle

Rev. Denis Mellsop was educated at King's College, Auckland, the University of Auckland, Ardmore Teacher's College and St John's Theological College, where he was 'Senior Student' in 1959.

After serving curacies in New Lynn and St Mark's, Remuera, he became Associate Director of Church Education for Auckland Diocese. He was successively Vicar of Kamo and Hikurangi before moving South to Taieri. At this time (1976) he had been ordained for 16 years, and for the last two years he had been Associate Priest of St John's Parish, Invercargill. His interests have included singing, both on the radio and television and he has taken leading roles in musical productions in Whangarei and Dunedin, having also broadcast Current Affair from there for two years. He now hopes to resume his favourite sport of dry-fly fishing.

### 1981 Chronicle

The Reverend Denis Mellsop, after five years as Chaplin in the School, left in May 1981 to become Vicar of Kaikoura. Many boys will remember with continuing affection his interest and personal care. He was ever ready to assist and to talk with them – a quality much sought after in a Chaplain. "Padre", as he became known, continued a very faithful ministry in Chapel worship and spent many hours in the compilation of the School Service book.

He carried out classroom teaching with enthusiasm and his R.E. programme was drawn from a wide range of sources.

We all wish him and his wife all success in their Parish work and we thank them for their contribution to St Peter's.

## Reflections on leaving - Denis Mellsop

From the 1980 *Chronicle*

I would firstly like to thank our Headmaster for his active support and initiations in this whole important area of school life that is designated as Chapel and R.E. Many changes have taken place: the midday Chapels have now reverted to 8.30a.m. on just Tuesdays and Thursdays, for the whole school, including staff. If the roll continues to rise, it could soon be almost standing room only, if we get over the 300 mark. With a well-balanced team of four staff leading these services, we are gradually building a strong worship pattern, despite obvious problems in really being able to communicate the gospel (in six minutes) to boys ranging in age from 8 to 18. Our singing is still rather limited in both choice and enthusiasm, but it can only improve!

The production of our own school Service Book (folder) of Services, Hymns and Prayers should have been finalised by the time you read this. After five years here I would see other top priorities: the extension of R.E. right through the secondary school (it is taught only up to 3rd form level this year). The other obvious priority in the strengthening of our Worshipping life if the continued growth in the voluntary prayer groups (an average of 40 boys meet at 8a.m. each Sunday for Bible Study and Prayer). A small staff Prayer Group meets every Monday at 8a.m. Another top priority is surely to build up the team of staff lay readers which will, with the departure of Mr Haydn Rive and myself, reduce the

regular Sunday and midweek preachers by 50%. I know these problems in the area of leadership and involvement of the boys will be solved. The interests, faith and prayers of many people will continue to support all now concerned with the planning and leading of our boys in this important area of school life.

My personal reflection briefly is that we do have now a great deal to thank God for. Since 1976 there has been a steady and most significant rise in the interest, involvement and, yes, even enthusiasm, of many boys at all levels of the School.

**Thanks:** I would record my warm gratitude to the Headmaster, and to all those who have served on the staff here in my time.. Of my many helpful colleagues, I would especially thank Haydn Rive for his very real ministry here, especially in his faithful leadership within the Sunday morning Prayer Group. I thank all the boys of St. Peter's for their lively (if at times mildly irreverent) interest in Chapel, R.E., and life in general. I thank especially our staff preachers, visiting preachers, Sacristans, Servers, Director of Music, Choir, Flower ladies, Community Workers and the boys I have taught as Form teacher over the years.

You have tolerated and indeed supported a Priest/Teacher who came here a little apprehensively.



## Steve Clougher (1962–1968)

*An interesting series of emails from Steve*

Hi Neil,

I don't anticipate being able to make it to the reunion, but you never know. (*Editor – see note below – looks like we will see you?*)

T (Binns) Bayliss won an award in Hollywood not too many years ago, for an invention to do with camera tracking. (*Editor: Thanks Steve a real lead – see below article.*)

It is a bit of a jolt to see how many of the boys I knew have died, and so young.

I note, with approval, the owl sculpture shown on the invite to the Auckland Reunion! Only I think it needs a decent plinth with a bit of elevation, like perhaps five or six feet. I include a picture of my owl sculpture (about three feet high), just to prove my credentials for poking my beak in, on this matter.

It's a whimsical piece, and not my usual style or standard, which is bigger and better. Also an eagle, made with the pupils of Huonville High School in southern Tasmania. Also not my usual style, but big enough. Now, I don't think St Peter's would want to be upstaged by Huonville HS having its huon pine wedgetailed eagle high up on a twelve foot plinth. This was done to forestall vandalism, which didn't work. Some brat shot one of its matched quartz crystal eyes out with a slug-gun! Good shot, though.

Just for fun

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## A follow up from Steve after above email

Thanks Neil. Yes I'm leaning towards attending, particularly to see Simon (Trevethick), which might never happen otherwise. My brother Lindsay (1968–1974) is running an airline in the north of British Columbia, as junior partner. He may be interested to come to the reunion, if he can get away, you can try him and if you get no joy, let me know.

(*Editor's Comment: In my true dogged style I have suggested to both Steve and Lindsay and third brother Richard (1965–1968) that maybe all three could come to the reunion next April and turn it into a family reunion. Thanks a lot for your continued communication Steve.*)

Thornton Bayliss (1960–1963). Thanks Steve for the lead on "T (Binns) Bayliss" above. Thanks to that I have tracked

down a probable address in California, USA. I have posted him earlier copies of the newsletters and invited him to confirm current contact details.

A real interesting life that I would love to be able to share with you all if he would like to send me some more information.

Thornton was the inventor of Cablecam. A cable-driven camera which can travel at speeds of up to 130 km/h. It won him an Academy Award in 1999 for "Best Technical Achievement"

Below is an extract of the citation from February 1999: "To James Rodnunsky, James Webber and Bob Webber of Cablecam Systems, and Thornton Bayliss for the design and engineering of Cablecam. This radio-controlled, cable-driven camera platform with its ultra-smooth synthetic cables and powerful hydraulic motors, enables runs in excess of 3,000 feet with quick return to start. Operating unmanned, it can function at speeds and through perils that would be unsafe for on-board operators."

He has an interesting career in Film and I would rather leave it to him to provide some details to ensure they are correct. (*Editor*)



# Arthur Francis Broadhurst

**The third and final instalment of Arthur's life leading up to the opening of St Peter's School in 1936:  
extracted and edited from *The Owl Spreads its Wings***

## **The strange connection with Ayrshire**

It seems that the Ayrshire born Arthur Broadhurst was walking down Queen Street, Auckland, looking for a firm of solicitors to handle his affairs, when he saw the name 'Oliphant' on a legal plate. Broadhurst knew a solicitor of that name in Ayrshire, so he called on T A H Oliphant (also born in Ayrshire), who became his solicitor. Before returning to England in September 1934 he instructed Tom Oliphant to look out for a property that would be suitable for a school. Oliphant cabled him in late 1934 that he had taken an option on a well-known dairy farm of 90 acres, only two miles from Cambridge and fifteen miles from Hamilton. Broadhurst left England on the first available ship, agreed with his lawyer's choice and then took the next available ship back to England – presumably to wind up his affairs there.



Arthur Broadhurst  
O.B.E.  
Photo: Ken Chandler  
(1936)



Tom A Oliphant  
Photo: Owl Spreads  
its Wings



Prof William Riddet  
C.B.E.  
Photo: Owl Spreads its  
Wings

The farm proved a very successful investment, as well as fulfilling its original purpose of providing grounds for the school and farm produce for the school's consumption. The property purchased in 1935 was known as Gwynnlands, after the Royal Gwynne stud. It contained a large homestead, also known as Gwynnlands.

The third member of the triumvirate was Professor William Riddet, also born in Ayrshire. He had been educated at Glasgow University, served in World War I, and became a lecturer in Scotland before being appointed professor of agriculture at Auckland University College in 1925. With Professor Peren, Professor Riddet founded and organised Massey College, which opened in 1928. He became the foundation director of the New Zealand Dairy Research Institute and his contribution to dairy science on a worldwide scale was recognised by leading dairy scientists and by the award of the CBE in 1954. He became a foundation member of the St Peter's School Trust Board and a director of St Peter's Ltd and of the school farm, which proved, largely under his direction, to be an indispensable part of the school's financial organisation.

Broadhurst paid £2,500 for the 90 acres and set aside £71,000 for the construction of the school – a very considerable sum in 1935. Again, when men were needed to lay out the grounds and lawns under the supervision of Ike McKinnon, the orchardist and groundsman, they worked on a government subsidised scheme for ten shillings a week; and when the school was built the construction firm had no difficulty in finding workers. As the Jubilee History commented, 'In depressed times the employment of up to 160 local men at the peak in 1935 must have given the local

economy a considerable boost.'

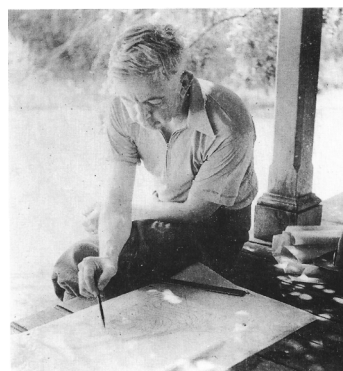
As far as possible the trees and shrubs which gave the property, especially when surrounded by the green rolling Waikato hills, a typically English look, were preserved and increased. The well-known homestead was also preserved, but it was moved to a site a hundred yards nearer the river for its new function as staff accommodation.

## **The Grounds**

Ike McKinnon was orchardist and groundsman, and he and his wife began work at St Peter's before the buildings were finished, in 1935, and remained until 1960. They lived in school accommodation and Mrs McKinnon cooked meals when required for farm, garden and teaching staff. Mr and Mrs McKinnon's two daughters were baptised, confirmed and married in the chapel, and A F B Broadhurst was their godfather.

## **Roy Lippincott and the Building of the School**

Roy Lippincott was born in 1885 at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, and graduated with an architectural degree from Cornell University in 1909. He worked in the office of Walter Burley Griffin, who in May 1912 was announced as the winner of the competition to design Canberra, which was to become Australia's federal capital. In January 1914 Lippincott accepted Griffin's offer of a junior partnership; in April he married Griffin's sister Genevieve; and in May 1914 Griffin and Lippincott, accompanied by their wives, moved to Australia, where Lippincott was put in charge of Griffin's private practice. In 1921 the Lippincotts and their three daughters moved to Auckland when Roy Lippincott won a competition to design the Auckland University arts building, which was much admired.



Roy Alston Lippincott, the Architect



Gwynnlands in its prime

From 1924 until 1939 Lippincott was in independent practice in Auckland, during which time he designed several more buildings for Auckland University College, for Massey Agricultural College, for Smith & Caughey, and for John





*Construction in progress*

Seabrook. His first office was in Queen Street, in the prestigious NZ Insurance Company building, but with the depression there was less work and Lippincott moved his office to 10 High Street in Oliphant House, where the law firm of Oliphant, Bell and Moss was situated. This firm handled Lippincott's affairs, and Tom Oliphant, Broadhurst's lawyer, recommended Lippincott to Broadhurst.

The St Peter's commission was very welcome. In the early 1930s little building work had been available so that the Lippincott office was closed and he worked from home. Things had not greatly improved by 1935, and this was a favourable time for those with capital (such as Broadhurst).

Broadhurst and Lippincott had several discussions before Broadhurst went back to England to put his affairs in order prior to his return to New Zealand. Lippincott had undertaken to send him preliminary drawings, and did so. Broadhurst's reactions were not always favourable – R R Gibson wrote that when the drawings reached Broadhurst 'They were returned to Lippincott with scathing criticisms and the comment that he [AFB] wanted "a country-house type of school, not a National Memorial!'. Lippincott, a charming American, started again and St Peter's as we know it was built.'

The final designs produced attractive buildings which were impressive and functional without being ostentatious and which made the most of the site – slightly elevated and containing attractive woodland, most of which was preserved. The main block was constructed of concrete with (originally) plaster of a warm rich buff colour. Other buildings were built of timber stained to give a matt dark tobacco-brown finish. 'Heating methods were well in advance of their time, using warm air, convected through ducts from beds of sand and rock below the floor, heated by off-peak electricity.' This required underground tunnels, which proved an illegal attraction for adventurous small boys. The dining hall (or refectory) had impressive and attractive wooden beams, and the chapel was built of wood, comparatively plain, yet compact and intimate and set apart from other buildings.

#### **The Governance of the School**

Trustees and directors. By the end of 1939 the trustees of St Peter's School were Broadhurst, Riddet, T A H Oliphant and N M P Gibson, headmaster of Dilworth School. Broadhurst, no doubt on the advice of Tom Oliphant, formed a company under the Companies Act of 1933.

St Peter's Limited was officially formed on 6 March 1935, with a capital of £50,000, of which Broadhurst and Beaufort as joint headmasters and directors each took £1000 in ordinary shares and Broadhurst took £48,000 of £1 preference shares. Broadhurst bought out Beaufort when the joint headmastership was dissolved.

The St Peter's Trust was established by Broadhurst in 1939. By this he gave the whole of his interest in the school, which by then consisted of 264 acres of land, and buildings and equipment valued at over £100,000, to the trust. Broadhurst wrote in the 1939 Chronicle, 'My object in doing this was to make it as certain as is humanly and legally possible that the school will continue to be carried on when I am gone.'

#### **Staff**

The number of staff at St Peter's when it opened in February 1936 exceeded the number of boys on the roll (36). There was twelve teaching staff, three house staff, a secretary and fourteen domestic staff – cooks, laundresses, waitresses, maids (the headmaster had a maid to himself) and kitchen staff. Then there were the farm staff, who looked after the cows, sheep and hens; an orchardist/groundsman; and a fluctuating number of others who found plenty to do in landscaping, fencing, mowing, planting, etc in the early days.

#### **And so St Peter's was Underway**

(Editor's Comment: It has been a pleasure to edit the three articles on AFB – prior to St Peter's. I feel I have learnt so much more about the man and the background behind the school that would not be here today without his vision, foresight and generosity.)



*Construction completed*

## Sporting Achievements of Current Pupils

### Higher Honours for Rugby Players

Several of our rugby players have been selected to attend rugby development camps.

#### Chiefs Under 18 Camp

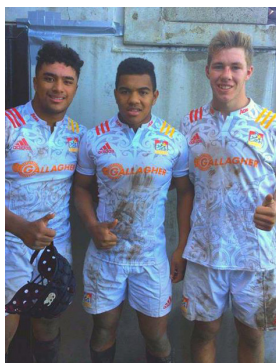
Six St Peter's 1st XV Rugby players were selected to attend the Chiefs Under 18 Camp - a reflection of the strength of the St Peter's rugby programme.

Fifty of the best secondary school players from the Chiefs franchise regions were selected and invited to the week long development camp covering mental skills, nutrition, technical and tactical skills all in preparation for an A and B team match against the Blues under 18's.

Players were exposed to quality coaching for specific positions, unit skills and core skills from Chiefs coaches Dave Rennie, Kieran Keane, Neil Barnes and Andrew Strawbridge.

Well done and congratulations to Ollie Norris, James Thompson, Peni Finau, Paula Mahe, Kaea Hongara and Andrew Viane.

Thank you to coaches Sean Hohneck and Andrew Douglas whose guidance and support helped these boys reach high honours.



Andrew Viane, Paula Mahe and James Thompson



Cam Roigard vs Lindisfarne

### New Zealand and Waikato Harlequins Under 17 Camp

The Harlequins Camp is an important pathway to Chiefs Under 18's for players in the Waikato region. One team will be selected to play a Northern Region competition during August and September.

Ollie Norris, James Thompson and Kaea Hongara attended this camp in 2016.

This year Cam Roigard, Zion Lui and Sean Chenery were selected to attend.

Congratulations to Cam Roigard who was selected "best back" on and off the field.

### Women's Football

Congratulations to Shannon Trebes (Defender, pictured) and Rylee Godbold (Goalkeeper) who have been selected for the New Zealand U-17 Women's Football team which will compete at the OFC U-16 Championship in Samoa, 4 Aug to 25 Aug 2017. An outstanding achievement.

Shannon Trebes



### St Peter's Hockey Players make Representative Teams

Six of our hockey players have made representative teams. The players, all from our Prep School Girls Hockey team, trialled for the Waikato Collier sides recently.

All six made it into representative sides - a fantastic achievement.

#### Collier U13 Girls

- Charlotte Crofskey
- Jessie Holdaway
- Anna McLean
- Charlotte Pamment

#### Collier Development

- Arabella Barrio Frojan
- Grace Wisniewski

Congratulations to these players.



Grace Wisniewski, Jessie Holdaway, Charlotte Crofskey, Charlotte Pamment and Anna McLean.



Jessie Holdaway, Arabella Barrio Frojan and Grace Wisniewski

### Waikato Secondary Schools Champions 2017

St Peter's has won the top division of the Waikato Secondary Schools Table Tennis Competition 2017. The competition was held over Term 2, with the finals being played on Wednesday 28th and Friday 30th June. St Peter's had two teams participating this year, both in the top division.

#### St Peter's 1 win the Championship

St Peter's 1 defeated Hamilton Boy's High School's top team, winning the division final and securing the Championship trophy for the second consecutive year. The boys in this team were Ricky Yeung, Matthew So and Naoki Ito. All members of the team played extremely well throughout the competition and were well prepared for finals night.

#### St Peter's 2 finish fourth

St Peter's 2 finished the competition in fourth place, beaten in their final by Rototuna. The boys in this team were Marco Chan, Phoom Panyasurant and Shane Suksingha, with a



special mention for Alex O'Connor who played in the first couple of rounds but was unable to continue due to other commitments. Team 2 also played very well throughout the competition but unfortunately two players had to leave for home before the end of term and were therefore not available to play on finals night.

"I was proud of the way all of the boys conducted themselves throughout the competition. Along with the high level of skill, effort and commitment they gave to the competition, each one was polite, respectful and a real credit to their families and the school," says coach Kevin Oldfield.

Ricky, Matthew and Naoki are now looking forward to the National Tournament in Palmerston North in September. Good luck boys!



*Ricky Yeung, Matthew So, and Naoki Ito*

#### **U14A Rugby win WSS Championship**

Final score 12-10

St Peter's U14 A won the Steve Gordon Shield for 2017, beating Hamilton Boys' High School (HBHS) in the Waikato Secondary Schools (WSS) Championship final at Steele Park in Hamilton East on Saturday 12th August 2017.

HBHS had the home field advantage, having beaten St Peter's in the top 4 round robin games (the only loss for St Peter's this season). However, notes Coach Ian Stewart, it was a challenge this group of young men had prepared for, making it a much-anticipated final clash. Stewart describes the match as a "game of two halves" in which St Peter's made a very strong start. "Attack was abundant and well executed" he said. "Wave after wave of players clearing the ruck, moving the ball and running into the line. "And for the little ball HBHS had in the first 15 minutes they were met with fearless defence by the wall of blue St Peter's jerseys.

"Confidence has never been an issue with this group of young men and we believe this is due to them being very comfortable with doing their own roles in a game and more importantly having confidence in their team mates, inside and outside them, to do the same. That, with some very good processes and systems in place makes for a very capable team."

The second half of the game saw the HBHS team start with a seemingly determined mind-set, throwing everything they had at St Peter's and putting them under immense pressure. The boys had to dig deep to hold them off. "It was good to see that St Peter's never lost faith" says Stewart. "Body language was positive throughout the

#### **Double Gold at Waikato BOP Duathlon Championships Excellence in Multisport**

St Peter's students had a successful day at the Waikato BOP Individual Duathlon Championships, taking two gold medals and one silver medal.

The event was held in cool conditions at the Karapiro Domain and served as a great hit-out ahead of the upcoming New Zealand Duathlon Championships in Auckland this weekend.

In the Under 16 Girls event Charli Miller used her superb running skills to establish a lead which she then built on through the bike leg and further extended on the finishing run to win by a large margin.

In the Under 16 Boys Reuben Thompson had a commanding win, leading from start to finish and showing his strength in both the run and on the bike.

Jamal Robertson was in the second group of runners coming into the bike transition, but a fantastic bike leg took him up to 2nd position and established a good gap on a chasing duo. He held onto this gap to secure the silver medal behind Reuben.



*Reuben Thompson, Jamal Robertson and Charli Miller.*

game, and every conversation was around getting the job done for each other. "Pleasingly, that's exactly what they did, defending strongly for the last 20 minutes and tirelessly making tackle, after tackle, after tackle! It was a gusty effort by St Peter's and a great finale to an outstanding season," concludes Stewart. "Special thanks to our fantastic supporters who cheered the boys on, week after week. The success of this team is a tribute to you too."



*St Peter's U14A - 2017 WSS U14 Champions with the Steve Gordon Shield*

## Missing Alumni

Below we have listed some more of the old boys we are still looking for (some may be deceased – but we would like to confirm if that is the case). If you can provide any further information or clues, even full Christian names, that would help. Please either email [neilmcl@xtra.co.nz](mailto:neilmcl@xtra.co.nz), or post to PO Box 331520, Takapuna 0740 NZ. Or phone +64 (0) 21619171.

Name	Entry-Left	Name	Entry-Left	Name	Entry-Left
Abel Philip John	1972-1973	Browne R M	1968-1971	Creedy Conrad David	1974-1977
Adams D.C.J.	1962-1962	Bruce Jason Brooke	1978-1981	Cunniffe Mark Seton	1978-1978
Akast Michael Rex	1974-1975	Bruce Richmond Stephen	1978-1983	Dale Stephen McGregor	1962-1967
Alexander Brett Ronald Robert	1974-1975	Bryce John	1962-1966	Dalton J P	1964-1967
Alley George Kim	1971-1974	Buchanan Ross Milton	1972-1977	Dargan D G	1969-1970
Allsop S R	1960-1963	Burgess Steven Barry	1975-1977	Davies Lyness John	1957-1961
Anderson Christopher John	1971-1975	Burns Paul	1959-1964	Dawson C W	1961-1965
Anderson Ian Donald	1970-1973	Burton J R	1965-1966	Dawson Nicholas David	1973-1975
Anderson M J D	1957-1961	Burton R J	1965-1965	De Groot Herman Stephen	1970-1975
Anderson Roderick Fyfe	1976-1981	Burton David George	1976-1977	De Groot William Albert	1973-1976
Anderson Simon	1971-1977	Busch Craig Kevin	1975-1977	Dean N C	1962-1964
Andrews Michael Dean	1976-1977	Busch Stephen John	1976-1977	Dennison J A	1957-1961
Archer Brett Douglas	1975-1975	Bush Thompson	1967-1969	Denovan A B	1965-1966
Armishaw Mark Cameron	1972-1973	Campbell Rex Roderick	1975-1980	Denovan P J	1963-1965
Armstrong Roger Ian	1969-1973	Carl Jonathan Delbridge	1972-1975	Derry Richard	1974-1976
Atkiss Nicholas John	1976-1977	Carryer Paul Brent	1976-1977	Discombe Robbie Alec	1977-1979
Austin Gavin Ward	1975-1975	Casey Brendan Richard	1978-1980	Donnison D A J	1970-1971
Avery Michael Doss	1970-1975	Cassidy M E	1968-1968	Donovan P J	1963-1965
Ballantine Geoffrey David	1965-1968	Castle Dean John	1974-1975	Doole Peter	1977-1981
Barclay Robert	1967-1969	Castle Paul Anthony	1977-1981	Dowson Nicholas David	1973-1975
Barker Kevin William	1978-1981	Castle Steven Malcolm	1977-1979	Drinnan R G	1964-1966
Barker Robert	1961-1962	Castle Tony	1974-1975	Duffin Christopher John	1971-1973
Barnaby Anthony Mark	1978-1979	Catt Malcolm Lewis	1970-1973	Dugdale N W	1973-1973
Barnett John Mark	1977-1979	Cencora D G	1960-1962	Dugdale Clive Bernard Earle	1973-1974
Barratt Geoffrey Gordon	1974-1974	Chabry	1970-1970	Dugdale Russell Leslie	1973-1974
Barron Kevin Edward	1978-1979	Chambers A H	1963-1963	Dunlop Stewart James	1973-1973
Bartlett Andrew John	1976-1982	Chambers D W	1963-1963	Dwan William Thomas George	1973-1979
Baxter Arnold Derek	1970-1972	Chambers Peter D	1964-1965	Dyer John Hamilton	1970-1976
Baxter Bernard Gavin	1971-1972	Charlton Gary Nicholas	1972-1973	Dyer Paul	1963-1967
Baynes Anthony	1967-1975	Clark Darryl Brian	1978-1980	Edgecumbe J P	1961-1961
Benefield Richard John	1973-1973	Clark Richard John	1972-1976	Edward R J	1965-1965
Bennett Adrian Robert	1970-1972	Clarke Stephen John	1975-1975	Elliot M J	1959-1961
Bennett Maurice Raymond	1967-1973	Clarkson T	1977-1977	Ellwood Tony Trevheron	1978-1979
Billing Andrew Robert Glenn	1971-1973	Claver M P	1968-1969	Espie G J	1964-1965
Birch D J B	1962-1963	Clayton Adam Scott	1977-1977	Ewen M C	1958-1962
Bissett Bruce William	1977-1980	Cleverly J S	1965-1967	Ewen Paul	1968-1968
Blake Timothy Charles	1978-1981	Clotworthy Stuart	1977-1979	Eyles Martin John	1969-1974
Bluck Paul Steele	1978-1982	Clougher Lindsay Laird	1968-1974	Eyre Andrew Keith	1970-1975
Boyce Craig John	1977-1979	Cole Stephen D'Arcy	1973-1977		
Boyd Anthony William	1974-1975	Conway Larry David Thomas	1975-1975		
Bracey Nicholas	1969-1970	Cook Angus George	1977-1980		
Braine J P	1962-1965	Cook S F	1970-1971		
Braine David	1963-1966	Cooke H V	1964-1964		
Bramley John Richard	1973-1973	Cookson G M	1961-1964		
Brien Raymond David	1978-1981	Cooper P A	1964-1965		
Brink Hans Kristian	1972-1976	Cooper Christopher David	1968-1973		
Brink Torbjorn Kristofer	1972-1975	Coppin Andrew David Victor	1970-1972		
Brothers Dennis Herbert	1976-1980	Cornwell Glen Peter	1976-1978		
Brown Andrew Bernard	1978-1984	Cory Andrew Robert	1974-1978		
Brown Geoffrey John	1976-1982	Cory-Wright Andrew Douglas	1978-1979		
Brown J C	1970-1970	Cottle Richard Arthur	1974-1975		
Brown M A	1962-1965	Cowden Andrew	1974-1974		
Brown Philip A	1962-1964	Cowden Jimmy	1974-1974		
Brown Philip James	1977-1979	Cowling Grant Roland	1977-1979		
Brown Robert Edmund	1976-1980	Craig Jonathan	1968-1969		
Brown Timothy David	1970-1976	Crawford Cliffe Beaumont Muire	1970-1975		



# Thornton Years Reunion Programme

Friday, 20 — Sunday, 22 April 2018



## Friday, 20 April 2018

Arrive from midday onwards and register in the Vallentine Room, Junior Block. Registration - Valentine Room - Name Tags, Info Packs, Directions to accommodation meet friends, view displays and old pictures, look around school and grounds.

- 4.00pm Evensong Service (1662) in Chapel.
- 5.00pm A walk through the Kahikatea Stand. A look around displays.
- 6.00pm Pre dinner drinks, mingle and welcome (Vallentine Room, Junior Block), nibbles, drinks, official greeting.
- 7.00pm Dinner (School Dining Room).
- 10.00 pm Lights out (Prefect will be on patrol, or maybe their ghosts!).

## Saturday, 21 April 2018

- 7.00 am Swim in school pool (Brock outdoor or Perry indoor pool - to be arranged), (but togs required, not like DIJIT's days but neither is the temperature).
- 8.00 am Breakfast (Dining Room) cooked and continental available.
- 8.45 am Prep area walking tour; including old dorms, crows nest, main block, DIJIT's Office old and new, staff area.
- 10.00 am Morning tea in Vallentine Room.
- 10.15 am Three options to choose from or a combination: (Should be able to do 2 of 3).
  - 1) Academic and music areas.
  - 2) Sporting Facilities (has been requests for Golf, Cycling and Equestrian) Pools, gym, tennis, hockey.
  - 3) Nostalgia and displays in Vallentine room, Junior Block.

This is option for any that do not feel up to either 1 or 2 above.
- 12.15pm Lunch (Dining Room).
- 1.15pm Photos (by appropriate groups, casual clothes).
- 1.45pm Farm tour; visit the old/new rotary cowshed and hear how the farm has changed and developed since its origins (or if you prefer, remain in the Vallentine Room and relax with information on the farm and its development).
- 3.00pm Afternoon tea (Vallentine Room, Junior Block).
- 3.30pm Music performance and overview of current musical offerings at St Peter's.

- 5.15pm Alumni presentation / School Vision and Future.
  - 6.00pm Drinks and nibbles - mingle (Vallentine Room, Junior Block).
  - 7.00pm Dinner with memories from the old days and short talks from the gathered Alumni (Dining Room).
- Bring your best memory or story for an open microphone session plus some special toasts.
- There will also be tributes and toast(s) to the Founder Arthur Broadhurst, Our Headmaster David Thornton and to Absent Friends.

## Sunday, 22 April 2018

- 8.00 am Breakfast (Dining Room) cooked and continental available.
- 8.45 am Check out of accommodation.
- 9.15 am Organ recital in Chapel and talk on school organ history?
- 9.45 am Chapel service, Matins.
- 10.30 am Morning tea and farewells (Vallentine Room, Junior Block). A windup and farewell to celebrate the weekend.

**This is a draft agenda and subject to change - the dates, times and venues have been booked so are locked in.**

There may be changes, additions or deletions as we get nearer to the event if we discover more interesting and relevant items to your time at St Peter's School to include.

Nothing is compulsory and we will have plenty of variety and options available, but the aim is to showcase the school (old and new) and also to allow you to mingle with your classmates and past teachers.

Please also advise of any access issues or assistance you may need re stairs or general movement around so we can provide it for you.

If you require to be met or returned to Hamilton Airport or bus etc please advise details so we can provide it for you.

If you have any other needs or requests please let us know in advance.

Nearer the reunion we will forward maps, information and instructions for arrival, parking and the general layout of the event.



## SOME HIGHLIGHTS AND PHOTOS FROM THE 2015 BROADHURST REUNION

(printed to show all the reasons why you should consider  
attending the Thornton Years Reunion)

### BROADHURST ERA REUNION – WHAT A TIME

April 7th - 9th 2015 will be long remembered by those from the Broadhurst Era who attended some or all of the reunion. The turnout was great and from the feedback an emotional time was had by many. There were 101 "Old Boys" from the Broadhurst Era who were in attendance for some part of the three days of the gathering. With them were 43 partners making a total of 144 from the era. But added to that were many other supporters like Heather Dawson whose had some years at the school as daughter of the farm manager in the late 1940s. Guyon Wells (Director of Music 1961 - 1967), Peter Parr (Headmaster 1979 - 1987) and Steve Robb (Headmaster 1996 to present) as well as a large number of past and present staff, some current students and alumni who helped out at the event.

#### Thoughts on the Reunion

Peter Truscott (1955-1958)

"I would like to thank you most sincerely for contacting me some time ago. Recently I've had a busy time of it one way or another and so nearly didn't make it to the reunion but for your persistence. It was to be a day trip for me at most but I was so pleased to squeeze the complete program in. What a wonderful occasion it turned out to be. It's over 60 years since I stood in that wee chapel with the organ playing, and along with many of my fellow attendees, was so pleased to see it remain as it was after all those years.

"The school is certainly impressive and has been guided by a wise positive and passionate group of dedicated people who have created the best possible environment for young people to succeed. My thanks to principal Steve Robb and all those who turned out to make the Broadhurst years reunion such a successful and memorable occasion for us all."

#### The Boarding Houses

An accommodation option was to sleep in the school boarding houses while at the reunion. We housed 84 of the participants in the school boarding houses and it was very well received (some even had no hot water due to a fault - but as explained that was for old times!).

The old boys and their partners aged from around 65 to 92 who stayed on site were delighted to have the opportunity and other than a few who got lost looking for their bed (after a few wines!) it went well.



#### The Chapel

The Chapel featured largely in the event with a chapel service to start the reunion on Tuesday evening then we returned to the chapel on Wednesday afternoon for a music recital by current students, a talk on music at St Peter's and what it offers as well as a talk on the organ, its history and state of repair. We again went to the chapel on Thursday morning for an Organ Recital by a past pupil, Tim Carpenter (2004-2008) and then a final chapel service.

And as Pat Gallagher (1953-1957) wrote "My personal highlight (out of many highlights) was the singing of the final







hymn (Guide Me O Thou Great Redeemer) at Thursday's Morning Prayer. It could never be said that St Peter's boys of that era didn't know how to sing (opportunity twice a day and three times on Sunday saw to that) and I think that on the occasion to which I refer not another ounce of sound could have been coaxed from the organ, and the volume of the singing made, for me, an extraordinary and very moving moment".

### The Sporting Facilities

For many the guided tour of the new cycling velodrome that is the home to Cycling NZ was special. Built on the school grounds and with school reps on the trust that manages it and time allocated for use by students it is the latest jewel at the school. It goes along with the Equestrian Centre, Golf Academy, two heated swimming pools (one indoor) all weather hockey field, tennis academy and so much more. As was already said "the school has come so far and has exceeded what Arthur Broadhurst would have thought possible".



### The Farm and Farm Tour

The old boys were treated to a visit to the school farm with School Trust Board Member Cam Holmes. With the use of the school mini vans and a few other vehicles we transported all to the farm and the photos below were taken during the farm tour. After viewing and hearing about the farm we returned to the Vallentine Room for a talk and slide presentation from

Cam on the farm and the plans for it. Discussed was the exciting joint venture with Lincoln to make the farm into a model farm and be at the forefront in research into dairying and the disseminating of that to other farmers by way of open days and discussions.



### The Feature Dinner

We took a risk and decided to do away with formal speeches and run an "open mike" to allow stories to flow from the floor. It started with a brief report from Peter Parr on his visit to AFB in Litchfield (in 1985) to get his opinion and blessing on the option of St Peter's going co-ed.

Well any worry about a lack of response was quickly extinguished as the "brief" stories just flowed. The stories were interesting and mainly well thought out and well presented.



So make sure that in years to come you can say **"I was there in 2018"** not **"I wish I had made the effort and decided to attend"**.

**Editor's Comment:** *I have published some of the details of the 2015 Broadhurst Era reunion to try and show all the reasons that you should now seriously consider attending. It will be too late to regret not attending in later years.*



# Memories

## Form 2A 1976

### AN EXERCISE IN IDENTIFICATION AND LOCATION

As editor of the Newsletters I come across some interesting and testing information.

I located Craig Shortt (who was in this class) and following some exchanges of information he sent me the photo of that year. There were no names on it and he was unsure of most of the names.

I set out to try and fill in some gaps. On checking with the school archives there were no names available.

I went to the 1976 issue of the school chronicle and found there were 19 boys' names in that class (but only 18 in the photo). We only had contact details for a couple.

I started to track down and identify the names. Following a few phone calls I was advised the missing boy was Matthew Vallis, who only attended for a few months and was not at school at the time the photo was taken.

Now thanks to locating a number of the boys I believe I have identified all of them (with the confusion that the Irving twins can't be separated). So below is the photo with all names shown.

It has been an interesting exercise firstly identifying the faces then trying to locate the 18 in the photo. I started with only 2 more or less positive addresses and now have built that to 10. This leaves 8 to find: Andrew Bartlett, Stuart Forbes, Terence Gibbons, Matthew Hitch, Andrew Hubbard, Kurt Teves, Simon Walter and Hugh Ward. I do have a few leads on some but would appreciate any help anyone may be able to give. I believe Matthew Hitch is an accountant with Deloitte and currently based in Los Angeles. Kurt Teves I believe to be in Kailua CDP, Hawaii (as I believe are his two brothers Christopher and K.H) who also were at St Peter's.

If you feel I have assigned incorrect names to any of the above, please let me know. Likewise if anyone is able to identify which Irving twin is which it would be appreciated. If you are in the photo it would be nice to hear your memories.

Once I have located all, the next challenge is to see how many of that class we can entice to come to the reunion next April – maybe a then and now photo?



*Back row (l-r): Brent Carter, Peter Hardy, Hugh Ward, Paul Mitchell, Andrew Bartlett,  
Middle row: Simon Walter, James Wells, Andrew Hubbard, Christopher Townsend, Graham Lisk, Matthew Hitch,  
Front: Terrance Gibbons, Irving (either Gregor or Grant), Kurt Teves, Andrew Dwain, Irving (the other twin), Craig Shortt,  
Scott Forbes*