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Founded in 1969, the original New College is an Anglican residential college for students at the University of New South Wales. New College actively contributes to the life of the wider University and its main campus is set within University grounds. New College Village was opened in 2009 and is home for postgraduates and selected undergraduates. New welcomes people of all faiths and none. The College celebrates, and is enriched by, the diversity of backgrounds of its staff and students. The College pursues academic excellence, collegiality and service to society founded upon Christian faith and values.

New's main programs include:

- New College, the residential college for 248 undergraduate students at the University of New South Wales
- New College Village, the postgraduate residential village for 315 postgraduate students at the University of New South Wales.
- The Centre for Christian Apologetics, Scholarship & Education (CASE), a specialist centre which carries out Christian apologetics—the activity of defending the Christian faith, engaging with other world views and attracting 'thinking' people to the message of the Christian faith.

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# A Message from the Master

he end of 2017 has been overshadowed by a very difficult event in the history of New College. Our beloved Stephanie 'Stitch' Frewin died suddenly on the night of Saturday 21 October. She had been treated for a long term serious illness, returned to college but had to resume treatment. She was with friends from college when she collapsed. The recent weeks have been a very challenging time for the New College community.

This sad ending does not erase a year of significant achievements in the life of both New College and NCV.

In the wake of the publication of the Australian Human Rights Commission inquiry into universities, the New College Students' Association (NCSA) and representatives of New College alumni contacted me. Both groups expressed their concerns about possible gaps in college practice, urging college administration to carefully consider the report and its implications for the pastoral care of our residents. In addition, the NCSA produced their unique Community Action Report with a set of specific recommendations.

I greatly appreciate the interest shown by alumni and the NCSA in the ongoing improvement of our pastoral care practices. I am in a process of consultation with all of our key stakeholders as we undertake some important improvements for our 2018 residential year.

The vibrancy of New College life has continued in 2017 with active social, sporting and college society programs. Our outstanding productions this year were the Servant of Two Masters, in Semester 1, followed by the New College Revue, Kim "Anything is" Possible, in Semester 2.

2017 saw us welcome a new Dean of Residents for New College, Arend Boog. Arend's support of the college community, especially through our difficult end of year, has been outstanding. The enthusiastic engagement with College life by Arend and his wife Sam (plus children Annabel, Cassia, Ella and Zoe) has been appreciated by everyone.

2017 also saw some significant developments in the intellectual life of our entire college community, principally led by NCV residents through research seminars and in the papers and theses they have produced.

The Assistant Dean, Dan Hageman, with support from the NCV Dean Susan Bazzana, has made God Conversations a regular feature of the NCV social landscape. Every two weeks, residents have come together to have respectful discussions regarding religious ideas with guest speakers from outside of college. Our September edition of the college publication CASE Quarterly (Personal Identity) included an article by NCV 2018 Senior Academic Tutor

Matthew Bagg. The body in the brain summarises some of his research at the mind-body interface.

Sincere thanks to our financial supporters who faithfully continue to relieve some of the financial burden experienced by outstanding residents challenged by the present costs of university education. Some of our most outstanding contributors to college life simply would not be able to be part of our community without this support. Thank you.

As we look forward to 2018 and 2019 beyond, exciting times lie ahead.

The end of 2018 will see UNSW transitioning to a new trimester system with a significantly longer academic year. This may deepen college life as the residential period is extended by six weeks. However, the conventional STUVAC periods will be eliminated from the university calendar and the busyness of the trimester system may put pressure on our social programs and our dramatic productions.

## Looking toward the 50th and 10th Anniversaries

In addition, 2019 will see celebrations of major anniversaries in our colleges: New College will celebrate 50 years and NCV will have been in operation for 10 years.

This will be a great opportunity to celebrate the vibrancy and achievements of our excellent college communities. Alumna Adela Davis is authoring a history of the entire college with support from Jonathan Billingham, myself and a broader consultative group.

A vividly illustrated history would be an appropriate reflection of these excellent college communities. Unfortunately, we only have some of our older material in black and white. Photographic evidence may make the tall tales more believable. Please take this present opportunity to review your photographic collections and send Adela your favourite pictures of college life. All physical photos sent will be carefully looked after and returned to you. We would love alumni and friends of the College to participate in this exciting project.

A key facet of this history will be to capture many of the great stories from our brief history. If you have a story that has to be (re)told, Adela would be delighted to hear from you at a.davis@newcollege.unsw.edu. au. It will be impossible to tell the overall story of the College without the conventional (beige) discourse of the college administration. However, our ambition is to highlight our vibrantly colourful story with those tall tales of New Collegians and deeds past.

Adjunct Prof Bill Peirson

# CZE YING GOH and the World Solar Challenge



In 2017 Cze Ying Goh has had the honour of undertaking the much sought after role of Business Manager for UNSW's solar racing team, Sunswift. A resident of NCV since July 2016, Cze Ying is proud to have such an integral role within the all-student run team. Earlier in the year she worked on the Bridgestone World Solar Challenge campaign and she has just helped promote a regional outreach tour of NSW.

ze Ying who is studying a Bachelor of Commerce (majoring in Accounting and Finance) was referred to Sunswift by a friend in her course.

"I found that Sunswift members were very serious about their cause and at the same time enjoyed their work in a fun way", she says.

Being part of a team who really valued each other's time and skill appealed to Cze Ying. Sunswift has an important educational role beyond UNSW. The outreach tour took the 5th generation solar car Sunswift eVe on a loop around NSW. Leaving from the UNSW base, eVe visited Port Macquarie, Armidale, Tamworth, Coonabarabran, Dubbo, Orange and Bathurst.

The regional tour was about inspiring different generations to be more environmentally friendly. The Sunswift race-car demonstrated the massive advances that are being made in solar technology.

"It feels great to be able to motivate and inspire kids to go into science and to promote women in engineering", says Cze Ying. Sunswift eVe is the world's fastest long range electric car. A sleek, black two-seater sports coupé, eVe was built by engineering students at UNSW. The car has twice represented Australia at the World Solar Challenge, a grueling 3,021 km race.

eVe can travel up to 500km on a single charge of its batteries, or over 800km if powered by its solar cells as well. Once depleted, the batteries can be recharged in 10 hours on a household power socket, or in less than 7 hours using a commercial charging station.

With the help of UNSW and our branding and media teams Cze Ying ensured that the team was well represented to their sponsors and media.

"When I am not in my business role, I help out with Sunswift's operations and engineering teams. They are always in need of a hand whether it be fitting a headlight or preparing for the challenge operationally", says Cze Ying.

Being involved with Sunswift has often required Cze Ying to be at the workshop day and night but she has loved coming home to NCV for floor suppers.

"Living at NCV has been a pleasure and I love how it's safe and convenient. Not only have I been able to meet people from various parts of the world, I have also been able to create great friendships. Being at NCV has been very convenient and very warming. I have received plenty of moral support regarding the World Solar Challenge



and help catching up on uni work due to me being away for the challenge."

JB)



n February this year, brothers Kaspar (NC 2015-17) and Kristian Fiebig (NC 2017) sought to qualify again for the Australian Canoe Slalom Team, taking part in selection races in Penrith and New Zealand. Back in 2015, Kaspar and Kristian successfully made the Australian junior team, going on to compete at the Canoe Slalom World Championships in Brazil.

The brothers teamed up again this year seeking to qualify to compete in the 2017 Under 23 World Championship, which would be held across Europe. The boys put in a lot of hard work, travelling from New College out to Penrith to the Whitewater Olympic Stadium for many, many training sessions. The training paid off as the Fiebig boys performed brilliantly at their final qualifying race, completing the course in just 119 seconds with only two penalties. They had successfully made the Australian team.

"It's been great to see how we've improved. We were really excited to head overseas again and represent Australia at the U23s" – Kaspar

However, the next hurdle was the cost of the trip, which came to \$13,000 for the pair. Determined not to let finances stop them, Kaspar

created a GoFundMe page seeking funds and support from generous family, friends and strangers. Many New Collegians got behind the boys as they journeyed on towards the World Championships.

Kaspar and Kristian were of course thrilled about the opportunity to spend a three week tour training in Europe. They started off in Augsburg, Germany for a time before joining up with the rest of the twenty or so other juniors and U23s on the Australian team in Bratislava, Slovakia. Kaspar and Kristian trained on the course in Bratislava where they would later compete.

Kaspar shares, "We'd heard a lot about this course and it was quite technically challenging compared to what we'd done before. But with time on the water, our fears floated away".

After another intense week and a half of training, the Fiebigs escaped to Prague for three days where they did "recovery training" (this seems like an oxymoron). On their return to Bratislava, Kaspar and Kristian spent one last week focussing on technique for the competition. As preparations for the event were carried out and grandstands were assembled, the

brothers felt excited, even as the pressure was building.

"In the end, our result wasn't too important to us. We were there to have fun and a great experience-and of course we were curious to see how we measured up. But all in all, since we both have a firm Christian faith, we weren't worried and knew that our future didn't depend on this".

Nevertheless, in the end Kaspar and Kristian did very well reaching the finals and placing 9th in the world for Australia.

"In all honesty, we could've done better. It's a quick sport and a mistake made in a split second can have flow on consequences. But I really enjoyed paddling with my brother, getting the adrenaline pumping and spending time with the rest of the Australian team".

New College is excited to see Kaspar and Kristian do so well representing Australia. Congratulations boys! ▶ (AB)

# Vale Stephanie Frewin 1995 – 2017 New Collegian of the Year

The much loved Stephanie Frewin has been named as the 2017
New Collegian of the Year. This prestigious title is bestowed by the New College Students' Association on Steph in recognition of her outstanding contribution to all areas of College life. Sadly, Steph passed away on Saturday, 21
October 2017 after a battle with Leukaemia. The following speech was written and read by one of Steph's close friends, Annabel Paul, at the Valediction Dinner on 27
October 2017.

hilst it is with deep sadness that I stand before you in light of the loss of Steph from our community, it is also a real privilege to be able to share with you some of her friends' greatest memories of her time at college.

This semester was Steph's fourth in college, and as such she was eligible to be a Valedict alongside many of you tonight. In my four years at college I've experienced many traditions, but one of my absolute favourites is the speeches about each of our Valedicts. During these speeches we get to hear how truly amazing New Collegians are, being reminded of the blessing it is for us to have lived among them in their years at College. As such, I am going to share with you now a much deserved valedictory speech on behalf of the many friends of Stephanie 'Stitch' Frewin.

When reflecting on Steph, five words come to mind: strong, kind, fun, servant-hearted and faithful. Being a country girl from Tooraweenah, Steph's physical strength was second to none, thanks to many summers spent shearing on a friend's property. After moving to Sydney, she quickly transferred her love of physical activity to a more Eastern Suburbs appropriate activity in Pilates. Steph loved having Sweatsoc Pilates mornings in college, regularly putting everyone else to shame as she taught her favourite moves, which incidentally were some of the most challenging you could come across! Steph's strength was not limited to her physical abilities though. As she began her



first battle with Leukaemia, we were all constantly amazed at her strength, courage and perseverance. Her determination to come back to college and uni was truly inspiring, and what a joy it was to welcome her back to the community in 2016.

"When reflecting on Steph, five words come to mind: strong, kind, fun, servant-hearted and faithful."

Kindness and a sense of fun are two things that New Collegians are well known for, and Steph was no exception. As a member of the early morning breakfast crew, Steph always had a kind and encouraging word to share as we headed into a new day. She loved to be adventurous and get out of Kensington on the weekends, forging great memories with her friends on many outdoor adventures. On stage, she was a triple threat, singing, dancing and acting in Revue 2016. But she couldn't get enough and came back to produce the New College Play in 2017.

Not only was Steph kind, she was also so generous and servant-hearted with her time. Though rarely out the front, for almost three years, Steph was always there; whether it was on the stage, at the party, at College Service or on the sporting field.

She would often go and support collegians in their orchestra concerts, or serve quietly behind the scenes in college, modelling so well the New College value of collegiality.





For many of us, Steph's journey to faith in God is the thing we will remember most clearly in the months and years to come. Although Steph came to college not believing in Jesus, New wasn't the first time she had encountered Christianity. In her last few

years of high school, Steph spent a lot of time with people at the Gilgandra youth group, one of whom, Catherine, is here with us tonight. For much of her school life Steph had thought that people who had faith in God were a bit silly, but during these few years she came to thinking that the idea of God didn't seem so impossible anymore.

It was in this context that Steph arrived at New, only six weeks later being diagnosed with Leukaemia. When she was in remission, Steph shared with us the great struggle that her treatment had been, but how she had felt during this time that someone was looking after her. After coming back to college in 2016, Steph began reading the Bible with a fellow fresher of mine Emma Dunn, and joined the girls' Bible study group. One of my favourite memories of Steph was a few months later when we were on Campus Bible Study's mid-year conference. Emma, Steph and I were eating lunch together overlooking a picturesque paddock of sheep. Steph was in such

turmoil; she had so many questions about God still on her mind, but at the same time felt like she was at the point where she knew enough to decide about whether she believed that Jesus was who he claimed to be. Both Emma and I said to her that day that no matter how many questions you get answered, more will arise. What matters is whether you believe that Jesus is God's Son, who came to Earth, died on the cross and rose back to life. Steph took some time to think this through, and when we came back to college she shared with us that on her drive home she had decided to trust in Jesus. Hearing this news was without a doubt one of the best moments of my college life. Since then Steph threw herself into even more aspects of the college community, as she sought to both love and serve those she lived amongst in light of the great joy she had.

How do you describe the beautiful Stephanie 'Stitch' Frewin? A strong, kind, fun, servanthearted and faithful collegian we will all remember for touching this place and our hearts in an unforgettable way. *Annabel Paul* 

A thanksgiving celebration of Steph Frewin's life was held at Gilgandra Presbyterian Church on Friday, November 3, 2017. The sudden loss of Steph was a very emotional experience for the New College community. Over two hundred of Steph's family and friends attended the service. The College hired a bus to enable over fifty New Collegians and staff to travel to Gilgandra (6 hours north-west of Sydney) for the service. A number of Steph's New College friends contributed to the service with prayers, Bible readings and music.

Steph "Stitch" Frewin will be missed by many.

# ONE OF OUR OWN AT VIVID 2017 Jono a collaborator on one of Vivid's most posubmissions



t was cold and rainy but that didn't stop thousands of committed men, women and children from flocking to Circular Quay on a Friday night in June 2017 to experience the Vivid Light, Music & Ideas Festival. New Collegian, Jonathan Hribar, was one of the designers responsible for one of the very impressive displays at Vivid 2017. Vivid Sydney began in 2009 with the purpose of intersecting art, technology and commerce. It is Australia's major tourism event each

winter, and is the largest event of its kind in the world, combining light, music and ideas.

As a 3rd Year New Collegian studying Biomedical and Mechatronic Engineering, Jono Hribar became one of the collaborators on the Vivid exhibit titled Crystallise. Jono collaborated as part of the UNSW CREATE team, a student-led engineering and design organisation. Their project boasted a brilliant mosaic wall of light, showing illuminated shards and fragments of various colours and patterns. Crystallise encourages viewers to approach and explore the mural, rewarding those who come within close proximity to reveal large celestial wings.

Jono worked on Crystallise as part of the coding and construction team during the last three-month-stretch of the project. Reflecting on his experience being part of CREATE's Vivid project, Jono shares: "It was well organised and coordinated, and I enjoyed every moment working with the team. But the best part was finishing the project and seeing Crystallise on display and how much people enjoyed it. It was great to see people on social media finding new and interesting ways to use and interact with it, and how popular the installation got with the amount of crowds that it was drawing."

CREATE is currently adding more patterns and interactive design to make *Crystallise* even better.

# **SPORT**

# NEW COLLEGE VS NCV | MASTER'S CUP



New College and NCV faced off for two rounds of the Master's Cup. On 26 March New Collegians won overall against the NCV sister College after competing in Table tennis, Pool and Futsal. The 2nd Semester round on 20 August included Badminton, Volley Ball and Dodgeball. NCV narrowly won both the Badminton and Volley Ball but New College's very strong performance in the Dodgeball kept the Cup out of NCV hands.



# NEW COLLEGE INTER-COLLEGE SPORT IN 2017

New College has had an exciting year of sport. A big congratulations to all of our players and thank you to Sports directors Kylie Lynch and Connor Jeffcott. Keep up the great sportsmanship New College!

RUPERT MYER'S INTER-COLLEGE MEN'S SHIELD	WOMEN'S INTER-COLLEGE SHIELD
Men's Results	Women's Results
Water polo champions	Water polo champions
Cricket champions	Hockey champions
Table tennis champions	Tennis runners up
Placed 2nd in hockey	Table Tennis runners up
Rugby runners up	Volleyball semi-finalists
Volleyball semi-finalists	Netball semi-finalists
Basketball semi-finalists	Touch football semi-finalists
Placed 4th in soccer	Placed 3rd in soccer

# 6 YEARS, 6 GRAND FINALS, ANOTHER WIN: NC BEATS WARRANE IN NAIL-BITING CRICKET GRAND FINAL



On Sunday, 9 April 2017 the New College Cricket Team played an exciting game against Warrane College at David Phillips Oval in the Grand Final. With Warrane scoring 9/73 off 15 overs, our boys chased their score in the last over, only losing two wickets. Tim Davis and Ryan Milham each delivered impressive batting performances, and captain Kevin Jacob was proud of the bowling and fielding efforts shown by the entire team on the day.

This is the 6th consecutive year the NC team has made it to the Grand Final and after losing to Warrane last year the boys were ready to claim victory again. Supporters were treated to a spectacle of great skill and fine sportsmanship. A big congratulations to the team and all the best for next year. Let's go for our 7th consecutive Grand Final!



#### The story of New College alumna Jackie Hartley is of a woman dedicated to social justice and the law.

ackie Hartley, like so many New Collegians, grew up in Tamworth, NSW. She there enjoyed her childhood and teenage years playing netball, swimming competitively and attending McCarthy Catholic Senior High School. When it was time to leave the sights and sounds of the country, Jackie traded Peel Street (the main drag in Tamworth) for the clatter and buzz of Anzac Parade, Kensington.

Jackie arrived at New College in 1997 where she spent two memorable years.

Most of all I remember the social life - nights at the Rege, the Sam Crack, Unibar and simply hanging out in common rooms with friends. I miss having so many talented and fascinating people under the one roof - I learned a lot from the diverse points of view that I encountered in College.

While living at New College, Jackie studied Arts and Law at UNSW. She excelled in her studies going on to become the 2001 University Medallist for History, to win the History Prize for Best Honours Thesis and the Frank Crowley Prize for Australian History.

Jackie's study of Australian history and law at UNSW fostered

# JACKIE HARTLEY

her interest in the development and workings of Australian legal and political institutions. Her studies also helped her understand major social justice issues that confront us today, particularly those concerning the rights of Indigenous peoples.

Jackie also completed a Ph.D. in Law at UNSW in 2016 and received the UNSW Law Ph.D. Excellence Award for her outstanding thesis. Her Ph.D. research concerned the obligations of governments to consult and obtain the consent of Indigenous peoples before conducting development activities that affect their territories. It involved a comparative study of international, Australian and Canadian law.

"I studied the application of these domestic laws and found they displayed features that disadvantaged Indigenous peoples. I proposed ways the international standard could be reformed to avoid the same results."

In the 2000's Jackie was fortunate to have opportunities to work and study in the United States and Canada. She completed a Master of Laws in the Indigenous Peoples Law & Policy Program, University of Arizona. This would not have been possible without the generous support of several awards and scholarships, particularly the prestigious Fulbright Scholarship and the Lionel Murphy Postgraduate Scholarship.

"These experiences enabled me to bring a comparative perspective to my research. I believe it is important to consider how other countries have grappled with difficult legal issues and see what, if anything, we can learn from their experiences. We also have much to contribute to this exchange of ideas."

In Canada, she worked for the First Nations Summit on issues relating to treaty negotiations between First Nations and the governments of British Columbia and Canada. Jackie returned to Australia to accept a role with the Australian Human Rights Commission. There she worked on issues concerning the rights of Indigenous peoples and on proposals



for a Charter of Rights for Australia.

Now Jackie works in a research and policy role with the NSW Law Reform Commission and Sentencing Council Secretariat. The NSW Attorney General refers laws to the Commission to review. The Commission analyses the law and develops recommendations to improve it. In addition to legal research and analysis, Jackie's work involves consultation with community members, government and industry stakeholders, and members of the legal profession. She has focused on the Commission's review of the NSW Guardianship Act - a law that can have a profound impact on people with disability and their families.

Jackie has also taught public law at UNSW Law and says, "It is always a delight to see a student wearing a New College jersey in the classroom!"

Jackie also has family connections to New College. Jackie's younger brother, Chris, is a New College alumnus. She also met her partner, David Croft (aka Crofty) at New College. Crofty is now a Ranger at the Royal National Park and a Deputy Captain in their local Rural Fire Brigade. They welcomed their baby boy, Alex, into the world in June 2017. Their rescue dog, Scamp, is also a very important part of their family.

Like so many others who have come from Tamworth via UNSW to the world, Jackie has gone on to achieve great things and use her intellect to address major justice issues through the lens of the education she received while living at New College.



**NCV Alumnus Brett** Addison (NCV 2010) is achieving amazing things in the world of astronomy with research that quite literally investigates the boundaries of the known universe. Brett has had some wonderful opportunities in the time since finishing at NCV and his development of the Starchive database is now being recognised in Australia and internationally.

ack in spring 2010 Brett Addison was living at NCV while undertaking astronomical research for his Ph.D. Brett's research centred around discovering and characterising extrasolar planets (in case you're wondering, they're the ones that orbit around stars beyond the Solar System). Seven years later and he's back in the US in the middle of a three-year position as a postdoctoral researcher at Mississippi State University. He's still hungry for more information on those exoplanets. On top of this, Brett has been developing Starchive, an open access and open source stellar and planetary database

that will be a helpful resource to the astronomical community.

Brett was born and grew up in Sarasota on the west coast of Florida. Up to 2010 the furthest he had gone from home was to complete his undergraduate studies all the way over at Florida Institute of Technology (note, that's on the east coast of Florida). Brett came to live at NCV in 2010 having been awarded the prestigious University International Postgraduate Award (UIPA) by UNSW to support him in his Ph.D. studies in Astronomy and Astrophysics.

When Brett arrived in the Land Down Under, the warm and inviting environment of NCV made his time at UNSW, and in Australia, a breeze. Brett says "living right on-campus at NCV allowed me to maximise my study".

However it wasn't simply NCV's location that enabled Brett to be so efficient in his studies and enjoy his time in Sydney so immensely. The community-feel and opportunities provided by NCV to build strong friendships and networks across multiple fields of study played a huge role in preparing Brett to establish good practices he would find useful throughout the rest of his Ph.D. and in life. Brett shares:

"I enjoyed the fact that NCV catered to graduate students who are serious about their studies. The weekly suppers hosted on each floor were great. They allowed the residents to get together, mingle, and discuss their studies with one another. However I am most

grateful for the people I met from all over the world. I made many good friends whilst at NCV."

Brett went on to help discover several transiting exoplanets and measure their orbital properties. He was formally awarded his Ph.D. in April 2015, and returned to the US before starting his current Postdoctoral role with Mississippi State in January 2016. As well as carrying out his research on exoplanets, Brett has been spending time working on Starchive in the wake of its online release in upcoming months.

Starchive aims to host all the useful properties of stars and planets in one easy to use online database. Examples of these properties include mass, luminosity, distance, activity indices, metallicity and age. Brett has had some wonderful opportunities including recently being awarded access to the Keck Telescope in Hawaii to monitor a transiting extrasolar planet in order to determine its orbital properties.

So what's next for Brett? In the coming year he will have the opportunity to present Starchive at both local and international astronomical conferences. He also hopes to complete another postdoctoral program in astronomy. Brett has a bright future ahead and NCV wishes him all the best.





# DAVE WINTERTON To Oxford and back again

This Rhodes Scholar was once but a humble New College fresher.

ave Winterton (NC 2001-03) has been a lecturer in the Law Faculty at UNSW for the last five years bringing him full circle to the same institution where he was once a student undertaking Science and Law as a double-degree.

Cast back 16 years to 2001. Dave arrived at New College and was impressively named both New Collegian of the Year and Sportsman of the Year while still a Fresher. He quickly left an impression on the community, who elected him as the New College Students' Association President for 2002.

It wasn't just in the sporting and social scene that Dave performed. His academic prowess was soon noticed and in 2003 Dave was appointed as the Academic Tutor for Law and upper-year Maths. Then in 2004 came the big news that Dave Winterton had been selected as a recipient of the prestigious Rhodes scholarship, the first time for a New Collegian (now one of four).

After finishing his undergraduate degree David received a Graduate Lawyer position in the Litigation Practice Group at Freehills Solicitors in the city. He had been fortunate to undertake work experience with various teams within the firm while he was still studying.

Dave shares, "I had an amazing time as a student at New, being very heavily involved in all aspects of College life and making some fantastic friendships." Dave's time at New College profoundly helped his approach to study and work due to the many wonderful opportunities New College provided to get involved within community and to participate in initiatives that serve society more broadly.

Before heading off to Oxford, Dave spent the

summer of 2005 working in Cairns on a welfare reform project as a researcher with Cape York Institute for Policy and Leadership. After that, it was off to the UK for Dave as he commenced the Rhodes Scholarship and studied at Oxford University from 2005-11.

At Oxford University Dave obtained a Bachelor of Civil Law and his Ph.D. Since then he has usually been working on one or two publications at any given time, the most substantial being the book titled Money Awards in Contract Law based on his 2015 Ph.D. thesis by the same title. The thesis was primarily concerned with the quantification of damages awards for breach of contract.

The mix of an academic and practicing career that has followed has primarily involved lecturing or working in areas of Contract Law, Commercial Remedies and Restitution. Dave had a stint as a stipendiary lecturer at St Anne's College, Oxford and then worked as an Associate at Shearman & Sterling LLP in the Bankruptcy & Restructuring Group in New York.

Dave has enjoyed being back at UNSW and lecturing in the Law Faculty since 2012. He says, "the biggest challenge is recognizing that I am no longer a care free student and now have real responsibilities."

Dave looks fondly back to 2001, when he started out as a humble fresher. His experiences and strong work ethic in the years that have followed are a great example to current and commencing New Collegians who are just beginning their journey.

# LEONARD ROWE SPEAKS AT NEW COLLEGE DEAN'S DINNER

New College alumnus Mr Leonard Rowe (NC 2006-10) was the guest speaker at the inaugural Dean's Dinner on Monday, 4th September, hosted in the Meeting Room by the new Dean of Residents, Arend Boog. This was an opportunity for current residents of New College to network with alumni who are working in the resources sector and related fields of engineering.

eonard, who studied Mining/ Civil Engineering at UNSW while living at New College went on to complete his MBA with Macquarie Graduate School of Management and Peking Universities Ghanghua School of Management on a scholarship awarded by ACETCA (Australian China Economics Trade and Cultural Association). He was also the AusIMM New Professional of the Year in 2014. Having worked as a mining engineer in the Hunter Valley and the Pilbara, Leonard currently works as an analyst focusing on Iron Ore Engineering models with Australian Mineral Economists (AME). His work includes management of AME's Asian operations.

In his presentation, Leonard reflected on career pathways beyond the coal face, discussing commodity supply demand dynamics and how it drives growth across bulk commodities, Coal and Iron ore. Leonard also demonstrated to Collegians how to give a commodities trading update. He placed a particular





emphasis on explaining how activity and changes in China affect the decisions being made about investment and business activity within commodities markets globally and especially in Australia.

Alumni Michael Yelf (2001-03), James Tibbett (2007-10), Jonathan Crouch (2012-14), and Alexander Mayer (2013-14) all participated alongside Leonard in an open question time.

Later in the evening everyone descended on the Dean's flat where beverages were enjoyed and stories about College (past and present) were exchanged – not least the account of how Leonard, as 2007 New College Shop President, entered College Shop into the Waverly City Council Small Business Awards. The fact that College shop was not even in the council area didn't stop Leonard from receiving an encouragement award presented by non-other than the estimable but oblivious local member, The Hon. Malcolm Turnbull MP.

The inaugural Dean's Dinner was a wonderful night and it is hoped that similar future events will enable current New Collegians to network with alumni across a range of disciplines and industries.



oses Lo (NC 2006-09) is the founder and CEO of Xendit, a P2P mobile payment service focused on Southeast Asian countries. Moses, who is married to Joy, also founded Barker Bespoke, a menswear company, and Skinnytie, which sells ties and accessories. He previously worked as a consultant with the Boston Consulting Group (BCG). In this run of successful ventures it is his startup Xendit that has propelled Moses to a place where big business is taking notice. This year Moses was named in Forbes 30 Under 30 Asia list as (you guessed it) one of the 30 top promising young leaders, daring entrepreneurs and game changers shaping the fintech industry.

Xendit, a play on the words 'send it', has quickly been taken up as a platform for sending and receiving money. Over 13,000 people have started using the service since the Moses launched the beta version back in early 2015.

New 'n' Old caught up with Moses through the year to get a deeper insight into how things are shaping up.

## How does running your own Fintech company compare with previous challenges?

It's the most fun and most difficult endeavour I've ever attempted. Startups attract me because it's the hardest test of business acumen. You have to build something that didn't exist and convince customers, employees and investors that you can create something massive when you have no evidence of capability to do so.

Working with BCG was hard (after UNSW and New College) but all we had to do was construe numbers to convince ourselves or the client of something pre-decided. It was a lot of telling other people how to do things but not having the courage to do so ourselves. BCG is an excellent institution, business and learning environment but there's a limit to how much you can tell others what they should do before the nagging voice says 'if I am really that smart I should just do it'.

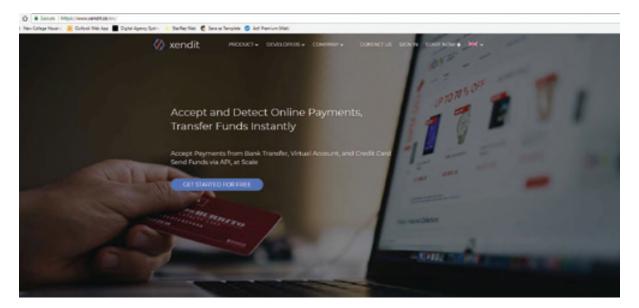
### How did you make the transition away from consultancy?

After BCG I went to Amazon which taught me the Silicon Valley way of business. It's an amazingly efficient, data driven organisation whose brutal fight for the consumers is clear when you're on the inside. I added on my Berkeley education time at YCombinator, the world's premier incubator for startups (e.g. Airbnb, Dropbox, Twitch all started at YC). About 2% of applicants get in, and so we're super fortunate.

Since then, it's been only pure hustle that has made us who we are. I didn't know anyone when I first arrived. I emailed 100 names at Berkeley that sounded Indonesian. Six replied, I met four. One introduced me to his roommate. His roommate introduced me to his father. His father introduced me to folks and at every meeting I would ask for introductions to more people. And that's how I know everyone I know.

#### How does running a startup affect who you are?

Startups have made me much humbler. It's very easy to do "analysis" and come up with an answer on beautiful PowerPoint slides. It's very hard to execute on that answer with the realities of managing people, trying to grow 30% every month, answering



to investors, employees and customers. On top of that we add in the complexity of a developing world, so dealing with everything from a developing regulatory environment and bank servers that go down daily to employees stealing from you.

#### Where are you and Joy living?

We live in the crazy city that is Jakarta, home to 28 million people, and the capital city of Indonesia. It's developing very quickly but still years behind the Silicon Valley. We have lots of really good friends and have hosted quite a few New College folk who have passed through. Just let us know if you are, we tend to keep a spare bedroom

free for guests! Living in Indonesia means regular trips to Bali for the sun, Penang (Malaysia), my hometown for food and generally easy access to the worlds' cheapest and best holiday spots.

#### What's next?

The aim is to keep growing 30% every month. That obviously gets harder and harder but we have investors betting on that growth trajectory. Each quarter we find ourselves pushing for bigger and bigger deals and now serving customers from all over the world to build a business that didn't exist before we arrived.

Oh...and kids.:P



# NCV COMMUNITY DARSHINI RAJESHWARAN WINS PRESTIGIOUS URBAN DESIGN AWARD

arshini Rajeshwaran (NCV Resident 2016-17) was thrilled to receive *The Master of Urban* Development and Design Discipline Director's Award in March. "It's a great privilege to receive this award and have the University recognise my Design capabilities," says Darshini.

The Award was given on the closing night of the Exhibition 'Infrastructure and the City' at the 10th Annual Paul Reid Lecture in Urban Design, which was presented by UNSW Built Environment. Darshini, who is studying a Masters of Urban Development and Design, is also working part-time as a Design consultant.

Darshini truly appreciated the NCV community

during her time studying at UNSW.

"Living on campus has made the hard work and late nights required in the Master's program far more bearable. NCV has given me the opportunity to meet a lot of people who are studying related programs, such as architecture, which has enabled me to have many fruitful design discussions and exchanges of ideas," says Darshini.

After completing her degree, Darshini hopes to work in Sydney with the NSW Planning Department or with one of the big Design firms in the city. Being a recipient of the prestigious Discipline Director's Award will significantly help as Darshini make her way in the industry she is so passionate about.

# **NEW WEDDINGS**

# Marriages



#### Nicola Hicks & Phil Close

Nicola Hicks (NC 2009-11) and Phil Close were married at 11.30am on April 2nd 2017 at Nicola's parents' farm near Dubbo. It was a special day shared with friends and family at the home where Nicola grew up and spent her life before coming to New College. A peaceful river theme connected the farm with the Reception venue at Lazy River Estate in Dubbo. Nicola's brother and alumnus Dave Hicks (NC 2009-11) was one of Phil's groomsmen, while Rochelle Oei (NC 2011-12) and Sarah Kanagaratnam (NC 2009-11) were two of Nicola's bridesmaids. Since leaving College, Nicola completed her last three years of Medicine at the Albury Wodonga Rural Clinical School and has been working with Orange Health Service. She and Phil now enjoy married life and the benefits of living in one of the top food and wine spots in NSWdespite the cold!

#### **Andrew White & Natalie Tao**

Andrew White (NC 2011-14) and Natalie Tao were wed on Saturday 4th March in front of family and friends at St James Anglican Church in Berala, the very place where they first met! A rainy day didn't dampen spirits but instead made for spectacular photos. A fun-filled reception after the ceremony took place at the elegant Café Birkenhead in Drummoyne. Alumnus Arthur Billingham (NC 2011-14) was a groomsmen, and many other New Collegians joined the partying on the day. Since leaving New College, Andrew has been working as an engineer, until more recently when he has been working in IT. Andrew and Nat are very much enjoying the happily married life and continuing to attend St James Anglican.



#### Shane Rosenzweig & Amanda Hong Ning

Shane Rosenzweig (NC 2013-14) and Amanda Hong Ning were married at 1pm on 18th February 2017. The ceremony was held at Shane's childhood church in the Barossa Valley, South Australia; Langmeil Thanksgiving Lutheran Church, and was followed by a reception at Maggie Beer's. Amanda and Shane had a bridal party of eight including ex-Collegian, Daniel Keith (NC 2012-14). Amanda's uncle, Jimmy Hong Ning (wife, Elena *nee* Goh both NC 1982-85) read a Bible passage. Amanda is currently undertaking a Science/Arts degree at The University of Sydney majoring in Psychology. Shane is continuing his medical studies and is currently on placement at the Prince of Wales Hospital, Randwick. Amanda and Shane are living in the Eastern Suburbs of Sydney whilst they complete their degrees.



#### Zebulan Johnson & Sally Newton

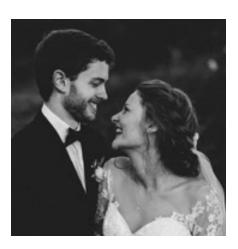
Zebulan Johnson (NC 2010-12) and Sally Newton (NC 2010-12) said their vows at the beautiful Kimo Estate in Gundagai on Saturday 1st of April. It was a spectacularly sunny day for their garden ceremony with a reception to follow in the Estate's beautifully candlelit grain shed. New Collegians Jacob Hyland (2010-12), Sean Johnson (2011-12) and Claire Powell (2010) were part of the bridal party, with Stuart Taylor (2011-13) involved as MC. Family and friends helped Zeb and Sally enjoy the evening with much merriment and dancing. Other friends from New College who joined in the celebrations were Vera Newman (2010-12), Thomas Ness (2010-12), Anya Rugendyke (2010-12), Samantha Law (2009-11), Nathan Mortimer (2009-11), Shreosi Deb (2010-12), Fiona Price (nee Fleming) (2008-10), Mitchell Craig (2011-12) and Megan Telford (2011-14). Since leaving New College the pair have moved to Wagga Wagga, where Zeb works as a Control Systems Engineer and Sally as a doctor. They hope to continue living in Wagga Wagga as they enjoy the first few years of their marriage.

#### Sam Bates & Guljit Mahinder Singh

Sam Bates (NC 2010-12) and Guljit Mahinder Singh (NC 2010-11) got married - and it was so nice they did it twice! On October 8th 2016, the couple were married in a civil ceremony at the beautiful Chateau Elan in the Hunter Valley with a lovely reception to follow. Most of the bridal party was made up of alumni, including best man Brendan Fox (NC 2010-11), groomsmen Thomas Ness (NC 2010-11) who was also the MC, Joshua Chakravarty (2009-12) and Dane Ricketts (NC 2009-11), and bridesmaids Uma Ranjan (NC 2010-11) and Amelia Bates (NC 2013-15). Friends and family travelled from far and wide to join Sam and Guljit not only for their Hunter wedding, but also their traditional Sikh wedding spanning 3 days from December 18th in Kuala Lumpar with a reception at the Royale Chulan Hotel. Since living at New, Sam has become an Associate Director at UBS, and Guljit is a Sustainability Engineer at Wood & Grieve Engineers. They have recently moved to the lower North Shore and have added a puppy named Murphy to their little family.



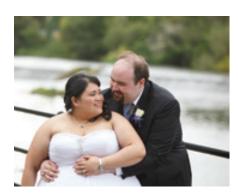




#### **Jethro Dickens & Alice Peirson**

Jethro Dickens (NC 2013-15) and Alice Peirson (daughter of the Master!) tied the knot on Saturday 24th June at St Jude's Anglican Church in Dural. Jethro's groomsmen were all alumni, including best man Sam Kellahan (NC 2013-15), Kenan Milham (NC 2013-15), Rowan Thambar (NC 2013-15) and Bill Walton (NC 2013-15) with Ed Hannah (NC 2011-14) as MC. Many other Collegians and alumni were involved in the service or attended as guests and joined in the celebration as the party continued at Allegro Function Centre for a beautiful reception with scrumptious food and well-mannered frivolity! Since leaving New, Jethro has finished his Mechanical Engineering degree and has been working in the city. Alice and Jethro now live in Paddington while Alice wraps up her Occupational Therapy degree, Jethro continues to work, and the pair begin to serve their congregation at Unichurch as husband and wife.

# WEDDINGS



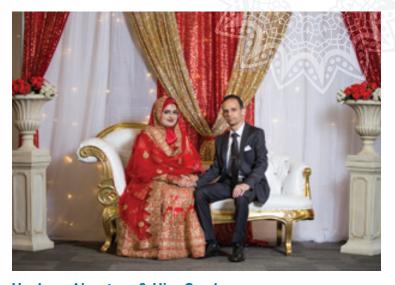
#### **Alan McCarthy and Katrina Tolentino**

Alan McCarthy (NCV 2014) married his lovely bride Katrina Tolentino in picturesque Cork, Ireland on Saturday July 15th. The ceremony took place in Honan Chapel at University College Cork, a privilege reserved only for graduates of the university like Alan, who completed his Ph.D. there. The newlyweds celebrated with close friends and family with a reception at the Kingsley Hotel in Cork. Since leaving NCV Alan has finished up a postdoctoral position at UNSW and taken up a lectureship contract at the University of Notre Dame, Sydney. Having enjoyed a fun-filled honeymoon at Disneyland, California, Alan and Katrina look forward to starting life together in Sydney as husband and wife.

#### **Sid Tinney & Grace McDonald**

Sid Tinney (NCV 2015) and Grace McDonald (NC 2015-16) got hitched on Saturday 17th of June at 1pm. The ceremony was held at Village Church Annandale, with a relaxed afternoon tea reception afterwards on the church grounds. This year's New College Senior Resident Advisor, Annabel Paul (NC 2014-present), was one of Grace's bridesmaids, and Zoë Marshall (NC 2016) also played a special part in the wedding. Sid and Grace were excited that many other New Collegians were also present to witness them say their vows. Since leaving NCV, Sid has been filming several exciting projects in cities and rural places in Australia and overseas with friends and contacts he has made through study and experience at AFTRS (Australian Film, Television and Radio School). Grace has continued to study and is now in her 3rd year of Social Work at UNSW. Both she and Sid have enjoyed serving at Village Church Annandale.





#### **Hesham Almatary & Hira Syeda**

Hesham Almatary (NCV 2017-present) and Hira Syeda (NCV 2016-present) were married in a simple yet elegant ceremony in Melbourne this year. With guests attending from 7 different nationalities, the celebration had a multi-cultural flare and was enjoyed by close friends and family with the reception taking place in a quiet and scenic reserve. Hesham and Hira are currently living at NCV while Hesham works at UNSW as a software engineer and Hira carries out her 2nd year of her Ph.D. As husband and wife they enjoy working hard, helping each other in life and discussing and learning about each other's cultural differences.



#### Matt Cooper & Anna Chan

Matthew James Cooper (NC 2006-09) & Anna Chan were married at Epping Presbyterian Church on 5 August 2017 followed by a Chinese Tea Ceremony and dinner reception at Café Birkenhead. The Bridal Party included the Best-man, Leonard Rowe (NC 2006-09) and Jonathan Billingham (NC 2006-09) who was also the MC. Matt and Anna were very excited to have long-time family friend, Mrs Bev Rowe (Lenny's Mum) create an amazing wedding cake and to be chauffeured about in a fabulous Daimler car provided and driven by lan Rowe (Lenny's Dad). Both Matt and Anna are busy working full-time, Anna as an architect in the city and Matt as a Registered Surveyor in Epping. Otherwise church, family and social life keeps them very busy.



Nathan (NC 2009-11) & Katherine Milham welcomed baby David into the family on August 29th 2016. Big sister Sophia (2) loves having fun with and looking after "Buddy".

# **NEW FAMILIES**



Andrew (NC 2004-07) & Chloe Boyton are excited to announce that Hannah (1) is now a big sister to a baby boy! Thomas Anthony Boyton was born on the 19th of March 2017, weighing in at a mighty 4.1kg.



Jono (NC 2005-08) & Justine Barnett (NC 2009-11) are thrilled to have welcomed Peter Stephen Barnett into the world on January 23rd 2017. Born at 4:35am, Peter weighed in at 3.61kg.



Rob (NC 2008-12) & Leanne Gerrand (NC 2008-10) had a sweet little girl on the 21st of April 2017 weighing in at 3.2kg. Natalie Grace Gerrand is a beautiful gift to two very excited parents.

# NCV FAMILIES



Tawanda (NCV Assistant Dean 2016) & Shupi Masango have become proud parents to a beautiful baby daughter. Unathi was born on December 29th 2016, weighing in at 2.7kg and measuring 49cm.

# NCV COMMUNITY

## SNAPSHOTS FROM A FUN YEAR AT NCV

t has been a marvellous year at NCV with residents from all seven floors participating in the fun social calendar. As well as the many events co-ordinated by the NCV Senior Residents and the Social Committee, residents also had the opportunity to attend Formal Dinners and hear from wonderful guest speakers. In 2017 the Formal dinner guest speakers were Professor England (lead of the UNSW Grand Challenge on Climate Change), Dr Robert Care AM (Director and then as Principal at Arup Australasia) and Professor Margaret Somerville, AM, FRSC (Professor of Bioethics at the University of Notre Dame Australia). Here are a selection of photos from the mix of relaxed and formal NCV events from 2017.







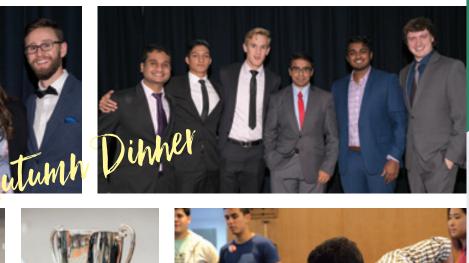


































# NCV GOES TO Q&A

Euthanasia, the US in Syria, the housing crisis: topics NCVers engaged with at Q&A



n April, NCV Dean Susan Bazzana arranged for a group of eight NCV residents to attend the filming of Australian television program Q&A, hosted by news journalist Tony Jones. Jones facilitated discussion between the audience and panellists Mitch Fifield (Minister for Communications), Penny Wong (Shadow Minister for Foreign Affairs), Nikki Gemmell (acclaimed author), Billy Bragg (British political singer-songwriter) and Prof. Margaret Somerville (ethicist). The main points of discussion focused on the housing crisis, the actions of the US in Syria and the emotional topic of euthanasiashould we legalise "assisted dying"?

NCV undergrad Hayley Pollock was among those from NCV who seized the opportunity to take part in such an enriching experience:

"I grew up watching Q&A and I always find the discussions to be very insightful. I find them to be a great way to engage with opinions which differ from my own. Having the chance to attend a live show was very exciting!"

The most excitement was generated by strong debate around the legalisation of euthanasia. Approaching such a sensitive issue inevitably led to healthy tension and disagreement among not only panellists but audience members as well. Hayley and the other NCV residents found the discussion very

insightful, and even found that some of their own opinions shifted slightly after hearing others justify their own arguments. Hayley shared;

"While I do feel quite strongly about this topic, I think I am now able to see why other opinions on the issue might exist- which is what I love about Q&A!"

Euthanasia was not the only topic however that piqued the interest of NCVers. Hayley herself asked the following question of Penny Wong, while other panellists also gave their own insights;

Unilateral action from the US, without the United Nations, creates the strong possibility of Australia being drawn into a conflict due to our historical alliance with the United States. With the threat of a broader conflict a real possibility, not just in Syria but now also in North Korea, do you believe that we are acting with due consideration of Australia's part in such conflicts, and the consequences of that participation, or are we simply being drawn into the potential conflict by the actions of the United States and our historical alliance with them?

All the NCV Residents who attended the night had a lot of fun as important issues of the day were discussed and debated.

# 2017 NCV COCKTAIL NIGHT: DRESSED TO THE NINES



At 7.30pm on Saturday 28th of October, NCV residents in formal dresses and bow ties began streaming into the main common room of NCV for the end-of-year Cocktail Night. Residents Dawn and Hayley share some of the highlights from the evening:

"The MCR was transformed with balloons and fairy lights, which spilled out into the courtyard. Adding to the fanciness, canapés were served by waiters, and two of our own Senior Residents, Brad and Rhys, made up a selection of pretty cocktails. Susan [NCV Dean] officiated the event from around 8pm, which was followed by speeches from residents Hugh Miller and Man-Hin Ma in which they shared their experiences of NCV and encouraged others to get as involved as they can in community life. Susan and Bill [NCV Master] then handed out two awards, including the NCV Community Service Award to Zamzam

Kolheji and the Overall NCV Award to Joshua Ng. Afterwards people stuck around to mingle over food and drinks. The backdrop with 'NCV 17' written in gold balloons was a popular spot for photos!" - Dawn

"The end-of-year NCV cocktail party was a great success. Residents were greeted with cocktails, a live pianist and hundreds of fairy lights. Everyone enjoyed celebrating together as we come to the end of the year. We had the chance to recognise the great contribution of a number of superstar residents and the leadership team. It was a fantastic way to finish what has been a lively and action-packed year" - Hayley

Zamzam Kolheji received the 2017 NCV Community Service Award for her many hours of commitment to NCV activities and her willingness to serve other residents. She has shared her passion for music, attending countless rehearsals and providing feedback and assistance to band members, and inspiring others to participate in the band community. Zamzam is a strong leader, and has been incredibly welcoming of others and a friend to many, making her a worthy recipient of the award.





Joshua Ng received the 2017 NCV **Award** for consistently taking part in many college activities over the year, such as weekly suppers, floor activities, Bible study, monthly service, Christian Fellowship development committee, band and collegewide events. Josh has shown great initiative in community development through establishing a fitness group in Semester 1, participating in Bible study, sharing his delicious kitchen experiments and simply starting hallway conversations with fellow residents. All this and more demonstrates his extremely helpful, approachable and generous spirit towards others. Congratulations Josh, on your well-deserved award.













## 2017 VALEDICTORY DINNER

on Friday 27th October, the annual Valedictory Dinner offered residents the chance to farewell and acknowledge leaving New Collegians. Major awards were presented by both the College and the New College Students' Association (NCSA).

The 2017 New College Award for Academic Excellence was awarded to Tim Davis (NC 2015-17). During his years at New College, Tim has maintained a High Distinction average in his 3 years of Mechanical Engineering. Serving as a Resident Advisor, Tim has been actively involved in the college community. Despite taking on new responsibilities this year and keeping up involvement in things like NC Revue, sports and the New College Christian Fellowship, Tim has achieved an outstanding academic record.

The 2017 Award for Collegiality and Service to Society was awarded to Jacqui Willing (NC 2015-current). What distinguishes Jacqui is the level of sacrifice she has made for the community without any compensation. She has given up jobs and a significant portion of her life in order to make College a better place for others. Jacqui has undertaken a staggering workload, carrying out a range of tasks as the NCSA President and leading a number of initiatives. These have included the organisational reform of UNSW's Inter-Residential Council, and the Community Action Report in response to the Australian Human Rights Commission's university sexual harassment report (which will no doubt influence New College for decades, if not generations). New College is privileged to have Jacqui back as a Resident Advisor in 2018.

#### 2017 New College Students' Association Awards

The NCSA Collegian of the Year was awarded to the late Stephanie Frewin (NC 2015-17). This special award is received by those who have poured their mind, heart and soul into the College community. Steph was an exemplary New Collegian; kind, dedicated, friendly, positive, compassionate, resilient, and faithful. Please read more about Steph and her invaluable contribution to College on pages 6-7.

This year, a very special award was also handed out; an award that has only been given to 14 other recipients over the College's 48 years. NCSA Honourary Life Membership was bestowed upon this year's Senior Resident Advisor Annabel Paul (NC 2014-17). Annabel has been truly outstanding in her 4 years at College. She has been an experienced and familiar stabilising force throughout the year with lots of new staff and students, including a new Master, a new Dean, and 150+ new freshers! Annabel has been instrumental in helping hold the College together, a fact that many can attest to personally. She has served competently, going above and beyond to ensure that New College is a safe, helpful and fun environment for all. Despite having inevitable stresses and concerns of her own, Annabel never fails to put others' interests ahead of her own; the mark of a true servant-leader. Over the last several weeks in particular, Annabel has worked tirelessly and shown her true heart for College with such compassion through one of the College's darkest periods in 50 years, even as she deals with her own deep personal grief at losing a dear friend. She has set an incredibly high standard as Senior Resident Advisor and New College has truly benefitted from her dedication and spirit.

Sportsman of the Year	Fraser Baird
Sportswoman of the Year	Zara Hoare
Most Inspirational Sportsman	Amith Mathew
Most Inspirational Sportswoman	Ella Stack
The Mick Braund Award	Andrew Simpson
The Matt Giblin Award	Kylie Lynch
Service Awards	Mitch Kingsland, Annabel Paul, Tim Davis, Ben Spratt, Jacqui Willing, Olivia Branson
Subcommittee of the Year	CommServe

# SERVICE TO SOCIETY

#### Night in White for Killara Refuge

In March, the New College Students' Association (NCSA) held the College's annual fundraising Night in White party. Night in White is an evening where students dress in white only to decorate themselves in bright paint and have a good time. The primary purpose of the night however, is to raise money in support of St Vincent De Paul's Killara Refuge for Survivors of Domestic Violence.

This year, NCSA Social Director Tom von Stieglitz led the charge in focussing on increasing the contribution made by New College. Amazingly, collegians successfully raised more than \$1,000. In an inspired display of support, Tom and several freshers including Jono Lindsey decided to not only dress in white, but bleach their hair as well, doing an impressive job of raising awareness for the event in College.



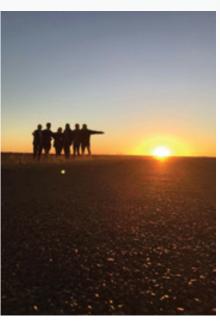




#### **Bourke Trip 2017**

Each year a small group of Collegians travel to Bourke NSW to run some exciting events and activities for children between the ages of 4 and 14. The week-long trip has taken place annually since 2013, with the team from New College partnering with the local PCYC to hold a range of sporting, cultural and creative activities for around 40 enthusiastic kids, who mostly come from disadvantaged and Indigenous backgrounds. On July 2nd, David Tilley and Matilda Balding, who were involved in last year's Bourke trip, lead the team as they made the 10 hour road trip across the state.

So why do students volunteer their time every year to do this trip? The PCYC plays a key role in the Bourke community as a safe and reliable place for young people. However limited funds mean that organising fun and safe options for youth during the holiday periods are difficult. This year's team, including David Tilley, Matilda Balding, Aaron Kim, Alex Kirk, Hannah Boardman and Emily Laing, chose to help out to ensure quality options are available to families who often face hardship. These Collegians hope to serve the Bourke community and be encouraging role models to the kids involved. Over the last few years, New College has formed a strong relationship with the Bourke PCYC and has every intention of continuing to partner with them in serving the families of Bourke.













n May New College hosted another of its annual productions, with Collegians performing The Servant of Two Masters by Carlo Goldoni. New College plays have a history of being impressive in their quality and lively in their atmosphere. This year, residents worked hard to bring to life the outrageous events that transpire after a gluttonous and impish servant secretly serves two masters - simply to get an

extra meal at the end of the day.

Each performance delivered wonderful displays of live music, captivating acting and seamless transitions from the production crew. Directed by Ben Spratt and Mirren McGuire, and produced by Steph Frewin and Stephen Melhuish, The Servant of Two Masters was a great success and enjoyable for all those involved.





n the evening of August 31 there was a buzz in the air for the opening night of the 2017 New College Revue themed Kim "Anything Is" Possible. Patrons seated themselves before a brilliantly designed set which vibrantly displayed the lockers and corridors of Middleton High School, taking millennials back to the days when they would wake up to watch 'Kim Possible' on Saturday Disney every weekend.

Filled with witty dialogue, convincing accents, hilarious skits and great music, audiences were impressed with New College's remarkable production as residents went on to perform most entertainingly through drama, song and dance. Producers Grace James and Julia Cooper, as well as directors Hannah Beiboer and Evie Friedrich, had cause to be proud as nearly 100 residents worked together to present a fantastic Revue staged over three nights. It was a wonderful production and the audience enjoyed what was the result of many weeks hard work by the creative team of New Collegians.



n March, nearly 40 collegians relaxed at Lake Macquarie Crusaders Campsite for the Semester 1 New College Christian Fellowship (NCCF) Weekend Away. Over the course of the weekend students engaged in thinking about "Living for the Future". They heard Bible talks from New College alumnus Nick Webb and took part in a focused study on the Biblical text, 1 Peter. As well as the wonderful talks by Nick and small group discussions, the weekend's activities also included personal time for reflection, fun activities and great food.

"I loved being in my discussion group, getting to know those people better and then being able to continue the conversations that were started during free time." – Eleanor Parker, NCCF member

The speaker, Nick Webb, is a New College alumnus from 2006-08. While living at New, Nick studied Electrical Engineering and Science. After a period working in industry Nick is now completing his 3rd year at Moore Theological College. It was during his time at New College that Nick became a Christian and got involved with the NCCF and Campus Bible Study. His three talks based on passages in 1 Peter looked at what Christians might expect to experience in life now and what they can be certain of for the future.

"For me the important message of the weekend was that, in God's great love, we have been saved from our sin and the importance of this must completely change our lives and our priorities... This message will help motivate me to humbly serve God and others in my time at college, and remind me of the urgency of sharing

the gospel with those I know in light of Jesus' return" – David Wright

NCCF Weekend Away was certainly a time of learning, bonding and fun. When collegians weren't engaging in challenging discussions, they were playing board games, sport, slacklining, swimming in the lake and playing with the Dean's four adorable children!

"Doing fresher dances around the campfire, playing mafia and volleyball were also definitely highlights!" – Eleanor

The second NCCF Weekend Away took place on August 11-13th at Chittick Lodge in beautiful seaside town of Gerringong on the South Coast.

NCCF President Mitch Kingsland shares: "As usual, it was marked by late nights of card games and mafia, countless cups of tea, boundless fun at the beach and of course drinking deeply from God's word. Peter Blair, a student at Moore College, helped us unpack the book of Hebrews over the weekend. If you've ever met Peter, you've probably struggled to understand his lilting, Northern-Irish accent, but luckily he has plenty of grace for us non-Irish folk."

NCCF Weekend Away is a non-compulsory event that is open to all collegians of all faiths or none. The NCCF has a long and fruitful history of running these events twice each year and they are a wonderful opportunity for collegians who wish to explore or grow in their understanding of the Christian faith and God.

# 2017 NEW COLLEGE LECTURES PERSONAL IDENTITY



he 2017 New College Lectures were delivered in September by Dr Brian Rosner on the theme of 'Personal Identity' as we also celebrated the 30th anniversary of the lecture series.

Collegians had the first opportunity to hear from Dr Rosner who gave a Formal Dinner Address as a teaser for the series. In question time New Collegians asked challenging and thought-provoking questions and Dr Rosner defended what he considers to be the dangers of personal identity when treated primarily as a self-constructed project.

The opening night of the Lecture series included two special items. Firstly, the launch of Dr Rosner's latest book *Known By God: A Biblical Theology of Personal Identity*, which was introduced by Dr John Dickson. This was also an opportunity to reflect on the lectures' 30 year history, which has been encapsulated in a reflective publication with contributions from the former Masters of New College, Rev Dr Bruce Kaye, Dr Alan Beavis and Prof Trevor Cairney.



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The lectures themselves were delivered over three nights from 12-14 September to well-attended audiences. Three paradigms for understanding personal identity were placed under scrutiny over three nights. Firstly, the 'Self Made Self' considered personal identity as a process of self-invention and reinvention in which individuals project their own notions of who they are onto others. By contrast the 'Known-by-God Self' considered personal identity in light of who an individual is in relation to others, and

Dr Rosner investigated how Christians have their personal identity shaped by faith in Jesus Christ. The full 2017 New College Lectures can be viewed

on the College's website, www.case.edu.au.

his people. Finally examining the `Christ Story Self',

primarily in relation to a God who intimately cares for



The new Master asks 'Why bother with the New College Lectures?'

hy bother holding lectures when 15 minute TED talks are the fashion and ideas are measured in thousands of tweets per minute?

Daniel Kahneman has brilliantly highlighted the answer for us in *Thinking, Fast and Slow* (2011). It requires dedicated work to carefully consider major problems and it is beguilingly easy to be lazy and trust our intuition – leading to serious and fundamental mistakes. Purposeful planning is required to think through challenging issues. Perhaps more than any other in the course of human history, our time requires careful consideration of

the consequences of present initiatives, actions and trajectory.

The ongoing challenge of Christianity comes from its founder, Jesus Christ, whose life and words remain both disturbing and inspirational to this day. Jesus' own major lecture is recorded for us by His disciple Matthew as the Sermon on the Mount in chapters 5 to 7. The breadth of Jesus' topics in His sermon is breathtaking. Significant issues relevant to every UNSW Faculty are addressed.

Following Jesus' example, and in collaboration with our invited lecturers, the New College Lectures will continue to challenge and to reflect profoundly on the entire counsel of God (Acts 20:27): not in cloistered halls, but as it applies to the streets, board rooms, schools, churches and research laboratories of the 21st century.

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# IN MEMORIAM ALISON GERTRUDE REID 21 FEBRUARY 1930 – 29 JULY 2017

rs Alison Reid has been an influential and supportive figure in New College's almost-50 year history. Sadly, she passed away on 29th July 2017 aged 87. Alison (known affectionately as 'Lal') and her husband John were both devoted to the well-being of the New College community and each had a huge impact on the shape of its social development.

In the very early days of New College, Alison was part of a group that met once a week with the then Dean's wife, Margaret Grouse, to pray for the College. Alison, who had studied Social Work at Melbourne University, married John Reid who later became the Anglican Bishop of South Sydney. John served on the New College Board of Management from 1970-1972 including as Acting Chairman in 1971, Alison was herself invited onto the College Board in 1974. This appointment was largely in response to the College having been opened to women for the first time in 1974. The feeling was that a College accommodating women must also have women represented within its governance arrangements. Alison was one of two women who started on the Board in 1974. Alison and John felt that the introduction of women students brought "a healthy influence and a different atmosphere to the place".

In May, 1975 Alison proposed that the Board establish a subcommittee to consider initiating more deliberate hospitality towards overseas students residing in the College. A committee for Student Hospitality was established, headed by Mrs Elizabeth Babbage (wife to the then Master, Stuart Barton Babbage). A culture of inviting international Collegians to dinners along with distinguished

members of the community was established.

Alison was among a group serving on the Board who (in John Bishop's words) "tended to have a rather maternalistic attitude towards the residents of the College". This was demonstrated through the many practical things Alison undertook to help improve the living experience while keeping the cost of running the College down. In 1976, Alison purchased \$2,200 worth of curtain material, and she, along with a group of ladies including Janet West and Margaret Rogers, held a sewing bee to make curtains for 1st and 2nd floor.

Alison cared pastorally for the residents too. She spoke at After Church Fellowship meetings and continued to pray for the residents for many years. Her husband, Bishop John Reid, was appointed Acting Master of New College, a role which he held from July 1994 until April 1995. During this time John and Alison moved to be closer to the College and lived in a flat on Barker St. They would regularly wander around the groups in College to talk with people, see how they were coping with university and College life, and just to be a presence in that way that the community might feel cared for."

Both Alison and her husband John were made Life Fellows of New College in recognition of the significant work they had undertaken. New College is most grateful for the practical and prayerful contributions that Alison made over many years in support of the College community and the College mission "to bring about collegiality, academic excellence and service to society, founded upon Christian faith and values." Alison was farewelled at a Funeral Service at St Jude's Anglican Church Randwick on Friday 4 August 2017.









# NEWS IN BRIEF

# Inter-College Residential Council Womxn's Day



2017 New College President Jacqui Willing was instrumental in setting up a new initiative of the Inter-College Residential Council (IRC). This was the formation of the IRC Womxns Community, 18 women from 8 colleges who are part of the IRC. Their inaugural event, Womxn's Day, was held on September 8th with the aim of creating a personal, supportive space for the collaboration of all female-identifying members and alumni of the UNSW IRC Colleges.

The event included a high tea, various stalls, musical entertainment and art exhibits provided by female residents. Speakers included Dr Mehreen Faruqi MP, Sophie Johnston (President of the National Union of Students), Eileen Baldry (the first Deputy Vice-Chancellor of Inclusion and Diversity), Penny Sharpe MLC and Kathy Bail (Chief Executive of UNSW Press). Attendees had the opportunity to attend 'networking groups' with alumna guest speakers from eight different career specialty areas. New College alumna, Caitlyn Elliott (née Newbury) was one of the speaker for Entrepreneurship in the field of Arts and Design. The event was free and donations were collected for Share the Dignity, an Australian charity that seeks to provide sanitary items and support for women in need, including the homeless and those in domestic violence shelters.

#### **NCSA Elected for 2018**

Congratulations to the newly elected New College Students Association Executive Team. The trustees for 2018 will be Hannah Beiboer (President) Emily Lee (Secretary) and Alex Kirk (Treasurer). Mitch Coles and Zara Hoare (Sports Directors), Josh McCoy and Julia Cooper (Social Directors) and Emma Hamilton (Communications Co-ordinator) will also represent New Collegians on the Exec Team next year.

## Matt Grosvenor graduates from Cambridge with Ph.D.



On Saturday 21 October, Matthew Grosvenor (NC 2003-2005, 2007-2008) received a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) from the University of Cambridge. Matthew's Ph.D. work focused on improving the networks run by large scale internet providers like Google and Facebook. During his time in Cambridge, Matthew was awarded the Brendan Murphy Memorial Young Researcher Award (2012), was twice a finalist in the ACM SIGCOM Student Researcher Competition (2013/2014), and was awarded best paper at the USENIX NSDI 2015 conference. Alongside his Ph.D. work, Matthew was elected Secretary (2013/14) and President (2012/13) of the Graduate Student Body at Clare Hall College and later elected Secretary of the University of Cambridge Graduate Union (2014/15). Matthew returned to Australia with his wife Evianne (also a Cambridge Ph.D. graduate) in early 2017. He now holds of the position of Vice President of Technology at Exablaze Pty Ltd.

#### Kate Hobbs conquers the slopes

Congratulations to elite athlete scholar Kate Hobbs (NC 2016-present) on her contribution to UNSW's success at the 2017 Snow UniGames. Thredbo put on a show in what was a tightly contested affair, as the best university skiers and snowboarders took to the mountain for the four-and-a-half-day event. Kate helped steer UNSW to hold on as reigning champions.





## Sarah Eddowes listed as Finalist in the Black Swan Prize

Congratulations to the very talented Sarah Eddowes (NC 2006-08) who was a Black Swan Prize finalist for her amazing self portrait titled *In the studio*. The work has been displayed in the Art Gallery of Western Australia in Perth throughout November.

"Painted from life, the portrait shows an intense gaze, as I focus on capturing my image and any voluntary pose or expression falls away. The work is painted in molten wax, which allows a visceral build-up of translucent layers of colour, giving depth to the final surface," says Sarah.

This year Sarah finished her Masters of Fine Art by research at the National Art School. She was awarded the Aboriginal Art Centre internship which took her to a remote Indigenous community for ten weeks. Sarah works from her studio in Auburn, interspersing this with teaching animation and playing clarinet in the Army Reserves band.

# FROM THE PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICE

e hope you've enjoyed this edition of New 'n' Old. If you would like to see someone featured in New 'n' Old, please contact Ash Braithwaite at alumni@newcollege.unsw.edu.



# Welcome Adela Davis – 50th Anniversary Historian

As the College prepares to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of New College and 10th Anniversary of New College Village alumna Ms Adela Davis (NC 2014-16) has been appointed undertake the important project of writing

the College's history. Adela has completed a Bachelor of Arts majoring in History and Psychology. A much loved member of the community, Adela is well placed to undertake this significant project.

# Please share your photos with New College for the Anniversary History

If you have photos from your time at New College or New College Village, we would love you to share them with us.

#### **Physical Photos**

To ensure the best quality, physical photographs or slides are preferable. They would be well cared for and returned to you by secure post.

#### **Digital Photos**

Scanned or digital photos can also be sent. For digital photos, file sizes over 500KB are preferable. The bigger the better!

Please caption photos clearly, either on the images themselves or with an accompanying email/document, including any information you have such as names, dates or descriptions.

Photos of anything and everything will be useful as we build a picture of the history of the Colleges, so don't hesitate to send in anything you have! If you have any questions, you can contact Adela at a.davis@newcollege.unsw.edu.au or on 9381 1999. Please post any photographs to:

Attn: Adela Davis New College, UNSW 330 Anzac Pde Kensington NSW 2033

Contact Adela Davis by phone +61 2 9381 1999 or email a.davis@newcollege.unsw.eu.au.

#### Flashback Fridays



For a while now we have been posting historical photos on the New College and NCV Facebook pages with the hashtag #newcollegeflashbackfriday. If you have historical photos that have been collecting dust for too long, please send in your best suggestions for #newcollegeflashbackfriday.











