THINGS FRANCISCAN

At the recent Provincial Chapter of the Franciscans of the Holy Spirit Province, which includes Australia, Fr Paul Smith ofm (OB) was re-elected as Provincial Minister for the next three years.

At the same Chapter, Fr Ken Cafe ofm was elected to the Definitory (Provincial Council). Fr Ken played a prominent teaching role at Padua in the establishment of the Career Training Course (C.T.C) in the 1970s. Fr Andy Granc ofm, who has conducted retreats for the boys and inservice for teachers, was also elected at the same Provincial Chapter.

Chris Fitzpatrick, who has been involved at Padua both as student and teacher began his Noviciate in the Franciscan Order in August. The Noviciate for Australian entrants to the friars is currently in the United States.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW

Damian Pilat - after graduating from QUT with a Bachelor of Business and HR degree, has been working in Mumbai, and is now in Shanghai with Robert Walters PLC as Head of Supply Chain, Procurement, Engineering and Operations. He represented Australia in 2004 in the FIFA Futsal World Cup in Taiwan.

Luke Cross now lives in Sydney and works with Westpac. He had spent three years in France playing Rugby League. He is married and has one son, Remy.

Nathan Sandwell has spent the last five years in Dubai, and is now in Hong Kong as a Senior Associate with Herbert Smith. He was married last August. His brother Nicholas was married last year at Little Flower Church, Kedron to Christina McCormick.
RECENT WEDDINGS:

Fr John recently officiated at the following weddings:-

**Pasquale Avolio** to Nikita Hobbs at Little Flower Church, Kedron

**Nicholas Serra** to Leanne Howard at St. Brigid's Church, Red Hill

**Albertus De Graff** to Emma Spring at Little Flower Church, Kedron

New Buildings Update

*Peter Franklin*
*Facilities Manager*

Work commenced in January 13 on one of the largest building projects undertaken at Padua College in preparation for the inclusion of Year 7 students into secondary schooling. The new buildings will be situated on land in Jardine St and will include an alternate major entry into the College. The project involves the construction of two multi-story buildings to house our science, art, music and drama classrooms as well as a new uniform shop and some staff facilities. Once the buildings have been completed, the current science, art and drama rooms will be refurbished and converted to other uses. Of particular note is the conversion of the existing Science Labs 3 and 4 into a new Pastoral Care Centre. The new buildings are being constructed by WATPAC Special Services and are due for completion by late January 14. Whilst the new buildings are fully air conditioned, environmental aspects have been addressed in the design. The buildings include rain water catchment and storage for 90,000 litres of water which will be used for toilets and gardens, a 54 KW solar power station, the inclusion of LED lighting in some areas and a bio-treatment basin for storm water runoff.
In 2010 changes were made to the Old Boys’ electronic database at the College. There were a number of issues with this and, in talking with some Old Boys, it seems that some names and details have been lost. It is important that the database is as accurate and comprehensive as possible to keep all Old Boys informed. If you are talking to any fellow Old Boy, please ask them if they are still receiving emails notifying them of events and the Newsletters. If they received emails in years gone by and no longer receive emails, please encourage them to get in touch with the College by email, oldboys@padua.qld.edu.au or by telephone 07 3857 9999.

Old Boy Presents Academic Excellence Awards

Academic Assembly August 2013
Bulletin article by Bob Out

The students were witness to a modern part of the Franciscan Intellectual Tradition when they listened to Mr Michael Stevens, an Old Boy of the College. Michael was our guest at the Academic Assembly, at which he delivered an address about his current academic life, as well as his fond memories at Padua. Below is a summary of Michael’s professional experiences to date. It is gratifying to know that Padua has played a part in what Michael has achieved.

‘Michael is currently completing a PhD in the development and implementation of automatic control software for implantable rotary biventricular assist devices (heart pumps). The objective is to make these pumps ‘smarter’ by improving their sensitivity to the needs of the human body.’

He has a Bachelor of Engineering (Medical): First Class Honours and is currently a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) Candidate.
There was no slowing down at Padua College at the end of Term 2. It was a week of great celebration for the College. The College was honoured to be the recipient of the Queensland Community Foundation Award and we celebrated the Feast of St Anthony. The College was pleased to welcome six of our 1963 Seniors. As well as this, Mr Wayne Swan, Federal Member for Lilley, former Deputy Prime Minister and Treasurer held a press conference in the Padua Library to discuss education policy.

To mark the end of Philanthropy Week (17-21 June 2013), Queensland’s corporate and non-profit sectors gathered at the Brisbane Hilton. Philanthropy Week 2013 was organised by the Queensland Community Foundation (QCF) to raise awareness of philanthropy by honouring those who make an outstanding contribution to the community. Padua College was nominated for one of the awards and both Michael O’Brien, Vice Rector Formation, and Barry Keegan, College Business Manager, represented the College at this function.

Padua College should be very proud of its philanthropic pursuits. The College was the first school in Australia to commit to the Work and Welcome project which assists refugees and migrants. We are also a major contributor to the Little Kings Movement and we have a strong connection to the St Vincent de Paul charity. Our success is due to the many great efforts of staff, the students and the wider Padua Community. Because of this, the College was awarded the CORPORATE PHILANTHROPIST (COMMUNITY) OF THE YEAR. This is a significant achievement and a testament to our dedication to St Francis’ Peace Prayer it is in giving that we receive.
I wasn’t sure what to expect from the class of ’98 Paduan 15 year reunion. The prospect of catching up with old friends – many of whom I hadn’t spoken to in fifteen years, was exciting. Would we recognise one another? What would the inevitable question be “what are you doing with yourself?” reveal? Some will no doubt be married? Some will have kids - possibly back at this school? Some will own their own business? Endless possibilities.

We gathered at the College and probably not surprisingly, recognised one another immediately. There were hugs, handshakes and laughter. “Good to see you” echoed throughout the lawns in front of the school. All the above questions tumbled over each other as we tried to catch up on the years. Ben Lowrie then took us on a tour of the grounds. It provided a chance to reminisce. Memories came flooding back: that’s where we used to play handball - now it’s a fully equipped sports hall, over there’s where we first heard of Pythagoras’s Theorem – now a revamped fully equipped classroom. We were all impressed to see the developments and to witness the expansion of Padua into the 21st century with such style and characteristic determination.

We all spoke of how grateful we were to be part of such a well-rounded school with its balanced focus on Academia, Sport, Music, extra-curricular activity and the spiritual development of its pupils.

From the school we headed to the Hamilton Hotel. The atmosphere was energised. The synergies were evident. We had steak and beers and caught up on life over the past fifteen years. Lots had changed but in other ways, the essentials were still in place. It was interesting to see how each of us had grown physically and emotionally over the years – how we’d navigated our dreams and weathered the inevitable storms. In true Padua spirit, the camaraderie was intact. Business cards and mobile contacts were exchanged.

I had a wonderful time and look forward to the 20 year reunion. A big thanks goes to Daniel Gordon for organising the event.

Danny Procopis
College Captain - 1998
Padua Race Day

PADUA COLLEGE FOUNDATION RACE DAY

Derby Day
Saturday November 2 2013
12:00pm
Eagle Farm Race Course

TICKETS $140
THIS INCLUDES
Entry to the track + Past the Post Marquee
5 Hour Food and Beverage package

Dress Code
Gentlemen are required to wear a collared shirt, tailored trousers, covered dress shoes plus either a tie or suit jacket or blazer
Ladies are required to be dressed neatly in keeping with contemporary standards, no bare midriff

to purchase your tickets (no refunds) contact Sharyn Biddle on 3857 9907
tickets are limited so get in early to avoid disappointment.
Peter Stark recently resigned from Padua's Board of Directors. In one sense, this brings to an end Peter's long association with the College. He was enrolled in the second year of Padua's foundation in 1957, and graduated as a Senior in 1964. During his time at Padua he was the worthy recipient of a number of awards, including the Provincial-Minister's Cup for Leadership, and Sportsman of the Year.

Six years after graduation, he returned as a teacher in the Primary campus, and was there for eleven years. During this time Peter was a very active and enthusiastic member of the Old Boys Association. After Padua, Peter taught at three local Catholic Primary schools, St Finbar's, St Anthony's and was Principal at St Dympna's.

Peter's three sons were all enrolled at Padua, and the first of his grand sons began in Year 5 at Padua this year.
30 Year Reunion

(Yr10 – ’81, Yr11 – ’82, Yr12 – ’83)

Saturday 12th October

9:30am Meet at respective school for a tour

10:30am Morning tea at Kids Space, Chermside (Family)

6:30pm Dinner (Adults) – Aspley Memorial Bowls Club, Nemira St, Carseldine.
(please pay online at http://www.jayatarras.com/reunion2013.html ASAP to help with numbers).

If you are interested, or know of an Old Boy or former Mt Alverniian from these years, please get in touch with Giga Jayawardhana Ph:07 32631768 or e-mail: pj@acclique.com

Taken at 10 Year Reunion
INVITATION/REMINDER
Old Boys’ Weekend at Amaroo, Pomona
Fri 18th – Sun 20th October 2013

a time to relax, catch up and enjoy yourself

Format: You are welcome to come for part or whole of the weekend. Property gates will generally be unlocked all weekend from about 3.00pm Friday (unless everyone goes for a swim or drive). Day visitors are more than welcome. A re-heatable pasta dish or similar will be available on Friday night to cater for different arrival times. (If not enough interest, a counter tea may be organised). Main gathering will be a Saturday night barbecue (communal meal). Optional - Sunday Mass (after breakfast). If anyone is interested in establishing an advance set up party on Thursday, separate arrangements need to be made directly with the School.

In Attendance: A Volunteer/s will be sought to join us and celebrate mass on Sunday. Apologies in advance for Fr. Paul Rout who will be overseas and unable to join us.

What to Bring: B.Y.O. food, drinks and nibbles.
Bottle of Red for sharing on Saturday night around fireplace.
Pillow and bed linen or sleeping bag.

About Amaroo: The Padua Outdoor Education Centre is a fully equipped retreat centre complete with bunk houses, separate staff huts, toilet blocks and commercial kitchen, capable of sleeping up to 60 with camping facilities able to accommodate more.
Shops are available approximately 8 kilometres away for daily fresh bread, paper etc. The Centre has hinterland mountain views & overlooks Lake Cooraraba.

Activities: To be agreed; past activities have included famous 500 cards competition, Fishing, Counter lunch at Historical Hotel, Rain forest walk, 4wheeler drive to Double Island Point, Tewantin River Boat hire, Kin Kin visit, fish feeding/swimming at Noosa and betting at Noosa SLS Club etc.

Cost: A small donation of $15 per night per person will assist in defraying expenses.

If you would like to attend, please contact Barry Keegan at Padua College on (07) 3857 9999 or email bkeegan@padua.qld.edu.au no later than Monday 14 October 2013.
Again this year, you are encouraged to carpool (returning after clean up at approximately 10:30am).

See you there!
Please use the response form below. Tick as appropriate.

>Name: ___________________________ Contact: ___________________________

☐ I am coming on Friday evening (approximate Est. Time of Arrival __________________________)
☐ I will arrive Saturday (arrival time/“pm/evening” __________________________
☐ I will be at the main meal on Saturday evening
☐ I am interested in car-pooling if it can be organised
☐ I can drive/supply a vehicle

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About our Community Business Directory Initiative

Connecting the Community

Now in its fifth year, the combined schools FOTH Community Business Directory provides a unique opportunity for businesses to promote themselves directly to the Franciscan Community. The Franciscan Community consists of Padua College, St Anthony's Primary School and Mt Alvernia College, and their surrounding community and businesses.

We encourage parents, friends, supporters and of course Old Boys of Padua College to use this directory whenever they are in need of a builder, electrician, hairdresser, painter or any services required. In supporting each other in this way, the FOTH Community Business Directory will grow, and strengthen our community in a very real and practical way.

Advertising in the FOTH Community Business Directory shows your support for Padua College and the local Kedron Franciscan community. It also provides great exposure for your business to the Community in a targeted marketing approach that ensures the audience is receptive to your values.

Further to the above, for 2014 we are expanding the marketing and advertising opportunities for the Directory. We are incorporating a Facebook page, ramping up our e-Newsletters, adding e-Newsletter sign up features to various applications, developing LinkedIn integration to the online Directory and expanding our network reach to a wider community. On top of this, we will be holding a Launch Event at St Anthony's Primary School on Thursday 31 October; we would love for all the Padua College Old Boys to be involved in this fantastic networking event.

PC Graphic Art will be managing all FOTH Directory bookings and payments on behalf of Padua College (and the FOTH Schools). To make a booking or for more information, please contact PC Graphic Art at forthdirectory@pcgraphicart.com.au, call 07 3358 4654 or visit the FOTH Directory website http://fothdirectory.com.au.
Reunion

Class of 1973

40th School Reunion
FRIDAY 22th November
Further details to be advised.
Contact: Peter McCabe - Work 312 42 069 or
email: pmccabe @abm.net.au
to register your interest
Recognise anyone?

1973 Paduan
Mission Mass & Blessing of the Boat

Each morning at about 8:40 the boys of Padua move from the assembly in ranked groups to their classrooms. When school begins, so I am told, a boy in each room combs the class with the cry: “Any mission money?” Monotony makes it almost mundane. But when some weary missionary in a remote village receives an acceptable cheque his day is made; and some project dear to his heart becomes possible for the benefit of the poor people whom he serves.

This is the reason why on Tuesday morning 16th October, the school boys left the assembly in another direction, because on that day the Primary and Secondary schools met on the lawn in front of the Friary for a special Mass and the blessing of a boat. There on a pathway was a 12ft aluminium clipper, the “PADUA”, waiting to be blessed before the students sent it up to the Holy Spirit College, Port Moresby, where young men come from all over Papua New Guinea and the British Solomons to study for the priesthood. All balanced people know that recreation facilities are equally important as libraries and laboratories in education, and in this boat lasting friendships will be welded among future priests from divergent areas of Papua New Guinea and the British Solomons. The College here is also supplying a 5 h.p. outboard motor, to be purchased by Fr. Gerald Walsh, o.f.m. in Port Moresby.

With the boat came the opportunity of having a Mass in acknowledgement of the constant generosity of the boys and the very constant calling of the collectors. The theme was Christian brotherhood, and the policy was to involve

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Were you in this team?
Anthony Briggs
(Ob 2012)
Receiving a 2013 QUT
Dean's Scholars Award
Padua College, from the air, in 1946, prior to it being a College.

(Courtesy of Greg Lavey, Teacher Geography Department)
What happening around the school?

North West News
1 May 2013

Stars in their eyes
PADUA College’s best and brightest are headed for the US to represent Australia at an international space competition run by NASA. (Page 03)

Australian Space Design Competition Team—Go Padua—off to America!
What happening around the school?

Taken from the Bulletin Newsletter article by Michael O’Brien, Vice Rector Formation

St Anthony’s Feast Day and 50 Year Old Boy Reunion

On the last day of Term 2 we celebrated our College Patron’s Day with mass and assembly. Unfortunately, due to the inclement weather on the day the Padua Dash scheduled for after lunch had to be postponed. Our special guests on that day were 6 members of the first Graduating Class of 1963. This year these men celebrate 50 years since leaving school. The Old Boys had a wonderful day returning to their Alma Mater and were astonished at the progress and changes that have occurred since they were here as students. Their visit was a great connection for all of us to the traditions and history of our College.
What happening around the school?

2013 Senior Class with Padua College Inaugural Graduates celebrating their 50th Reunion
World Record—
Longest Team BBQ

Proceeds to MND

Paul Mansfield & Craig Nicholson, (Teachers) & Trent Palmer (former staff) supported by staff and students of Padua College.
The Leela Palaces, Hotels and Resorts proudly announced the appointment of Graham A. Grant as general manager of The Leela Palace Udaipur, a stunning, lakeside retreat located in romantic and magical Rajasthan.

Grant has almost two decades of international experience with leading hotels of the world, including four years with Hayman, Great Barrier Reef, an award-winning iconic Australian resort. His experience in various positions across different hotel categories from operational and business planning to hotel renovation and refurbishment has been honed after years in the industry. Among other accolades, he was awarded the Supreme Excellence Award Winner by the Gold Coast Tourism Bureau.

Grant began his career as a trainee in the Front Office with Sheraton Ayers Rock Hotel in Ayers Rock. Subsequently, he worked in various capacities at some of the leading Australian destinations including Sheraton Mirage Port Douglas Resort, Hyatt Regency Sanctuary Cove, Explorers Inn Hotel, Brisbane; Sheraton Grand Hotel & Spa, Edinburgh; Carlton Crest Hotel, Brisbane and Palazzo Versace, Gold Coast.
Jarrod Franklin (OB 97), graduated from Sheffield Uni recently as a doctor. He will be spending the next two years at Northwick Park Hospital, Harrow in northwest Greater London.

Dr Jarrod Franklin BSc PhD MBChB
Gas titans warn: now or never

Dennis Atkins
NATIONAL AFFAIRS EDITOR

Coal and gas industry titans have warned Australia's petroleum producers will need two years to enact fundamental reform or face a potential $35 billion second wave of liquid natural gas development over the coming decade.

Speaking as 3400 delegates from 50 countries gathered in Brisbane for the annual Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association Conference, Shell, Chevron and Origin chiefs said the risks were now greater than the opportunities to tap into this investment pipeline as a way forward for the Australian oil and gas association. All three warned costs in Australia were making this country more uncompetitive than rival sources of LNG, including North America and East Africa.

Australia currently has more than half of global LNG production hubs – worth about $200 billion or $380 a second, at hours a day seven days a week for five years – with three of the biggest projects on Curtis Island off Gladstone.

Industry says the biggest threats are regulatory and workforce laws, with one obvious example being the industrial scene in Australia’s west “breaking pads”, Shell Australia’s outgoing chairman David Fordham said, with a window of opportunity for two years in Australia and the threat tax, regulatory and industrial issues were challenging.

He said overhauling environmental permits and approvals were a big cost barrier. “I don’t mind jumping high hurdles – I just don’t want to jump over them,” she said. Her replacement, Andrew Smith, said labour costs in Australia were becoming unsustainable compared with other developing countries.

“We’re not talking about $2 an hour. It’s one-developed country compared with another developing country,” he said.

Chevron Australia managing director Ken Kruszwiecki said labour costs in Australia were now so prohibitive in comparison to overseas competitors that it was “cost prohibitive to even consider projects elsewhere in the world”.

Describing this as “unaccepting”, Mr Kruszwiecki said it was critical to get the workforce culture and performance, Origin CEO Grant King listed environmental approvals, Fair Work laws and access to imported labour as the issues hindering access to the next investment wave.

“For should we be having a discussion about how difficult we can make development and not about making it easier?” Mr King said.
Where are they now?

North West News
28 May 2013

Luke Spiteri
OB 2006

Ready for take off

ALBANY Creek lad Luke Spiteri and his university colleagues will present their ideas on jet fuel alternatives to aviation experts in France next month. The former Padua College student could change the way the famous Airbus planes are fuelled, which has made his family back home in Brisbane’s north-west extremely proud. [Page 03]

Bio jet idea aiming sky-high

A PADUA College alumnus from Albany Creek is part of a team preparing to fly to Paris in a bid to improve airline planes with an environmentally friendly substitute for jet fuel.
Luke Spiteri said he never expected he and fellow St Peter’s College of Technology students had a chance in Airbus international Fly Your Idea competition and was stunned by the news his entry made one of the top submissions worldwide.

More than 6000 students from 12 countries entered the competition. The five finalist teams will be flown to France next month by Airbus to make their final presentations, with the victorious crew receiving $300,000 in prize money.

Mr Spiteri said the PMT team — also featuring Mark Spiteri (no relation), Katherine Grigorius, Martin Burman and James Kafering — all in their early 20s — were thrilled at their success and are now burning the midnight oil, polishing their final presentation.

“Originally it kind of blew my mind a bit,” he said. “It isn’t really until I heard the place that it sinks in.”

Mr Spiteri said he and his team used constitutional knowledge and maths in a different way to come up with their proposal for a combined liquid and biomethane and hydrogen natural gas (LNG) substitute for jet fuel.

“This is a fuel is five to five times the cost of LNG and our proposed blend of sustainable biomethane with LNG could reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 44 per cent and 22 per cent depending on the blend ratio,” he said.

Spiteri says the impact of the design modifications needed on an aircraft’s payload would be offset by Bio-LNG’s higher efficiency.

“The energy created by methane is higher than traditional fuel and we can expect greater fuel efficiency,” he said.

Fuel storage a burning issue for aviation team

The aviation industry is experiencing pressure on two fronts — rising fuel costs and high emissions — Luke Spiteri says.
But his team also faces some difficulties, including ways to store cryogenic liquid methane fuel, which boils at about -163°C, and increasing fuel storage capacity to compensate for the less dense Bio-LNG.

“They realise during tests with liquid nitrogen that a layer of foam insulation just a few centimetres thick wasn’t sufficient to reduce the boil-off rate to an acceptable level.”

Austins can find us fast with the commute and technologically we think it can be done.”

Padua College teacher Mark O’Shea said Mr Spiteri was a stand out student from a young age and was proud of the most recent success.

John Spiteri, Luke’s father, said he was also very proud of his high achieving son.
Where are they now?

Weekend Australian
September 14-15 2013

Daniel Gaudiello
(OB 1997)

Daniel Gaudiello plays the Prince in the Australian Ballet Production of Cinderalla
What happening around the school?

New Building works 2013
Jardine Street

The two new buildings will accommodate the following:

- 6 new Science laboratories and 1 Science Demonstration room
- 2 Art rooms and an Art Outdoor Prac room
- 2 Music rooms
- 1 Drama room
- 1 Film & TV room and 1 digital lab
- Uniform shop
- Student amenities
- Additional staff rooms