



Padua

# Old Boys'

## Newsletter

Autumn/Winter 2017

"Where there is love and wisdom there is neither

fear nor ignorance" *St Francis of Assisi*

## THINGS FRANCISCAN

Dear Paduans,

The year began with the College firing on all cylinders! Our new Rector, Peter Elmore began a review of the Mission Statement of the school, a revision of the Strategic Directions of Padua, and a new look at the Padua website. Peter has initiated "the listening post" inviting staff to join him in a consultative process to develop what is best for Padua. The staff have been involved in extensive Professional Development, with a focus now on the new Senior Assessment, that will replace the OP for Year 12 students. The ramifications of the Leuven Project are steadily being investigated, as we promote the Catholic Identity of Padua.

We welcomed a new Minister Provincial of the Friars, Fr Phillip Miscamble ofm to the College. He led us in the celebration of our Inaugural Eucharist. Phillip is originally from Roma, and has spent most of his priestly ministry in Singapore and Sydney. The friars at Adele Street have a new Guardian, Fr **Mario Debattista** ofm. He was Dux of Padua in 1976, and before joining the friars completed an Engineering Degree. Mario is on our Provincial Definitory and a member of the College Board.

As you have probably heard there was a Football tour to the UK earlier this year, and next week a group of our boys take off on a culture tour to Japan, many of them hoping to improve their Japanese language skills. Currently there is fundraising for an end of year Basketball tour to the U.S., as well as for 2018 Rugby tour to U.K. and Ireland.

There is great excitement about the place as we prepare to host the 2017 Confraternity Shield carnival. It will begin with Mass at La Cordelle for boys, coaches and officials. The games will be played at our Banyo grounds, with a few games on the Banyo campus of the Australian Catholic University - who are our major sponsor. More information. More information can be found at <http://www.qissrl.sportzvault.com/>

The 60th Rugby League Dinner was a great evening - one of those occasions it will be hard to forget. Memories shared, and heroic events on the Rugby League field remembered (and maybe exaggerated)!

The spiritual life of the boys is manifest this year in a growing number of boys at our Friday lunch time Eucharist. Because of increased attendance, it is now necessary to have Mass in the Parish Church. We continue with the House Masses for boys and their families, and this semester we have had the year 5 Mothers Mass, and the Year 6 Grandparents Morning that begins with a celebration of the Eucharist.

I have been involved in conducting 'Theological Conversations' for staff - topics covered include "The Jesus of history and the Christ of faith", "Catholic Church teaching on Human Sexuality" and "The Gospel of John."

I look forward to joining those of you who during the year at reunions will celebrate your days as Padua students.

May the gentle spirit of St Francis accompany you on your journey, best wishes,

*Fr John Boyd-Boland ofm*



# The Rector

Welcome to the latest edition of the Old Boys' magazine. For me, as a newcomer to the Paduan community, the contents of this magazine provide yet another window of discovery into the wonderful community of Padua. In my short time at Padua College, I have been amazed by the connection the boys have with their College and the strong sense of community. That same strong connection draws 'old boys' like you back to their College. There is certainly a lot to be proud of as publications like this one, enable us to stop and reflect on the happenings and achievements of Padua.

This year we have been working hard on a number of big projects. The College's Strategic Plan for 2017- 2020 has seen us consult widely with the community around the future directions for the College. At the heart of this consultation has been a confirmation that the College has been true to the original Mission and Vision Statements. These statements will continue to be guiding words as we continue to build on the fine traditions that have made Padua College what it is today. We will have plans that support our future directions around our Catholic tradition, teaching and learning, pastoral care and financial stewardship. We hope to have publicise the new Strategic Plan in October this year.

Another big project has been the preparations for hosting the Confraternity Carnival. This will be the fifth time the College has played host to the carnival. This year will be the largest ever Confraternity Carnival with 48 teams competing for the Confraternity Shield from June 25 to 30 at our Banyo Playing Fields. The carnival has certainly come a long way since we first hosted it way back in 1982. It is fitting that we are hosting the carnival in the same year that we named the College's greatest ever rugby league team. At a Sportsmen's Evening in April, Padua's strong connection to the code was reflected in a team that included four internationals and six State of Origin players. The team included names like

**Paul Vautin, Paul McCabe, Dane Carlaw, David Stagg, Lenny Ditmar, John McCabe and David Shillington.** Our current First XIII coach **Scott Maguire**, with 199 QRL State League games, was named as five-eighth in the team.

This year I have taken on the words of St Benedict to 'Listen with the ear of your heart' by conducting a series of Listening Posts with staff. These informal gatherings have assisted me in better understanding the community. Along with the community consultation around the Strategic Plan, these gatherings provide an insight into the things that are distinctive about the Paduan community. Hugh McKay, a leading Australian social analyst suggested that, in Australia, many institutions lack a "guiding story" that connects a set of coherent values and beliefs that gives us a framework for making sense of our lives. In listening to the feedback from the community, this is certainly not the case at Padua, for at each meeting I hear that there is a strong connection back to the Franciscan ethos that founded this College. This ethos has, and will continue to be our 'guiding story', as we move forward with our Strategic Plan.

Peace and all good,

Peter Elmore

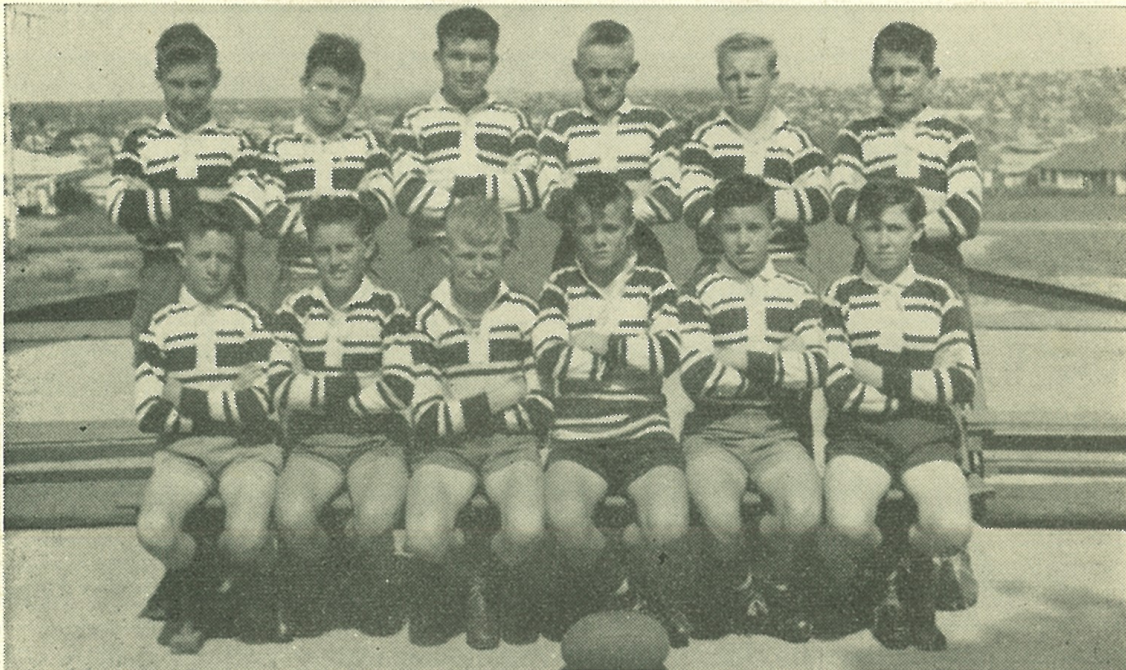




# LOOKING BACK

*The Paduan*

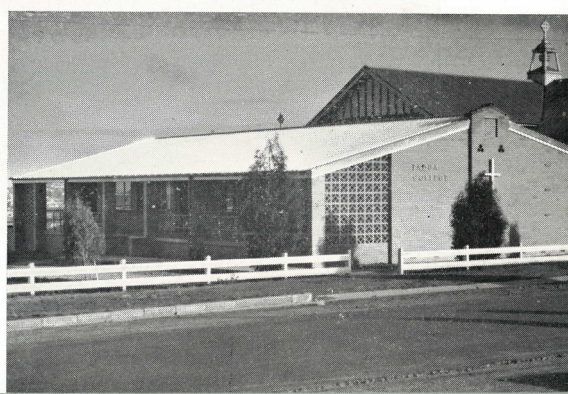
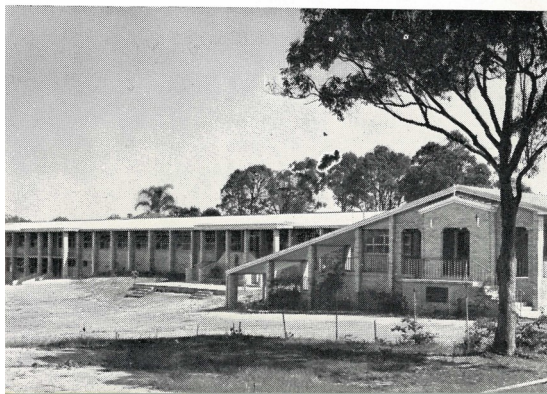
## Brothers' Padua Under 14



**Front Row:** P. Stark, A. Townsend, W. Williamson, N. Short (Capt.), M. Stark, B. Murphy.  
**Second Row:** R. Walters, B. Flanigan, P. McGuire, J. O'Meara, B. Crowley, L. Jones.

## Padua's first Rugby League Team





Jones and Paul Steptoe on clarinets, David Cox and Wayne Curran on cellos, John Ballantyne on guitar, with Anthony McGruther as guest soloist on violin—a cool combination.

#### MUSICAL ACTIVITIES

As well as the enthusiastic efforts of those just beginning the study of their instruments, there are musical activities at Padua of a more professional nature. Some of the teachers have formed themselves into the Paduan Players: Viliam Simek, Pauline and Leslie Strait, Patricia Byrne and Father Fidelis have

given two recitals during the year for parents and friends at the college. Early in the year the Pro Musica Quartet gave a recital in the music room for a large audience of parents: Basil Jones, George Farrell, Gloria Foley, Jiri Svoboda and John Stehens played string quartets by Mozart and Smetana, and the piano quintet of Schumann. Later on, a second recital by visiting artists was planned—this time by the Paragon Players (Donald Scotts, Theo Lazaroff, Philip de Boers and Julie van der Klei). Unfortunately, one of the players went down with 'flu, and because of the heavy com-



ORCHESTRA

Back Row: R. Handley, T. Lynn, R. Jones, P. Hennessey, P. Simonds, ? ? Van der Heide, C. Stewart, K. Devlin, G. Reynolds, J. Gallagher, J. Robinson, F. Mercieca, E. Rataj, R. Timmins, F. Van der Heide, D. Clarke.  
Third Row: P. Skennerton, P. Taylor, G. Van der Heide, A. Sharry, M. Bracken, R. Hickey, G. Wolff, T. Lynam, J. Stevenson, M. Cross.  
Second Row: D. Simonds, M. Curtin, P. McNevin, A. Smith, G. Kilby, G. Wackner, M. Morahan, P. McLean, B. Devine, A. Miller, F. Shannahan, L. O'Brien, A. Goddard, R. Garner, P. Baartz, D. Balkin, G. Kelly, G. Comerford, J. Chadwick, L. Birch, F. Lee, J. Evans, P. Fletcher, J. Curtin, L. Van der Heide.  
Front Row: R. Palmer, M. Coates, M. McLean, G. Skennerton, P. Longhurst, J. McGill, J. Coates, T. O'Keefe, G. Harding, M. Smith, P. Hedemann, M. Mackenzie, S. Jones, P. Steptoe, W. Curran, D. Cox, A. Van der Heide.

#### THE SINGERS AND THEIR SONG PADUA SECONDARY CHOIR

I've no idea how long ago people first began to sing, nor how long ago musical instruments were first invented, but I should say that both song and sound were spontaneous answers to a deep human need. In one of his University sermons, Cardinal Newman wrestles with the origin and beauty of musical sound. He wonders how such beauty as music can give us could possibly arise from the manipulation of such a slender scale of notes: "Is it possible that that inexhaust-

ible evolution and disposition of notes, so rich yet so simple, so intricate yet so regulated, so various yet so majestic, should be a mere sound, which is gone and perishes? Can it be that those mysterious stirrings of heart, and keen emotions, and strange yearnings after we know not what, and awful impressions from we know not where, should be wrought in us by what is unsubstantial, and comes and goes, and begins and ends in itself? It is not so; it cannot be. No; they have escaped from some higher sphere; they are the outpourings of eternal harmony in the medium of created sound; they are chosen from our Home; they



PADUA CHOIR, SECONDARY

Back Row: M. McDonald, M. Gilbert, A. Hottes, R. Janiczak, J. Eade, G. McMullen, D. Devlin, A. Wheate, A. Newman, M. Garry.  
Fourth Row: M. Goode, P. Skennerton, J. Van der Matt, C. Gardiner, J. Connolly, T. McDonald, R. Whitlock, P. Thomas, J. O'Keefe.  
Third Row: L. Mays, M. Kent, B. Vanderburg, N. Keenan, R. Birrer, K. Perkins, L. Van der Heide, F. Van der Heide, A. Haddely, P. Abbott.  
Second Row: M. Crawford, R. Handley, P. Taylor, P. Grey, J. Sheehan, D. Clarke, J. Thornton, R. Timmins, G. Wockner.  
Front Row: D. Cunningham, M. Kennedy, G. Russell, G. Harding, Mr. L. Jones, Mrs. Whitlock, A. Rockett, P. Woodward, M. Clarke.

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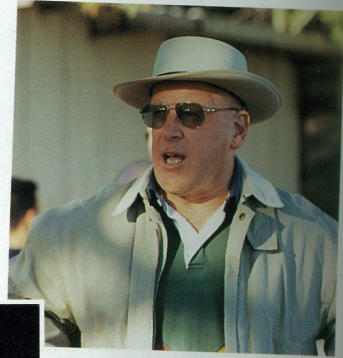
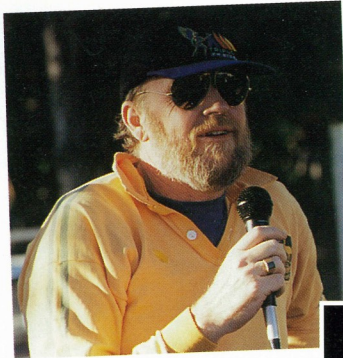
1964 Paduan

Music  
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Padua  
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# LOOKING BACK

1996 Paduan



## OLD BOYS V SCHOOLBOYS





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# WEDDINGS

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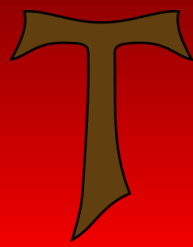
Fr John Boyd-Boland celebrated the wedding ceremony for **David Longhurst (OB 2009)** and his wife Emma earlier this year.

*Photo courtesy of Fr John Boyd-Boland ofm*

CONGRATULATIONS 

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Date Claimer  
OLD BOYS' MASS  
**5 October 2017**  
College Chapel



# PADUA HONOURS VIETNAM VETERANS



Representatives from the Padua College Vietnam Veterans group and members of **Dennis McCormack's** family attended a simple ceremony to bless the new Vietnam Veteran's Memorial at the College.





# Padua College Rugby League – A History

by

**Fr John Boyd-Boland,  
John Gorringe  
and Robert Out**



Padua College's first rugby league team took the field as "Padua Brothers" in the 1959 Under 14 Brisbane Rugby League competition. The reason for this choice of codes is unclear but what is obvious is that the Friars were prepared to give their early students every opportunity available in a range of codes. Fr Alban wrote in that year

In the football season, you will see that whilst Rugby Union has been the main code, yet some have played Rules and a "Padua Brothers" team played Rugby League.

It truly was a "brothers" team in the sense that the Stark brothers (Michael and Peter) played in the inaugural League team. Given that Padua only had 16 boys in Year 9, they no doubt had to call on Peter even though he was in Year 7. The Paduan records this auspicious team in these words

An Under 14 team was fielded for the first time in Junior League. With the help of Brothers Club, the boys improved out of sight and won some hard games. The competition developed a high standard of fitness in the boys which benefitted them in other fields.

In 1960, the numbers grew and two "Padua Brothers" teams were fielded. The students obviously got better at the game because 3 boys were selected in the Brisbane side – P Murdoch, L Murphy and W Williamson. 1961 saw Padua's first Rugby League premiership albeit in Division 2. In 1962, The Catholic Colleges Rugby League was founded with Padua, St James and Iona as members. Padua played each school 3 times and won Premier-ships in Under 14 and the Open divisions (Peter Stark Best and Fairest in First XIII). Padua had gained its independence in the schoolboy rugby league world.

Clearly, rugby league was firmly established in the Secondary school in the early 60s. Even in these early years, some significant themes were beginning to emerge. The Friars would give their students every opportunity to develop their talents and abilities. The Friars were not ego-centric. They looked outside the fledgling College for these opportunities. The early 60s saw Padua form relationships in Toowoomba to play more football. In 1962, Padua played De La Salle Cronulla in Brisbane (32-0 loss) and the return match in Sydney (16-0 loss). In 1963, CBC Ipswich joined the CCRLA and Padua played a series of game against CBC Gympie. The Friars were also very willing to seek help from outside the school. In 1966, John Raper visited the school to talk rugby league with the students. In that year, Fr Alban had some very able assistants – John Gleeson, Denis Manteit and John Smith. They won the premiership undefeated and Len Dittmar was Best Forward and David Cunningham Best Back. In 1968, Denis Manteit and John Gleeson coached the First XIII and in the next year, Denis Manteit and Eric Gelling coached. A final theme surrounding rugby league at Padua, is the incessant disputes as to which year produced the best team. This seemed to begin in 1963

In the short history of Padua's Secondary College, 1963's Under 15A team must be recognised as one of the best teams that the College has produced, if not the best.

The growth in opportunity in rugby league in the 60s saw some other significant developments, not the least of which was the appearance of a new First XIII jersey in 1964. For the first time, Padua unveiled the brown jersey with two gold Vs. In that year, Padua played its first curtain-raiser under lights at the Exhibition Grounds (5-2 loss). Also, the CCRLA competition was replaced by the Associated Catholic Colleges competition in 1967. In that same year, Padua began playing St John's Woodlawn, a rivalry that would last 14 years. In 1969, the Padua badge appeared on several First XIII jerseys only to disappear again for many years.





**D**uring the 70s the themes and the success continued. Fr Alban returned to Padua and coaching the First XIII. The rivalry with Woodlawn was firmly established although wins were very hard to come by. In 1970, the Under 15's beat Woodlawn. In 1974, the First XIII looked forward to the Woodlawn game (cancelled due to an outbreak of mumps in the boarding school) because they had won the ACC title undefeated and beaten Kedron High (State Champions that year). The 1975 First XIII travelled to New Zealand on a tour. Padua College made a very different shift in 1976 to try and secure better sporting opportunities. The school entered the Western Zone State School Competition and played in the AMCO Shield (a nation-wide competition) for the first time. In 1978, after moving to the Central Zone, the First XIII won the premiership. They also won the inaugural Queensland Catholic Colleges Rugby League Competition (the fore-runner to the Queensland Independent Secondary Schools Rugby League Competition). They were also finalists in the AMCO Shield (the second-best schoolboy team in the country after Patrician Brothers Fairfield). Finally, the decade closed with a First XIII victory against Woodlawn after 13 years of competition. Steve Davis was the vice-captain of the side and soon to be an Australian Schoolboy representative.

The decade of the 80s started with the inaugural Queensland Independent Secondary Schools Rugby League Carnival (Canterbury Shield) being hosted at Christian Brothers College in Bundaberg. Padua College contested this Carnival losing in the final to Aquinas College 9-3, thus beginning an association that has lasted 38 years. The Carnival was significant in that it provided, for a time, a pathway for National representative honors. Michael Crowther and Michael Haydon took this pathway in the inaugural year becoming Australian representatives. Michael Crowther (C), John Cashman, Michael Ward, Craig Munro, Rod Hickey and Anthony Benedetti represented Queensland. In 1982, Padua won the Central Zone premiership for the second time and were finalists in the Metropolitan A Grade Final. In the same year, Padua hosted the QISSRL competition for the first of 5 times (1982,1984,1992,2006 and 2017). Wayne Halverson and Mark McSweeney were selected in the QISSRL Representative side.





In 1984, Padua College won the Canterbury Shield for the first time, going on to win the Confraternity Shield in 1997 and 2005. During this year, Padua contested the West Tamworth Leagues Club Schoolboy Carnival playing against Sydney and NSW country schools. This association lasted 11 years until 1994. It was an extremely strong competition. Padua's best result was winning the Division 2 final in 1991. In 1985, Padua changed its famous brown and gold jersey by adding the school badge permanently. Due to rugby league schoolboy politics in 1985, the QISSRL side went from being a representative side to being a merit side. The remainder of the 80s was uneventful except for the selection of Scott Maguire (current First XIII coach) in the QISSRL side.

During the early 90s, it was clear that the sporting opportunities for most Padua students were being limited by the standard of the State School competition. Courageously, Fr John Boyd-Boland decided to enter The Associated Schools competition, thus making Rugby Union and Football (Soccer) Padua's major football codes. Padua continued to enter the QISSRL Carnival, except for 1995, but the preparation for this very strong carnival was limited. This limitation did not deter the 1997 side from winning the final against St Brendan's (arguably the strongest carnival ever).

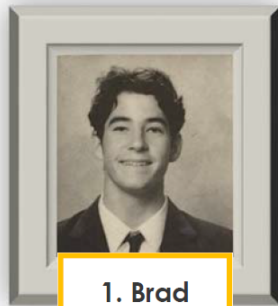
With limited opportunities to play rugby league, Padua College continued to contest the Confraternity Shield into the new millennium. A Shield win in Toowoomba in 2005 and three wins in the Bob Lindner Trophy (2008, 2014 and 2015) are highlights in recent times.

Padua College can be rightfully proud of its rugby league tradition and success. From very humble beginnings, through some "Golden Years" and beyond into more difficult times, any Padua student, who has worn the brown jersey with the two gold Vs, is proud to say that he did. The College is very proud of its Australian Representatives – Dane Carlaw, Paul McCabe, David Shillington and Paul Vautin. We are equally proud of our Queensland Representatives – Len Dittmar, John McCabe and David Stagg. There is no doubt that Paduans, who have represented their Country, their State, their NRL clubs, Queensland Cup clubs or Padua College remember with fondness the opportunities given to them to play rugby league with their mates at Padua College.



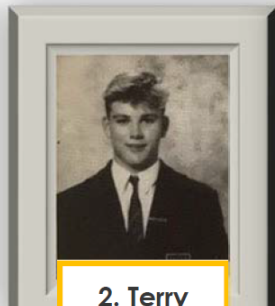


# Padua College 60th Anniversary “Best Ever RL Team”



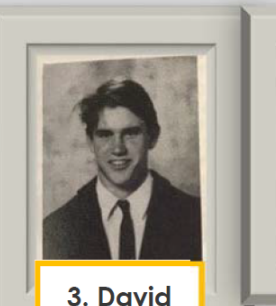
**1. Brad  
Watts**

**Graduation:** 1997  
**First X111:** 1996 / 1997  
**After School:**  
**1999** Vice-Captain Junior Kangaroos  
**1999-2001** 36 games Melbourne Storm  
**2002-2005** 63 games South Sydney Rabbitohs  
**2005** Widnes Vikings



**2. Terry  
O'Regan**

**Graduation:** 1992  
**First X111:** 1991/92  
**After School: 1993** Brothers Colts (Carbine Colts Player of the Year)  
**1994** Brothers A Grade Queensland Under 19's  
**1995/96** South Queensland Crushers  
**1997/98** Brothers A Grade  
**1999-2001** Logan Scorpions A Grade (Capt 2001)  
 150+ Qld Cup Matches



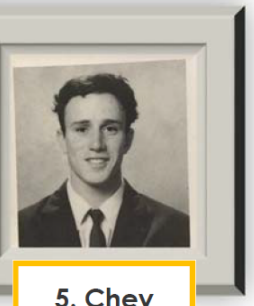
**3. David  
Bouveng**

**Graduation:** 1991  
**First X111:** 1989-91  
**After School:** 1992-94 Gold Coast Seagulls  
**1996-96** North Queensland Cowboys  
**1997-99** Halifax Blue Sox Super League  
**2000** Logan Scorpions  
**2001** Burleigh Bears



**4. Wayne  
Halverson**

**Graduation:** 1982  
**First X111:** 1982 (C)  
**After School:**  
**1984-86** Brisbane Souths Magpies (Premiers 85) (played with Meninga, Jackson, Belcher and Lindner. Coached by Wayne Bennett.)



**5. Chey  
Bird**

**Graduation:** 1997  
**First X111:** 1996/97  
**After School: 2000-2007** Townsville Brothers / Foley Shield  
**2007** Queensland Rangers  
**2008 -2012** Northern Pride (96 games) Cowboys Young Guns (2 games)/ Northern Pride leading point scorer/ 13th Q Cup all time goals/ Q Cup record 34 consecutive goals



**6. Scott  
Maguire**

**Graduation:** 1988  
**First X111:** 1986-1988  
**After School:** 199 BRL/ QRL matches for Brothers, Logan and Brothers Valleys  
**1994** Brisbane Capitals representative  
**1994-95** Queensland Residents representative/ Queensland Cup leading point scorer/ Twice runner up Queensland Cup Player of the Year.



**7. Shane  
Perry**

**Graduation:** 1993  
**First X111:** 1992/93  
**After School: 1996-2011** Qld Cup Brothers/ Redcliffe/Norths  
**1999** West Magpies NRL  
**2000-2001** Canterbury Bulldogs  
**2006-2008** Brisbane Broncos Half-back NRL premiers 2006. (D Stagg and D Carlaw)  
 2009 Catalan Dragons  
 73 NRL games  
 2018 Qld Cup games



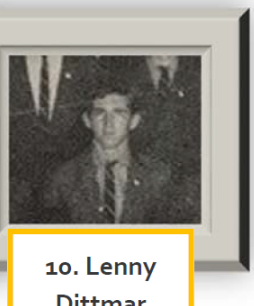
**8. David  
Shillington**

**Graduation:** 2000  
**First X111:** 1999/2000  
**After School:** 2002 JNR Kangaroos  
**2005-2016** 215 games for Roosters, Canberra Raiders and Gold Coast Titans  
 8 games for QLD State Of Origin  
 14 tests for Australia  
 5 Prime Ministers XIII games  
 2 NRL All Stars games



**9. David  
Stagg**

**Graduation:** 2000  
**First X111:** 1999 / 2000  
**After School:** 200+ NRL Games  
**2002-2008** Brisbane Broncos  
**2008-2012** Canterbury Bulldogs  
**2012-2015** Brisbane Broncos Queensland State of Origin  
**2006** Broncos Premiership player (S Perry & D Carlaw)  
**2009** Dally M Lock of the Year  
**2012** Grand Final Player Member of Broncos Game Development Department.



**10. Lenny  
Dittmar**

**Graduation:** 1968  
**Padua 1<sup>st</sup> XII: 1966**  
**After School:**  
**1964-67** Brothers Junior  
**1967** QLD U18s  
**1968-72** Brothers 1<sup>st</sup> Grade  
 Brisbane Bulimba Cup Winners  
**1970** Signed North Sydney  
**1971** QLD (5 games)  
**1972** Hull (England)  
**1975** QLD Public Service

# Padua College 60th Anniversary "Best Ever RL Team"



**11. Dane Carlaw**

**Graduation:** 1997  
**First X111:** 1996/97  
**After School:** 2000 Broncos' rookie of the year  
 197 NRL Games - 27 tries  
 13 Origins - 4 tries  
 6 Tests for Australia  
 2 NRL Premierships  
**2000 and 2006** (Broncos).  
 2006 (D Stagg & S Perry.  
 81 games ENGLISH Super League Catalan Dragons - 12 tries  
 2011-2012 Queensland Cup Premierships w/Wynnum Manly Seagulls



**12. Paul McCabe**

**Graduation:** 1974  
**First X111:** 1974  
**After School:** 1978-1987  
 150 First Grade Games (North Sydney, East Sydney Roosters, Manly Sea Eagles, Balmain Tigers). 2 NRL Finals & 2 Panasonic/KB Midweek Finals  
**1981** Sydney and NSW Representative  
**1981** Queensland State Of Origin (inaugural)  
 6 Test Matches Australia  
**1982** Kangaroos "Invincibles" Team



**13. Paul Vautin (C)**

**Graduation:** 1976  
**First X111:** 1975/76  
**After School:** 1979-89 Manly Warringah (184 matches) Captained Premiership 1987  
**1990-91** Eastern Suburb Roosters (34 matches)  
**1983** Dally M Second Rower Of The Year  
**1987** Dally M Captain Of The Year  
**1982-90** 13 Test Matches for Australia  
 4 World Cup Matches/22 Matches Queensland State Of Origin  
**1995-97** Coach Queensland State Of Origin



**14 Peter Stark**

**Graduation:** 1964  
**First X111:** 1962-1964  
**After School:** 1967 Brothers First Grade Premiers  
**1968** Captain Brothers Rockhampton  
**1968** Best & Fairest Rockhampton  
**1969** Central Queensland Representative v NZ North  
**1970/71** First and Reserve Grade Brisbane Brothers



**15. Pat Hannan**

**Graduation:** 1972  
**First X111:** 1971/72  
**After School:** 1976-78 Brisbane Brothers A Grade  
**1979-81** Townsville Brothers A Grade  
 Townsville Foley Shield  
**1979** North Queensland Rep



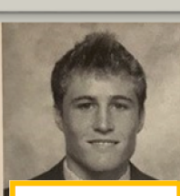
**16. John McCabe**

**Graduation:** 1966  
**First X111:** 1966  
 Padua Under 15 V Great Britain  
**After School:** 1970-76 Valleys First Grade (Premiers 73/74)  
**1971-74** Brisbane Representative Bulimba Cup  
**1972/74** Queensland Representative  
**1977-81** Innisfail, Mt Isa and Blackwater Representative



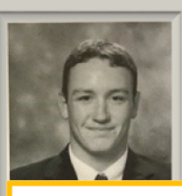
**17. Steve Davis**

**Graduation:** 1979  
**First X111:** 1979  
**After School:** 1981 Queensland and Australian U18  
**1982/83/88** Brisbane Brothers A Grade  
**1985/86** West Brisbane A Grade  
**1985** Runner Up Sunday Mail Player of the Year



**18. Rohan Ahern**

**Graduation:** 2005  
**First X111:** 2003 - 2005  
**After School:** 2006 Norths Devil's Colts  
**2007** Sydney Roosters Jersey Flegg  
**2008** Sydney Roosters Under 20s  
**2009** Sydney Roosters First Grade (4 games) / Newtown Jets  
**2010- 2011** Brisbane Broncos / Norths Devils  
**2012** Mackay Cutters



**19. Brendan Currie**

**Graduation:** 1996  
**First X111:** 1996 (C)  
**After School:**  
**1997-2000** Sydney Roosters  
**1997** NSW Under 18s Sydney Roosters Junior Rep Player of the Year SG Ball Premiers  
**2001** Logan Scorpions  
**2002-2003** Norths Devils



**20. John Shillington**

**Graduation:** 1998  
**First X111:** 1997/98  
 1998 Australian Schoolboy  
**After School:**  
**1999-2000** Norths Devils State League  
**2001-2005** Wynnum Seagulls State League







# The Illustrious Senior Class of 1965

This is a photo of Padua Old Boys, who at one stage or another, were part of a group of students who were in our class group from St Anthony's circa 1953 to the Illustrious Padua Senior Class of 1965.

We met for lunch in 2016, as part of The Padua Vietnam Veterans Commemorative Group functions.



**Padua Classmates 1953 Through 1965, Photo 16 Aug 2016.**

*Back Row, from left*

Richard McQueen  
Robert Lynam  
Noel Brown  
Jim Doherty  
Mike Cross  
George Smith

Rod Brewer  
Richard Nikola  
Russell Crowdey

*Middle Row, from left*

Mike Longhurst  
Mick Brosnan  
John O'Keeffe  
Steve McGibbon  
Ray Simon

Mick Beeston

*Front Row, from left*

Tom Waters (guest classmate, kneeling)  
Terry Thistleton  
Bernard Metcalfe  
Mike Willett  
Brian Cunningham  
Mike Riley

## Confirmation Photo of 1958

This has many Paduan Old Boys from several age groups, as Confirmation was not held every year. Thanks to Old Boy **Gary Wheldon** who recently found this original photo.



We hear via our grapevine that Old Boy and Vietnam Veteran **Gerard Mapstone** has been awarded an OAM in the 2017 Queen's Birthday Honours. You can see his name on page 21 of

[https://www.gg.gov.au/sites/default/files/files/honours/qb/qb2017/mnxi3\\_8skq/QB17%20-%20Gazette%20Order%20of%20Australia.pdf](https://www.gg.gov.au/sites/default/files/files/honours/qb/qb2017/mnxi3_8skq/QB17%20-%20Gazette%20Order%20of%20Australia.pdf)

**Mike Willett**

Padua Old Boy  
Senior Class of 1965



**Mr Gerard Rodney MAPSTONE**

Banks ACT 2906

For service to veterans and their families.



# **50** CLASS OF 1966 YEAR REUNION **REUNION**



The Padua Senior Class of 1966 gathered for a 50th Anniversary Reunion on Saturday 5 November at Broncos Leagues Club. There were twenty of us in the Class of 66, three, sadly, have since died and of the remaining seventeen, 14 were present at the Reunion. Many of us had not seen each other since we finished school and it was a great experience to meet up again after all these years and to hear of the various paths in life that each of us have travelled. Our thanks are particularly due to Dalton Kelly for organising the reunion.

Photo

Seated (left to right)

Ray Kelly, Bill Jones, Tony Hedemann, Peter McGrory

Standing (left to right)

Len Metcalfe, Grant Daley, Gino Sarri, Russell Crowdey, Dennis Gregor, Dalton Kelly, George Van der Heide, Paul Rout, Tony Gray, Michael Hilleard.

*Written by Fr Paul Rout  
Photo courtesy of Dalton Kelly*



# Padua College Class of 1997

20 Year Reunion  
2 September 2017

Details to follow

<http://www.padua.qld.edu.au/community/old-boys-network/old-boys-news-and-events/>

Or email

[cwebb@padua.qld.edu.au](mailto:cwebb@padua.qld.edu.au)



# Padua College Class of 1987

# 30

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YEAR REUNION

## 2 September 2017

Details to follow

<http://www.padua.qld.edu.au/community/old-boys-network/old-boys-news-and-events/>

Or

For any enquiries regarding the Class of '87 Reunion please contact:

Mr Paul Wood [p.wood@trilogyfunds.com.au](mailto:p.wood@trilogyfunds.com.au) / 0404 616 432

Mr Russell Maddock [russell@irwins.net.au](mailto:russell@irwins.net.au)

# Padua College/Mt Alvernia 25 Year Reunion

Searching for 1992 Seniors to organise a 25 Year Reunion for the Padua College/Mt A cohort.

Please follow/share the attached link to join the group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/112065712640149/>



Where you in the class of '67?

Are you interested in getting back in contact with some of your old classmates?

Email

[oldboys@padua.qld.edu.au](mailto:oldboys@padua.qld.edu.au)

and we can put you in touch with each other.



## 1988 Senior Class 30 year Reunion (2018)

# Planning has begun!

Please send contact details to;

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Chris Holding

([Chris.Holding@cpbcon.com.au](mailto:Chris.Holding@cpbcon.com.au))

Greg Khan

([Greg\\_Khan@iprimus.com.au](mailto:Greg_Khan@iprimus.com.au))



## Where are they now?

**Fr Paul Rout** (OB 1966) was a special guest friar in residence at Padua last year.



**Luke Richmond** (OB 2011) represented QUT at the World University Debating Championships in the Hague.

# Where are they now?

*Jim Holding  
(OB 1985)*



**Jim Holding** is an experienced Australian lawyer with a focus on major infrastructure and energy & resources.

He has been appointed as Country Managing Partner at DLA Piper. He has acted for a broad range of clients including the State Government and corporate clients on high level infrastructure projects. He is also chairman of Queensland Cricket and the Brisbane Heat.

[Linkedin](#)

*Karl Garufi  
(OB 2005)*

[Queensland Curriculum & Assessment Authority](#)



## Prayers for the departed

Please prayer for Jack Currie,  
Father of Old Boys, **Damian Currie**  
(OB 1995), **Brendan Currie** (OB 1986)  
and  
**Joseph Currie** (OB 2001)



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### KARL GARUFI

Padua College, Brisbane



Former Padua student Karl Garufi is living the dream. A natural affinity for dealing with people has laid the groundwork for a promising career in real estate.

'I never really knew what I wanted to do after I left school but one day Dad suggested real estate because I am good with people,' Karl said.

'I didn't think I was smart enough and thought I'd need to go to university, but after work experience with a local agency, I've never looked back.'

After starting in the suburban market, Karl is now working as a Sales Consultant at a luxury inner-city developer.

Karl is driven by a love of learning and completed several VET qualifications as part of his senior studies.

He also loved helping to build the school spirit and considered his role as a pastoral care leader as an honour and privilege.

His respect for positive role models has influenced his career path.

'I've had some fantastic role models — my parents, family and employers. My first boss took a chance and placed his faith in me and I'm forever grateful.'

Karl's advice to this year's school leavers: 'Don't be afraid. I was scared of leaving school because it was all I knew. You've just got to take a leap of faith — sometimes the best things are the unexpected things.'

**Subjects:** English Communication, Film, Television & New Media, Prevocational Mathematics, Religion and Ethics, Certificate III in Hospitality, Certificate III in Fitness, Certificate IV in Business

**Career goal:** To keep learning. You have to live in the moment and do the best you can.

Last updated: 01-Dec-2016



# Where are they now?

*Ethan Down &  
Harrison Frau  
(OBs 2016)*

2016 Graduates,  
**Ethan Down** and **Harrison Frau** are on a Japanese exchange at our sister school Nigawa Gakuin. They started studying and living with a home-stay family in January.



*Aimee Asimus,  
Bulletin Newsletter*

*Michael Guida  
(OB 2003)*

Both Michael and Joseph obtained an OP 1, together with several others of their cohort.

Both men became Accountants and they remain great friends to this day.

Michael made a surprise visit to the College in January.

Paul Garufi - his former Biology teacher - brought Michael up to the MPR where we were engaged in a PALS lesson to consolidate and conclude the Year 12 program for the past two days.

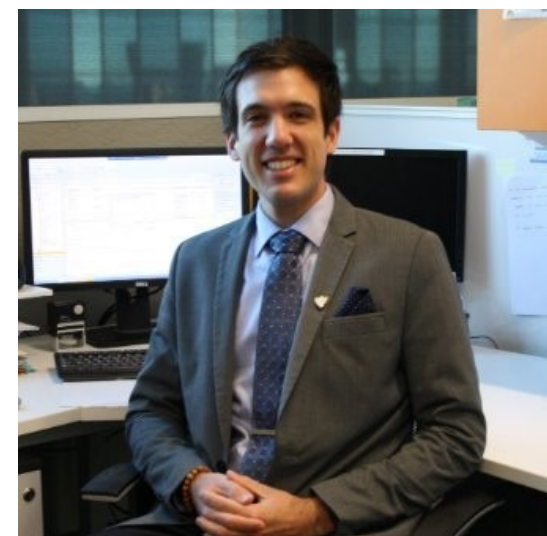
We had just spoken to the boys about the importance of setting goals, having a vision for their future to work towards, and then planning how to reach the goal and make the vision a reality, then working hard to achieve it, when Michael arrived.

I asked him to speak, impromptu, to the Year 12 boys and he gave an inspiring account of his interesting life and career journey since leaving Padua, including several recent years spent living and working in Italy, visiting Padua, working in many different jobs and undertaking the pilgrimage. He has even been an English teacher!

He is obviously a young man of strong faith and a credit to our College.

His visit was a true example of serendipity! He arrived at exactly the right time in our lesson.

*Trish Dwyer*



**Michael Guida** shared the prize for Dux of the College in 2003 with his good friend, **Joseph Camilleri**.

It was the only time in all the decades I can remember when we had to have a 'dual dux' award at Prize Night - which was held that year in San Damiano, I think.

# Where are they now?

*Daniel Endicott  
(OB 1991)*



**Daniel Endicott** wants to save the former Lyceum/Dendy/Tribal theatre.

*Photo: Glenn Hunt  
Brisbane Times  
3 May 2017*

*Andrew Gercken  
(OB 2006)*

**Andrew Gercken** is a teacher. He moved to Mackay in 2013 to teach and have been here since. Andrew married a Mt A girl, Elizabeth Elms (2008 graduate) in Dec 2015.

'Great to see the school increasing in size and facilities each year, love seeing the Rugby results of late!'

*OB website update:  
Andrew Gercken*



*Tom O'Toole  
(OB 2015)*

**Tom O'Toole** is pictured here with his mother after representing Ireland at Rugby earlier this year.



# Where are they *now*?

*Jayden Lynch  
(OB 2014)  
Jacob Lihou  
(OB 2010)*



*Eric Mewburn  
(OB 2005)*



**Jayden Lynch** and **Jacob Lihou** both performed as guests recently at the annual Battle of the House Bands competi-

*Photo: Luke Emlyn-Jones*

**Eric Mewburn** performed at the College Staff Christmas party. He is pictured here with Ms Deb Matthews and Mrs Janet Jedroszkowiak.



*Sean Oudenryn  
(OB 2016)*

**Sean Oudenryn**, 2016 College Dux, spoke at the College Academic Assembly earlier this year.

**WANTED**

We are seeking a person from each year group to be a coordinator. The purpose of this is to be a contact person to enable the old boys to keep in touch with all our members. This may be by way of helping to update addresses/phone numbers or get the message out to old boys about special events. If you feel that can help please email [oldboys@padua.qld.edu.au](mailto:oldboys@padua.qld.edu.au)

**THE MAN WITH NO NAME**



*Charlie Syvret  
(OB 2014)*

Where  
are they **now?**

*John Bell  
(OB 2010)*



Officer Cadet **Charlie Syvret** was the guest speaker at our ANZAC Day Ceremony.

Trooper **John Bell**, 2/14 Light Horse Regiment, Queensland Mounted Infantry, attended the College's ANZAC Day ceremony.

John also kindly organised a visit from armoured vehicles for our Primary students.





# What is happening around the school?



## Confraternity Shield

**2017**

Proudly hosted by

**Padua College**

26 June—30 June 2017



The 2017 Open Day was a great success. It was wonderful to see so many Old Boys attending with their families.

If you would like any further information about enrolments, please go to the College website <http://www.padua.qld.edu.au/enrolments/enrolment-procedures/> or email our Enrolments Officer [enrolments@padua.qld.edu.au](mailto:enrolments@padua.qld.edu.au)



# What is happening around the school?



The P&F purchased a great BBQ trailer for the School

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The College's Franciscan Appeal continues to support St Francis of Assisi school in Timor Leste

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Padua recently signed a lease for the use of the land next to the Banyo Playing fields for parking.

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Last training session for the season – Rugby Retro Thursday at Banyo

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The College continues to support the Rosies Organisation, which helps homeless people .

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# What is happening around the school?



Athletics Carnival 2016



# What is happening around the school

The Greccio Campus RUOK PADUA Day—Term 3



**RUOK?**<sup>TM</sup>



# What is happening around the school?

Robert Out (OB 1974)



Issue 17 19 October 2016

Dear Parents,

We are at that time of year where the 'guard' is beginning to change. The Year 12s are preparing to leave Padua and the Year 11s are 'gearing up' to take on the roles of leadership. It is my great pleasure to publicly announce the 2017 Student Leaders.

Darcy	Creighton	Captain
Harry	Sweby	Vice Captain
John	Aranda	Community Leader
Kodi	Barr	Co-Curricular Leader
Emil	Chandran	Pastoral Leader
Alexander	Lombardo	Academic Leader
Samuel	Jewell	Beirne House Leader
Brian	Tin	Beirne House Leader
Matthew	Buckby	Boyd-Boland House Leader
Patrick	Hopsick	Boyd-Boland House Leader
Dylan	Bradbury	Grigg House Leader
Ryan	Creeley	Grigg House Leader
Flynn	Kamp	Kirby House Leader
Jacob	Smith	Kirby House Leader
Michael	Cheer	Mitchell House Leader
Daniel	Whittaker	Mitchell House Leader
Henry	Gardiner	Odoric House Leader
Charles	Shields	Odoric House Leader

Congratulations to these boys and their families. I know that they are very keen to step into these roles and I also that their families will be of great support to them. This Sunday, the boys and their families will have a Mass of Celebration and then the boys will leave for Amaroo for three days of leadership theory and planning for 2017. We wish them well.

# What is happening around the school?



The Greccio Campus Wellness garden was opened.



Padua said goodbye to a much loved staff member this week. Mrs Kathy Hodge will be missed. We wish her a happy and long retirement.

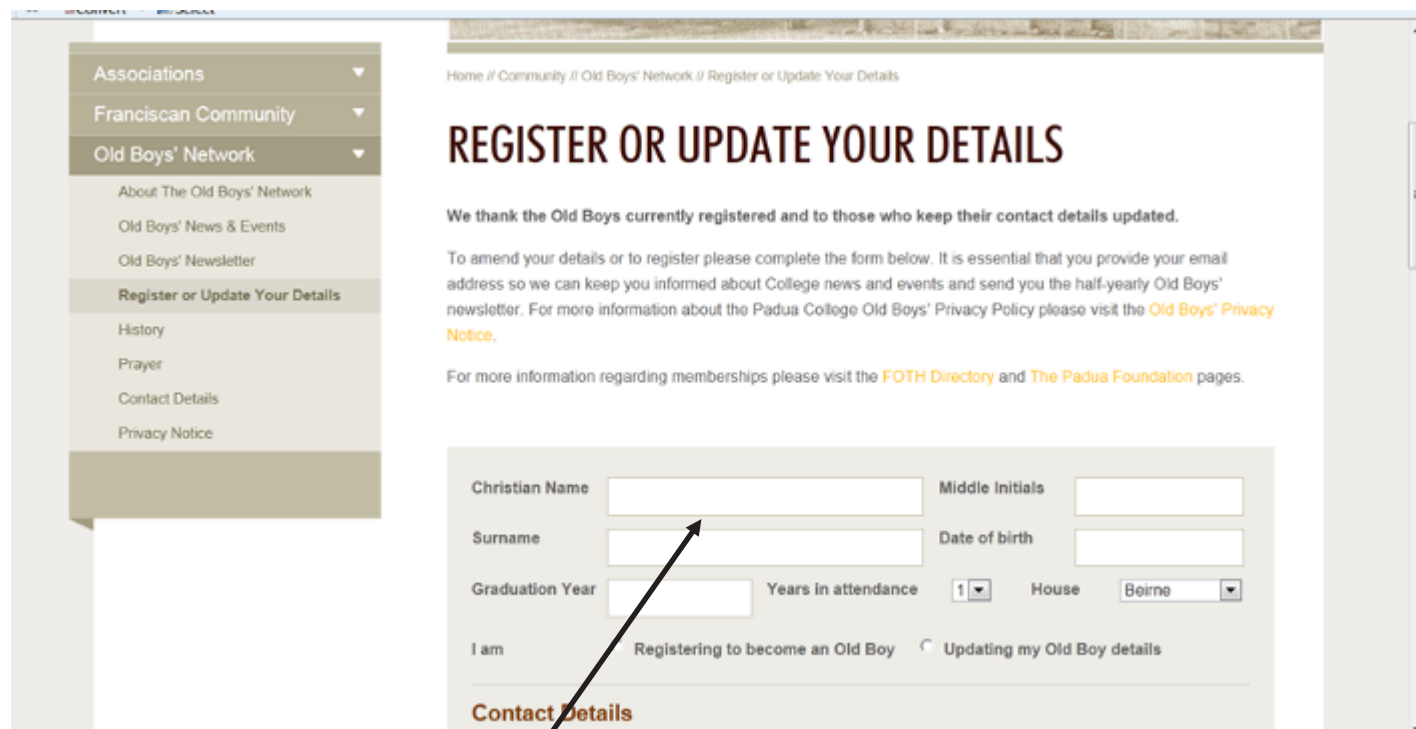


# What is happening around the school?



Fr John Boyd-Boland and some current students celebrated (with cake) the 50th Anniversary of Fr John's solemn profession into the friars.

## *Padua Old Boys*



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### REGISTER OR UPDATE YOUR DETAILS

We thank the Old Boys currently registered and to those who keep their contact details updated.

To amend your details or to register please complete the form below. It is essential that you provide your email address so we can keep you informed about College news and events and send you the half-yearly Old Boys' newsletter. For more information about the Padua College Old Boys' Privacy Policy please visit the [Old Boys' Privacy Notice](#).

For more information regarding memberships please visit the [FOTH Directory](#) and [The Padua Foundation](#) pages.

Christian Name  Middle Initials

Surname  Date of birth

Graduation Year  Years in attendance  House

I am ☐ Registering to become an Old Boy ☐ Updating my Old Boy details

**Contact Details**

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*Update your details*

*Old Boys' Pages*

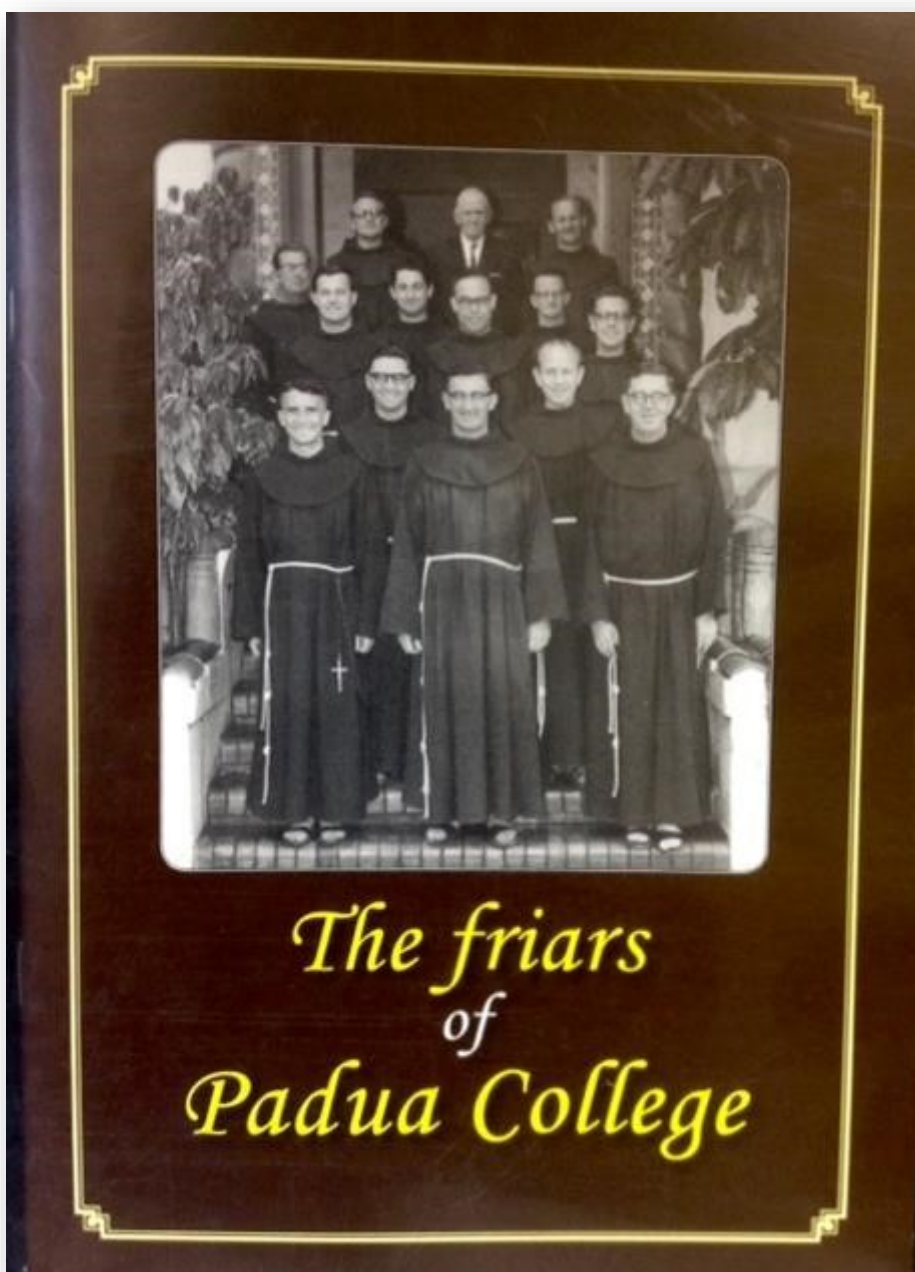


*Located under Community*



## Gerard Sammon (OB 1979)

**Gerard Sammon** has written a book "The Friars of Padua College". The book profiles every Padua College Friar—52 of them in total, and the contribution each and everyone has made to our College. This is a wonderful keepsake and historical document released to celebrate our 60th anniversary. If you would like to purchase a copy, they are available from the College Office for \$10.



**HAD A  
REUNION?**

**TELL US  
HOW IT  
WAS..**

**OLDBOYS@PADUA.QLD  
.EDU.AU**

# Old Boys Database

We aim to develop our Old Boys Community as fully as possible. **Unfortunately, in the past, some of the contact details of Old Boys has been lost. Please help us to rectify this.** 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](mailto:oldboys@padua.qld.edu.au) or by telephone 07 3857 9999 or to change their details via the website. Thank you!



## The Padua App

Find out about the app on the College website.

<http://www.padua.qld.edu.au/technology/padua-college-app/padua-college-app/>

