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Stuart Barton Babbage Fellowship launched at New College



Dr Stuart Barton Babbage

Late last year New College officially launched a program to encourage scholarship at the highest level within its walls. Named after one of its significant former masters, the Stuart Barton Babbage Fellowship will support the growth and development of promising scholars doing doctoral or postdoctoral studies at the University of New South Wales.

Dr Babbage is one of the outstanding figures of Australian Anglicanism. He was the second Master of New College, from 1973-1983. He is also a former Principal of Ridley Theological College in Melbourne, former head of the Australian College of Theology in Sydney and was Dean of both Sydney and Melbourne cathedrals.

Dr Babbage introduced eminent speakers at New College Formal Dinners, where a who's who of campus and society attended to share their views with students. He strengthened the College's ongoing work in academic Christian scholarship and apologetics by holding regular 'Forum' dinners for senior Christian academics that provided an opportunity for serious wrestling with contemporary issues. Similar work continues today within the College, through formal dinners, the New College Lectures and its apologetics centre, CASE.

At the end of November last year colleagues and friends of Dr Babbage gathered at New College to celebrate the launch of the Fellowship. Professor Trevor Cairney, current Master of the college, said that he hoped to attract major sponsors for the Stuart Barton Babbage Fellowship in order to offer it in perpetuity. The inaugural award was given to successful applicant Luke Macpherson by the Master, in the presence of the UNSW Vice-Chancellor and Stuart Barton Babbage, at the Commencement Formal Dinner earlier this year.

This Fellowship will be integral to the College's ongoing mission to promote academic excellence, collegiality and service to society within the context of Christian faith. To see a profile on the inaugural Fellow go to the article in this issue of *New 'n' Old*.

For details about the Stuart Barton Babbage Fellowship, contact the Master, Professor Trevor Cairney, New College on (02) 9381 1999. ▀

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Professor Trevor Cairney

From the Master

I want to take this opportunity to say thank you to the residents, staff, alumni and friends of New College for making 2005 such a successful and encouraging year. Now well into another year, it looks like we will have another strong year of achievements and milestones for the College and the individuals that make up this special community.

There were many highlights in 2005. It was good to see so many people enjoying and exploring the issue of Church and State at the New Lectures. With almost 900 people attending over 2 nights this was probably the largest event that we have run. It also generated lots of public comment and media attention.

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period when Dr Babbage was Master of the College. Many hadn't visited the College since leaving more than 20 years ago. At this dinner we recognized New College academic prize winners and University medallists from 2005. We also introduced the Stuart Barton Babbage Fellow and heard from Dr Babbage. The Vice Chancellor, Professor Mark Wainwright also addressed us.

The Vice-Chancellor is a good friend of the College and retires at the end of June this year after 34 years service at UNSW. He will be greatly missed. I would like to formally acknowledge Professor Wainwright and thank him for his friendship and leadership of the University over the past two years.

An ongoing highlight of being the Master of this College is the opportunity it gives me to get to know residents and alumni. The residents and alumni are the most amazing group of people. I comment regularly to current residents that they should make the most of College because they won't be amongst a group of people like this again. One of the added benefits of College life is being able to keep in contact with former residents. We are working hard to facilitate this process and would welcome your ideas and practical help in any way you see fit. I look forward to meeting more members of the Alumni in 2006. I hope you enjoy this latest edition of *New 'n' Old*. ▀

The Formal Dinner program had high profile and engaging guest speakers featuring Woolworths CEO Roger Corbett, UNSW Vice-Chancellor Prof Mark Wainwright, NSW Governor Her Excellency Marie Bashir and UNSW Dean of Science Prof Mike Archer. The residents and guests were entertained and educated by each of these guests.

The fundraising program to ensure the ongoing development of the College started to see investment from generous donors in the lives of people who currently live at New. Notable was the attraction of enough funds to allow us to commence our newest scholarship the Stuart Barton Babbage Fellowship. To see news on the first Fellow see the article in this *New 'n' Old*. I believe as we go forward that scholarships are going to be increasingly important to ensure that people can access New College. We need to enable access to the College community to all people irrespective of family wealth and resources. So do consider the opportunity to support scholarships in 2006.

The recent Commencement Dinner was a great evening. We had a number of guests in attendance including board members, life fellows and alumni from the



UNSW Vice-Chancellor to retire at the end of June. Professor Mark Wainwright was guest speaker at the first College Formal Dinner in 2006.

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New College (opened 1969) is an independent Anglican Residential College for students at the University of NSW. New College, co-educational with 250 students, has a proud tradition of academic support and pastoral care with 19 Academic Tutors and Resident Advisors. New College aims to build the character of each individual who becomes part of the College. The College's mission is the pursuit of collegiality, academic excellence and service to society. New College is a vibrant and close knit community, strong in academic, sporting, cultural, social and community service activities.

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2006 Stuart Barton Babbage Fellow – a profile

Luke Macpherson is originally from Taree (Mid North Coast of NSW) and graduated with a BSc from USYD in 2000. He then went on to graduate from UNSW with a BSc (Hons 1st Class) in 2001. He is now enrolled in his 5th year of his Computer Science PhD. “After several iterations of ‘refocussing’ my PhD, I am working on resource management of devices, specifically, I am interested in how things break when you put them under overload, and in ways of preventing things from breaking when subjected to overload” Luke has said. When Luke is not in his cubicle across the road in L5 he likes to spend what little spare time he has mountain biking, swimming, reading, and catching up with friends (not necessarily in that order!).

Luke has relevant experience in residential life having had a two year residency at Flo Harris Lodge and being Senior Resident there in his last year. He spent 1 year tutoring at University of Sydney in 2000 and the last five years tutoring at UNSW. Luke has also been awarded 3 scholarships and awards. He won the Neil Hunter Award for all-round contribution to Flo Harris Lodge (2000), the John Lions Award for Research Work in Open Systems (2002) and the Australian Postgraduate Award (2002-2005).

In the last few years Luke has spent a fair amount of time working on Sunswift II and Sunswift III projects, two solar cars built by the UNSW solar car team. Luke’s main interest in the solar car projects has been primarily in gaining hands-on experience in a diverse range of engineering disciplines. Luke has worked on lots of areas of the car at various times, including composites, solar array construction, electrical systems, MPPT software and the telemetry system. He has even played strategist for a few races. He was involved in the 2005 World Solar Challenge. He is now looking for new challenges away from the solar car scene, including contributing to the New College community as its first Stuart Barton Babbage Fellow.



Stuart Barton Babbage with inaugural Fellow L to R: Dr Babbage and Luke Macpherson

Luke is actively involved as a member of Petersham Baptist Church, and is currently serving as a bible-study leader and on the Church’s leadership team. He says he is generally happy to serve in any way that he can at New College and at his church, and comments that he has “been blessed with many opportunities”.

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As the Stuart Barton Babbage Fellow Luke will provide academic and personal support to the residents he interacts with including academic advice and informal tutoring. He is also able to encourage and assist undergraduate residents with the challenges of academic life. **►**

Commencement Formal Dinner a memorable affair!



Vice Chancellor, Master, Peter Hicks (1980-1986) and Dr Lincoln Lee (1973-1976)



Dean McGeary receiving his award from the Vice Chancellor

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More than 270 residents and guests were present at the Session 1 Commencement Formal dinner. The guest speaker was UNSW Vice-Chancellor and President Professor Mark Wainwright.

Amongst the guests were a group of New College alumni from Dr Babbage's era as Master (1973-1983): Nicholas Cutmore (1973-1978), Peter Hicks (1980-1986), Truong Minh (1973-1976), Nando Nicotra (1979-1982) and Paul van den Bos (1973-1974). These five had not been back to the College since they left. After dinner the alumni toured the College with Alumni Coordinator Mark Fairfull who commented "one of the stimulating things for me was the wonderful anecdotes Nando, Peter, Paul, Nicholas and Minh shared. I loved witnessing the fact that they each truly enjoyed their time and were obviously having a ball being back in the wonderful place that is New College. They loved visiting their old rooms and got very excited by the new 4th floor and its larger rooms!"

Amongst the guests were a group of New College alumni from Dr Babbage's era as Master.

At the dinner Professor Cairney acknowledged 2005 New College University Medallists: Amy Dennison – Environmental Engineering, Claire Inder – Law, Mark Pinese – Molecular Biology and Rallinga Willson – Mining Engineering. He also acknowledged the 5 New Collegians who won 8 UNSW prizes.

The Vice-Chancellor presented 6 New College academic prizes to: Michael Abbott – Commerce/Science, Jarryd Pla – Electrical Engineering, Yiling Cheah – Commerce, Dean McGeary – Mechanical Engineering,

Rodney Towner – Civil Engineering and Kim Hoa Scruton – Medical Science.

Professor Cairney introduced the 2006 Stuart Barton Babbage Fellow. Mr Luke Macpherson is the inaugural Fellow and has taken up residence in the College. This Fellowship is the College's newest scholarship for a student undertaking a PhD or conducting postdoctoral research. When asked to respond Dr Babbage provided many laughs as he relived some of his time in the College.

In his address Professor Wainwright spoke fondly about New College and its important place in the University. He commented on New College University Medallist Amy Dennison who was also awarded the Malcolm Chaiken scholarship when Professor Wainwright was a member of the selection committee. Professor Wainwright said he hoped he would be asked back to College post his retirement in June. Professor Wainwright remarked on the presence of alumni and acknowledged the Freshers saying they had made a smart and wise choice to come to New College. ▶



Dean of Residents with new NCSA President
L to R: James Pietsch and Kim Hoa Scruton

Community Service, a way of life at New



Michael Hand has been a Resident Adviser in College since the beginning of 2005 and attended last year's Habitat for Humanity project in the Philippines. This year Michael is coordinating the third successive New College trip to build houses in the developing world with global charitable organisation Habitat for Humanity. Habitat for Humanity International (HFHI) is a non-profit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry. HFHI seeks to eliminate poverty and homelessness from the world, and to make decent shelter a matter of conscience and action. Habitat invites people of all backgrounds, races and religions to build houses together in partnership with families in need. Habitat, with the help of volunteers like our residents, has built more than 200,000 houses around the world, providing more than 1,000,000 people in more than 3,000 communities with safe, decent, affordable shelter.

The New College team that travels overseas provides volunteer labour to assist with building a house and donations of money and materials. The team along with local builders build houses with the help of the homeowner or partners. Habitat houses are sold to partner families at no profit, financed with affordable, no-interest loans. The homeowners' monthly mortgage payments are used to build still more Habitat houses. Habitat is not a giveaway program. In addition to a down payment and the monthly mortgage payments, homeowners invest hundreds of hours of their own labour into building their Habitat house and the houses of others.

Michael talked of the importance of giving people

stability as a platform to develop economically and socially. "It makes a huge difference for these people to move into an established community with other similarly positioned families to settle into a home where they can raise their family in safety and with modest comfort". The mortgage idea enables them to commit to their new home and ensures they are employed so their new home becomes a sustainable asset. Mike is going back again this year: Why? "Because I found it a tremendously eye opening experience being a part

of a different culture up close, witnessing their day to day living and seeing how you could make a tangible difference. The people we have worked with are so generous and happy in demeanour and they love us for helping to build them a house by paying for it and assisting alongside them to build it." The next trip is being planned now with Habitat For Humanity and will be somewhere in Asia in 2006.

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Habitat for Humanity is just one of a number of opportunities available to residents at New College. A second group of residents is currently planning a trip to visit a remote indigenous community 550km west of Alice Springs. They plan to work with the children in the area organising activities for them over a two week period. Other residents are taking part in the Shack tutoring program providing free tutoring for local high school groups from disadvantaged backgrounds. What makes community service a way of life at New is that people keep taking up these opportunities, and the challenges they represent to make a difference, impacting positively in the lives of others. ■

The newest New Collegians – The Freshers of 2006!



(L to R): Current resident Christine Lang, with Freshers Caroline Tierney and Katherine Butterworth

This year saw a larger than usual intake of new residents with 117 new residents arriving for Session One 2006. Competition for places was very strong with almost 400 people applying for these places. Not surprisingly the new residents are an exceptional group of young people.

Of those people

interviewed, 19 were the dux of their high school for 2005 and 20 were able to report that they had received UAI's over 99. Many were successful in applying for major scholarships; however, our new residents also displayed many other qualities besides academic ability. Amongst the new residents there are many sportspeople, musicians and community-minded people who have spent the past few years doing more than just study.

While our new residents come from across the globe, most (86) have attended rural high schools in NSW, Victoria and Queensland. Despite the fact that many of our residents come from isolated areas they have managed to excel in their fields of study and get involved in their local communities.

There are also a number of new residents who speak other languages. Eleven speak Chinese, 2 speak Hungarian, 4 Romanian, 4 speak French, 1 speaks Italian and another speaks Swedish.

One of our new residents from regional NSW who speaks English and Chinese came first in the state in French while volunteering to tutor local students in literacy and numeracy. Another new resident who was school captain and dux of his school, was acknowledged as the 'young citizen' of the year in his home town and was the regional representative on the state student representative council.

Twenty three are the recipients of significant scholarships in the fields of Engineering and Commerce (15 Co-op scholars, 5 Rural Engineering scholars, 1 Energy Australia scholar, 1 RTA scholar and 1 Scientia scholar). Unlike previous years, however, one quarter of our new residents are studying arts related courses such as music, design and social science. Six new residents are studying at the College of Fine Arts. One of them has already produced albums for five bands, performed in two bands and produced a number of short films. There are three new residents enrolled in the Bachelor of Music degree with another two majoring in music within their Arts degree. As well as our music students we have a large number of people who play musical instruments. 22 play piano at seventh or eight grade level, 10 people play violin, viola or cello, 17 play guitar, 10 have experience singing in choirs, 6 people play the flute, 6 people play the saxophone and 2 play the didgeridoo. Naturally, the directors and producers of the College Musical are delighted!

There are also a number of new residents who speak other languages. Eleven speak Chinese, 2 speak Hungarian, 4 Romanian, 4 speak French, 1 speaks Italian and another speaks Swedish. Several of our new residents have spent a year or more working overseas in countries such as Hungary, Poland, France, Ireland and Sweden, while we also have new residents from Singapore, Hong Kong, the Philippines, China, Indonesia, Pakistan, South Africa, New Zealand, Zimbabwe and the USA.

As has been the case in recent years, many of our new residents found out about New College at the National Youth Science Forum. Our new residents also bring with them a lot of experience working with community organisations such as local churches, Interact, Young Lions Club, Amnesty International groups, Air Cadets, the Commission for Children and Young People legislative review, volunteer fire brigades, Habitat for Humanity, Model United Nations Assemblies, United Nations Youth Association, local Youth Councils, Tasmanian Youth Parliament and the Oaktree Foundation.

The year 2006 has only just got underway, but already it is clear that our new residents are determined to get involved and contribute in whatever way they can to ensuring that New College remains the College of first choice for students living on campus. ▀

O-Week 2006: action packed and fun filled



Front to Back: Pip Bowers, Billy Thorne, Amy Gibbens & Trudy Beck



Trevor Cairney gives a New history lesson to the Freshers.



Pink haired Male O-Week leaders L to R: Adam Sauverain, Ben Drew and Peter Thompson.

As 117 bright-eyed, innocent but elegant Freshers slammed the doors to New; behind the scenes 6 pink haired O-Week leaders were getting excited. The title for the week was SPANK week 2006. New additions to the O-Week program such as Jet boating on Sydney harbour, the Fresher sleep out where many amazing College movies were displayed on the big screen and a BBQ with alumni, gave Freshers a chance to see a different side to their new home. On Sunday night the Freshers all dressed in hoe down bush wear to dance the night away to click go the shears! Also seen were aspiring Freshers (and their old boys and gals) sporting all sorts of crazy mullets, Mohawks and frullets (sic—female mullets). A fantastic skit night displayed many talents in the acting department. The week ended with 'Schoolies' night where Collegians revisited the past in order to relive their School days!

Prizes were given for the more adventurous Freshers who galloped proudly around Sydney on our annual Public Transport Rally held on the Saturday morning.

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As the weary Freshers fell to sleep on Sunday night, they had many dreams of all the fun, games and enjoyment they had together during O-Week 2006. ▶

By Jo Elms, 2006 O-Week Leader

New College Alumni



Are you keen to link up with your old College friends who you haven't seen since? Do you like reuniting with old friends? Are you skilled at organising social activities? If yes would you be interested in assisting the College by acting as an alumni volunteer to help coordinate and organise alumni social events?

- ▶ We are seeking New College alumni who would be willing to help organise alumni functions and activities.
- ▶ We are also interested in people who can help us track down missing or 'lost' alumni from their era.

If you would like to be involved in creating new networks and assisting with creating and maintaining relationships between alumni and the College then please contact Mark Fairfull on (02) 9381 1740 or email m.fairfull@newcollege.unsw.edu.au.

2005 New College Lectures Church & State: people of faith should be involved in politics not silenced!



2005 New College
Lecturer Former
Deputy Prime
Minister The Hon
John Anderson &
Prof Trevor Cairney

late last year two leading federal politicians and a leading theologian explored the important issue of Church and State in the 2005 New College Lectures. Over 850 people gathered over two nights to hear the Honourable John Anderson MP, Mr Kevin Rudd MP and Rev Dr Andrew Cameron. These three eminent lecturers explored views on the relevance of faith to politics. They discussed the role that faith does and might have in contemporary politics and has had in history.

In the 2005 New College Lectures all speakers stressed that Christians need to engage with the state and be active politically. Andrew Cameron also shared the Christian theological basis for the institutional separation between church and state. The lecturers argued that Christians should be involved, not silenced in public affairs.

Dr Cameron argued that Christians have very strong reasons for defending the distinction between Church and State, and equally strong reasons for resisting the agenda of doctrinaire secularism. In his first lecture *Separating Australia: Church, State and recent Aussie thought* Rev Dr Andrew Cameron examined the origins of the idea of a 'wall of separation' between Church and State, outlined the Christian reasons supporting the separation, discussed the general interaction between religion and political life and explored what Christianity makes of the interconnection between Christianity and politics.

The Hon. John Anderson, MP, in his lecture

argued that the State cannot survive without the Church. He explored the role that people of faith have and should play in politics. Mr Anderson argued that Christian involvement in politics didn't end after the formation of the Western liberal democratic state. He stressed that while some have suggested that a Christian worldview has no place in the public arena and should be left outside the cabinet room; "I was never able to see how it would be possible, let alone wise, to do so. Logically, the presence of a worldview through which any individual assesses and understands the world is inevitable."

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In his lecture Mr Kevin Rudd, Shadow Minister for Foreign Affairs, argued that Christians should be engaged, active and outspoken about the great challenges that face Australians today.

Mr Rudd commented that we need to work out clearly in our hearts and minds where and when the lines need to be drawn in terms of actions of the State and when those actions breach fundamental Christian principles. He argued that the core and continuing fundamental



Rev Dr Andrew Cameron delivering his first New College Lecture



The Hon John Anderson delivers his lecture

principle shaping the relationship between Christians and the State “is that Christianity is always on the side of the marginalised, the vulnerable and the oppressed. This is one of the fundamental Christian principles”.

In his second lecture *Making it work: Proposals for Future Engagement between Church and State* Dr Cameron argued that we need to distinguish ‘Church and State’ from ‘religion and politics’. He encouraged those present to accept that Christians and the church have a role to play in politics and public affairs and urged the rejection of doctrinaire secularism. He asked non-religious people to stop forcing public figures to hide their religion. He finished by urging Christians to get their facts right, watch their language and stop playing the ‘principles game’. Finally he told Christians to ‘have a go’ in the political realm.

Full transcripts of the 2005 New lectures are available in printable PDF form by clicking on About Us from the front page and then ‘New’ lectures on the left side bar menu. Visit www.newcollege.unsw.edu.au now. ▀

Christians should be engaged, active and outspoken about the great challenges that face Australians today, argued Kevin Rudd.



Labor frontbencher Mr Kevin Rudd MP delivers his address



Church and State 2005 New College Lectures DVD Video

Church & State – The 2005 New College Lectures \$19.95 on DVD

The 19th annual New College Lecture Series explored the important topic of Church and State. The lecturers examined the place of religious beliefs and expression in mainstream political life. In this 3 hour DVD Double Disc set the lecturers explore the relationship between Church & State. The series attempted to consider and explain the role faith has and should play in politics. The lecturers try to map the contours of the separation of Church & State—its origins in history, what is meant by it and why it exists in modern Nation States like Australia. This DVD set includes all four lectures and a visual presentation. To make an order visit our website or phone Public Relations Coordinator Mark Fairfull on 9381 1740.

What's New news briefs



● New College to host a major conference on intellectual giant C.S. Lewis in 2006!

New College is proud to co-host a leading conference on C.S. Lewis called *C.S. Lewis Today*. Interest in C.S. Lewis has been reignited by the first film of the highly acclaimed Narnia Chronicles novels, which has wowed cinema box offices earning over \$690 million dollars (US) worldwide. This major conference will be May 4-6—three days on the fiction, life and deep thinking of CS Lewis. For full information and to register please visit: www.cslewisday.com.

● 'New' Building Development Project – Front Foyer and New Reception

The latest building development work was completed in February improving the front entrance significantly. The Anzac Parade entrance foyer now has bright feature walls with lime green and bright orange! This upgrade has been designed to improve public access and provides a reception for visitors during office hours, as well as providing disabled access. The project included the refurbishment and fit out of some of the offices.

● UniGym

Through negotiations between College management and the UniGym (now called the UNSW Lifestyle Centre), New College residents now have automatic UNSW Gym membership. The residential fees entitle residents of New College to an automatic silver membership of the UniGym valued at over \$500. As many would be aware, the UniGym has a swimming complex, various weights and aerobic rooms and a number of courts for squash, basketball, badminton etc.

● Counting down to *The Da Vinci Code* –coming soon to a cinema or a Chinese restaurant near you!

Dr Greg Clarke will deliver several talks around the time of Sony Pictures' *The Da Vinci Code* film release in May. Dr Clarke has spent two years talking about the popular novel around Australia. "I first read the novel because a student said it would put me out of a job," Greg said, "actually, it has kept me in one." He has given his take on the novel in churches, in schools, on university campuses, on ABC radio, in office board rooms, a Chinese restaurant, a yacht club and even a police headquarters! Dr Clarke has been discussing the novel's claims about the history of Christianity, as well as exploring why it is so popular and what it says about people's beliefs today. There is also a new website: www.challengingdavinci.com.

● UniWeb

After discussions with the University, New College residents now have access to UniWeb internet services. Recent alumni of the College will no doubt remember the difficulties associated with the previous system crashing on numerous occasions. Uniweb is cheaper (about 40% of the previous cost) and appears to be a far more stable system.

● Academic Excellence continues

In 2005 New College residents received outstanding academic results once again with 42% achieving a distinction average. The average for every resident in every subject was 73.6 (close to a distinction). Across the College community there were 270 distinctions and 139 high distinctions. This year New College alumni also received 4 University medals and 8 major University academic prizes/awards.

● CASE Fundraiser coming up

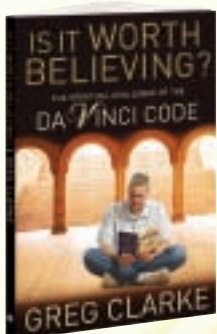
Lessons from The Da Vinci Code: CASE's vision for the future—a vision-setting and support raising cocktails function will be held on May 12. This will be an opportunity to showcase CASE's achievements over the past few years, to outline the possible future directions for the project, and to seek significant financial and strategic support. See New College Diary to find out event details.

● Website Development

The College is exploring options for a major upgrade and redevelopment of the current website. We would appreciate the input of anyone who has ideas for making it a more attractive and functional site for our various stakeholders—future residents, current residents, Alumni, conference and casual accommodation guests, parents, as well as University and community interest groups.

● Oral History Project for New

New College asks ex-Collegian's to record and send an audio file of their reflections of life at New. With podcasting, people can now do this on their computers with ease. Can you contribute? If yes please contact alumni coordinator Mark Fairfull on m.fairfull@newcollege.unsw.edu.au. ▀



New College Diary

Calendar of Events 2006

May 2

Book Launch: Agendas for Australian Anglicanism: Essays in Honour of Bruce Kaye
Guest: Rev Dr Bruce Kaye AM
Time: 7.30pm
Venue: New College, Main Common Room

May 4-6

CS Lewis Today Conference
To access full conference details and to register online, visit www.cslewistoday.com.

May 12

CASE Fundraising Dinner
Lessons from The Da Vinci Code: CASE's vision for the future
Time: 6.30pm
Venue: Scientia
Cost: \$35 per person

May 17-20

New College Musical
The Pirates of Penzance
Time: 7.00pm
Venue: New College, Main Common Room
Cost: \$13 Adults

June 7

End of Session Formal Dinner and Art Exhibition
Guest Speaker: Mr Nick Farr-Jones
Time: 6.45pm
Venue: New College, Main Dining Room
All Alumni & Friends welcome.

July 8

New College Alumni reunion dinner in Singapore
Time: 7.30pm
Venue: Flutes at the Fort restaurant

July 26

Session 2 Commencement Dinner
Guest: Vice-Chancellor, Prof Fred Hilmer
Time: 6.45pm
Venue: New College, Main Dining Room
All Alumni and Friends welcome

August 24-26

New College 2006 Annual Revue
Time: 7.00pm for 7.30pm
Venue: New College, Main Common Room
Cost: TBA

September 6

Session 2 mid Session Formal Dinner
Guest Speaker: Dr Rowan Gillies (New Collegian 1989-1992), President, *Medecins Sans Frontieres*
Time: 6.45pm
Venue: New College, Main Dining Room

Please come and Join US!

For more information and details on events later in the year visit the [Alumni Coming Events page](#). This is updated regularly with the latest event information, so please visit www.newcollege.unsw.edu.au. For further information contact Mark Fairfull: telephone (02) 9381 1740 or m.fairfull@newcollege.unsw.edu.au. NB RSVP is essential to New College events, so please indicate your attendance.

Where are they now?



Nicholas Cutmore (New Collegian 1973-1978)

After College Nicholas completed his PhD in physics and then joined the School of Mining Engineering at UNSW for a 2 year postdoctoral position. In 1983 he joined the CSIRO Division of Minerals, at Lucas Heights (Sydney), and embarked on a career as a research scientist working on the development of on-line instruments for the mining and energy industries. Nick tells us: "For the past 10 years I have held various management positions in CSIRO Minerals and I now lead a great team of scientists (at Lucas Heights) developing technology for the mining industry and national security needs." He was a co-recipient of the 1992 Australia Prize, and was elected to the Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering. He is married to Pinky (also a past resident of New College) and has two daughters, Carina and Elena.

Contact: Nick.Cutmore@csiro.au

Nando Nicotra (New Collegian 1979-1982)

Nando is the Managing Director of architecture firm Cameron Chisholm and Nicol (Pty Ltd). He is currently involved with a major landmark development in North Sydney and construction is earmarked for completion by the end of 2007. He tells us: "I have two beautiful daughters and my wife and I have been married for 22 years. I still play squash and do love bush walking and abseiling in the mountains, I love our reunions to date and it was a perfect way to see all my collegians and get an opportunity to see what they are doing and where life journey has taken them. Having been invited to a recent New College dinner it was fantastic to see the college looking modernized and to see all the new students enjoying the college. It brought back wonderful memories and I must say that my 3 years at the College were the best years ever."

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Paul van den Bos
(New Collegian 1973-1974)

Paul is married to Narelle and they have four children. Luke and Emma attend Sydney University, Katie is doing her HSC and Matt is in his last year of Primary School. For the last 16 years, Paul has worked in his own company supplying independent transport modelling and transport simulation services to governments and private industry. A guest at the recent Commencement Formal Dinner, Paul commented: "I have very fond memories of New College, especially Dr Babbage's influence on me personally. The visit to New College brought back many, many moments, both happy and some that we were happy to forget. Academic work did not come easy to me, and I found that I had to work very hard at my studies."

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Lucy Mannering (New Collegian 1999)

"Hi, it's Lucy Mannering here, now Lucy Howes. I'm living in Melbourne with my husband Paul, and I'm the mother of Sam, 3, and Zoe, 5 months. We're hoping to be back in Sydney by next year, but meanwhile we're enjoying our time in Victoria (well, sort of!)"

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Alison Russell
(New Collegian 1996-1999)

"We've just moved to Adelaide, and are living in a house on the grounds of St Marks' College (connected to

Adelaide Uni). Mike, my husband, is the newly appointed chaplain of the college and together Mike, Luke (3), Adele (1) and I will be spending time with the resident uni students. Not quite like the good old days at New, but there will definitely be some interesting times here."

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Rao Yellpragada
(New Collegian 1982-1983)

"More than 20 years after I left New College, I still have pleasant memories of the place and still remember friends. I would love to renew contacts with old friends and welcome hearing from them. I now live with my family in Plano, Texas, a suburb of Dallas."

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John Huggart (New Collegian 1987)

"Thanks for the opportunity for everyone 'Old' to be 'New' again. I did time in '1D' with Grahame Gould who was a Groomsman at my wedding. Donna and I are raising, Charlotte (13) and Jack (9). I endured accounting to make a career in Sales, Marketing and General Management and find time to play and write songs, and now record my Daughters songs!"

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Gary Crerie (New Collegian 1977-1979)

"I have the fondest memories of New College. Arriving late one evening, bags in hand, knowing no-one and making great friends, learning about life and Australia through other students. Skits for New in Review ... seems a lot more professional now from latest *New 'n' Old*. Great water fights and getting roused out of bed for inter-college "social rugby" by Sam Issa. Playing soccer and squash for the college. Keep on keeping on at New."

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