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From the Principal

GIPPSLAND Grammar's Board has appointed former Deputy Principal Michele Wakeham as Acting Principal of Gippsland Grammar.

Mrs Wakeham joined the Gippsland Grammar Community in 2021 from Trinity Grammar School in Kew where she was Deputy Director of Teaching and Learning. Prior to that Mrs Wakeham was head of Mathematics at Geelong Grammar School.

During her time at Gippsland Grammar, Mrs Wakeham has led the School's Teaching and Learning program and has fully immersed herself and her young family both into School life and into the wider Gippsland region.

Board Chair Brendan Shepherd said Mrs Wakeham was an asset to the Gippsland Grammar Community.

"Michele brings strong leadership, knowledge and passion to the role," Mr Shepherd said. "And she is well supported by our highly competent Leadership team."

Mrs Wakeham began her teaching career more than 20 years ago and has taught Mathematics, Information Technology and Computing and Religious/Christian Education. She says she was drawn to a teaching career from a young age and, aside from a brief flirtation with astrophysics, teaching has always been her professional passion.

"Moving into leadership has been an ongoing organic journey for me," Mrs Wakeham said. "It's made me realise I have more to offer in making educational experiences for students and teachers more exciting and enriching. I have found a calling in a position to make this happen."

Mrs Wakeham grew up in Melbourne's south and has predominantly worked in Melbourne schools but said a move to Gippsland felt like a natural progression for her family.

"My father was originally from Gippsland and I have much of my extended family living in regional Victoria," Mrs Wakeham explained. "And I have always been

quite envious of their environment. Our five-year stint in Geelong brought us a little further out of the city and, after moving back to Melbourne, we realised that a move further out would suit us perfectly. I have always looked at Gippsland Grammar with fondness from afar and when this opportunity presented itself, I could not have been more certain that it was the right move."

Mrs Wakeham has established strong links within the Gippsland community and is a member of or associated with the Sale Golf Club, Seaspray Surf Lifesaving Club, Sale United Football Club and the church choir director. She is joined at Gippsland Grammar with her husband Laurie who is the School's Head Groundsperson and their three children Trystan, Rhys and Bryn.

On June 22, the Board announced that Principal Leisa Harper had resigned. She finished her time as Principal on final day of Term 2.



Science empowers female students



Year 10 students Grace Ng and Ellen Roberts have embraced STEM subjects, such as Year 11 biology.

CURIOUS MINDS

YEAR 10 students Grace Ng and Ellen Roberts spent the mid-year break attending the Curious Minds science camp, part of a six-month extension and mentoring program empowering girls in regional Australia who are passionate and high-performers in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

The camp included sessions with experts in the industry and delivering projects the students had been developing with their mentors. Grace has been discovering about immunotherapy cancer treatment while Ellen has been working on a photosynthesis experiment. This is the second such camp the girls have taken part in.

"Curious Minds was a really interesting and rewarding program," Grace said. "I enjoyed the experiments and the opportunity to talk with other STEM students as well as the six month mentoring program with a woman in STEM."

Both students are currently studying Year 11 or VCE Biology as part of their Year 10 Gippsland Grammar course and have already been inspired some of the Curious Mind volunteers to explore careers applying these skills.

"I really want to study medicine at Monash (University)," Grace said.



Year 11 student Sophie Alexander.

SOPHIE ALEXANDER STEM YOUTH AMBASSADOR

YEAR 11 student Sophie Alexander has been announced as the Graeme Clark Oration Youth Ambassador for 2022. The annual Graeme Clark Oration awards the 'Youth Ambassador' title to VCE students pursuing studies in one or more of Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics (STEM). They promote the significance of having a STEM-ready workforce to address issues that concern the youth of Victoria and to solve problems of the present and future. Sophie attended the Graeme Clark Oration Women in STEMM lunch on July 12 with the event's keynote speaker Dr Natalia Trayanova and 200

women from academia, research, business and government. She was treated to a private meeting with Dr Trayanova before speaking at the Graeme Clark Oration following Dr Trayanova's keynote address.

Dr Trayanova is the Murray B Sachs Professor in the Department of Biomedical Engineering at Johns Hopkins University and a Professor of Medicine at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine. She has published more than 400 scientific papers and is considered a trailblazer in the use of modern computation and modelling approaches in cardiac

arrhythmia research and in the diagnosis and treatment of patients with heart rhythm disorders.

Sophie's mother Meg Langley was bursting with pride at Sophie's achievements.

"Sophie has always had a thirst for knowledge, particularly in the areas of STEM," Ms Langley said. "And I think this experience will really whet her appetite. She always puts in 110 per cent and her entire family thinks this is really well deserved."



Students embrace new Art & Design Centre

THE first day of term is always exciting but there was extra zing in the air at Garnsey Campus at the start of Term 2 as students had the first look and took their first classes in the new Art & Design Centre. The multi-million dollar learning space features seven purpose-built classrooms for Visual Arts and Technology subjects including art, media and wood technology.

As Head of Art, Design and Technology Nadine Lineham oversaw the teaching and learning effectiveness of the new space and said it had transformed the delivery of the School's Art and Design curriculum.

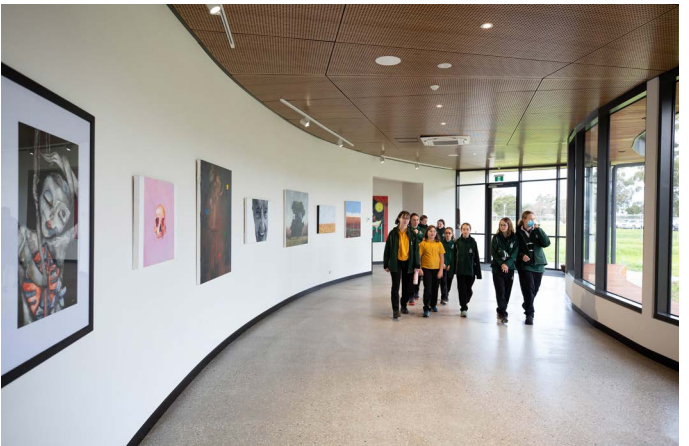
"It has allowed us to both excel in and advance the

teaching in these subjects," Ms Lineham said.

Wood Technology teacher Nick Kuch agreed and said students were thrilled with the facilities in the new classrooms.

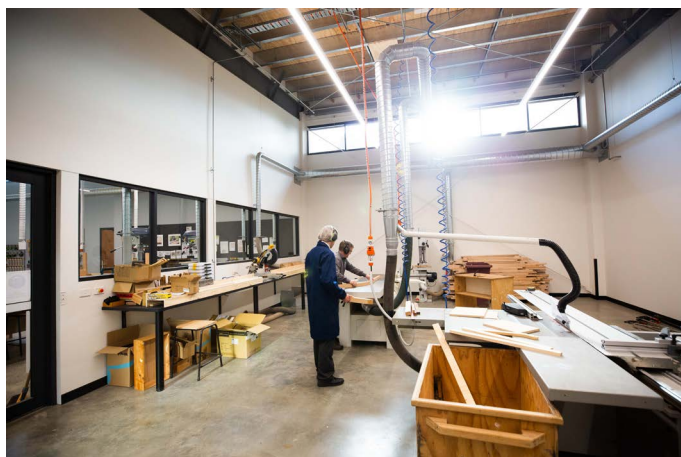
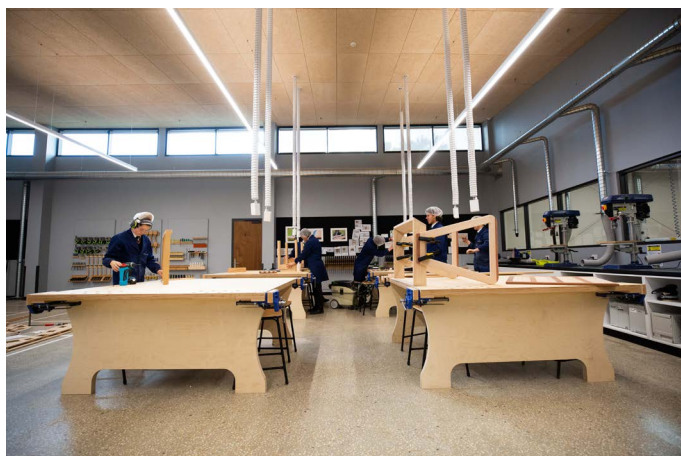
"Our equipment hasn't changed but the wood technology classrooms are bigger and more modern and set up in a more user-friendly way," Mr Kuch said.

"And it's been amazing to see the impact a new space has had on the students' pride in their work, which will continue to flow through to future projects.



Students have embraced the new Art & Design Centre at Garnsey, including Years 5 and 6 students from Bairnsdale who toured the new building at the end of Term 2.





MINDSET COACH BEN CROWE INSPIRES GOOD MOJO



GIPPSLAND Grammar was honoured to host world-renowned mindset coach Ben Crowe at the Garnsey and Bairnsdale campuses in May.

Mr Crowe is the man behind Mojo Crowe and has worked with some of the world's most famous sports stars such as Andre Agassi, Cathy Freeman and 2022 Australian of the Year Dylan Alcott but he became a household name in January when Barty won the Australian Open and credited the elite mindset coach for helping her achieve her dream.

Mr Crowe first spoke to the Years 10-12 students (pictured above) before he continued on to Bairnsdale where more than 200 people attended his 'Perspective Talk' (pictured below). Mr Crowe is the brother-in-law of Bairnsdale teacher Libby Crowe.

In his student presentation Mr Crowe spoke about the importance of focussing our attention 100 per cent on the things that we can control, such as our thoughts, our actions, our work ethic, our schedule and our reactions. He gave staff and students some practical actions to work towards a 'Performance Mindset', which included writing a to-be list (rather than a to-do list) and use this list to stop doing and to start being.

Mr Crowe's message was that we need to embrace our own imperfections; we should know, understand and accept that we are not perfect and striving for perfection causes anxiety and stress. Instead, we should strive for excellence and improvement.

Since visiting our School Mr Crowe has appeared on the *7.30 Report* in presenter Leigh Sales high-profile final week as host of the current affairs program and featured in a cover story in Fairfax's Good Weekend magazine.





The Melbourne Symphony Orchestra visited St Anne's on May 13 to perform to the students and conduct a workshop with the ensembles. Students were able to listen to, collaborate with and learn from these professional musicians. A highlight was Year 4 students Jobe and Frankie actually conducting the MSO!



Electra Greene taught students how to throw a boomerang at the Bairnsdale Campus in June as part of 'The Big Green Day Out'. Other activities included dolphin identification, tree planting and Bug Blitz.



Year 11 Biology students dissected rats in mid-May, which saw students Amity and Kyra use dissecting tools to open the body cavity of the rat and observe the structures. Biology teacher Mrs Lambert said the class loved comparing the differences between the male and female rats and seeing how the different body systems connected in the whole organism.



In late June Bairnsdale students planted 500 trees on a hill near the at 'The Backwater' at Clifton Creek, thanks to a revegetation grant from the East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority.



St Anne's Foundation student Spencer Mitchener with his Japanese Kanji symbol



On June 15 the junior mixed hockey team won the SEISA grand final 3-0 against Beacons Hills/Berwick. The team was undefeated all season and was captained by William Callanan and supported by assistant coach Scarlett Tavasci.



Seven swimmers from the St Anne's and Bairnsdale junior campuses represented Gippsland Grammar at the SSV State Swimming Carnival on April 29, including in individual events and a relay. Pictured are (standing) Milla, Erin, Sarah, Adelaide and (kneeling) Toby, Piper and Max.



Mrs Jeffrey reads the story 'Family Tree' to the St Anne's Black Swans Transition group as a part of National Simultaneous Story Time.



Chicago a huge success

GARNSEY was a hub of 'razzle dazzle' in late May with the senior production of *Chicago: High School Edition* taking to the Garnsey Hall stage. More than 60 students from Years 8-12 spent 18 weeks rehearsing for the production which was presented over four performances from May 26-28.

Head of Performing Arts Dr Kevin Cameron said school musicals are an essential part of school life as they bring together students and staff for an incredibly memorable experience.

"Many people have said this was one of the best school productions they have seen, anywhere," Dr Cameron said. "It wasn't about the hall, the set, or the costumes rather the singing, dancing, playing and characterisations were totally authentic, believable and consistent throughout - and all delivered with aplomb."

The magic of this wonderful show was conjured by the cast, orchestra and crew of committed and ambitious young people who gave everything to their audience."

Director Christina Kyriakou agreed that productions were a key element of co-curricular offering.

"A show like *Chicago* is full of great music and moments to shine," Mrs Kyriakou said. "But there are also those moments in the process for growth, risk-taking, sharing vulnerability and collaboration; all wonderful life skills that students can take forward into the next chapter of our journeys."







Shooting Captain Pip Treasure at the Sale Field and Game site at Longford

Shooting

THE co-curricular program plays a crucial part in the rich fabric of School life, and so it is with Gippsland Grammar's senior shooting program.

The Shooting program was established in 1976 and now about 55 students from Years 8-12 have the opportunity to take part in Shooting each year, under the careful guidance of teacher in charge of shooting Nick Kuch. This includes 15 students in the shooting team and a further 10 students each term who elect to try the sport each Thursday at Sale Field and Game at Longford. The activity is in high demand with more than 100 students vying for those prized spots each year. Students can use their own firearms or those arranged by the School.

"The students learn safety and discipline when using a firearm," Mr Kuch said. "It also fosters their maturity, which is both essential when partaking with this sport but also with their development

into young adults. Shooting is also a sport that can be enjoyed for life and I see fantastic friendships created between students across all year levels."

This year's Shooting captain, Year 12 student Pip Treasure started shooting at 12 and has been in the School team since Year 8.

"I enjoy going out to the Longford Thursday and being able to shoot all sorts of different targets and learning new techniques," Pip said. "Being able to travel as far as Lilydale and Frankston for competitions against other schools with the rest of the team is also a part I enjoy.

"Personally, I've learnt a lot about the responsibilities of being a captain, making sure everything is organised and everyone is happy and safe. I have also learnt numerous shooting techniques over the years from the amazing volunteers who help us train."



Garnsey Cultural Festival

AFTER a two-year hiatus the Garnsey Cultural Festival returned on the final day of Term 2 for a day of music, song, dance, chess and friendly competition between Houses.

Each House Music Captain rearranged songs to suit the

instruments that students in each house played and teachers also got involved in the frivolity.

The winning house for this year's festival was ... Cranswick Dargo.



YEAR 8 MITCHELL RIVER CAMP

YEAR 8 students enjoyed epic blue-sky vistas and fun-filled days when they embarked on their three-night hiking and rafting camp on the Mitchell River in early May.

The entire cohort took part in the experience in two separate groups as they hiked for two days and rafted for one day. The students also took part in environmental sessions with park rangers and completed a bushwalk from Angusvale to the Den of Nargun.

Co-head of Outdoor Education Sarah Meades said it was particularly for the Year 8s to take part in their first expedition, which was the cohort's first hike due to the restrictions over the past two years.

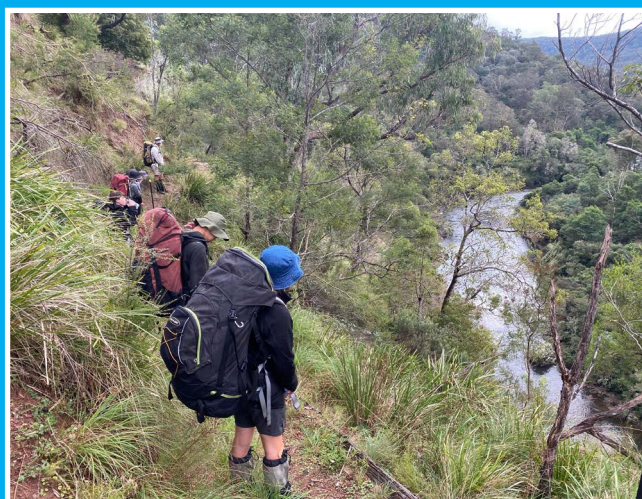
"This is an important step before next year's Year 9 program, which features three Outdoor Ed camps," Ms Meades said. "And we had spectacular weather for both camps."

The students packed their own bags during a packing session at School and cook their own meals on tranguas over camp fires.

Student camp journal entries:

"I had heaps of fun; I built resilience and (learnt) I am brave and can do anything. The best part was just being in nature." **Libby Mekken**

"My favourite part was getting to the top of the hill and looking out from the lookout. I also liked going to Deadock Den and it was special to respect the Indigenous land we are on." **Paul Ng**



"I enjoy that every camp makes me more used to the skills necessary for making me more prepared for next year." **Hudson Ray-Daminato**

"My favourite part was the feeling of completion when we finished the walk." **Violet Fischer**

"I really enjoyed getting to know people outside of my friendship group. My favourite part was the white-water rafting as I was in an eight-seater raft with friends." **Tara Dihood**

Getting Social



Autumn fun April 29



Such fun autumn vibes at St Anne's this week!



Reach 2200



Josh Dunkley April 29



Congratulations to Old Scholar from the Class of 2014 Josh Dunkley, who is due to play his 100th AFL game this weekend. Josh had an amazing debut season in which he played 13 home-and-away games, kicked two goals in an Elimination Final and - drumroll - topped it off by playing in the Western Bulldogs Premiership team. Impressive work Josh, the Gippsland Grammar Community wishes you all the best for Sunday against Essendon for what is yet another amazing milestone.



Reach 3000



Da Vinci Decathlon May 7



The minds of some of our Year 7 and 8 students were stimulated and challenged earlier this week as they competed in the online Da Vinci Decathlon state competition. Run in the spirit of an Olympic Decathlon, the Da Vinci Decathlon is an academic competition which emphasises higher-order thinking skills, problem solving and creativity. Students compete in teams of eight across 10 disciplines which include Engineering, Mathematics, Code breaking, Art and Poetry, Science, English, Ideation, Creative Producers, Cartography and Legacy. This year our School had three teams working together to solve problems based on this year's theme of 'Patterns', which saw the students crack codes, read maps, write poetry, solve science and maths problems and use their imagination to draw and construct models. Teacher Mrs Lambert said the participating students showed excellent teamwork with a fierce but fair competitive nature demonstrated among all the teams from across Victoria. Results from the competition will be released early next week.



Reach 2200



IDAHOBIT Day May 17



Today is the 'International Day against Homophobia, Biphobia, Interphobia and Transphobia' (IDAHOBIT), which celebrates LGBTQIA+ positive people globally and is a day when Gippsland Grammar can publicly reaffirm our commitment to provide a welcoming, safe and respectful teaching and learning experience for all. To mark the occasion it was a rainbow of colour at our Garnsey Campus today as the Year 12 students held a cupcake sale with all proceeds being donated towards programs that support LGBTQIA+ youth in Australia. Many staff and year 12 students are also wearing 'ALLY' badges this week as a public show of support. During yesterday's assembly, our School Captains spoke about why it is so important for our Community to acknowledge this day.



Reach 3900



Chicago rehearsals May 19



This may look like serious business but these students and staff say they are having a great time. They are in the final days of rehearsal for 'Chicago: High School Edition'. Essentially, we have 60 students (Year 7 to 12) involved as cast, crew and orchestra, who have been rehearsing since the start of the year. Year 10 student Pippa Young is playing the lead of Velma Kelly. She has been described by her peers as brilliant and has juggled 'Chicago' with her supporting lead role in Sale Theatre Company's 'Heathers' amazingly.



Reach 3900



Federal election May 21



Many of our senior students will be voting for the first time today and thanks to a recent presentation by our Head of Year 12 Jenny Dyke, they are well and truly prepared for the ballot box.

The students attended a 20-minute session in our Garnsey lecture theatre to learn about the layout and procedure for voting in both the Senate and the House of Representatives and Miss Dyke was on hand to answer any further questions they had about the process. So the only thing they need to do today is ... number the boxes! (And grab a democracy sausage on the way out!)



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National Boarding Week May 24



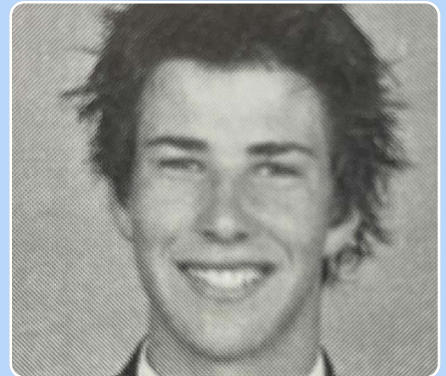
Last week was National Boarding Week and the students at Blackwood House enjoyed a week jam-packed with activities and events. On Monday activities included a 'parma and chips' night in the dining room then games of rummikub. Tuesday saw the start of the much-anticipated Blackwood House annual pool comp with 16 boarders competing in a knock-out, two-night competition. On Wednesday Principal Leisa Harper presented each student and staff members with a gift to celebrate the week. That night was also the conclusion of the pool comp, which saw Finn take this year's title and the chocolates. It was a busy night with a table tennis comp also taking place between 16 boarders which saw Hamish defend his title for the second year in a row. On Thursday all Garnsey staff were invited to join the boarders for afternoon tea and a tour. The visiting staff all loved the experience and Head of Boarding Mr Llewellyn reported they were "blown away" by the hospitality and the facilities. That night was another celebration with student Cameron celebrating both turning 18 AND passing his driving test. The prize: a beautiful chocolate cake made by chef Anne and a cheerful rendition of 'Happy Birthday'. An evening of Wii dance battles (with questionable music choices and dance moves!) saw lots of laughter in the common room. By Friday the boarders were exhausted from all the frivolity and it was a much quieter movie-and-popcorn night with Twilight being the movie that received the most votes to watch.



Reach 2700



Big Brother June 1



Have you been watching this season of Big Brother? Did you know one of the key characters 'Drew' happens to be our 2006 School Captain Anthony Drew? Drew - or Anthony as he was known during Mitchell's school days - was also the Blundell-Bogong House Captain and the Rowing Captain in his final year of schooling. Will he add this year's Big Brother crown to his list of achievements? Time will tell ...



Reach 8700



Buddies June 2



Look at the beautiful smiles on the faces of these 'buddies' catching up for morning tea.

Precious relationships are formed within our junior Buddy Program. Year 5 students 'buddy up' with children in the Early Learning Centre which not only gives the little ones someone to look up to but helps with the transition into Foundation or 'big school' as some like to call it.



Reach 2200



Community Connections



OLD SCHOLAR LACHIE EVANS

CONGRATULATIONS to Old Scholar Lachie Evans (Class of 2011) who wed Penny Chirside at Werribee Mansion in May. Lachie's best man was his brother Hugh (Class of 2014) and both are the sons of the School's Head of Bairnsdale Campus Virginia Evans.



OLD SCHOLAR DR BELINDA COULTON

OLD Scholar Dr Belinda Coulton (Class of 1986) was awarded Australian Osteopath of the Year at the recent Australian Allied Health Awards. Dr Coulton attended Garnsey from 1985-1986 and was a Prefect and Boarding Captain in her final year. Currently the owner and principle osteopath at the East Gippsland Osteopathic Clinic, Dr Coulton is also a current parent and she shared with Veritas that it was her careers teacher Rita Eremin who introduced her to osteopathy and arranged work experience for her with an osteopath in Melbourne.

"I am forever grateful to Rita for shining the light on Osteopathy as it has been a career of 30 years that I have loved passionately," Belinda said. "This highlights the positive influence that teachers can have on their students. That one conversation with Rita - which I still remember today - has helped shaped me into the person and professional I am today. As an Old Scholar I also say thank you to Gippsland Grammar which instilled in me the qualities to fulfil my dreams. With my two youngest sons now attending GG I look forward to seeing what opportunities, inspirations and dreams lay ahead for them."



GREEN GRUBS UPDATE

THE Green Grubs meet for lunch in Bairnsdale in late June and they celebrated a number of birthdays, including Joan Grinter who turned 86 on the day of the day of the lunch. Development Office Sarah Guinness attended the lunch alongside Archivist Tim Gibson, who brought some historic photos so the ladies could help him identify some of the unnamed faces in the images.

Pictured above are Joan Grinter (nee Conn), Joy Brand (nee Saxton) and Hilary Rash (nee Richards) at the recent Green Grubs lunch.

Next lunch: Grand Terminus Hotel, McLeod Street, Bairnsdale on Thursday October 27. (this event has been relocated from Warragul to Bairnsdale). RSVP to Jocelyn Brand (nee Saxton) at pjbrand@bigpond.com

St Anne's Day: this year's St Anne's Day will be celebrated on Friday July 29 at 10.30am in Lorna Sparrow Hall. All former students who attended St Anne's prior to 1970 are invited to attend. RSVP: Kelly Braden on 5143 7155.

Family news

Gippsland Grammar is always excited to hear about any engagements, marriages or births from Old Scholars. We also request news of any deaths of Old Scholars or former staff so we can also pass this on to our Community. Please email Marketing Manager Zoe Curtis at zoe.curtis@gippslandgs.vic.edu.au

Reunions

DECADES REUNION

AFTER two years of reimagined online reunions we are pleased to confirm that this year's events will return to being an in-person occasion, albeit with changes from the usual format. Following the success of last year's combined online reunion, this year's reunions will also become a single combined event, which will include the Classes of 2012 (10 year), 2002 (20 years), 1992 (30 years), 1982 (40 years) and 1972 (50 years).

The 2022 Reunion will be held on Saturday October 8 at the Garnsey Campus and will include a sit-down lunch featuring presentations and highlights for each represented cohort. More details will be shared in a formal invitation, which will be emailed to Old Scholars from relevant cohorts. To ensure you receive relevant emails about this event, please email Development Officer Sarah Guinness at sarah.guinness@gippslandgs.vic.edu.au if you can't recall ever receiving an email from us or if your details have changed.

WINTER REUNION

THE Old Scholars Association is inviting all Old Scholars to the School's 'Winter Reunion' from 3-6pm at Bells Hotel, South Melbourne on Saturday August 13.

This event is an opportunity for all past students - especially those who have missed reunions over the past two years - to re-connect and reminisce. Partners welcome.

Cost: \$20 per person includes canapes and a welcome drink. Those who would like to organise a table for dinner at the venue following the events can do so for an additional \$10 (booking fee)

RSVP: www.trybooking.com/CAEWE by Thursday August 4.
Inquiries: sarah.guinness@gippslandgs.vic.edu.au

Vale

Gippsland Grammar was sad to hear of the passing of the following Old Scholars and former staff members.

Old Scholar Svetlana (Lana) Eremin (nee Walk) died on May 30, 2022. She was the eldest daughter of Wladimir and Krystyna Eremin and sister to Rita, Elena, and the late Alexei Eremin.

Old Scholar Ann Shandley (nee Court) passed away suddenly on May 27, 2022 aged 74 and she was farewelled at a packed service at St. Peter's Anglican Church, Leongatha. Ann attended St Anne's as a boarder from 1960-64 and in the years following School she took up a secretarial position in Leongatha then spent some time in Melbourne before returning to her hometown. It was there she met and married Terry who was farming at Leongatha North. Friend Dianne Chishols (nee Thomas) said Ann loved her time at St. Anne's and made many life-long friends at the School. "She had an amazing memory for people, names and incidents (some her friends would rather forget!). Dianne said.



Gippsland Grammar Old Scholars Association
invites you to

A Winter Reunion

@ Bells Hotel, South Melbourne
Saturday August 13, 2022, 3-6pm

Please RSVP to www.trybooking.com/CAEWE
or sarah.guinness@gippslandgrammar.vic.edu.au by Thursday August 4.



Rowing

TERM 2 is normally a quiet term with regards to Rowing at Gippsland Grammar however this year it has been one of the most exciting terms in our School's Rowing history with four senior rowers travelling to the Henley Royal Regatta in the UK followed by Billy Osborne and Lindsay Hamilton continuing onto Italy to compete in the Junior Rowing World Championships in late July.

The senior boys' quad comprising of Billy, Lindsay, Cameron Rule and Anthony

Smith competed at Henley on June 30 and while they lead for more than half the race crew came up against a very similar level crew in Windsor Boys and just couldn't hold on for the win.

While it wasn't the result the boys were hoping for they will always have the fantastic achievement of being the first crew from our School to compete at the Henley Royal Regatta (and the first Gippsland Grammar crew to compete overseas since 2010 when the girl's quad competed

at the Henley Women's Regatta).

For the rest of our team, there are lots of challenges at this time of year as there are no regular races to look forward to. The focus is instead on trusting the process and training hard, so good results overseas will follow. Of course, the shorter darker days make coaching challenging and, more importantly for the students, make the training temperatures a lot colder.

When Billy and Lindsay compete in the World

Championships they will follow in the footsteps of Old Scholar's Jess Thompson, Jill Burston and Fiona McColl.

These senior rowers have been extremely excited and proud to represent our School at two of the most prestigious regattas in the world. They have been overwhelmed by the support of the School Community and I am sure they will do everyone proud.

NICK BARTLETT
Director of Rowing

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