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FROM THE PRINCIPAL RENEWAL OF FOCUS

Australian university colleges are changing. It is an exciting time to be part of one as interesting and distinctive as Emmanuel. I am very pleased to have been appointed as Emmanuel's first female principal. With new leadership comes renewal, and I would like to outline four areas of focus for the College.

My first aim is to put students at the heart of all we do. "Nothing about us without us" is a great motto to drive decision-making within Emmanuel. On a day-to-day basis, this refers to our current students. Working together with students and their representatives, we can achieve a great deal to advance the experience and the perception of the experience of being a student at Emmanuel. It is a "bottom-up" rather than a "top-down" approach. We need to be alive to the possibility that business as usual may not always cut it in changing circumstances. The notion of students as our primary consideration should also be about the past and the future. Alumni and prospective students are as much a part of the Emmanuel vision as those currently walking on our campus. We are looking forward to building further on our achievements in relation to the legacy of past students and those yet to come to College.

My second aim is to continue to build Emmanuel's profile within the wider community, with high standards driving our plans and projects. Community expectations are changing. Primarily, this is about greater transparency and accountability. Colleges are in transition and are constantly being challenged to demonstrate their 21st-century relevance. What I can positively report is that the actions of students, engaging as citizens and emerging leaders, continue to reflect well on them as young people in the transition to adulthood. Our Christian foundations are important to us and they need to permeate what we do.

A third area of focus is in relation to staff. At Emmanuel, we have a great team of staff of which I am privileged to be a part. Every member of staff is committed to giving students



the best of their time, energy, resources and knowledge. We try to be alert to all possibilities and we set high standards for ourselves. We want our College to be the best in all we do for our students. We will consolidate and build internal and external relationships to our best advantage. We have solid foundations in this area and this work continues.

Last, but by no means least, I would like to concentrate on diversity within the College community. Strengthening students' confidence and abilities is our mandate. What does the face of leadership and participation in society look like? Is it in the image of how it has always been? Or does it embrace different lived experiences that have shaped our students accordingly? Being at Emmanuel should change people for the better and we are constantly looking to help our students in their development. Emmanuelians are committed to fostering a better, fairer and kinder society.

Dr Jane Thomson
Principal

FAREWELLING MARGY CHATBURN

After 12 years of dedicating her "time, treasure and talents" to Emmanuel College, Director of Advancement Margy Chatburn retired in June. Over 70 alumni, students, colleagues and friends gathered for "Margy's Last Hurrah" to bid her a fond farewell and thank her for her faithful service to Emmanuel in areas such as alumni relations, community engagement, events management, and building the College's culture of philanthropy. Margy departs Emmanuel with our very best wishes for her future adventures and endeavours.



Emmanuel College alumna and Council member Adjunct Professor Iyla Davies OAM, Council member Ian Andersen, Margy Chatburn, alumna and Council member Dr Sarah McLeay, Ian McLeay, and alumnus and Council member Dr Robert McLeay



Alums Dr John Drewe, Dr Keith Hawken and David Crombie AM with Margy Chatburn

BANDFEST WINNING STREAK



by **Sam Skinner**, Bandfest Convenor

When I was asked to be the 2018 Bandfest convenor, I knew I was inheriting what has become a bit of a legacy. Emmanuel won the competition in 2016, ending St John's dominance, and we followed up with another amazing win in 2017. With much of last year's band leaving College, we needed new talent if we wanted to continue Emmanuel's winning streak. The auditions did not fail to impress and, after making some tough decisions, we started rehearsing.

With the pressure building for another Bandfest win, we started putting together a set-list that was guaranteed to impress. However, a good set-list will only get you so far, so we would spend up to seven hours a week working on our sound and stage presence, doing everything we could to inject our songs with the Emmanuel spirit. Eventually, the night came, and we donned the iconic Emmanuel kilts and headed over to International House.

The night brought good music and good competition. As 140 Blue Dogs started filing into the IH car park, we got ready to impress. With an amazing crowd cheering us on, we



Emmanuel College band — (back row, l-r) Will Webster, Connor Wright, Tadiwa Mlambo, Eloise Wiffen (middle row, l-r) Stephanie Lombardi, Jimmy Botella, Tristan Burford-Baynes, Jim Anderson (front) Sam Skinner

showcased our set. After opening with “Chelsea Dagger”, we then changed up the pace with “Forget You”. Moving on to our original, we filled the stage with guitar, before showcasing our vocal harmonies in “Always Where I Need To Be”. We concluded with “Lonely Boy”, which featured Tadiwa Mlambo performing one of the most epic drum solos I’ve ever heard.

Huge thanks to everyone who supported us on the night — and to the band for putting up with weeks of me telling them that we needed to work on stage presence. The band put in so much effort and made my job as easy as it could be. This has been an amazing journey for me. I’ll remember making music with this band for the rest of my life.



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ICC DEBATING: A GRAND VICTORY

by **Matisse Reed** and **Zoe Wei**

Emmanuel's debaters Matisse Reed (1st Speaker), Zoe Wei (2nd Speaker), James Gover (3rd Speaker), and Andries Armes-Venter (Prep Helper) — with the assistance of Matthew Diamond and alumnus Ryan Minuti (EMC 2014-16) as Debating Convenor and Debating Coach respectively — had a brilliant season, culminating with a win in the Inter-College Competition Debating grand-final on 21 May 2018.

As first-year students and the first permanent female debaters to make the team, Matisse and Zoe, along with second-year student Andries, had no university debating experience, so the team participated in some pre-season sessions to learn the ins and outs of ICC Debating. With the guidance of seasoned debaters Ryan and James, we quickly gained the skills and experience we needed.

As the excitement grew for the first debate, we walked into the prep room nervous, but ready to show the other colleges what we were made of. It was a successful first debate against St John's, arguing against the taxing of companies who used robotics instead of human labour. This was followed by another win against Grace, with Juhi Malhotra stepping in as Prep Helper for the night. Our first loss came the next week against The Women's College followed by another disappointing round against Cromwell. Luckily, we made our way into the quarter-finals and redeemed ourselves against Cromwell, as we argued negative to the motion "we should make university education free". For the semi-finals, we found ourselves against Duchesne and emerged with a hard-won victory and a place in the grand-final against Women's.



Emmanuel College ICC Debating team (l-r) Andries Armes-Venter, Zoe Wei, Matisse Reed and James Gover

As the UQ lecture hall filled with Wooza and Blue Dog supporters, the atmosphere was rife with tension and anticipation. Women's had distinguished themselves in the competition this year, and the high quality of the debate was a testament to this. The topic was by far the most challenging of the season, as we championed the motion "we regret the balloon propaganda initiative" regarding the recent events between South Korea and North Korea. After an intense and very close debate, the Emmanuel team edged out Women's to claim our sixth grand-final win in the past seven years of ICC Debating.

WORLD MUN 2018 PANAMA CITY



Jack Ramaswamy representing Australia within the ASEAN committee at the 2018 Harvard World Model United Nations conference

by **Jack Ramaswamy**

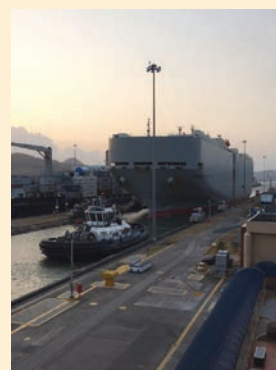
On 12 March, I arrived in Panama City — one of Central America's financial and economic capitals — to attend the 2018 Harvard World Model United Nations conference. WorldMUN is organised by a Harvard University student committee and a local university team from the host city, which changes each year. After only a few hours in the country, I realised the significance of the conference

when we were greeted by Panama's President Juan Carlos Varela at the opening ceremony.

A MUN is a debate-styled session in which delegates choose a country or organisation to represent within a particular committee of the UN, such as the Security Council, the European Union or the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN). Delegates are provided with a key issue and must attempt to come to a resolution through negotiations with other

countries. The overall concept is that it reflects how the United Nations conducts summits and their decision-making processes. I represented Australia within the ASEAN committee.

While the committee sessions lasted five hours each day and were filled with intense negotiations and collaboration with people from all over the world, we still had plenty of time to explore Panama City. Each evening there were social events at different locations, such as a band night at Spanish colonial ruins and dinner in the old town of Casco Viejo. The sights of Panama were really incredible and seeing the Panama Canal, the waterway connecting the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, was a highlight.



Panama Canal

Attending the conference was so beneficial, both personally and for my International Studies degree. Meeting like-minded people from other countries and learning about their culture and language, while sharing meals or in the committee sessions, was an amazing experience that I highly recommend.

EMC CRICKET CHAMPS — HOWZAT!



by **Liam Landrigan** and **Joel Shields**, Cricket Convenors

The ICC Cricket trophy has returned to Emmanuel College ending a 22-year drought in the long-running college sport. Our 15-man squad were victorious on all six occasions they played over the two-weekend tournament.

Following a five-week pre-season of intense training and hard work, and kitted out in their IGA Marketplace St Lucia training shirts, the men were all extremely well prepared and full of excitement leading into their first game against King's College on the first weekend. A strong team performance, with contributions from all players, led to Emmanuel scoring a match winning 122, led by 35 from the bat of Will Carlile. A clinical bowling performance saw King's crumble under pressure and the Emmanuel men start the season off with a big win.

The following morning saw the team take on St Leo's in an important match. Captain Liam Landrigan led from the front with a classy 46*, assisted by a clutch 35 from James Lindsay, helping the team post 128. Two wickets to Lindsay and a brilliant spell of 2/2 from Ethan Harvey helped secure a 43-run victory for Emmanuel.

The afternoon game against Cromwell saw a comprehensive 115-run victory thanks to 69* from Landrigan and a hard-hitting 58 from fellow opener Chris Roberts. Two wickets each from Harvey and Justin Somerville in combination with wrist spinner Michael Scaysbrook, who took three scalps, saw the men finish off the weekend with three wins and a ton of momentum heading into the final weekend.

After a tough week of training, the men were extremely pumped leading into the final weekend, which required another three wins to claim the title. Saturday saw the team bat first against Union College, posting an impressive 149 in the first innings, led by 69 of the best from William Harris. Another strong bowling performance led to a comfortable victory over the farmers.

Sunday morning's game versus St John's College was an unofficial final, as both teams were undefeated in all their previous matches. After electing to bat first, John's posted 128, restricted by some clinical bowling from Somerville and James Heading. Facing a strong John's bowling attack, opener Roberts got the team off to a flying start with a quick-fire 29

before Landrigan and Harris combined to see Emmanuel home in a clinical display of pure batsmanship, scoring 45* and 53* respectively. Emmanuel's outstanding performance, defeating John's by 9 wickets with 10 balls to spare, effectively secured the title with one game to go.

The afternoon game saw International House challenge Emmanuel in what was to be the final game of the competition. A strong bowling and fielding performance from all players meant the team required 84 to secure the trophy. Openers Harvey and Joel Shields chased the total in 7 overs, scoring 51* and 25* respectively, comfortably securing the tournament victory.



Emmanuel College ICC Cricket champs

Credit must go to all 15 squad members, as well as to waterboy Liam Mulherin, for their commitment, dedication and hard work throughout the season. Every single player contributed and is congratulated for their efforts on and off the field.

Special thanks to the team's official sponsorship partner, IGA Marketplace St Lucia, who contributed to the introduction of training shirts and purchase of equipment. Their assistance was greatly appreciated by Emmanuel's cricketers and the College, and we would love to continue this partnership into the future.



THE INTERN EXPERIENCE

CHRIS PEART: FUND ADMINISTRATION AT DDH GRAHAM LIMITED

In July last year I was offered a position working three days a week at DDH Graham Limited, a funds management company established by Emmanuel alumnus David Graham (EMC 1962-64). This opportunity arose through the professional relationship between DDH Graham and the College. As I was then in my last semester of a Bachelor of Economics at The University of Queensland, this experience was highly beneficial and made me far more employable.

Working at DDH Graham, I could practically apply the skills I learned at university, as well as develop new ones and familiarise myself with industry specific software. From day one, the team at DDH Graham gave me real responsibility, such as processing weekly unit pricing and investment runs, which I thoroughly enjoyed. The training I received, for which I am very grateful, was in-house and external and allowed me to work more independently on a wider range of tasks. The experience I gained at DDH Graham gave me a much more thorough understanding of the funds management and superannuation industries — the roles the different entities play and how that contributes overall to successful wealth creation for our clients. This knowledge not only makes me better at my job, but also helps me plan my career path.

When I graduated, I was fortunate to be offered a full-time position at DDH Graham. I am constantly given new challenges and responsibilities to build my skills and experience. I would like to thank David Graham and the team at DDH



David Graham and Chris Peart

Graham Limited for giving me these opportunities, as well as Emmanuel's alumni community for continuing to support Blue Dogs as we begin our careers.

Alumni who are able to offer internships or mentorships to Emmanuel students are encouraged to contact Advancement and Communications Manager Michelle James by email m.james@emmanuel.uq.edu.au or telephone 07 3871 9342.

CONNIE SHORT: COMMUNICATIONS AT EMMANUEL COLLEGE



Connie Short at Emmanuel College

I began 2018 as an eager-eyed university student with no practical experience in my field of study, Public Relations (PR). Now, seven months into my Emmanuel College communications internship, I'd like to consider myself on the way to becoming a budding PR professional. Confident

in my role in communicating with my peers, our alumni, and the broader College community, I am helping reach more potential students to join Emmanuel via means of my future career.

The role of Communications Intern has equipped me with skills and experience beyond my university education and writing a witty caption. As a third-year undergraduate student studying a Bachelor of Business/Bachelor of Media and Communications (PR major) at Queensland University of Technology, the internship aligns with my professional future.

Supervised by Advancement and Communications Manager Michelle James, my internship responsibilities include managing

Emmanuel's Instagram account (@emmanuelcollegeuq), penning newsworthy pieces across multiple platforms, and liaising between the student communications team and College staff. Michelle has provided great direction, support and humour as my mentor and supervisor. Her extensive industry experience has built upon my university theory to apply it to the real world, developing future-forward skills and expertise. With collaboration and teamwork, I have managed and produced content for student-led social media campaigns to positively promote the College to high school students and their families and promoted a bedding and blankets drive benefitting the RSPCA.

In an era of university college culture being scrutinised in the media, it is of utmost importance that Emmanuel's student-centred perspective, reflecting the College's Christian values and the opportunity abundant environment in which we live, is communicated to our stakeholders and the community.

This internship has allowed me to learn and grow as a young professional while simultaneously cultivating my PR skills. It has also given me the chance to give back to the College through showcasing the academic support, pastoral care, and sporting and cultural opportunities Emmanuel gives our students and offers to future Brisbane university students.

JOSIE O'BOYLE: DIGITAL MARKETING AT RELOAD MEDIA



Craig Somerville and Josie O'Boyle at Reload Media

On the brink of applying for summer internships, my biggest concern was ensuring the British qualifications on my CV were translatable to an Australian market. But then, what started with a question to Emmanuel's Assistant Dean, led to my CV being zipped through the College chain and into the hands of Emmanuel's Director of Advancement Margy Chatburn. Margy suggested EMC alum Craig Somerville — Managing Director of Reload Media, a Brisbane-based, award-winning digital marketing agency with a pristine reputation for customer service — might be able to help. After forwarding my CV to Craig and a Skype interview, we were discussing a start date.

From day one, it was clear Reload Media takes training seriously. I was exposed to the back-end of websites, led through the steps of lead generation, given an introduction to Google Adwords and guided through the process of creating relevant content. I was welcomed into Reload's family-like culture and given assignments that they thought would interest me. The internship became an incredible opportunity to have tailored one-on-one training with hands-on help whenever I needed it and the opportunity to work on projects for an array of clients. While my time at Reload ended after the summer, the training and experience I received at the agency led to another work experience opportunity with Tencent Holdings in Hong Kong.

The entire experience gave me an incredible insight into the support, beyond scholarships and tutoring, that Emmanuel is readily willing to offer students. Similarly, it showed that Emmanuel's sense of community, and the support that we offer each other, extends beyond our time as students.

Craig Somerville (EMC 2007-08), Managing Director of Reload Media: "It was a pleasure having Josie join us for an internship. As someone who got their start while still studying at Emmanuel College, I know how important it is to get experience before graduation. At Reload, we're big believers in working with universities, regularly presenting guest lectures and offering internships to those who are keen to kick-start their careers."

MATTHEW DIAMOND: FINANCIAL TECHNOLOGY AT THE FLOOR, TEL AVIV

I've always been interested in entrepreneurship and starting a business, but didn't really have any idea of what to do or how to do it. The UQ Idea Hub program inspired me and I was fortunate to be accepted for the Tel Aviv Startup Adventure, along with 13 other young entrepreneurs. When researching Israel, one of the things I found most exciting was just how much entrepreneurship and startups have been integrated into mainstream Israeli culture. There's a very good reason that Israel is called "The Startup Nation".

On arrival, I was a little shocked at how tiny Israel is in comparison to Australia; you can see across the width of the country from some mountains and it is only 600km long. This made it incredibly easy to travel around much of the country by car each weekend. Our trip to the Old City of Jerusalem was particularly interesting and the atmosphere around the Western Wall on the Jewish Sabbath was simply incredible.



Matthew Diamond (front row, fourth from left) with the UQ Idea Hub Tel Aviv Startup Adventure team

As a student of Politics, Philosophy and Economics, the internship I completed with global financial technology innovation centre The Floor was invaluable. I quickly felt like an important member of the team and gained extremely useful real-world experience in the fast-paced fintech industry during the month.

I'm very grateful to UQ Idea Hub for this incredible trip of a lifetime and to my colleagues at The Floor for their help and mentorship. I also want to thank the other travellers, my friends, who made my time in Israel so much more than it would have been without them.

UQ Idea Hub is a practical, hands-on program that provides aspiring student entrepreneurs with the skills and knowledge needed to conceive a startup. For more information, please visit ideahub.uq.edu.au.

ROWERS TAKE A BOW



Emmanuel College women's VIII training at the EMC rowing camp

It was another great season for Emmanuel rowing, with just one of the highlights being the Emmanuel College Women's First IV winning their ICC regatta race. Rowing convenors **Lateisha Stam** and **Alida Thistlethwaite** recount the season, which culminated in our women's rowing crew placing 2nd and our men's crew placing 3rd overall in ICC Rowing.

For the 2018 Emmanuel women rowers, this season did not appear to be anything out of the ordinary, but it turned out to be full of pleasant surprises and unforgettable memories. After a few weeks of training, during which many girls were just learning how to row for the first time, we held our annual rowing camp in late April. This gave us opportunities for extra on-water training, to polish technique, and to get into some race pieces and fitness training.

The next big event was our first lead-up regatta where all of our women's crews took out first, second or third in their races and we came away with a second overall! Another three weeks of training passed during which we all increased our number of off-water training sessions, worked harder during our on-water sessions and continued to perform incredibly well at all lead-up regattas.



Emmanuel's women's rowing crew ready for the ICC regatta

At the second and third lead-up regattas, we were offered the opportunity to participate in an exhibition women's VIII race. Along with the convenors from the co-ed and women's colleges, we worked hard at making this exhibition race happen in order to show that the girls are keen to race an VIII for points in the coming years. After conversations with the UQ rowing coordinator, it seems highly likely that there

will be women's VIII races at each of the lead-up regattas and the ICC regatta next year, all of which will count towards the overall point score. The third lead-up regatta was one of the most exciting weekends this year with the Emmanuel Women's First IV beating St John's, Grace and Cromwell Women's First IVs and bringing home their oars.

Finally, the ICC regatta rolled around and all of the crews felt nervous and excited, especially seeing the crowd gathered in the Martin car park! Early in the day, we were tied fourth overall which put a lot of pressure on the higher crews who were yet to race. They truly did not disappoint. The highlight of the day for both of us, and we are sure it was also the highlight for most of Emmanuel, was our Women's First IV crossing the line at least a boat-length in front of second place, comfortably taking the win and bringing home the ICC Women's First IV oar. This helped to secure us second overall in ICC Rowing.

We had an extremely successful season and we now have six oars hanging in the dining hall to serve as regular reminders of the terrific competition results. Every single rower should be proud of their efforts and performances. We would like to say a special thank you to alumni who supported us, particularly to Richard Boyd (EMC 1986-88), who covered the cost of our



The victorious Emmanuel College Women's First IV: Jane Perrignon, Amy Wright, Alida Thistlethwaite (cox), Miffy Thomas and Catherine Gerrard

cox box charger and new lights for the boats. Both of these assets were greatly appreciated throughout the season and they helped to make training even more effective. We also thank all Blue Dog supporters who came down to the river each week to cheer on our crews. Rowing up to the start line and seeing your support makes the world of difference.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW? ASH WILLOUGHBY (EMC 2009-11)



Emmanuel was by far the most enjoyable part of university and the best part of my young adult life. I loved the sporting and social life of College — and also that I could wake up at 7.50am and make it in time for 8.00am lectures.

After leaving EMC and UQ, I moved to the UK to undertake a Masters of Science in Advanced Motorsport Engineering, where I got my first taste of professional motorsport. I was then offered a job in the Netherlands with Dutch racing team Van Amersfoort Racing, the team that Red Bull's Max Verstappen drove for right before he started in Formula 1. I toured Europe for the next two years as our team competed in the European Formula 3 racing championship — not a bad gig being paid to fly to exotic parts of Europe every fortnight. As great as this was, I was still dreaming of working in a Formula 1 team.

My lucky stars aligned at the end of 2017 and I was offered a role in Red Bull Advanced Technologies in the UK. I am currently working on the Aston Martin Red Bull hypercar, the Valkyrie, rumoured to be the fastest production car ever made. I absolutely love working on this project, and in the not-too-distant future I hope to move across into the race team.

What do you remember most about College?

The continuous stream of sporting, cultural and social events. I loved marching down to the rugby fields as part of the “EMC-rent-a-crowd”. It was always such a great atmosphere having

your College cheer you on in whatever sport you were playing. Rugby games versus Leo's were standout crowd gatherers, as were the rowing regattas. I think we caused a blue paint shortage at the local arts and crafts store one year.

How did being part of the Emmanuel community shape your life?

By establishing the long-term friendships I still have today, despite being thousands of kilometres away. The team sports and community spirit of Emmanuel has also had an impact on how I perform and interact professionally — some life lessons there, for sure.

What would you like to say to your peers who attended College at the same time as you?

I still think about many of you often, so, if you're ever in the UK, drop me a line and we'll catch up. I hope all of you are still striving for success and are on the way to achieving your life goals. Remember to support our man Dan Ricciardo — and maybe keep an eye out for me on the F1 telecast in a few years to come.

EMMANUEL COLLEGE HIGHLANDERS PARADE NEW BADGE

Following the merger of the University of Queensland Pipe Band at Emmanuel College and the Queensland Highlanders Pipe Band in late 2016, the Emmanuel College Highlanders at the University of Queensland sought a distinctive badge for use on glengarries, uniforms and drum kits. The merger also saw the band having the privilege of welcoming Michael Bryce AM AE as Patron. Michael's tremendous support for the band's endeavours has extended to exercising his acclaimed design skills to conceive a new identifying badge. Michael undertook an exhaustive process of investigation in and around Emmanuel College and the University, resulting in a new badge design with special meaning and significance.

The badge is in the form of a traditional Scottish clan badge and will be used alongside the formal armorials of Emmanuel College. The name “Emmanuel College Highlanders” in capital letters encircles the emblem on the strap. A wreath of thistle represents the Scottish piping heritage.

The emblem features a symbolic stone tower, which is based on the form of the tower of Emmanuel College at St Lucia, flanked

by castellated stone gate pillars, on which sit two spherical light globes, a whimsical reference to the College motto *Fiat Lux* (Let there be light). The tower form also suggests The University of Queensland's Forgan Smith building.

The tower rises above a heraldic wavy pattern representing the Brisbane River, on the banks of which Emmanuel College lies, and is a reference taken from the arms of the City of Brisbane. A crest element of a burning bush, placed on a torse of twisted “cloth”, is above the tower. This signifies Emmanuel College's affiliation with the Presbyterian and Uniting Churches, a reference to “He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed” (Exodus 3:2).



Vale Robert (Bob) James (EMC 1948-49)

6.5.1926 – 23.5.2018

My father Robert Frederick James passed away this year at 92 years of age. He was an Old Boy of Emmanuel and maintained his connection with the College for 70 years, as a student and then as a philanthropic supporter for many years.

Bob, as he was known, attended Brisbane Grammar School, where he excelled academically and in sport and was Head Boy in 1943. In 1944, he joined the air force and trained in Toowoomba to become a fighter pilot. With WWII ending, he went to The University of Queensland to study civil engineering in 1946. For the last two years of his degree, Bob lived at Emmanuel College on Wickham Terrace, where St Andrew's War Memorial Hospital is now. Sport played an important part of Bob's life at Emmanuel. He was in the College teams that won every inter-college sporting premiership one year, was picked to play rugby union for Queensland and rowed in the King's Cup. Inter-college rivalry was fierce, and I think there is still half a scull held at St John's College in memory of a great race.

After graduating in 1949, Bob took a job with a consulting engineer. He then embarked on the Grand Tour of



Bob James (second from right) rowing in stroke position

Europe. Living in London with other young Queenslanders, he met Judy Cochrane from Longreach at a party. He confided to his flatmate that this was the woman he would marry. But they lost touch as Bob went to Scotland, where he found work on fishing trawlers, in forestry and in engineering and construction with Balfour Beatty. Bob was then recruited as structural engineer with the Iraq Petroleum Company, under British Petroleum, in charge of constructing large pump stations for the Syrian oil pipeline. He played a lot of tennis and drank a lot of tea and wondered if he might end up living there forever. Destiny intervened with the Suez Crisis. The Suez Canal was closed to maritime traffic in 1956 as Judy Cochrane was returning to London and the ship had to take the long route around Africa. Bob had to make a quick escape from the Middle East and he and Judy met again in London and toured Europe together with other young travellers, skiing in Austria and adventuring as far as Spain and Morocco. They returned to Australia and were married in January 1958. This year my parents celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary, a testament to their strength as a couple and also as individuals.

Bob was involved with the Duke of Edinburgh Conference in the late 60s and we hosted international guests at fabulous parties at our home in Toowong. Along with a partner, Bob established the construction firm Harris James in the late 60s and early 70s. They built a house at Point Lookout on Stradbroke Island where we had marvellous holidays and Bob and his friends had amazing fishing adventures. When the partnership dissolved, Bob's engineering firm James Engineering flourished as he developed various other innovative businesses.

My father had a very full life — a wonderful marriage with two loving daughters, Victoria and Annabelle, and a successful business life. He continued to take on challenges and achieve success, enjoying every minute. Bob was a guide and role model for many, including his extended family. He was, in my eyes, "The Perfect Man".

Victoria James



Bob and Judy on their wedding day in 1958



Judy and Bob James

EMPOWERING PURPOSE: DR JORDAN CORY

by **Michelle James**, Advancement and Communications Manager



Dr Jordan Cory at the United Nations 62nd session of the Commission on the Status of Women in New York

One of Emmanuel's strongest values is commitment to community and we are justly proud of the many ways our students and alumni contribute to society. Young alumna Dr Jordan Cory (EMC 2011-14) is making a positive impact undertaking a surgical residency, addressing Indigenous disadvantage and advocating for gender equality in the workplace.

After completing her medical degree at The University of Queensland, Jordan relocated to Melbourne for a medical internship at The Royal Melbourne Hospital. "I'm in my second year of a surgical residency, rotating through different surgical specialities before applying for a surgical program. I've really enjoyed my time in surgical oncology at the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, assisting in operations and being involved in research. Peter Mac provides a good opportunity to be in an environment always evolving with new leading research." Now at the point in her medical career where she can offer experience-based guidance, Jordan is taking on leadership roles within the medical and Indigenous communities.

As a Gamilaraay woman, Jordan benefitted from the services and support offered by the Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association (AIDA) in medical school and now serves on the board of the not-for-profit association. "AIDA works to increase the number of Indigenous medical graduates, support Indigenous doctors and students in training and, more broadly, to reduce the health disparities between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians. Indigenous students have additional needs and, beyond financial and in-kind support, AIDA provides cultural support through a community of peers. AIDA's approach is multi-layered, working with students, medical schools, universities, speciality colleges, health departments and government. Making these places safer for students increases the number of Indigenous doctors, leading to culturally safe workplaces and health care services. As a junior doctor in training, I recognise the challenges and can contribute at that level."

Jordan's position as an emerging Indigenous health leader was recognised this year when she was awarded a fellowship with the Melbourne Poche Centre for Indigenous Health at The University of Melbourne. The Poche Leadership Fellows

Program included a week at King's College London in May with eight other fellows. "In London, we reflected on our history of colonisation in Australia and British imperial history. We discussed how we can work within institutions and systems to influence change for better outcomes for our people. One of the most challenging experiences was visiting Rhodes House, given Rhodes's history with the transatlantic slave trade. Though challenging, it was empowering to occupy a space that you were never meant to occupy and feeling that you deserve to be there. The fellowship has been incredible and has changed my perspective. It has helped me clarify my purpose and realise that having purpose in everything I do is my biggest strength. I'm lucky to recognise that so early in my career."

Overcoming barriers for women in medicine is another element of Jordan's advocacy work in the health sphere. She sits on the executive committee of the Victorian Medical Women's Society and represented the Medical Women's International Association at the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), held in New York in March. "Until recently, the profession was very male dominated, particularly in surgery, and we're working to overcome ingrained institutional bias in medicine — to ensure it's an environment where women are heard. The CSW was an opportunity to present some success stories in Indigenous health and to network with some influential people throughout the world who are working towards gender equality."

Jordan's achievements and future prospects exemplify how philanthropy benefits society, as well as the individual. "Emmanuel supported me throughout my four years at College, particularly with a scholarship provided by Craig and Kara Chudleigh, for which I'm very thankful. I've had so many opportunities and Emmanuel gave me so much, including a global network of alumni that you never lose. This is particularly valuable for Indigenous students, who may not have those networks due to historical factors, and it makes me really proud to be an Emmanuel alum."

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