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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Should the University be a Community of Scholars or a Degree Factory?

This is a question that is often front and foremost in the minds of many universities these days. In the new strategic plan issued by The University of Queensland this is why the Vice-Chancellor nominates “student success, coupled with employers’ conviction that UQ graduates are recognised worldwide as ‘must have’ employees” as the first foundation. A criticism of universities that are not doing enough in this area is that they are not preparing students for the ‘real world.’

The debate often sets up a false distinction, and concerns about the relevance of university education are exaggerated. At Emmanuel College, where we keep emphasising the words of our founding chairman of ‘an education for life not just for livelihood’, we make sure that core competencies are taught through our tutorials.

These competencies are learned not only through formal learning but also through the many other activities that go to making up a College – organising, running and leading cultural, sporting and social activities. These all involve the abilities to think critically and creatively, to communicate clearly, to solve complex problems and to collaborate effectively.

As can be seen in the areas covered in this Fiat Lux, our students continue to excel in academic pursuits - 70 percent gained a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 5 and above and 30 percent a GPA of 6 and above in 2013. The College encourages and has supported this excellent performance by having provided \$330,000 in academic scholarships. We can also see the achievements of current and past students in many areas in this edition.



As part of our engagement with the wider community, university and church I am pleased to announce the appointment of Dr Leigh Trevaskis as director of our Centre for the Study of Science, Religion and Society. Leigh, through his background across disciplines, will again add to the diverse gifts and knowledge of the Emmanuel staff team as we seek to support and guide our students and prepare them for the ‘real world’ in partnership with our world class university, The University of Queensland.

Stewart Gill

GO FOR WISDOM CONVOCAION 2014

By Liza Allen, Vice Principal

What a wonderful occasion convocation is each year! The air is charged with the energy of new students nervous with anticipation of the year ahead and their new environment, and their anxious parents not only excited at the prospect of their off-spring’s leap into the next stage of their life but also apprehensive about leaving them behind.

This year’s convocation service was attended by a large crowd including the Chancellor of the University, Mr John Story, a number of honorary fellows, the moderator of the Presbyterian Church of Queensland, staff, student leaders, parents and new students.

Dr Gary Millar, the Principal of the Queensland Theological College, who gave the sermon in the Chapel this year, explained to the congregation that every student in the Chapel was privileged to be present, not simply because they now reside at Emmanuel but also because only 6.7 percent of the population are fortunate enough to attend university.

He spoke from Ecclesiastes and King Solomon’s message that everything is transient, explaining that while pleasure is good, it too does not last. His clear message to everyone was that we must each use our time to ‘Go for Wisdom’ and by doing so shape our life and our destiny. He advised the students to enjoy their time at university, to maximise the opportunity they have but at the same time to seek lasting wisdom.

At the convocation dinner the Chancellor gave a welcome from the University. The Principal Stewart Gill addressed the students about the role of Colleges and in particular Emmanuel in the lives of its residents. Stewart encouraged new residents to take full advantage of their time here and to do everything with passion. He finished his address with the words of our founding chairman, Dr Ernest Northcroft Merrington, that “Education is for life not just for livelihood.”

As we have always done and will continue to do, we encourage all of our students to make the most of their experience at Emmanuel and to ‘Go for Wisdom.’

TAKING ON THE HARD YARDS

ACADEMIC AWARDS 2014

By Dr Lesa Scholl, Dean of Academic Studies

Emmanuel College within The University of Queensland has gone from strength to strength in its academic success. The students are focused, diligent in their studies, and yet still able to keep a broad perspective on life's priorities. It is no surprise then, that the 2014 Academic Awards evening saw the largest number of students receiving bursaries and scholarships for their academic achievements.

While enjoying the slowly roasted beef sirloin that was on the menu, one could be reminded that the academic excellence that was being acknowledged was not something achieved in a moment, but through the longstanding dedication and commitment of both students and staff of the college in holding to the understanding of Emmanuel as a scholarly community: a place where the hard questions are grappled with in the dining hall of an evening, and sincere intellectual enquiry is maintained as a central element of the college's culture. Psychology students mix with engineering students, law students and economics students, all discussing questions that they have the potential to answer one day for the wider world.

Particular recognition must go to Adrienne Kornfield (pictured below left), a science student, who received the Foundation Medal for Academic Excellence, and was named both the 2014 Foundation Scholar and the 2014 Merrington Scholar. Crispin Scott, a third-year Arts/Law student, was awarded the prestigious Sir Harry Gibbs Law Scholarship. At the Sir Harry Gibbs Law Lecture in May, Crispin gave the response to our guest speaker, the Hon Paul de Jersey AC, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Queensland and incoming Governor of Queensland. Hannah Shaw (pictured below right), another medical student, was awarded the Dr Diana Cavaye Scholarship, while Hilary Baker (Law) and Stuart Dixon (Business/Science) (pictured second from left) received the Mark McKay and JM McKay Memorial Scholarships respectively.

The evening was one of convivial celebration, with the University of Queensland's Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Joanne Wright, providing the evening's address. Emmanuel College continues to make its mark locally and abroad, using its excellence to make a positive impact on communities and nations.



SOCIAL NETWORKING AND LEADERSHIP AT EMMANUEL

By Dr Lesa Scholl, Dean of Academic Studies

In December 2013, Emmanuel College in conjunction with International Education Services (IES) ran the fourth Chrysalis Young Leaders' Summer School for senior high school students from around the world.

With the very pertinent theme of Leadership in the Age of Social Media, the thoroughly engaged and vibrant student body contended with questions about privacy and political activism, creating community in a cyber environment, and ways to impact their world through social media.

Keynote speakers included Liz Minchin from the groundbreaking online publication The Conversation, Sean Rintel from the School of Communications at The University of Queensland, and Emmanuel alumnus and creator of the social media site Konduit, Mark Cracknell.

We were also privileged to welcome back Theodora Le Souquet, who has held influential roles in government as well as in extending the arts.

In 2014, in recognition of the G20 summit in Brisbane, we will be running the Chrysalis Global Youth Challenge. The keynote address will be given by Hugh Jorgensen of the Lowy Institute for International Policy: <http://www.lowyinstitute.org/people/hugh-jorgensen>.



SPORT AT EMMANUEL

RUGBY, ROWING AND HOCKEY

Emmanuel is proud of its sporting tradition and we are very pleased to welcome a number of talented sportspeople to College this year.

Jack De Guingand

Medical student and rugby player Jack De Guingand was inspired to study medicine and pursue his rugby career wholeheartedly after a severe golden staph infection at the age of 14 almost resulted in his leg being amputated. After six operations, several weeks in hospital and six months of recovery, Jack was told it would be unlikely that he would be able to continue playing sport, but he was determined to prove them wrong.

Jack developed a love of rugby from a young age and started his career at the Harlequins Rugby Club in Victoria. Throughout his schooling at St Kevin's College in Melbourne he competed in the Victorian State teams, from the Under 12s through to the Under 18s. He was picked for the national team in his final year.

Not one to do things by halves, Jack was appointed School Rugby Captain, Prefect and House Captain and also managed to achieve high academic results, finishing secondary school with an ATAR of 99.25.

Following school, Jack received a scholarship to Sydney University under the Elite Athlete program to study Medical Science. Throughout his three years at Sydney University he competed in first and second grade rugby. In 2013, Jack returned to the Harlequins Rugby Club where his team took out the premiership and he was awarded best player in the 1st XV Grand Final. He also trained with the Rebels and played in the Rebel Rising team during this time.



From left to right - Jason Woodward, Scott Higginbotham (Wallaby), Jack De Guingand and Eddie Aholelei.

Since arriving at Emmanuel College, Jack has found the medical program at The University of Queensland challenging and immensely rewarding - an Emmanuel College scholarship has made studying at UQ possible.

Over the years Jack has played with a number of well-known and successful rugby players, among them Liam Gill, Curtis Browning, Dave Dennis, Tom Carter and Phil Waugh. He currently plays for the UQ Premier Grade team who (at the time this publication went to print) have won every game this season.

Demi and Emma Pressler-McHugh

Emmanuel rowing has also received an injection of talent this year with Demi and Emma Pressler-McHugh joining the Emmanuel College community.

Demi and Emma began rowing in 2011 while they were studying in ninth grade at St Luke's Anglican School. At St Luke's they participated in their first rowing event, competing at a level four years above their age. After finishing in second place the girls thought it would be a good idea to continue rowing. They are now coached by their grandfather (himself an experienced and successful Queensland rower).

Demi and Emma have competed in the Australian National Rowing Championships over the past three years - in 2012 they placed third in doubles, in 2013 they placed seventh in pairs and this year they placed fifth in doubles and sixth in pairs.



Right - Demi and Emma following a triumphant win.

For the last couple of years Demi and Emma have also competed in an international regatta in New Zealand where they placed third in the Under 18s double (2012) and made two finals in doubles and pairs (2013). These days they train with The University of Queensland Boat Club.

The Pressler-McHughs are keen sportswomen and are currently representing Emmanuel College not only in rowing but also in touch football and netball. For an encore, they hope to compete in soccer and basketball once the summer competition draws to a close.

We are very happy that Demi and Emma are keen to use their knowledge and experience to help all of our rowing teams achieve consistently strong results.



Above - Demi and Emma during a recent regatta.

Hockey at Emmanuel

Emmanuel has also tasted great success with hockey. Over the past two years the Emmanuel women's hockey team has gone from strength to strength. This year the team of first, second, third and fourth year players were back with a vengeance and went through the competition undefeated. They emerged triumphant as the ICC Women's Hockey Premiers - for the first time in 13 years we believe!

Before each game the team likes to mentally prepare with a high intensity warm up that focuses on fun, encouragement and fitness.

The team identifies its strengths as a willingness to work hard, the ability to learn new skills and a constant desire to encourage each other, not only during their games but also their twice-weekly training sessions.

With this attitude of hard work, focus and good sportsmanship there was certainly no stopping our women this season. Go Emmanuel!



Back row left to right - Kellie Ogg, Rachel Havill, Alex Blackburn, Linda Ogg, Veronica Morlotti, Emily Forrest, Kate Finney and Alice Lane.

Front row left to right - Tamaya Peressini, Brittany Sisson, Sophie Lade, Madeleine Trott, Sarah Finney, Alice Grellman, Rosa Ritchie and Isabella White.

Absent - Bryanna Allan and Gemma MacArthur.

Briefly...

The College has been enjoying success in both the sporting and cultural arenas this year in the Inter College Competition (ICC).

- At Rowing Regatta 3, the women's 1st IV won their individual race bringing home the International House and Duchesne oars.
- In the ICC Regatta the women's 1st IV won their race again bringing home the ICC oar which is now proudly on display in the dining hall. The men's VIII also had a fantastic race, finishing third and managing to beat St John's College by 0.5 seconds. Overall both the men's and women's teams finished third.
- Our netball team recently placed third in the ICC netball competition, the best result we have achieved in a number of years.
- Congratulations must also go to our debating team who recently won the grand final against St John's. This is the third year in a row the Emmanuel team has claimed the championship.
- Emmanuel also achieved a great result at the recent ICC Art Show, placing second overall with a lot of talent on show.



Clockwise from top left - EMC Women's netball team; EMC Men's VIII; Christie-Lee Wise and her work at the ICC Art Show; EMC Women's 1st IV; EMC Debating team; Isabella White and her work at the ICC Art Show.

EMMANUEL COLLEGE ENJOYS WELLNESS WEEK

By Patrick Walsh, Wing Leader Coordinator

A new and successful student-generated initiative at Emmanuel College saw students being encouraged to engage in thought-provoking dialogue about wellbeing, and ultimately dismantling the taboo that is associated with mental illness in society. Wellness Week ran from Monday 28 April to Sunday 4 May and was received very well, with Emmanuelians enjoying morning aerobic sessions (courtesy of UQ Sport), a meditation workshop (courtesy of Andrea Graham, friend of the College), a Red Frogs Café Crawl, smoothie juice bars and the first Inter-Wing Lawn Bowls Tournament to be held at Emmanuel since 1995. The student leadership donated the profits from the lawn bowls competition to Beyond Blue. Wellness Week was a chance for the College to focus on socialising outside of city bars, eating healthier foods, taking time for themselves and giving time to others.

In my time as a Wing Leader at Emmanuel College, I have definitely noted the prevalence of mental health issues in the lives of university students and the importance of maintaining good mental health. The unfortunate reality is that each and every one of us either already has struggled, or will struggle, with our mental health at one point or another, whether it be a particularly stressful exam block or a particularly difficult time in our lives.

Hopefully, efforts like Wellness Week will remind us to take time to care for ourselves and care for those around us.

As we all know, Emmanuel has always been a close-knit family and the support that can be found here is truly remarkable. Wellness Week aims to continue to foster this support network and increase our awareness of the issues that are too often 'out of sight, out of mind'. We aim to lead the UQ College culture in a new direction and to show the wider community that Emmanuel College is considerate, accepting and a wholesome place to spend the formative years of our lives.

A big congratulations to the Wing Leaders who planned and pulled off this week with professionalism and panache, and a huge thank you to our alumni and friends for their support and the Red Frogs for their tireless work in Colleges.

Top row left to right - Alex Stallman has his hair shaved in support of Shave for a Cure; coffee crawl participants; morning aerobics session; Jenn Jasinski and Liza Allen man the Smoothie Bar.

Bottom row left to right - Wellness Week leaders and the Red Frogs' crew; Emmanuel leaders strike a pose following the aerobics session.



EMMANUEL'S EXCELLENCE IN SCHOLARSHIP AND RESEARCH

By Dr Lesa Scholl, Dean of Academic Studies

At Emmanuel College, we pride ourselves not just on the exceptional quality of students, but also (and of course these go together) on the quality of academic staff. Just recently, two of our academic tutors received recognition for their work at The University of Queensland.

Dr Jennie Greenwood, Emmanuel tutor in Philosophy, Nursing and Education, received the Dean's Award for Research Higher Degree (RHD) Excellence for her PhD dissertation 'Human Emotionality: Ontogenesis, Metaphysics and Expression' (conferred 2013), while Mathematics tutor and Emmanuel alumnus Alex Dunn received a University Medal, following on from his first-class honours in Pure Mathematics.

This was Jennie's second PhD, having completed an Education PhD at the University of Leeds, United Kingdom, in 1990. Her research into 'Learning to Care: Thought and Action in the Education of Nurses' led to her becoming a Clinical Professor of Nursing for five years at the University of Western Sydney (UWS), after being Professor and Head of School. Two of her PhD students from UWS went on to become full professors themselves, one at QUT and the other at Chiang Mai (Thailand). Jennie then decided to retrain as a philosopher, heading first to the University of Alberta in Canada, and then back to Australia.

Alex was the Science Valedictorian for 2013 and received a UQ Excellence Scholarship for his undergraduate studies. He is now completing an MPhil at The University of Queensland in Number Theory, and plans to go overseas for his PhD. He is tutoring in UQ's School of Mathematics and Physics as well as at Emmanuel.

Emmanuel is proud to attract such exceptional scholars to our staff, which only serves to increase the value of education available to Emmanuel students.



Top right - Dr Jennie Greenwood

Bottom right - Alex Dunn

VALE - TREVOR BAGUST AND YVETTE JESKE

Associate Professor Trevor Finlayson advised us of the passing of Dr Trevor Bagust (1963 - 1966):

"Some Emmanuel alumni, particularly the many Vet students from the sixties when UQ provided one of the few Vet courses in Australia and New Zealand, will be saddened to read of the sudden death earlier this year of Trevor Bagust - a most likeable guy from 'across the ditch'."

Professor Finlayson sent us a copy of Trevor Bagust's obituary which appeared in *The Age* on 27 March 2014 and below is an excerpt:

Born in Tauranga, New Zealand, Trevor Bagust graduated with a Bachelor of Veterinary Science from The University of Queensland in 1966, followed in 1970 by a PhD in animal virology at the same university.

Dr Bagust had two main phases to his professional career. The first was to develop and lead an avian diseases research program at CSIRO Division of Animal Health in Parkville, Victoria, where he acquired an international reputation as a poultry virologist. The second was when he joined Melbourne University and shifted his focus towards postgraduate education in avian medicine.

Dr Bagust supervised a large CSIRO program of research into a number of virus diseases of economic importance to the Australian poultry industry. His work directly led to the eradication of leucosis from Australian commercial poultry and the commercialisation of the A20 vaccine strain of infectious laryngotracheitis virus, to name just two practical achievements.

Dr Bagust had many interests outside of his professional life and was a person possessing boundless energy and enthusiasm. He was always passionate about causes he believed in. He is survived by his wife Joanne, daughters Fiona, Kathryn and Elizabeth and grandchildren Jacob, Lachlan and Elise."

Beth Matsuto (nee Jaggars) contacted the College to let us know about the sad death of Yvette Jeske (1985). Beth wrote a few words which were fitting.

"I met Yvette at Emmanuel and she was the life of any party, the person you turned to when in need of a friend and a really good science student. Her enthusiastic approach to life never changed. She had a caring partner and two lovely girls. She organised the school fetes, play dates and sleepover parties. She had just had a lovely Christmas holiday where she returned to her home town of Coffs Harbour for some R & R. Her Facebook posts were happy and positive. She exuded the Yvette enthusiasm in all that she did. She was just about to start a new job at The University of Queensland when she suffered a major epileptic fit. She will be missed by all who knew her. Many, like me, were probably sure they would cross paths with this lover of life again, many times."

Yvette passed away on 13 January 2014.

Beth Matsuto (nee Jaggars)

INAUGURAL DIRECTOR FOR THE CENTRE FOR THE STUDY OF SCIENCE, RELIGION AND SOCIETY

We are delighted to announce the appointment of Dr Leigh Trevaskis as the inaugural Director of The Centre for the Study of Science, Religion and Society at Emmanuel College. Leigh will also join the senior management team and have responsibility for the College Chapel and as a mentor to the Christian group.

Leigh comes to the job with a strong background in science and theology. Most recently he has been employed by the Institute for Future Environments within the Science and Engineering Faculty of the Queensland University of Technology where his research focuses on reducing greenhouse gas emissions from agriculture. Prior to this he taught at the Queensland Theological College within Emmanuel College and will be known to many of our staff already.

Leigh has completed doctorates through the Faculty of Veterinary Science at the University of Sydney and the Department of Religion and Theology at the University of Bristol in the United Kingdom.

In addition to his scientific research experience, Leigh has taught Ancient Hebrew and Old Testament at undergraduate and postgraduate levels. His book published in 2011 entitled, *Holiness, Ethics and Ritual in Leviticus*, has been widely acclaimed. Leigh's doctoral supervisor Professor Gordon Wenham wrote, "An important and interesting discussion of Old Testament ritual. It will doubtless become a standard text that everyone working in the area will have to consult and interact with." He has recently edited a book of essays that will appear later this year (*Text, Time, and Temple: Literary, Historical and Ritual Studies in Leviticus*).

Leigh will continue as a Visiting Fellow in the Science and Engineering Faculty at the Queensland University of Technology and is an Honorary Research Fellow in the

School of History, Philosophy and Classics at The University of Queensland.

Leigh is excited about taking up this new appointment and commented:

"The Centre supports enquiry that meets the challenge of relating the Christian faith to a scientific understanding of the world. The conceptual framework for this enquiry is developed from fresh insights into the Bible and the historic Christian faith. An honest engagement with the world, encouraged by the Centre, has an exploratory dimension to it, one that precludes predicted answers. As such, the use of the Bible as a fundamental resource is to be characterised by faithfulness rather than conformity."

Emmanuel Principal Professor Stewart Gill said, "Leigh will build upon the seminar programme that has been run over the last couple of years and continue to develop networks nationally and internationally to further public intellectual debate on issues of relevance to the interaction of science and ethical issues in society to religion. Additionally he will encourage students and academics to undertake research in a spirit that reflects the Centre's desire to listen and learn from the insights of others. We look forward to the contribution Leigh will make as we continue to pursue the mission of the College to engage with church, community and university."



In The News

We've had a number of visitors to Emmanuel during first semester who are worthy of mention:

- Mia Kennett from *Teach for Australia* spoke to students at formal dinner in April. *Teach for Australia* recruits and trains inspiring and passionate young Australians to teach in disadvantaged communities where they have a life changing impact on their students.
- Simon and Selena Gomersall (Toowong Uniting Church) joined us for formal dinner in May where Selena spoke to students about the work they were doing with *Camp Cobbold* (pictured top right), a social development program run by Scripture Union Queensland. The camp provides families from remote properties in Far North Queensland with a unique opportunity to experience support, personal development, life-skill training, social interaction and mental and allied health services for both adults and children.
- Joining us for the same formal dinner was Peter Davison, UQ Graduate, seed investor in PayPal and investor and mentor to entrepreneurs, along with Orsi Parkanyi, who leads *Women as Entrepreneurs*.



LAW LECTURE IN THE BANCO COURT

By Sir Harry Gibbs Law Scholar, Crispin Scott

For many years Emmanuel College has paid tribute to the memory of one of its most esteemed alumni, former High Court Chief Justice Sir Harry Gibbs, by hosting an annual law dinner named in his honour. This year, the event was re-styled as a law lecture due to a generous offer by the Chief Justice and Governor-Designate of Queensland, the Honourable Paul de Jersey AC, to use the Banco Court Room within the QE II Supreme Court complex as the host venue. The Chief Justice also kindly accepted the College's offer to be the guest speaker and delivered an excellent address to a substantial audience, which included representatives of the legal, academic and College communities.

The entire evening was a tremendous success and offered a number of College students the chance to connect with elite industry professionals in both law and academics. I myself was given the honour of delivering the response to the Chief Justice's address, a task that was challenging and at times even intimidating, but ultimately the experience was richly rewarding and I thank the College administration for allowing me this unique opportunity.

Notable attendees at this years event included the Dean of Law at UQ, the Queensland Attorney-General, as well as several Justices from the Supreme Court and the Queensland Court of Appeal.

Thanks must be extended to the Chief Justice for his substantial contribution to the College, which has undoubtedly raised the profile of the event as it strives to be an ever-fitting tribute to the indelible legacy of Sir Harry Gibbs.

Thanks to the Chief Justice and the hard work of the College administration, the Sir Harry Gibbs Law Lecture looks set to continue as a unique, high profile event on the Queensland legal calendar. As students, such an event reminds us how fortunate we are to be at a College that nurtures, encourages and actively facilitates the passion that we have for our chosen academic disciplines. Having alumni and supporters of the calibre that were represented at the law lecture further helps to cement Emmanuel College as a leader among University colleges in Australia and around the world.



Top row left to right - Engineering student Jack Hales and Dean of Academic Studies, Dr Lesa Scholl; Prof Stewart Gill and Justice Douglas; Dr Prue Ahrens, Emmanuel alumnus Chris Cooper and Business Manager, Anthony Welsh; Architects David Gole and Simon Boundy

Bottom row left to right - Prof Stewart Gill, Prof Sarah Derrington, Hon Justice Paul de Jersey AC, Sir Harry Gibbs Law Scholar Crispin Scott and Hon Jarrod Bleijie; Rose Barrett, Helen Jeffcoat, Alex Ravenswood, Malcolm Gill, Brooke Henzell and Dr Lesa Scholl; Professor Gill meeting Hon Jarrod Bleijie.

FROM THEATRE RESTAURANT TO THE WORLD STAGE



Emmanuel alumna Bonnie Jean Warren (2007 – 2009) was awarded a Bachelor of Journalism from The University of Queensland in 2010. During her undergraduate studies she took courses in communication, drama, literature and writing, and constantly fed her passion for the performing arts. At Emmanuel, Bonnie was an exceptionally successful cultural co-convenor, writing both Emmanuel's One Act

Play and for Theatre Restaurant, and was instrumental in the College winning the ICC Cultural Cup that year.

Since graduating from Emmanuel, Bonnie received a scholarship to study Acting for Film at the prestigious New York Film Academy. From there, she worked on numerous off-Broadway and regional UQ theatre productions.

She has also worked with Lisa Magnum, a Benjamin Franklin Award winner, on her book trailer *After Hello*.

Also in the United States, Bonnie acted in an independent feature that aired in the East Village, New York. It was called *Happy Birthday Woody Allen*, and gave Bonnie her second IMDB credit: <http://www.imdb.com/name/nm5431699/>.

Bonnie moved from New York to London at the beginning of 2013. Once there she performed in a production of *Hamlet*, and then in an interactive comedy at the Edinburgh Fringe in August. She also worked for Red Bee Media as a junior subtitler for BBC, Sky and Channel 4.

Currently Bonnie is travelling Italy with a theatre company called ACLE: "We travel to schools and perform shows in English to Italian children to help them learn the language as well as build confidence and enthusiasm for studying foreign languages."

Bonnie is living the life of a true Emmanuelian: with excellence and passion she is using her talents to impact her world and contribute to community on a global and local scale.

EMMANUEL COLLEGE PIPE BAND CONTINUES ITS WINNING STREAK

The University of Queensland Pipe Band at Emmanuel College is continuing its strong performance in competition, winning the Grade 3 Championship title at the 2014 Queensland Pipe Band Championships for the first year competing in the new grade.

The band was officially upgraded by Pipe Bands Australia in February, and has since been hard at work practising to compete and perform at the higher standard for Grade 3.

The upgrade came following numerous national and international achievements in recent years, which has included returning from Scotland in 2013 with four competition trophies as well as winning the Grade 4 Queensland Championships two years in a row.

In addition to the overall win, the band won the Presidents Trophy, the Harry Treeby Memorial Trophy for best Pipe Corps and the Quentin Baille Memorial Trophy for best Drum Corps.

Despite rain soaking the band members and instruments needing fine tuning, Pipe Major Andrew McCabe said the band played extremely well in their first Grade 3 competition.

"We have put a lot of time and effort into improving our skills and we are looking forward to building on and improving from the Queensland Championships," he said.

The day also saw several of our pipers presented with their piping certificates by Chairman Donald MacSween from Pipe Bands Queensland. Four pipers were awarded Certificates of Proficiency in their instrument from the Australian Pipe Band College after successfully completing both theory and practical examinations.

Andrew McCabe and Katrina Stead accepted their Intermediate Piping Certificates, and Pipe Sergeant Aodhan Trusselle and Alex Gill collected their Elementary Piping Certificates.

The Queensland Pipe Band Championships were hosted for the first time by the Sunshine Coast Caledonian Pipes and Drums at Yandina.

For more information or to hire the band or a piper, visit www.uqpipeband.com, the band's Facebook page or contact Emmanuel College.



WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

IYLA DAVIES NEE McKAY (1978 FRESHER)

I was admitted as a legal practitioner in 1983. I worked in family law and personal injuries before becoming a law academic, specialising in family law, mediation and dispute resolution. I also held a number of community leadership roles including as National and Queensland President of Relationships Australia, a member of the Specialist Accreditation Board of the Queensland Law Society and National Coordinator of Family Law Interest Group of the Australasian Law Teachers' Association.

I am currently living only 500 metres from Emmanuel as the Head of The Women's College. I am also an Adjunct Professor in the UQ and QUT Law Schools; a Director of the Legal Aid Board Queensland; Chair of the All Hallows' School Board; National President of University Colleges Australia and Executive Committee Member of Women's Education Worldwide.

1) What do you remember most about college?

There was always someone to do something with. Often it was just 'fester' between lectures. Life seemed so much slower in the 70s. I also loved our organised once a month Friday afternoon boundary food fights with King's. Saving rotten fruit for weeks and dressing in swimming gear for the battle. Of course, one of the engineering students had to spoil it for all of us by designing a sling shot and loading a watermelon.

I also remember the close friendship of my best mates, Belinda Allen and Julie Christie nee Adams. There is something very special and enduring about the relationships we develop at College: if I needed help in the middle of the night, I could still call on these women. Although, it might take Julie a while to get up here, she lives in Adelaide.

One of the events that I remember clearly, is when all of my underwear was stolen off the clothes line on my first weekend in College. It, and other women's underwear, was recovered from doorknobs all over King's and left at the office. When I went to collect it, the Bursar Mrs Atkinson looked at me sternly and seriously and said it was definitely not mine. To this day I still do not know how she could tell what style of underwear a young woman wore just by looking!

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

Our Principal, Rev Busch (or Rollie as we affectionately called him amongst ourselves) and his wife Mavis, took a special interest in the welfare of women in what had been an all-male environment until 1975. I was a slow talking country kid from Dalby, one of eight children and first in the family to attend university.

The Buschs gave me confidence and a sense that I belonged.

I was also the beneficiary of some excellent career advice from two older College students, Anthony MacDonald and Tony Biggar - who said 'study law you will love it'. They were right.

3) If you had anything to say to your peers who attended college at the same time as you what would it be?

Things are not quite the same in Colleges now. When I think about some of the things that some of us got up to... The current risk averse climate with WHS legislation, liquor licensing, codes of conduct and security guards, Colleges are now much safer places. Although, somehow College students still manage to have the time of their lives.

PS I am still going out with the same 'day boy' Russell who I dated at College. We married in 1979 and have a 22 year old daughter Caitlin.



Top right - Iyla speaking at The Women's College in her role as Head of College.

Bottom right - Iyla and Russell in the 1970s

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Front cover - The women's 1st IV rowing team taking out first place.



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