



# the vine

NEWSLETTER OF PENRITH ANGLICAN COLLEGE  
Ph: 4736 8100, Fax: 4736 8300  
enquiries@pac.nsw.edu.au  
www.pac.nsw.edu.au

14<sup>th</sup> May, 2009

No 7, 2009

## Introduction

Colin Buchanan was our special guest performer at the whole school chapel on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May**.

Colin is an amazing Christian entertainer who was able to engage students from all grades. His message through song was clear and his impact was very powerful indeed.

It was a privilege to sit in the gymnasium and to see our students so engaged in this special chapel time.

"Is anyone happy? Let him sing  
songs of praise."

James 5:13b

## Federal Government Grants for PAC

I am delighted to inform the College community that the College has been awarded the following grants from the Federal Government.

### 1. School Pride Grant \$200,000

With this money a second covered area with seating will be erected in the Junior School assembly area; shade will be provided over the Junior School assembly area; covered walkways will be erected between the Taylor - Knox buildings and between the Knox and Wilberforce buildings and several electroboards will be purchased.

### 2. Multipurpose Hall Grant \$3,000,000

With this grant the College is building a 600 seat theatre adjacent to the Administration building. How exciting!

Both grants are gratefully accepted and will create wonderful additional resources here at the College.

## Important dates for your diary

### Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May

NASSA Junior/Senior Cross Country  
Macarthur Anglican School  
P.1 Chapel  
7:00 – 9:00pm Youth Group at the College  
B Block

### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May

9:30am Christ Church @ the College  
Recital Room  
6:00pm Night Church @ the College  
Recital Room

### Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May

Year 11 Assessment fortnight begins  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May

### Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May

7:30pm 'How to be a Year 12 Parent & Save  
Your Sanity' – F Centre

### Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May

Board of Studies Registration & Accreditation  
Inspection at PAC

### Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

NSW All Schools' Diving & Swimming –  
Homebush Aquatic Centre  
P.1 Chapel  
7:00 – 9:00pm Youth Group at the College  
B Block

### Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May

9:30am Christ Church @ the College  
Recital Room  
6:00pm Night Church @ the College  
Recital Room

### Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May

7:30pm Yr.11 2010 HSC Information Evening  
Gymnasium

### Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May

Years 3 – 10 Computer Skills Competition  
(selected students)

### Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May

CIS Junior/Senior Cross Country – Eastern  
Creek

### Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May

Chapel – Junior School Prefects' Awards  
7:00 – 9:00pm Youth Group at the College  
B Block

## Year 11 – 2010

Parents and students are welcome to the following events:-

1. Year 11 – 2010 HSC Information Evening  
**7:30pm Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May**  
Gymnasium
2. Year 11 – 2010 IB Information Evening  
**7:30pm Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May**  
Recital Room
3. Subject Afternoon – IB & HSC  
**3:45pm – 5:00pm Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June**  
Gymnasium

## Shakespeare Festival

The College's annual Shakespeare Festival was held in the Recital Room on **Saturday evening, 2<sup>nd</sup> May**.

More than 60 students from the Senior School entertained a packed Recital Room with their various Shakespearian presentations.

It was a truly wonderful evening.

A very big thank you to Mrs Ramsay and Miss Larkin.

## Mother's Day Stall

On **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May** every student in the Prep and Junior Schools was able to purchase a gift for their mum at our Mother's Day stall.

Our students were very discerning buyers so our mums were no doubt delighted by the wonderful choices their children made for them.

Thanks to the many parents who came and helped serve at the Mother's Day stall.

## Chess Teacher needed

Students at the College are in urgent need of a new chess teacher.

If there is any member of the College community who is able to teach chess at the College one day a week for one lunch break then please contact College Reception.

## Local Youth Forum

On the 8<sup>th</sup> April, 20 of my peers and I attended a Youth Forum at Glenmore Park High School. The day was run as part of Youth Week. The format of the day was a series of seminars and workshops. Each individual was assigned to attend three of these.

The forum was attended by representatives of all the high schools in the local area.

Some of the topics discussed were: child and human rights; sexual health and safety; depression and anxiety and the Rotary association of Australia-specifically NSW.

The workshops were conducted by representatives of local services who focus on youth. These workshops were well run and incredibly informative.

The overwhelming response from my peers was: 'I never knew that so many services were available to us in our local area.' I feel privileged to have attended this Forum.

Glenmore Park High School students were lovely hosts and produced a great lunch! I hope that Penrith Anglican College will continue to send students to this youth forum in years to come.

*Eliza Binney*

*Year 11*

## Senior School Swimming Carnival

The Senior School Swimming Carnival was held on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February** at Penrith Swimming Centre. It was a fantastic day of competition that was enjoyed by parents, students and staff. The results of the carnival were as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Cranmer
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Ridley
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Latimer
- 4<sup>th</sup> - Ryle

Congratulations to the following students who are the College Senior School Age Champions for Swimming.

- 12 years Girls – Cassandra Galea
- 13 years Girls – Rachel Rose
- 14 years Girls – Kirsten Duffy
- 15 years Girls – Samantha Dimond
- 16 years Girls – Rebekah Bird
- 17 years Girls – Samantha Moloney
- 18 years Girls – Aimee Maurer

- 12 years Boys – Lachlan Perring
- 13 years Boys – Andrew Leader
- 14 years Boys – Kyle Maurer
- 15 years Boys – Taythan McCormack
- 16 years Boys – Kurt Robertson
- 17 years Boys – Martin Sanders
- 18 years Boys – Mitchell Reinhard

A big thankyou to the following people for all their work with the Senior School Carnival. To Mrs and Mrs Maurer, Mr and Mrs Galea and Mr

White a fantastic job was done in your official roles on the day. Mrs Galea also provided some fantastic cup-cakes in House colours that were enjoyed by all of the staff.

Mrs Song was another parent worthy of mention for her provision of drinks for staff on what was a very warm day. A big thanks also to Inswim Centre in Penrith. The centre allowed us to use their stopwatches on the day which was greatly appreciated.

Finally to Mr and Mrs Bentley who sourced and donated House coloured swimming caps that students used on the day a big thankyou.

It was greatly encouraging to see the number of parents who supported their children at the carnival and all of the staff were very appreciative of the generous gestures of time and assistance provided by those above.

*Mr L Toland*

*Director of Sport*

#### NASSA Cricket

On **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February** PAC played Macarthur Anglican School in the 4<sup>th</sup> Round of the NASSA Cricket competition. The Senior Team had a very good win on the day. We batted first and scored 170 off 40 overs. Nathan Sajowitz (Yr 11) top scored with 50 and Luke Middlebrook (Yr 11) a handy 30. The bowling performance was impressive with Connor Finemore taking 4/9 and Luke Middlebrook (Yr 11) and Nick Maddox (Yr 10) chipping in with 2 wickets each.

The Junior team played well in patches but in the end went down to Macarthur. Macarthur batted first and scored 160 off 40 overs. Sean Austin (Yr 9) took two wickets with the ball and Daniel McIntyre (Yr 9) was also impressive with the ball during this match. Ryan Carter (Yr 8) top scored with the bat making 22 and Sean Austin (Yr 9) formed a good partnership with him scoring 15. In the end it wasn't enough to get the result for PAC.

*Mr L Toland*

*Director of Sport*

#### Penrith Rugby Competition-Round 1

On **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February**, PAC's First XV Rugby team travelled to Winmalee for the first round of the Penrith Rugby Competition. It was a tough first round encounter which saw PAC go down 31-14.

The match started well with PAC playing some controlled Rugby and establishing good field position. A good line out inside Winmalee's 22

saw PAC move the ball to fly half Aaron Currasco (Yr 11). He then went to the Winmalee line and put full-back Mitchell Reinhard (Yr 12) into a hole. Mitchell went in for a try untouched close to the posts to put PAC in the lead. Aaron Carrasco (Yr 11) converted for a 7-0 lead.

Winmalee worked their way back into the match and took the lead into the half-time break. The second half saw Winmalee dominate possession and field position. PAC defended strongly battling against the hot conditions with limited numbers on the reserve bench. PAC finished the match strongly scoring and converting the final try. Joel Togo (Yr 9) scored in the corner on his debut for the First XV.

On an encouraging note, many young players made their First XV debuts and all did admirably. Special mention to Jordan Healey (Yr 9), Lachlan McKenzie (Yr 9), Joel Togo (Yr 9), Jaryd Nematalla (Yr 10) and Emerson Nikesitch (Yr 10) who all went well on their First XV debuts.

*Mr L Toland.*

*Director of Sport.*

#### NASSA Senior Tennis

On **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** 8 students in the Senior School travelled to Campbelltown Tennis Centre to compete in the NASSA Tennis Tournament. It was a great day of competition and one in which PAC students performed extremely well.

The boys team had a mixed day. The impressive results on the day went to Viktor Zlovic (Yr 10) and Jordan Sidhom (Yr 11). Both of these boys had strong singles wins and combined well in their doubles matches. Cameron Vidler (Yr 11) and Tristan Vidler (Yr 8) competed well on the day and gained valuable experience at this high level of competition. Both will be better players for their experience this year and will return ready to improve in 2010.

The Girls team had a fantastic result winning the competition and qualifying for the AICES tournament. This is the first time any team from PAC has won the competition and it was a great team effort that saw PAC comprehensively take out the title. Morgan Woodland (Yr 11) lead the team and provided the power and experience that lay the platform for the win. Katie Woodland (Yr 7), Abbey Davis (Yr 7) and Danica Winterton (Yr 7) proved to be the young guns of the competition and were strong in all matches. All players in this team are eligible to play in this tournament next year and the girls in Year 7 could see PAC

dominate this competition for many years to come.

*Mr L Toland.*

*Director of Sport.*

### NSW All Schools Triathlon

On **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March** the NSW All Schools Triathlon Championships were held at the Penrith International Regatta Centre. PAC entered two students in this event in the Junior Division.

Monique Andreatta and Matthew White represented PAC at this event in the 12,13, and 14 year olds section of this event.

The individual event included a 400m swim, 12 km cycle and a 3km run. Throughout the day 530 competitors took part across three age divisions. The competition was very tight but both our competitors performed admirably. Monique finished in 29<sup>th</sup> position overall with a finishing time of 00:50:50h and Matthew finished in 52<sup>nd</sup> place with a finishing time of 00:51:17h.

This was the first opportunity for these athletes to compete in a competition at such a level and they excelled and enjoyed the day and are now looking forward to competing in this event annually.

*Monique Andreatta*

*Yr 7 2009*

### CIS Swimming

On **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup>** and **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April** eight students from the Senior School travelled to Homebush to compete in the CIS Swimming Championships. Kyle Maurer (Yr 8) performed exceptionally well and has qualified for the NSW All Schools Swim Titles to be held on **25<sup>th</sup> May**. Rebekah Bird (Yr 10) narrowly missed out on selection for All Schools but has been a dominant force in the water across all levels of swimming this year.

Congratulations to Aimee Maurer (Yr 12), Kurt Robertson (Yr 10), Petrea Heaney (Yr 10), Morgan Moloney (Yr 9), Kirsten Duffy (Yr 9) and Cassandra Galea (Yr 7) all of whom represented the College in a fine manner at this level. Special mention to Aimee Maurer who has represented the College in an outstanding manner in the pool for the past six years and is highly deserving of the success she has achieved.

*Mr L Toland*

*Director of Sport*

### Brenton Osborne (Yr.11)

Congratulations to Brenton Osborne who has been awarded a CIS Blue for his involvement in CIS Hockey. Brenton is an outstanding Hockey player who has represented the College, NASSA, AICES, CIS and nationally last year at the Pacific School Games. This is a very prestigious award and Brenton is a most deserving winner.

### Stephanie Watts (Yr.10)

Stephanie was recently selected in the CIS Girls Softball team. This is an outstanding achievement and we congratulate Stephanie on her success. Stephanie has consistently been involved in representative Softball at school level for a number of years and is highly deserving of her success and achievements in this sporting area.

### Rebecca Chapple (Yr.11)

Rebecca was recently selected in the Girls CIS Hockey team. This is an outstanding achievement and Rebecca is highly deserving of her selection. She has been involved in Hockey at a high level for a long time and is a worthy member of this squad. Congratulations Rebecca.

*Mr L Toland*

*Director of Sport*

### CIS Touch Football

On **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May**, Brooke Slaughter (Yr 12), Aaron Carrasco (Yr 11), William Rodgers (Yr 11) and Lauren McDonald (Yr 8) were all involved in the CIS Touch Football Tournament.

Congratulations to Aaron Carrasco and Lauren McDonald who were both selected in the CIS Touch Team to represent CIS at the State Carnival.

This is an outstanding achievement for two fine touch players and we wish them well for their upcoming involvement at this very high level of competition.

*Mr L Toland*

*Director of Sport*

### AICES Hockey

On **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May** the following students were involved in the AICES Hockey Tournament, Brenton Osborne (Yr11), Rebecca Chapple (Yr 11), Erin Burns (Yr 11), Caitlin Burns (Yr 9) and Bethany Heath (Yr 8). Congratulations to Brenton, Rebecca and Caitlin who were selected in the CIS Hockey Teams. Erin was also named as a shadow player which demonstrates the depth of Hockey talent here at PAC. We wish

them all the best for the upcoming CIS Hockey Tournament.

*Mr L Toland*

*Director of Sport*

### NASSA Hockey Trials

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected for NASSA representative Hockey.

Brenton Osborne (Yr 11)

Rebecca Chapple ( Yr 11)

Erin Burns (Yr 11)

Caitlin Burns (Yr 9)

Doretha Visser (Yr 9)

Bethany Heath (Yr 8)

All of the Girls will play both in the U/16 and Open teams this year, Brenton will represent the Open Boys in the upcoming AICES Hockey tournament.

*Mr L Toland*

*Director of Sport*

### NASSA Basketball Trials

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected for NASSA representative Basketball.

Simone Weatherill (Yr 11)

Ashley Lambert (Yr 9)

Maya Manojlovic (Yr 9)

Doretha Visser (Yr 9)

Lauren Evans (Yr 9)

Darcy Burns-Dunn (Yr 8)

Simone will represent NASSA in the Open Girls competition. The other five girls are all part of the U/16 Girls team that will play in the upcoming AICES Basketball Tournament.

*Mr L Toland*

*Director of Sport*

### AICES Swimming

Late in Term 1, 18 students from the Senior School were involved in the AICES Swimming Carnival at Sydney Aquatic Centre. It was a great day of competition and one in which PAC did very well.

The results were as follows

NASSA 3<sup>rd</sup>

Overall Pointscore 1700

PAC 2<sup>nd</sup> Girls

Overall Pointscore 556

PAC 10<sup>th</sup> Boys

Overall Pointscore 256

PAC 4<sup>th</sup> Co-ed

Overall Pointscore 812

Rebekah Bird (Yr.10) 7<sup>th</sup>

Individual Pointscore 95

Kyle Maurer (Yr.8) 1<sup>st</sup>

Individual Pointscore 117

The above is a summary of a day in which PAC students achieved fantastic, association, school, individual and team results. In total 8 students have qualified for the CIS Championships. These students are Aimee Maurer (Yr12), Rebekah Bird (Yr 10), Petrea Heaney (Yr 10), Kurt Robertson (Yr 10), Morgan Moloney (Yr 9), Kirsten Duffy (Yr 9), Kyle Maurer (Yr 8) and Cassandra Galea (Yr 7).

A special mention to Samantha Dimond (Yr 10) for whom this was her last involvement in Representative Sport at the College. Samantha has served the College in an outstanding manner over the past four years in the various levels of Representative Swimming. She is a young lady of the highest quality and will be missed not only in our swim team but also as a student of PAC.

*Mr L Toland*

*Director of Sport*

Trent Nelson Cranfield (Yr.9) –  
Waterskiing Titles

At the state titles Trent was awarded 3<sup>rd</sup> place in slalom and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the jump competition.

At the national titles Trent finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the slalom event.

Congratulations Trent.

Abbey Presdee (Yr.9)

Abbey competed in the State Junior Judging Final for the Australian Stock Horse Society.

Abbey was selected to compete in the State final after competing successfully in our local branch show.

From 18 competitors Abbey was judged the State Champion

Congratulations Abbey



Our Great Canoe Camping Weekend

During the April school holidays five PAC families went on a weekend canoe safari in Kangaroo Valley.

Fun, sunshine, 23km of canoeing, putting up tents, making a camp fire, cooking marshmallows, looking down wombat holes, the shovel (to dig our toilet hole) and lots of laughter were all present when we went on our canoe camping trip. For the Darby's, Long's and Hannah Mollenhauer it was their very first camping experience.

We all had a great time and are looking forward to our next exciting adventure.

*Eliza Johnson (Yr.7)*



## Praise and Prayer Points

### Praise:

- give thanks for the wonderful chapel service with Colin Buchanan
- give thanks for the grants from the Federal Government
- give thanks for our mums
- give thanks for Jesus.

### Prayer:

- pray for all Australian service personnel working in difficult locations throughout the world
  - pray for students undertaking half yearly examinations at this time
  - pray for College families who are facing difficult work situations
  - pray that more and more College students will seek a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.
- 

On **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May** the entire College participated in our annual Anzac Service.

All Australians who have fought in different theatres of war deserve our thanks for their sacrifice.

I am very confident that our Anzac Service this year was a most fitting tribute to all Australian service personnel.

A very big thanks you to all students and staff who had parts to play in this wonderful Anzac Service.

They shall grow not old, as we that are  
left grow old,  
Age shall not weary them, nor the  
years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the  
morning we shall remember them.

Barry Roots,  
HEADMASTER