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TOWARDS 2021

CELEBRATING
95th
ANNIVERSARY

At the conclusion of yet another financial year, it is as always, my pleasant duty to recognise the efforts of our hard working Slade Campus Past Students Association Committee together with the support and cooperation of Warwick Christian College. Without this none of the achievements of the year just gone would have been realised.

Without a doubt the standout of the year for the girls among us were the celebrations in October marking 100 years since the Church of England Girls School opened its doors in Warwick in 1918. The school's motto at that time, "Seek for that which is higher" suggested lofty aspirations and ideals for its students but also set the tone for the effort and planning that made the celebrations such an outstanding success. All the men on the committee were tremendously proud of all that the girls brought to fruition and were only too pleased to lend a hand when it came to the final setting up. The wonderful atmosphere and camaraderie teamed with the support of WCC and especially Kel Williamson and his team made this occasion a truly noteworthy one. The freshly painted **Assembly Hall, formerly of St Catharine's** and now proudly signed as such, plus the attendance of the Papua New Guinea contingent for this were just two of the many things that made this occasion so memorable and heart-warming for everyone. Sincere thanks to our team of willing volunteers and the College for making this possible.

That said, it is hoped to harness some of this momentum and channel it towards 2021 at which time it will be 95 years since the foundation of Slade School in 1926. 2021 will be here before we know it and planning is underway now to maintain and grow our contacts in order to make this occasion one we can all celebrate and take pride in. **ALL HANDS ON DECK HERE PLEASE!** One New member each doubles our Membership. It is almost certain that every one of us is in contact with someone who is unknown to the rest of us. I am seeking your support to **SPREAD THE WORD for the boys' 95th** in October 2021. We are looking at a Central Brisbane venue for this and are hoping to eventually receive bookings for FULL tables where School mates can sit together. **PLEASE START THE TALK NOW.** More precise details, dates and further information will be to hand by our annual Brekky Creek function November 2, at the Breakfast Creek Hotel. All Kinawah recipients are strongly urged to attend.

Kinawah remains our most vital and immediate means of keeping in touch and we all enjoy reading the news and snippets that come to us via email or the post. I remind you that your input/newsfeed is essential in the production of this communication link and urge everyone to be an active participant. Send in your stories and **ADVISE US** promptly of any change of contact details or bereavements.

Regarding ongoing financial commitment towards landmarks of significance on the Slade Campus we wish to advise the replacement of memorial trees by us is in hand and we have assisted with restoration and painting of the War Memorial in the financial year just ended.

A short walk around the Campus plainly reveals that buildings that were showing signs of abandonment prior to its acquisition by Warwick Christian College are now looking cared for and appreciated which is a significant improvement and tremendously satisfying for us.

I am also pleased to report that the membership of past Warwick Christian College students is increasing and we are now proud to welcome Tim Sommerlad as our WCC Liaison to the Committee.

Largely due to initiatives put in place by the current committee and the support of the wider membership we are now in a much sounder position to keep up the good work towards 2021 and beyond.

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