



SALISBURY HIGH SCHOOL

“We Always Aspire to a Pathway to Success”

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From the Principal



Salisbury High is without doubt a very special place. Staff, students, parents, old scholars, volunteers and a wide variety of community members work together to achieve amazing outcomes and create a myriad of learning opportunities.

I am of course not the only one who believes this. Recently, while Dr Brendan Nelson, Federal Minister for Science, Education and Training was addressing Melbourne University about future directions for schooling in Australia, he talked enthusiastically about Salisbury High School, saying it was a prime example of what can be done by a school when it sets its sights high, works together and tackles challenges head on.

This year has seen our school continue to flourish as we implement new initiatives, in particular the IBMYP, which has reinforced our role as an innovative centre of learning and an important part of Salisbury's community.

For the third year in a row, Salisbury High School has been selected as one of the ten best schools in Australia in “The Australian Best Schools Awards”.

We were also the only High School in the State to win an award in the National Awards for Quality Schooling for School Leadership and received an \$8,000 grant.

Salisbury High School has won literacy and numeracy awards and has been successful in obtaining many grants.

These accolades are wonderful rewards - not just for the students and teachers - but also for our many loyal sponsors and the community of Salisbury, of which this school is an integral part.

During 2003, we also saw Salisbury High School continue to maintain and expand its links with the Salisbury community, especially with commerce and industry.

This year we joined with UniSA and e-Labtronics to win a national robotics mentoring award in a field of

endeavour that demonstrates the way in which our students - when given the opportunities – can be absolute world beaters.

At times when we have been unable to implement much needed courses for students by using traditional education resources, our relationship with the private sector has assisted us to do what many other schools may have found extremely difficult to implement.

A prime example was the way in which we employed Training Prospects to deliver certificates One to Four in Horticulture and Electronics, a step that illustrated how our partnership with industry pays handsome dividends in achieving what others may see as impossible.

We have continued to play a pivotal role in the extremely important Youth Opportunities programme, which we helped pioneer, and we are delighted that Channel 7 and 5AA put on the first fundraising Auction Banquet earlier this year raising \$60,000 to ensure this extremely valuable programme will continue for the benefit of other students in other schools.

This year, we hosted our third Aboriginal Reconciliation Ball, and were fortunate to again have as our guest of honor, the Federal Minister for Science, Education and Training, Dr Brendan Nelson.

Significantly, we have also retained our leadership as the High School with the highest University intake in the area.....the fourth consecutive year we have achieved this. Importantly, we also saw a continued increase in the retention of students choosing to complete SACE.

I have been immensely proud of the way in which our response to the Salisbury Rail Crossing has instilled in our student population the importance of life, the need to care for one another, and made us aware of the importance of facing adversity and problems – and tackling them head on rather than treating them as insurmountable obstacles and detouring around them.

Salisbury High School will continue in the direction it has set and will further develop and enhance its local, national and global reputation as an

enterprising school that is making a difference for its school community.

Have a great Christmas and a terrific New Year!

Helen Paphitis - Principal

Speech Day 2003 – Thank you

A very special thank you to the following Old Scholars for their continuing support for Speech Day:



- Delwyn Ayling
- Jeffery Baden
- Guiseppe Caretti
- John DeMeo
- Dorothy Griggs
- Steve Hore
- Rick Maurovic
- Janice Vidovich
- Heather Wehr
- Jennifer White

Our Guest Speaker was Her Excellency, Marjorie Jackson Nelson, AC, CVO, MBE, Governor of South Australia.

Each year the school seeks sponsors to donate scholarships and prizes from \$10 onwards. **You can nominate any category** ie Art, English, Language, Sport, Home Economics, Most Improved Student etc. Many sponsors like to personally present the awards at Speech Day.

If you would like to be involved in 2004 either as a sponsor or Guest Speaker please contact Cheryl Bermingham for further details.

Cheryl Bermingham

Dorothy Griggs

Dorothy Griggs
Most Diligent
Year 9 student
Wayne Gartner



Delwyn Ayling
Delwyn Ayling Middle School LOTE Award
Nicholas Gartner



Alun Hughes – Chairperson of Governing Council
Judy Day - DECS
Tony Zappia – Mayor of Salisbury
Her Excellency, Marjorie Jackson Nelson
Helen Paphitis – Principal of Salisbury High School
Brendan Sachse – Student
Antonia Aristomenopoulos – President of SRC
Maureen Cohram – District Superintendent

Steve Hore

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Earth Science Award
Kate Sheldon

John De Meo

John sponsored
the Year 9 Academic
Excellence Awards

Scott Hillard



Where are they now?

After considerable desire to be featured, this issue's instalment of Old Scholars features two sisters, popular during their time at Salisbury High School. It would be too difficult to separate them so readers have been given the chance to learn more about both. It just so happens that the two sisters are members of the writer's family. They are the Maurovic girls!

Ingrid MAUROVIC - Born 1950



Attended Salisbury High School 1963 - 1965
Salisbury North Primary School 1956 - 1962

Helen KNIGHT (nee Maurovic) - Born 1951



Attended Salisbury High School 1963 – 1966
Attended Salisbury North Primary School 1956 - 1962

Growing up in Salisbury North, the Maurovic sisters, Helen and Ingrid, were very well liked girls with loads of local friends. Often together, often indistinguishable even today, the sisters are very close, each of them living and working on Queensland's Sunshine Coast.

Helen fondly recalls her time at Salisbury High. "My favourite teacher was Mr Frogley the Art teacher - I really had a crush on him." Other teachers of her time were Mr. Kalnins for Maths and Mr Hinkley for History. Helen's best friend was Sandra Warder and her school boyfriend David Vargerson later became her first husband.

Upon leaving school, Helen worked in retail and office administration prior to living and working overseas for three years. Always a passionate softball player, she continued to play after leaving school and played in the US. Upon her return to Australia, she settled in Sydney and has worked extensively in the hospitality industry and doing clerical work. Today, she and her husband, Don operate a successful driving and motorcycle riding school and Helen is the founding president of the Sunshine Coast Women's Motorcycle Club, comprising more than forty members.

Among Ingrid's best friends at Salisbury High were Ruth Bowen, Sharon Taylor, Elaine Bush and Suzanne Brown. One of the teachers that Ingrid remembers fondly was Miss Morris who Ingrid reveals, "Showed us how to undo the top button of our blouses and all the boys loved her!" Another teacher was Miss Grant the Home Economics teacher and the headmaster was Mr Attwell. As a student, Ingrid enjoyed working in the school library and like her sister, played softball and netball.

Upon leaving school, Ingrid went to work in the rag trade, first making baby clothes and later joining her mother who was a tailor, in making men's and women's clothing.

For a time, she was a full time mother, having two sons and later found a sea-change and moved close to sister, Helen on Queensland's Sunshine Coast. Ingrid currently works as an aged care worker in a nursing home. On occasion the two sisters have worked shifts together, much to the confusion of the elderly residents.

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1975

Elaine Marshall would like to know where Julie Ann Goode and Marion Carmody are?

1968

Maureen Buchan is trying to contact Audrey Graham

1960

Tony McKechnie is wondering the whereabouts of Tony Lazenby.

If you know the whereabouts of the above please contact Cheryl Bermingham on 8182 0200 or email cberming@salisburyhigh.sa.edu.au

Moving house?

If you are moving house, please let us have your new address, as unfortunately when letters are returned as undeliverable we are not always able to trace you.

We would also appreciate change of email addresses and other details so that we can keep our records up to date.

If you know of any old scholars who are not already on the data base please encourage them to contact us. forms can be obtained from the school or by visiting our web site at www.salisburyhigh@sa.edu.au and log onto Old Scholars via History.

Anne Smith (nee Plowman) - 1959

I reside in the United Kingdom. In 1951 my parents, my sister and I immigrated to Australia on the ten pound scheme. I was one of the first students at Salisbury High School in 1959 along with my best friend Beverley Bromley (nee Evans) and other students such as Lorraine Pobke and Marlene Greenhill.

They were very happy days at Salisbury High and I can recall some of my teachers for different subjects. Mrs Byron Scott was my History teacher, Mr Schulz I believe was quite new to teaching and taught me Art. Mrs Schwartzcof was the Cookery teacher, which I remember was held in a separate block. I passed my Invalid Cookery Exam, much to my surprise!!

I liked wearing my school uniform, along with the brown lace up shoes and in the summer we wore a pale blue cotton dress. Our Assemblies were held outside and I remember the incredible heat and some students fainting due to this. I think I was a member of the school choir which I loved and we sang some songs in German.

My husband and I have visited Australia twice since I came back and last year I met up with Beverly Bromley and her family at Seaview Downs. It was wonderful to see her again after forty years and we just about recognized each other. It was great when she sent me a copy of the Salisbury High School Newsletter dated December 2002.

Mike Clayton

Following my return to Britain in 1968, I worked in retail and wholesale business for about seven years. Then came a dramatic change of direction as I worked with horses, mainly in riding instructing for another seven years. During that time I also carried out some agricultural work, obtained a National Certificate in agriculture and agricultural mechanics. I found time to train as a saddler and produced and repaired saddlery and other leather items for about four years.

In 1984 I Married Joan who is a secondary school teacher and we have three children, two daughters and a son who are all very musical and artistic. I was unfortunately unable to follow my chosen career in art, however, I still keep my hand in using various mediums. Sadly I am not very musical, so that gene is apparently from Joan's side. Am attempting to learn the yidaka just now, my interest having been re-kindled after visiting several websites devoted to aboriginal art and culture.

Since 1986 I have been in Social Work in different capacities, currently working with adults who have a learning disability. I have lived in different parts of England and Wales and now reside in Dumfries and Galloway in south west Scotland.

My family is very much multi-national – Joan is Irish and all three children were born in Wales. We are followers of all types of music especially folk and traditional.

Articles needed

Do you have any news about yourself which may be of interest to others?

If so, we would love to hear from you so the information can be included in a future edition of the Old Scholars' newsletter.

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**We wish all Old Scholars a
very Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year**