



## BISHOPS ODU NEWS

27 January 2017

Dear ODs

### **SNAPPED UP!**

All seats for our Annual Dinner have been reserved. ODs wanting to still book will be put onto a waiting list. If you have reserved a table, I urge you to send me the names of ODs who will be sitting at your table as soon as possible. Cut off for this will be Wednesday 1st February at which time those places will become available. ODs that have not yet paid, please do so and e-mail me proof of payment with reference: Name, surname, matric year. If you are not sure whether you are a life-member or not, please call me on 021 685 1829.

### **RECOUNTS**

**Barry van Breda (1962S)** remembers playing rugby with Victor Schonborn. He writes, "Vic was a great guy, big and fast as wings go. He was also a 100m and 200m winner. It is sad news to hear that he has passed away." Andy Selfe (1968F) sent in a caricature and actual photo of the 1962 first XV. See attached.

After scanning over last week's newsletter and reading about the "Birding in Panama" event and Peter Steyn's new book "Kingdom of Daylight – Memories of a Birdwatcher", **David Rawbone (1964S)** sent us an interesting story. In July 1964 the Bishops first XV were on tour, in the then, Rhodesia. They played against 6 colleges. While at Falcon, they had various options of how to spend their time one afternoon. David chose to hop in a Landie with 4 contemporaries and head into the bush with Peter Steyn to check on some eagles he was monitoring. They stopped under a very tall tree and one of Peter's assistants climbed up the tree with a bag, put the eaglet inside the bag and lowered it down with a rope to the ground. Peter did the necessary measurements as well as weight on a portable scale and thereafter the eaglet was returned to its nest unharmed. That was his first and only encounter with the famous Peter Steyn, 52 years ago.

### **NEXT EVENT**

Simon Peile (1979F) and Mike Buckham will present a talk titled "Birding in Panama" about their recent two week birding trip to Panama. It takes place on Thursday 2nd February at The Mitre at 19H30. Please see invitation attached and book a seat by e-mailing [dorourke@bishops.org.za](mailto:dorourke@bishops.org.za)

### **THEATRICAL**

Dean de Klerk (2013B) and Jaydon Farao (2013W) star in the award-winning Rock Musical, RENT, returning to the South African stage in a vibrant 20th anniversary production in Cape Town from 16 to 25 February at the Artscape and in Johannesburg

from 28 April to 7 May at the Joburg Theatre. Director Byron Bure focuses on the group dynamics of the characters. "We spent a great deal of time analysing the characters and their needs within the piece, which informed how we were going to construct a production that best serves Jonathan Larson's (original composer) vision. We set about finding actors that could embody the characters both physically and vocally." The cast consists of young professional artists making their break into the industry, much like those of their characters. Book your tickets at <http://online.computicket.com/web/event/rent/1073785721>

## **FLAIR**

Neil Robertson (2012G) has been appointed as the Organist at St Cyprian's, where he is working alongside the Director of Music, Ross Johnson (2002B).

## **PRE-PREP**

The pre-prep has recently been renovated and upgraded. Read more and see photos on the document attached.

## **SPORT**

For the third successive year James Johnston (2012G) has been selected to represent Great Britain in their U23 Rowing squad. In August 2016 he rowed in the Men's Four at the U23 World Rowing Championships in Rotterdam and won a Silver medal! See the official link detailing the race below. James is standing on the right in the second photo.  
<https://www.britishrowing.org/2016/08/u23-world-championships-finals/>

See college sport fixtures at <http://college.bishops.org.za/sport/Fixtures.aspx>

## **LODGING**

Many ODs contact us to find out about accommodation. With our Annual Dinner, Founders Week and many reunions on the loom, we would like to introduce you to two peaceful and comfortable B&B's. Both centrally located and in walking distance or a short drive to some of Cape Town's well known attractions. Please see contact details below: -

### Westbury House

<http://www.capestay.co.za/westburyhouse/>

Contact John Smuts (1969S) at [westbury@iafrica.com](mailto:westbury@iafrica.com) or 082 562 6947

### Sixty on Sandown

<https://www.airbnb.com/rooms/16282479>

Contact Belinda Plimsoll (past parent) at [plimsoll@mweb.co.za](mailto:plimsoll@mweb.co.za) or 083 440 7171

## **IGNITE**

A note from Reverend Wilke: -

The Chapels at Bishops are a place of light and life and form an integral part of the Bishops experience. While we follow the Anglican Way in worship, we are open and

welcoming to all irrespective of one's faith background. Please do feel free to join us at any of our formal or informal services and use the space for your quiet time and prayer time at any point in the day.

*"Not everything that counts can be counted, and not everything that can be counted counts" – Albert Einstein*

Have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes

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