THE PRESIDENT’S FOREWORD.

It is my privilege to welcome you to this first edition of the Teal Times. This year is the 21st anniversary of the formation of Chisholm Catholic College and Mrs Patricia Rodrigues, College Principal, has initiated a number of ventures to celebrate this historic time. The launch of the Alumni is part of this, and we intend for it to be an important part of the College community well into the future.

We have assembled a fantastic committee consisting of Chisholm graduates from many different years. It’s been a pleasure to be a part of this group and to witness the amazing talent and enthusiasm that is present. In our first six months of formation we have launched a number of successful annual events that you will read about in this newsletter. We also hope that this newsletter in itself will be a valuable tool in connecting us all to the one thing we all have in common, all of us being ex-students or staff of Chisholm Catholic College.

Please join me and the committee in spreading the word to those you know from your own Chisholm days and I look forward to catching up with you soon at an Alumni event!

Ronan McGinniss  
Chisholm Catholic College Alumni President

THE FIRST MEETING OF ALUMNI.

On Wednesday, 26 May 2010, 70 ex-Chisholm students convened to establish the Chisholm Alumni. Despite the cold weather, ex-students were greeted by the warmth of the Chisholm community and enthusiastically welcomed back by Mrs Ann Chew, Mr Vivian D’Almeida and Mr Richard Hennessy. In the presence of wine and tasty nibbles, the former students engaged in casual conversation, re-connecting with old friends and creating new networks. Ranging from the Classes of 1991 to 2009, the group officially registered to transform their status from former students to Alumni members.

The idea for the Chisholm Alumni manifested in the election of twelve members to the founding committee. Since that night, the Chisholm Alumni Committee has convened regularly to pursue its vision of community, philanthropy, education and networking. Six months later, the Chisholm Alumni has successfully organized two social events and has registered hundreds of new Alumni members. How wonderful that the humble beginnings of that evening in May has led to the most promising of futures for the Chisholm Alumni.

WHAT IS THE ALUMNI?

The word ‘alumnus’ (or ‘alumni’ in its plural form) is a word of Latin origin meaning nursing or pupil. In modern day usage, it has come to mean former pupil or student. An alumni association, therefore, is an association of former students.

The purpose of an alumni association is to promote, foster and maintain links between an educational institution and its former students, to encourage former students to take an active interest in the life of the institution, to promote the interests of the institution and to aid its development, and to facilitate and support meetings between the institution’s former students.

Through the formation of the Chisholm Alumni we seek to build relationships between the College and its former students, to serve the Chisholm community and to enrich the life of our College, a College that has already enriched our lives in so many ways.
MEET THE CHISHOLM ALUMNI COMMITTEE.

FRONT L-R: Giuliana Romeo, Diana Azzam (Secretary), Ronan McGinniss (President), Steven Ostaszewskyj (Vice President), Joel Kandiah (Treasurer), Mrs Ann Chew.

BACK L-R: Melissa Ross, Natasha Rodrigues, Michelle Francis, Leo Simoens, Robert Luscombe, Rory McLeod, Pia D’Amico, Andrea Romeo.

BEHIND THE CAMERA: Mr Vivian D’Almeida.

- Ronan McGinniss (Class of 2000) owns Fatboy Slam and leads Youth Impact.
- Steven Ostaszewskyj (Class of 1995) is a Music Administrator and Teacher in Catholic Schools.
- Joel Kandiah (Class of 2007) is studying Economics/Commerce at UWA.
- Diana Azzam (Class of 1999) is a Biomedical Research Scientist and manages the WA Audit of Surgical Mortality.
- Pia D’Amico (Class of 1999) is a Teacher at St John’s Catholic Primary School.
- Michelle Francis (Class of 1995) is a Specialist Contracts Administrator for Rio Tinto Iron Ore projects.
- Robert Luscombe (Class of 2009) is a physiotherapy student at Curtin University.
- Natasha Rodrigues (Class of 1995) is a Research Assistant for Ozone.
- Andrea Romeo (Class of 1999) manages Mondo Nougat.
- Giuliana Romeo (Class of 1999) is a Medical Scientist in-charge of a Molecular Hematology lab.
- Leo Simoens (Class of 2008) is a Law / Arts student at UWA and part-time Policy Officer.
- Rory McLeod (Class of 2007) is studying Arts at UWA, majoring in History.
- Melissa Ross (Class of 2004) is a Research Associate to a Judge at the Supreme Court of Western Australia.

CHISHOLM YEAR 12’S TOO GOOD FOR THE ALUMNI SOCCER TEAM!

On Sunday, 19 September 2010, the Alumni Soccer Team took on the Chisholm Year 12 ACC Interzone Championship Soccer Team in the inaugural Soccer Match between the two sides. The Year 12’s were firm favourites coming into the game, having gone unbeaten throughout the season and winning the Interzone Final, 5-1.

Many came to watch the match whilst enjoying a sausage sizzle on the sideline. The Year 12’s started immediately on the offensive, delivering and passing balls into the penalty area consistently, however, they were matched by some solid defending and great goalkeeping by Rory McLeod (Class of 2007). It was only in the 20th minute that the defence was broken through a soft goal and the Year 12’s took the 1-0 lead into the first half break.
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The second half started with both teams playing a more open, aggressive game and the Year 12’s gave the Alumni team an early blow with a magnificent long-range effort into the top left corner of the net. The Year 12’s piled on two more quick goals before the Alumni kept the Year 12’s on their own half for the last ten minutes of the game and earned a penalty, duly converted by Richard Casilli (Class of 2007), to make the final score 4-1 to the Year 12’s.

Player of the match was Bao Nguyen from Year 12, with Rory McLeod being the best player from the Alumni team through some impressive goalkeeping throughout the game. The Alumni would like to thank all the players who participated from both sides, the spectators, Mr Andrew Panizza for refereeing and Mondo Butchers for kindly donating the sausages for the sizzle. The Alumni are looking forward to another chance at clinching the trophy next year!

WINE AND CHEESE NIGHT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CHISHOLM PRACTICAL AND CREATIVE ARTS EXHIBITION.

After the success of the first Chisholm Alumni Soccer Match, the Chisholm Alumni held a Wine and Cheese Night in conjunction with the Practical and Creative Arts Exhibition on Wednesday, 27 October 2010. The idea was to give Alumni members both a taste of the Creative Arts currently coming out of Chisholm and to allow members to tour the school to see how it has changed in recent years.

The night was a great success! In between school tours taken in small groups by Mr Vivian D’Almeida, Mr Richard Hennessy and Mrs Ann Chew, Alumni were invited to vote for their favourite practical or creative arts piece at the exhibition in the Chisholm Hospitality Centre, while sampling wine from Oakover Wines. It was great to see the changes to the school that have taken place over the last few years and past students were happy for the opportunity to view the changes.

The night gave everyone an opportunity to mix with other Alumni in a relaxed and refined atmosphere and to see the great things that are happening at Chisholm, both creatively and institutionally; a night that will surely be remembered and repeated in the future. Congratulations to Olivia Monte (Year 12, 2010) on winning the inaugural Alumni Choice Award for her artwork, as voted by the Alumni on the night.

Thanks to the Chisholm Staff, especially Mrs Chew, Mr D’Almeida and Mr Hennessy, and to the Chisholm Alumni Committee, for facilitating the evening. Thank you also to Oakover Wines for their generous support in providing the wine.
PROMOTING THE ALUMNI AT THE YEAR 12 LEAVERS BREAKFAST.

On Friday, 22 October 2010, the graduating class of 2010 gathered for their opportunity to participate in this long standing Chisholm tradition.

The 2010 Leavers gathered bright and early at the City West Function Centre, all decked out in their leavers jackets and ready for a casual morning of laughs and looking back on their years at Chisholm. The Chisholm Alumni President, Ronan McGinniss, joined the students and staff present and was invited to speak about the newly formed Chisholm Alumni. Ronan pulled out his own Leavers Jumper from 10 years ago to much laughter from the current Year 12’s. Fashion really does move and change quickly!

It was a wonderful morning for the students, and now that the Chisholm Alumni has been formed, we are sure that they will share many more functions together into the future.

BE PART OF THE CHISHOLM ALUMNI.

We would love to hear from you!

Register through the Chisholm College website: www.chisholm.wa.edu.au

Contact the Chisholm Alumni directly: alumni@chisholm.wa.edu.au

Contact the College to become a member: (08) 9208 2500 queries@chisholm.wa.edu.au

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The Chisholm Alumni would like to wish you all a very safe and Merry Christmas.

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