

Souvenir Menue

ST. BERNARD'S



OLD BOYS ASSOCIATION

OCTOBER, 1991

SMOKED CHICKEN BREAST

served warm on a bed of sweet and sour pumpkin

OR

THIN SLICES OF ATLANTIC SALMON

marinated in orange and gin

Entree

*Main
Courses*

ROAST SIRLOIN OF BEEF

with a potato strudel and a rich red wine sauce

OR

CRISP FRIED BARRAMUNDI FILLET

coated in herbs and smothered with a citrus sauce

HAZELNUT AND HONEY BAVAROIS

between crispy layers of meringue

OR

CHOCOLATE AND RUM PUDDING

garnished with seedless grapes in an orange sauce

Dessert

COFFEE



HYDRO MAJESTIC — MEDLOW
BATH — BLUE MOUNTAINS,
N.S.W. AUSTRALIA

1991 IS THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LAYING OF THE COLLEGE FOUNDATION STONE

EARLY RECORDS: The work of the Brothers in Katoomba started before St. Bernards, as we know it, was a going concern. There must have been some classes held before the Merriwa Street complex was up and running. The Annual Report in the 1942 Annual, which seems to be the earliest on record, tells us that "the roll call rose considerably over our small beginnings of 1941, due in part to the world situation.

Also six out of seven boys presented for the Intermediate Certificate in 1941 were successful in the examination. There is no mention of their names, but in 1942 R. J. Gailey was dux of Fourth Years, R. M. Jones was second and M. J. Stollery third. Perhaps these three formed part of the first Intermediate Class of 1941?

In 1942 Dux of the College was John Burnheim and Ken Mitchell was second. These two got their Leaving that year and thus were the first of many from the College to pass this exam . . . the passport to greater things in those days.

The early Annuals also mention that the name of Oakwood House was thought up for those boys who had transferred from Oakhill boarding College Castle Hill, due to parent's anxiety about the possible wartime invasion of Sydney.

We are also told that as early as 1944 the 10-acre site near the Scenic Railway was purchased for sporting ovals. The Junior School Clairvaux and swimming pool were later built there.

LOOKING BACK: It is strange to look back on those days and see how things have changed. The prospectus in the December '43 Annual notes "all students' ration books are to be lodged at the College during the school term." It is not spelt out whether boys who didn't supply their ration books could get their tea, sugar and the other things that ration books were needed for, like clothing.

The boarders' fees were expressed in guineas.

20 guineas for boys under 12

22 guineas for those over 12

2/- pocket money a week is considered sufficient . . . can you imagine getting by on anything like that these days? It's a real bygone era but that is the nature of all beginnings and it is fascinating for those of later days to see where the College has come from.

1991 MARKS THE 50th JUBILEE OF BR. LEO'S ENTRY INTO THE DE LA SALLE BROTHERS

50 years at any job has got to be something of an achievement.

50 years in the service of others, for no earthly reward other than your food and clothing and expenses for the odd trip and holiday has got to be worth celebrating.

Brothers of Br. Leo's vintage had no say in their earlier career where they would spend their lives. They were told by the Brother Provincial where they would teach and live.

The vow of obedience taken by the Brothers meant you did what you were told and went where you were sent, without complaint.

So to spend about 20 years in a school where you might not have chosen to be; where you were on call virtually 24 hours a day and you not only taught class, but ran a cadet unit, domestic staff, ordered food and sports supplies, coached teams for sporting events, supervised meals and student study and related to a religious community and to the pupils is a life spent totally for others: now it's time to have that recognised. As a commercial for "Mellow Leo" might say . . . "You definitely ought to be congratulated."

GUESTS ATTENDING AT TIME OF PUBLICATION

Crossin, David & Sylvia
Mitchell, Ken & Fay
Walker, John & Judith
Noonan, Syl & Shirley
Woolfall, Geoff & June
Madden, Laurie
Chie, Noel
Bailey, Trevor
Bowman, Ken
Ritchie, Jim & Colleen
Hurley, Ted & Molly
Quealy, Pat & Marie
Jordan, Terry & Elaine
Stapleton, Eddie
Brosnan, Bro Dermot
Sinclair, Brian & Enid
Nelson, Ron & Mary
Young, Frank & Patricia
Byrne, Vic & Audrey
Murphy, Vince & Pam
McGrath, John & Edyth
Pittar, Graeme
Mergan, Gerard
Debs, Albert & Suzanne
Millgate, Geoff
Austin, Ken & Iris
O'Donnell, Michael
Rushworth, Anthony & Marion
De Diana, John & Margaret
Munster, Charles & Jan
Mergan, John & Bonnie
Godsell, Brian & Janet
Curley, Terry & Libby
Egan, John
Hayes, Tony & Anne
Banks, Silas & Barbara
Cox, Fred
Sponberg, Don & Cath
McCoy, John & Betty
Good, Bro William
Vandenberg, Hans & Glen
Robinson, John
Bennett, Kevin & Ann
Zappia, Ben & Minnie
Wormley, Barry
O'Keefe, Ron

Mackie, John
Van Vliet, Peter & Kathleen
Brown, Tony & Jan
Stockley, Ray & Karen
Cummins, Peter
Ryan, Frank & Robyn
Crook, Russell
Ning, Matthew & Monica
Rhodes, Michael
Howard, Bro Patrick
Kirby, Rev Fr Barry
Gale, Bryan & Ann
Mackie, George
O'Keefe, Tom
Loo, Augustine E.G. & Catherine
O'Connell, John & Maureen
Lyndon, John & Pat
Mackie, Bernard & Bev
Joyce, Jim
Wilde, Keith & Ann
Foley, Barry
Kuok, Anselm
Clark, Ronald
Coorey, John & Lana
O'Donnell, Peter
Rhodes, Colin
Craddock, Tony & Evelyn
Atkinson, Tony
Elsley, Michael & Susan
Holmes, Warren & Carol
Keller, Rod & Dianne
Watt, Warwick & Carol
Tierney, John
Boissery, Yvon (2)
Carmody, Michael & Margaret
Jorda, Jean-Jacques & Marvia
Pang, Bernard
Talbot, Wayne & Jane
Callaghan, Bevan & Nora
Ning CBE MBE, Paul & Frances
Hopper, Barry
Liao, Weston
Batchelder, Kevin & Frances
Dolan, Brian & Anne
Walch, John & Cecily

Yeo, Mike & Sandra
Tomiczek, Bill & Pamela
Lo, Tom & Theresa
Proudlock, Bernard & Lila
Farrell, Kevin
Dolby, David & Denise
O'Connor, John
Buchtman, Gerard & Tricia
Buchtman, John & Maureen
Flissinger, Roy
Farrell, Barry & Juliet
Sumner, John & Jan
Smith, Pat
Grant, John
O'Connell, Michael & Therese
Diebold, Marcel & Maureen
White, David & Lorraine
Flissinger, Frank
Honeyman, John & Dinah
Lumby, Barry & Jan
Boccanfuso, Peter & Liz
Cummins, Michael
Bickley, Peter & Christine
McCarthy QC, John & Christine
Shoebridge, John
Gee, Kevin & Gay
Edwards, John & Julie
O'Brien, Michael
Lo, David & Phebe
Tierney, Jim
Fitness, Greg & Wendy
Beasley, Bro James
O'Connell, Terry & Margaret
Watson, Rodney
Shoebridge, Harry & Marian
Ward, Bill
O'Connell, Patrick & Irene
Beasley, Pat & Shirley
Courtney, Alan & Anna
Doherty, John & Maureen
Kelly, Br Finbar
Rhind, Keith & partner
Smith, Margaret
Stroud, Bob, Bridie & Leonie
Mahon, Bro James