



# OLD GREY NEWSLETTER

*The latest news and updates from the Old Greys' Union*



## From the Old Grey desk

Welcome to December edition of the Old Grey Newsletter.

### Looking forward to 2019

As the year draws to a close we reflect on an eventful calendar year. We welcomed new Rector Christian Erasmus, the Old Grey Committee has grown in number, and there are some exciting plans for 2019. One notable change is that of membership. We have begun a roll out plan to promote subscription to The Grey Foundation which includes membership to the Union. The Old Greys' Union and The Grey Foundation have combined their efforts to promote and grow the relationships between The Grey schools and the Old Grey community. These synergies are an opportunity to offer Old Greys one payment plan for membership to both the Old Greys' Union and The Grey Foundation.

Donors who pay R100 per month or more will enjoy the following benefits:

1. Automatic membership to the Old Greys' Union
2. Membership to the Foundation as a donor
3. Allocate your contribution to the Pillar/Project of your choice  
(See Pillar document)
4. Receive a Section 18A Tax Certificate at the end of every financial year for submitting to SARS to claim tax benefit
5. Receive the annual Donor Report and invitations to Foundation events

If you would like to sign up as a Grey Foundation donor:

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YOUR LOVED ONES

*Safe  
and  
Happy  
Holidays*

## Old Greys in the News

### Bays' heavy-lifting Farquhar snatches hat-trick of records

Source: *The Herald* (South Africa)

Congratulations to Thomas Farquhar ('17) who broke three South African records in the 105kg division at the recent SA Senior Weightlifting championships in Cape Town.

**Read the Article**



### Pat Davidson lights up Durban

Source: [www.redbull.com](http://www.redbull.com)

Photo: @ Wayne Reiche / Red Bull Content Pool

Aerobatics pilot, Patrick Davidson ('99), wows over 25 000 festival goers with never-before-seen aerial fireworks display in South Africa. **Watch the Video**

### Pakendorf stays on career high

Source: [www.facebook.com/pg/HeraldLIVE](http://www.facebook.com/pg/HeraldLIVE)

Kurt Pakendorf '83 recently flew to Port Elizabeth to receive the Nelson Mandela University Alumni Achievers Award 2018.

Kurt graduated with BProc (1991) and is currently the Chief Strategy Officer and General Counsel for Face IT Limited in London, UK and California, USA. He is also the Director of Esports Championship Series CS Limited London and the Founder, Director and Co-owner of Anicus Law Limited, which is a boutique international legal services firm offering legal and strategic business consulting services. **Read the Article**

*Kurt and brother Hans stand 'Neath the Tower' during a recent visit to The Grey.*



### Brendan Grant Law – Vice President GEMS Education

Source: <http://wetvarabia.com>

Brendan Law '84 was recently interviewed on the topic of 'Being an Educationalist.' GEMS Education is a an international company with schools and education services in 14 countries.

**Watch the Video**

## Christopher Reid Touches Out Jacob Pebley for 100 Back National Title

Source: [www.swimmingworldmagazine.com](http://www.swimmingworldmagazine.com)

Congratulations to Chris Reid ('15) who recently won the Men's 100m Back A Final at the 2018 U.S. Winter National Championships in North Carolina. **Read the Article**



### Rector's Report Term 4

Click the below icon to read the Rector's Report.



### Headmaster's Newsletter- Term 4

Click the below icon to read the Headmaster's Newsletter.



## MySchool - Support The Grey Schools



Old Greys, parents you can  
**make a difference!**

Did you know that Grey High School and Grey Junior School are a part of SA's biggest fundraising programme, MySchool MyVillage MyPlanet. You can help raise monthly funds for us by getting a free MySchool card in support of our schools. All you need to do is swipe your card every time you shop at one of their partner stores i.e. Woolworths, Bidvest Waltons, Loot.co.za, Flight Centre Red Label Holidays, Engen Foodstops and more.

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# Chatter Board

## *Class of 1967 Lunch*

Hi guys,

We had the first of our annual year end lunches yesterday and we had 10 old class mates present for the occasion at the Old Austria restaurant in Westbourne Road. Those of you who left the City years ago will remember this well known eatery being situated in Commercial Road opposite the old Show Grounds. The establishment provided an excellent meal for only R80 which included a starter, a main and followed by sweets. Most opted either for the seafood cocktail, the freshly caught hake was to die for and you cannot go amiss with ice cream and chocolate sauce!



We received at least another 10 apologies from those who could not get their planning in order but

we are sure that next time round we will have a bigger number. It is a good start and the venue and pricing is ideal. Many thanks to Butch Grewar who worked in a business trip from Durban, to Paul Fryer of Port Alfred who made the pilgrimage as did Anton McLachlan who has retired to Jeffrey's Bay. I will give air to a fuller report in my next quarterly newsletter which will reach you in early December and include some hilarious tales from our lunch. It certainly was an excellent occasion. Perhaps Bob Stedman would like to put the experience into prose and we will include it in the newsletter ? Over to you - Class Captain of XD - voted in then for four consecutive terms with acclaim!

*Photograph of the occasion and for those whom you cannot recognise the following were present; Ian Pringle, Bob Stedman, Cedric McClelland, Anton McLachlan, Roger Hewitt, Dave Sweetnam, Butch Grewar, Paul Fryer, Andrew Clark and Iain Judd.*

*Cheers,*

*Ian Pringle*

## Old Grey Chapters

### Cape Town Function - 18 October 2018

Old Greys in the Western Cape gathered for the annual event to meet the new Grey High Rector, Christian Erasmus and participate in an informative and entertaining Q&A session with rugby personality Mark Keohane and Friends. Yet another successful event! Thank you to the Cape Town Committee and Candy Bubb for all the hard work in organising the function.



### Old Grey Europe Dinner - 1 November 2018

Old Greys in London met at the Lansdowne Club for dinner. Headmaster Lindsay Pearson, Rector Christian Erasmus and Foundation Chairman Bryan Knox traveled up for the occasion. On the Saturday after the dinner, Old Boys met at the BA Fan Village ahead of the SA vs England rugby game. Missed these events? [Sign up to the Old Grey Europe Newsletter](#)



### Johannesburg Dinner - 14 November 2018

120 Old Greys sat down to a three-course meal at the Bryanston Country Club. It was a great evening enjoyed by all. In the spirit of tradition the night ended in the singing of the school song. A special word of thanks to James Ferrans, Gauteng Chairman, for putting together a top class event.



# In Memory

We extend our sympathies to the family and friends of the following Old Greys who have passed on:

## **Mr Chris Murray - Ex-Staff**

Chris taught at Grey High School in the the 1960's, was Housemaster of Way House, and MiC of cricket during his tenure. He was married to Hilary McAdam, sister of Bill and Sibley McAdam, both prominent Old Grey's. Chris was a wonderful man who had a great influence on many Grey scholars.

## **Gordon Metter - Class of 1955**

Sadly Gordon succumbed to kidney failure brought on by diabetes in a Cape Town hospital, at 79 years of age. At Grey he was an excellent Latin student. He went on to study business and later served as Deputy President on the Cape Regional Chamber of Commerce for two years.

## **Dave Drimmie - Class of 1969**

During his High School career David participated in cricket, swimming and hockey. Condolences to brother Antony '68.

## **Alan Bluhm - Class of 1962**

Alan succumbed to post operative complications after removing a non-malignant tumour from his brain. He was fit, lively and enjoyed golf, skiing, gardening , cruise ship holidays and was involved with his daughters who took over his jewelry business. He was a keen gardener who maintained the synagogue garden in Maidenhead.

## **Robin Parker - Class of 1973**

During his school years Robin took part in the Grey Union, Wild Life and Photographic societies. Robin started out as a reporter on Port Elizabeth's Evening Post and continued his 39 year career in media across both print and digital. He was a legend in his field and will be missed by many. Robin is survived by his son Lyall and daughters Hayley and Kayla.



# THE GREY FOUNDATION

*The latest updates from The Grey Foundation*

As the year draws to a close, it's an opportunity for The Grey Foundation to reflect on successes to date, and look forward to initiatives planned for 2019.

The establishment of the Foundation in 2015 required the commitment and generosity of Old Greys and members of the wider Grey community. Trustees volunteer their time and services, donors pledge their gifts in the form of monthly, annual or once-off contributions, and the employment of a full time fundraising coordinator have all contributed to the growth and advancement of the Foundation and the total of R11m raised to date. Fundraising in and from South Africa has its challenges, but the loyalty and generosity of those associated with the Grey schools have surpassed expectations.

Rector Christian Erasmus and Headmaster Lindsay Pearson are supportive of the Foundation's objectives and we are delighted that they have contributed their time to visiting Old Grey gatherings worldwide to champion the cause. A number of activities and events have taken place in the latter part of 2018. A successful lunch and a dinner gathering in Cape Town, and a cocktail function at the Rectory in October, and visits and dinners in London and New York in November were opportunities to present the details of Grey's funding priorities and the need for support from benefactors.



*Tria Juncta in Uno* is at the very essence of our fundraising priorities. Projects encompassing Body, Mind and Spirit are available to donors for choosing to allocate their donations.



Looking at historical donations to the Grey, it is apparent that families through the generations have continued giving back to Grey. Some have left bequests in their wills. Some have led their Classes in collectively contributing to **make** a difference to the lives of boys at Grey today.

Preparing for the future is a vital factor for a school steeped in history yet innovative and dynamic. The Grey Foundation aims to address the need to secure the future financially, enabling Grey to continue to grow and meet the requirements and developments in education – matching local as well as international quality and standards.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank **each and every** one of our donors. Your **generosity** is humbling and inspiring and we look forward to growing and continuing our partnerships with you.

New donors are encouraged to consider Grey at this time of annual charitable giving. All donations are gratefully received and appreciated. Simply go to **<http://www.thegrey.com/grey-foundation/make-a-contribution>** to download a donation form.



**The trustees and staff of The Grey Foundation wish you all a very happy holiday, and health and happiness in 2019!**

Bev McCarthy

**The Grey Foundation**

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The Grey Foundation Trust is a registered Non-Profit Organisation (NPO) enabling donors to receive a tax deduction on donations of up to 10% of annual taxable income.

Section 18A tax certificates are issued to South African tax paying donors.

For those in the USA and UK, we have international registered Trusts to receive donations and offer applicable benefits to donors.



# THE OLD GREY CLUB

*The latest updates from The Old Grey Club*



## Message from the Chairman, Gary Sim.

As the year winds down, I would like to take the opportunity to thank our members and visitors for supporting the OGC through this year. Special thanks to Brad & Ronel who continue to provide excellent food and venues for corporates and families alike. The OGC has certainly turned the corner in becoming the venue of choice for young families to enjoy the facilities which have been well looked after this year by Abram and his team.

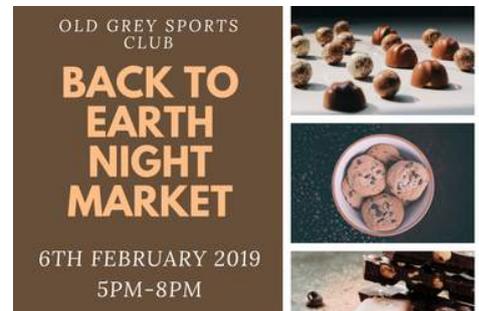
We look forward to a vibrant sporting season in 2019 and welcome the continued support from all.

Wishing you a happy and festive season with family and friends and I look forward to seeing you at the Club in 2019.

## Back to Earth Night Market!

*Thank you to all our supporters through the year that have been attending the night market at Old Grey Sports Club. We are looking forward to 2019! A big thank you to all our store holders, you have all been great.*

**Next Market: 6 February 2019**



## Christmas Lunch- 25 December 2018

LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE! Bring your whole family to join in a fun filled day- skip the cooking at home and enjoy great food, great company and the festive spirit around friends and family . Contact 041 373 8325 extension 2 to make your booking!



## JOKER JACKPOT - Has been WON

The new Joker Jackpot has started, and is R6340. Join us every Wednesday for the Draw. R10 a ticket and the draw takes place at 7pm. See you there!