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PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION OF NSW

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Saturday, 27th September 2008

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church Hall, Grantham Road, Seven Hills, NSW 2147

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இடம் வயர்ந்த உறவுகளின்
உயிர்ப்பிரிவைத் தடுப்போம்.

**உறவுகளே!
காத்திருக்கும்
உறவுகளை
காலனிதம்
கொடாமல்
கைகொடுத்து
தூக்கிடுவோர்
வாரீர்!**

ஊடகங்கள்
ஊர்ச்சங்கங்கள்
பழைய மாணவர் சங்கங்கள்
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அனைவருமே
கூட்டம் கூட்டமாய்
தீரளுங்கள்
கொத்துக் கொத்தாய்
வழங்குங்கள்.....

**செப்ரெம்பர் 05 முதல் அக்டோபர் 05 வரை
துயரத்தில் வாடும் உறவுகளின்
துயர் துடைப்பு நீதியக்திற்கு வாரீர் வழங்குவீர்!**



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Program

Compere Ms. Babitha Selvananthan

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
07:00pm	Aha Vanakkam
07:05	Lighting of Traditional Lamp <i>Mr. S. Umakanthan, Teacher</i>
07:10	Thamil Valthu - Children of Hartleyites National Anthem - Children of Hartleyites College Song - Hartleyites
07:20	Welcome Address by President <i>Mr. K. Paskarajothy</i>
07:30	Chief Guest's Address <i>Mr. K. Kaneshalingam</i>
07:50	Editor's Message <i>Mr. S. Subenthiran</i>
08:00	Music Performance <i>Ms. Anjana Nanthakumar</i> <i>Ms. Geirthana Nanthakumar</i> <i>Ms. Janani Vasanthan</i> <i>Ms. Nayani Vasanthan</i>
08.05	Violin and Miruthangam Fusion <i>Ms. Nithyaa & Master Nishanth Nanthakumar</i>
08:15	Musical & Dance Performance <i>Ms. Bathithi Selvananthan and</i> <i>Ms. Babitha Selvananthan</i> <i>Ms. Sribhairavi Manoharan</i>
08:30	Dinner - Guests, Ladies and Children Members' Annual General Meeting
09:15	Dinner - Members
09:45	Musical Programme <i>Mr Muruganantham & Mrs Poorani Muruganantham</i>
09:55	Trivia Quiz <i>Ms. Dharshika Gnanasundaram</i>
10:30	Vote of thanks by Secretary <i>Mr. G. Thirukumaran</i>
10:35	Raffle Draw <i>Mr. S. Yoganathan</i>
10:45	Program conclusion

COLLEGE SONG

Hartley, thy sons are we,
To thine honour always wed
Nurtured, taught by thee,
E'er thy way of life we tread,
Lit at thy hearth our flame burn bright,
Always this light we shed.
Service to our nation true and right,
Thy portals ever lend.

Hartley forever, that's o ur cry
Our motto never let it die,
Hartley forever, our motto ever,
Let there be light

Rise up all Hartleyites
Our motto she doth call,
Scholars and sportsmen vie
Schooled in her noble halls,
Follow our mentors, Proved and tried
They who our ideals guide,
Hold fast your inner light of faith,
That, over storms shall tide.

கல்லூரி கீதம்

ஹாட்லி நின் மக்கள் நாம்
நின் கீர்த்திக்கே என்றும்
வளர்ந்து கற்ற நாம்-என்றும்
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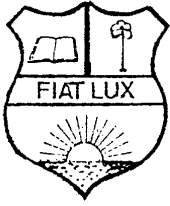
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நின் வாசல் ஈயுமே

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எம்மாதா அழைக்கின்றார்
அவர் பீடம் கற்றோரே
விற்பன்னர் வீரர் தாம்

நீர்வர் வழிநின்று
அவர் லட்சியம் கொண்டு
உம் வீர உறுதி கொள்ளுவீர்
எப்படியும் போகும்

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ஒளி வீசட்டும்!!



HARTLEY COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES INCORPORATED, AUSTRALIA

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

Vanakkam

It is indeed a great pleasure and privilege writing this message on behalf of vibrant Hartley College Past Pupils Association (NSW) executive committee.

Our committee worked tirelessly throughout the year organising gatherings as well as events of sports and other activities. Our activities here will give strength and support to our school going siblings at our college who work tirelessly to achieve their goals in life.

We started collecting funds to provide a water tank to our school and on humanitarian grounds we collected funds to support part of Nilojan's medical expenses. We also extended financial help to maintain the computer lab at Hartley. Without your generous help we will not be able to achieve our goals. We thank you all for the great support you have given to us and expect the same in the years to come.

We are currently in the process of forming a committee to streamline the process of all future projects. To facilitate this, we have had some positive contributions from Mr. Chella Pathmanathan, Secretary of Hartley College Trust when he visited us, and also a surprise quick visit of Mr. K. Mathivanan. Both of them visited from Sri Lanka and we thank them both for allocating some time for us despite their busy schedules in Sydney.

We also played our annual Tennis and Cricket matches with Jaffna Hindu College. We were the victorious team in the tennis tournament and the final match was a thriller. We retained the trophy in Tennis but we lost in the Cricket encounter.

We had a successful year with increase participation. Let us hope this trend will continue in the years to come to serve our Alma Matter.

"My vision of Hartley College is to see it play a leading role in the future"

Once again I thank you all for your great support.

Nanri-Vanakkam

Paskey

(K. Paskarajothy)

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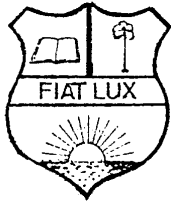
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நீ என்ன தந்தாய்?

அட்சரமும் கேத்திரமும் ஆழமாக கற்றாய்
இரசாயனமும் பொளதீகமும் நிறைவாக கற்றாய்
தாவரம் உயிரியல் செயற்பாடுகள் கற்றாய்
உலக மொழி ஆங்கிலமும் கற்றுத் தந்த காட்லிக்கு
நீ என்ன தந்தாய்?

கால்ப்பந்து துடுப்பாட்டமென்று துடிப்பான விளையாட்டு
நாவன்மை மெய்வன்மையென மேன்மைதரும் பயிற்சிகள்
புகைப்படக் கலை சாரணியமென பல வகை ஊக்குவிப்பு
புத்தகப் பூச்சியாய் வளராதே என்று புகட்டிய காட்லிக்கு
நீ என்ன தந்தாய்?

நில புலங்களை நீ எழுதித் தர வேண்டாம்
பொன்னையும் பொருளையும் வாரி வழங்க வேண்டாம்
பழைய மாணவர் சங்கம் வளர்க்க முன்வரவேண்டும்
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ஓயாது உழைத்திட வேண்டும்!

by
Charles Somasundram



**HARTLEY COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES INC
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12 September 2008

Anpana Vanakkam,

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

The committee and the school thank you all for your generous donations. I congratulate every one of you for your philanthropic consideration and your kind heartedness.

The Association's equity supported by cash improved marginally from \$17,375 to \$17,413. We received \$7,471 and spent \$7,710 giving a deficit of \$239 for the year. Our annual benefit show was held after the year end as such it is not reported in the financial report.

The number of life members rose from 100 to 108 and we hold the membership fund of \$10,277 as a restricted fund that cannot be used for operational expenses.

Key transactions for the year included:

- Surplus from Annual Dinner was \$751 (deficit \$358 in 2007)
- Received contribution for computer project \$600 (\$500)
- Life membership received \$800 (\$1,600)
- Members donated \$550 (\$260) for school projects
- There were no special purpose donations during the year
- We received \$500 and sent \$2,650 for the Water Tank project for the school due to its urgency
- Expenses incurred on sporting activities \$735 (\$578)
- Spent on school computer laboratory maintenance \$300(\$300)
- Payment for prizes to track athletes have not been sent (2007-\$200)
- Remitted \$260 to the Principal for minor expenses

I appreciate the fellowship of the membership.

**Nanri
Vadivelu Sugumar**

Hartley College Staff July 2008



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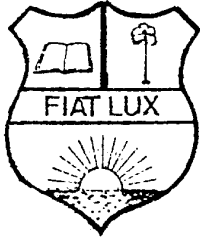
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Middle row :

Miss.A.Poopalasingam, Mr.T.Ponnuthurai, Miss.S.Singaravadivel, Mr.T.Thirukkumaran, Mr.K.Vallipuranathan, Mr.S.Balenthira, Mr.S.Gnanasambanthan, Mr.S.Mahinthan, Mr.T.Jeyatheepan, Mr.P.Aravinthan, Mr.Kirushnajoathy, Mr.Kirushnanathan, Mr.Sivanesan, Mrs.V.Senthilmathavan, Miss.B.Santhakumaran.

Seated

Mr.B.Jeyagopal, Mr.T.Kalaichelvan, Mr.N.Sarvanantha, Miss.K.Namasivayam, Mrs.Ganesh, Mr.N.Theivendrarajah, Mr.M.Rajaskanthan, Mr.V.Karunamoorthy, Mr.K.Arulanantham, Mr.B.Balendra



Message from the Principal

22nd September 2008

Dear Editor, HCPPA-NSW

It is a great privilege for me to be invited to share my thoughts with HCPPA-NSW Branch AGM/Dinner and the publication of the Dinner Souvenir.

I think this occasion will be delightful to all Hartleyiets in NSW to meet their friends and cherish their past memories of the good old days.

I also think that a journal entirely devoted to the affairs of Hartley will show the affection for and loyalty to our Alma mater. My best wishes to the Souvenir to be published on 27th September 2008.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the HCPPA-NSW Branch for its generous financial assistance and to report on our recent activities.

I am happy to state that the computer fund of Rs50.000/= meant to generate interest by installing a computer laboratory has strengthen the teaching of IT at our school.

However, the sum of Rs 150,000 allocated for the water tank has not been utilized as a NGO has promised to fund that project. I hope that the Trust, with the permission of the Association, would allow me to use that money for any useful purpose other than that for which it was allocated.

It is no exaggeration to say that the PPA-NSW is the one which is keenly interested in Hartley's affairs in recent times. The School Community greatly values its enthusiasm and support, and I wish most sincerely that the HCPPA -NSW continue for years to come and support our Alma-mater in every possible way.

With Warm Regards.

Mr. N. Theivendrarajah

COLLEGE PHOTOS



Vali (വല്ലി) Magazine Committee.



**Mrs Ganesh at
Prize Giving Ceremony**



New Inventors of Hartley College



**Master Thines (9B)
with his new invention**

COLLEGE PHOTOS



Villupattu



Drama



Jaffna GA's visit to Hartley

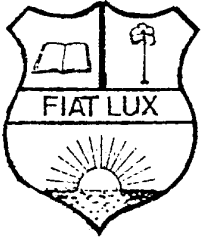


Jaffna GA in discussion with the Staff

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Thank God every morning when you get up that you have something to do which must be done, whether you like it or not. Being forced to work, and forced to do your best, will breed in you temperance, self control, diligence, strength of will, content, and a hundred other virtues which the idle never know.

Charles Kingsley



Contribution Appeal
for
HARTLEY COLLEGE WATER TANK

As detailed in our Newsletter, there is an urgent need for drinking water for 1,200 students at the school. The water supply system was damaged by the tsunami and is beyond repairs. The school has been unable provide basic drinking water to its students.

The Principal approached the Government for help and had not had a favourable response. The Past Pupils Associations would like to help with this deserving project. We therefore extend a request for your altruistic contributions today.

Please pass on your contributions to any of our committee members. Please pass on the plight of our students to your colleagues and other members.

Valha Valamudan.

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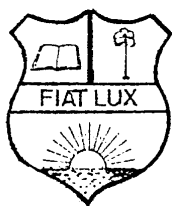
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9th September, 2008

GREETINGS FROM HCPPA, Victoria

The President
Hartley College Past Pupils Association
NSW

Dear Mr President,

It gives me the utmost pleasure to send this message of good wish to the souvenir, which is being brought out in conjunction with your forthcoming AGM. It is very gratifying to note that in recent years the overseas branches of HCPPA have greatly boosted their support and commitment to our Alma Mater, Even more pleasing is to see the overseas branches are taking an increasing interest in each other's activities and a willingness to cooperatively work for the common good of the Alma Mater. The reputation of Hartley is no longer confined to the borders of our homeland. It has spread across several continents including Australia, Europe and the North Americas largely due to the regular and vibrant activities of the HCPPA in their respective countries creating an awareness of Hartley not only among expatriate Sri Lankans but also among the wider community.

The generosity that was shown by overseas Hartleyites and well wishers towards Nilogan's Appeal is testimony that the Hartley spirit is very much alive. The success of this collective effort should inspire us to undertaking more coordinated activities in promoting the welfare of Hartley and Hartleyites.

On behalf of the HCPPA of Victoria, I wish you all great success in all your activities and trust that your AGM will provide another opportunity for Hartleyites and their friends of NSW to get together and have a wonderful time.

Yours Sincerely

N. Nanthakumaran

(President, HCPPA, Victoria)

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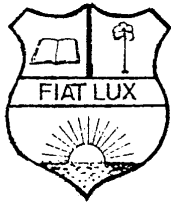
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HARTLEY COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION (UK)

Mr. R. Uthayasooryan
President of HCPPA (UK)

GREETINGS FROM HCCPA (UK)

Congratulations HCPPA, NSW Branch on your 17th Anniversary!

It gives me great pleasure, President Paskarajothy, to contribute to this special souvenir and I am honoured to be asked.

This year is another fantastic year for HCPPA (UK); this year we are celebrating our own 25th Anniversary. It has been a long road since 1983 and together we have achieved a great deal for Hartley College, our joint Alma Mater, and I sincerely hope we can provide more support to the college over the years to come.

On our anniversary year we have hosted a Gala Day with a sports theme which proved a great success in bringing together all our members and family. Upcoming events include a Musical Show in aid of medical relief in Sri Lanka, on 4th October; and our event of the year, our Annual Dinner and Dance, which this year will be held on 15th November at the sumptuous Crowne Plaza Hotel, Docklands, London. So if my friends from overseas are in the United Kingdom for these dates please come along and join us.

I would also like to mention the regretful passing of a wonderful friend, and a founder member of this association earlier this year. Mr. R. Raveendralingam has been an integral member of this association and blessed us all with his time and generosity. I would also like to extend my thanks to HCPPA (NSW Branch) for your condolences for this sad passing.

I am very glad that we are all working progressively towards improving Hartley College for future generations. I trust I speak for all the members of HCPPA UK in once again thanking you for your impressive contribution towards this goal.

Happy Anniversary!

Mr. R. Uthayasooryan
President of HCPPA (UK)

HCPPA (UK) invites you

4th October 2008	Musical Show in aid of medical relief in Sri Lanka.
15th November 2008	Annual Dinner and Dance at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Docklands, London.

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HARTLEY COLLEGE PPA TRUST

Shan Shanmuganathan

Chairman Hartley College PPA Trust

MESSAGE FROM HARTLEY COLLEGE PPA TRUST

September 7, 2008

The President and Members of the Hartley College PPA- NSW Branch

It gives me great pleasure to forward this message for the Souvenir published on the occasion of the AGM/Annual Dinner scheduled for the 27th of September 2008.

The NSW branch has always played an active role, in supporting the redevelopment activities at the school, in addition to setting up and supporting the activities of the Hartley College PPA Trust. As done in the past this year too, the Branch collected and remitted funds for the set up of a water tank, however we have not disbursed the funds yet, since there is a possibility of obtaining funds for the same project from Government or an NGO, in which event funds would be used for another purpose with the consent of the NSW Branch.

As for news about school, it is not a surprise that, over the past 18 months we were forced to shelve some of the major development plans the Trust undertook recently with the assistance of the global branches and some INGO's given the ground situation in the North and East. However we are pleased to report that the school is in the process of obtaining the initial grant from the government to start building the much awaited college Auditorium at the land purchased by the Trust, from funds sent by Global branches including the NSW Branch. We believe by end of 2009, the initial stage of the building should be in place. The other good news from the school is that despite the ground situation, the school delivered better than previous year's results in the GCE AL and OL exam and has also begun to demonstrate capabilities in sports, music and quiz related activities both in the regional as well as National level.

On behalf of the Trustees I wish the event a great success.

Shan Shanmuganathan
Chairman
Hartley College PPA Trust
Colombo, Sri Lanka

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Abraham Lincoln made 'Shoe Making', an Art, a Creativity



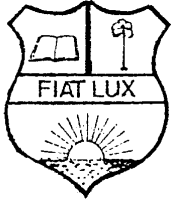
On the first day, as President, Abraham Lincoln entered to give his inaugural address, just in the middle, one man stood up. He was a rich aristocrat.

He said, "Mr. Lincoln, you should not forget that your father used to make shoes for my family". And the whole senate laughed; they thought they had made a fool of Abraham Lincoln.

But Lincoln - and that type of people are made of a totally different mettle. Lincoln looked at the man and said, "Sir I know that my father used to make shoes in your house for your family, and there will be many other here... because the way he made shoes; nobody else can. He was a creator. His shoes were not just shoes, he poured his whole soul in it. I want to ask you, have you any complaint? Because I know how to make shoes myself; if you have any complaint I can make another pair of shoes. But as far as I know, nobody has ever complained about my father's shoes. He was genius, a great creator and I am proud of my father".

The whole Senate was struck dumb. They could not understand what kind of a man Abraham Lincoln was. He had made the 'Shoe Making', an art, a creativity. And he was proud because his father did the job so well that not even a single complaint had ever been heard.

It does not matter what you do. What matters is how you do it - of your own accord, with your own vision, with your own love. Then whatever you touch becomes gold.



Editors Message

Dear Friends,

I hope you would have read the Summer and Winter Editions of Palmyra and I like to thank all of you those who have contributed and provided valuable comments.

I hope the messages, article and information published on this souvenir marking our 17th anniversary enjoyable and useful to get to know and serve our Hartley Community in a better way.

My role as the Editor, is to support our association's objectives by bringing our Hartley Community together, providing a forum to consolidate and communicate reports, articles, ideas, news or feedback from our Hartleyites. If you have any such ideas, reports, articles, news items or comments, please contact me. I will include them in the future issues.

Please ensure your contact details such as postal address, email address and phone numbers are up to date so that you can receive the newsletters and other forms of communications related to our Alma Matter and our Hartley community.

Thank you.

Best wishes

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http://www.hartleystudents.org	Hartley College - Official Website
http://www.hartleytrust.com	Hartley College PPA Trust
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hartley_College	Harley College information in Wikipedia

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Review of Events 2007/2008

- Hartley Vs Jaffna Hindu Tennis tournament 2007 was held on 7th September 2007 at Parramatta Tennis Centre, North Parramatta. Harley College won the challenging trophy for 2007.
- The annual Cricket match 2007 was held on 28th Oct 2007 at Strathfield Park, Strathfield. Jaffna Hindu College won the challenge trophy for 2007.
- HCPPA-NSW organised a get together on 23rd December 2007 to welcome Mr Chella Padmanathan, Vice-Patron, HCPPA Colombo branch and the Treasurer, HCPPA Global Trust.
- HCPPA organised a get-together on 27th February 2008 to welcome Mr Mathivannan during his short visit to Sydney. Mr Mathivannan is the Vice president of HCPPA Colombo branch and the Secretary of Sri Lankan Cricket Board.
- Hartley Vs Jaffna Hindu Tennis tournament 2008 was held on 3rd August 2008 at Parramatta Tennis Centre, North Parramatta. Jaffna Hindu won the challenging trophy for 2008.
- HCPPA-NSW organised a benefit show “Sivaji” in the Greater Union Cinemas – Burwood on 10th August 2008 in aid of School Development Fund.
- \$450 was sent to the School’s Computer Self Learning Centre to purchase 20 Optical mouse to replace faulty ball type mouse. Also \$560 has been sent to the school to replace few faulty monitors and maintain the Computer Self Learning Centre set up by HCPPA-NSW.
- HCPPA-NSW sponsored a special pair of Sports shoes to Vadivesharan Hariharan, grade 12 student, National Champion/Gold Medallist for discuss throw.
- Hartleyites living in NSW contributed generously to raise \$4,260 to help Nilojan who was suffering from kidney failure.
- HCPPA-NSW branch is raising funds to construct a water tank in the school following the Principal’s request. Note that the drinking water facilities were destroyed by the tsunami in 2004 and not been fixed by the government authorities to date.

A. Srikumar
Social Secretary
HCPPA-NSW

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The Draughtsman from Scotland

N. Karunakaran

In our life we come across individuals who help to shape our character, the general outlook on life and also our way of thinking. My life has not been an exception. As a student at Hartley I was fortunate to have studied under some versatile and dedicated teachers who motivated me to do well in life. And I am thankful to God for it. In this article I would like to introduce you to a person whom I met in The Hague, the administrative capital of the Netherlands. His influence on me has been a significant one. And a rewarding one at that.

In October 1971, I began my life as a post-graduate student at Delft, The Netherlands. And I was boarded in a Pension Hall in The Hague and commuted by tram to Delft. It was the beginning of winter, the air was cold and the sky overcast for most of the time. For me it was a drastic change not only weather-wise but mainly because of the absence of friends and relatives. It was in this setting that I met John O'Hara. He was a Scot and a draughtsman by profession. And he was working for Aramco, the oil company in The Hague. He too like me was an inmate of the same Pension Hall.

John was a lively character, well read, and who loved good food. To keep himself physically fit he would walk four to five kilometres everyday, weather permitting. Being a typical Scot, he was very frugal! And he was brilliant at solving cryptic crosswords. After work in the evening he would walk straight into the restaurant at the Pension Hall with that day's Daily Telegraph, a daily from UK. While taking his meal he would also tackle the cryptic crossword from the Daily Telegraph. In my case, while being seated next to him at the same table, I would eat my food and at the same time scan the sports pages of Daily Telegraph for the cricket scores and other sports news.

One day, John wanted my help in solving a clue from that day's crossword! I can still remember that clue. It read as: *sunset nay for an eastern leader (3 words)*. To me who was used to solving simple straightforward crosswords, it was a different kettle of fish. So I told John that it was beyond me. But John was not the type of person who would take no for an answer. Then he started explaining to me that the clue was an anagram of *sunset nay* and that the solution should be the name of a famous leader from the East. This made me think in real earnest. And I realised that it could be a Chinese name. Then, I remembered the name of Sun Yat-Sen, the Chinese statesman and Revolutionary. John was delighted.

The formation of a word by transposing the letters of another word or a phrase, fascinated me. And when I conveyed this to John, what he told me was: "Well, if you are willing then I can teach you the basics of cryptic crossword." Now, after thirty-six years of 'crossword pleasure', my appetite for crossword puzzles has not diminished. And especially after coming over to this Country, it has grown by leaps and bounds!

What started as a casual dinner time activity, way back in 1972, now keeps me turning the pages of dictionaries, encyclopaedia and all sorts of books, on a regular basis. All because of an affable fellow from Edinburgh, in Scotland, by the name of John O'Hara, whom I met in the Dutch city of The Hague.

(Karunakaran: Student at Hartley from 1952 to 1961; Index Number – 6131; Sherrard House. Five of his classmates who entered Hartley in 1952 went on to represent Our Alma Mater at cricket and football)

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My Reminiscences

P. Balasingam

Reminiscences are seldom appreciated if the essay is an unsolicited one as it is often a stratagem to blow one's own trumpet. It would nevertheless be welcome if it is a response to a formal invitation and the invitee is under an obligation to comply. The kind request of the Editor of the Hartley College Miscellany seeking my recollections as a past Principal therefore makes me very comfortable and duty bound to write mine.

A college magazine endeavours primarily to record important events and achievements of the school for the enlightenment of posterity. As the period of my service marks a watershed in the history of our college some interesting and exciting experiences of mine do seem relevant and undoubtedly compulsory.

I have tried my best to be selective and concise in my submission keeping dates and figures to an absolute minimum avoiding an appropriation of too many pages in the Miscellany as I am aware of the current high costs of publications. My impoverished memory and my separation from my college records by a long time and distance also do not permit an elaborate composition. It is hoped that any omission of a fact or figure thereby incurred would not be taken as an act of commission.

I became Principal in August 1985 when Hartley was a refugee at Puttalai MV owing to a ruthless declaration of the Point Pedro town area as a High Security Zone by the Sri Lankan military. Fortunately a brilliant and grateful past pupil of our college, C. Tharmalingam, was the Principal there at that time. He rallied to our help, like a Good Samaritan, anesthetizing our tribulations immensely with his large heart.

The accommodation he gave to his alma mater, winning the co-operation of his staff, students and the community around, was an amazing blend of magnanimity, love, empathy and sympathy. Giving us the exclusive use of his office room, the college hall, a two storied building and the school's agriculture compound he virtually made it difficult to identify which school was the refugee- his or ours!

In this humane and hospitable environment we were able to keep up the splendour of our college as high as ever in both the curricular and co-curricular fields. My successor and one of my excellent friends, K. Nadarajah, has given a graphic portrayal of our achievements in the 1983/94 Miscellany. Though he has gracefully acknowledged my contribution I feel bound to say it was a collective achievement of my team of friendly colleagues and our brilliant pupils.

It would be superfluous for me to repeat the events he had so well chronicled. Therefore I shall confine myself to some interesting experiences I had. The effort, however, is daunting as an avalanche of memories suddenly assails my worn out faculties! So much so I feel somewhat like the mosquito in a joke that was wandering indecisively around a nude human body wondering from where to begin its first bite!!

My period saw two military operations of the Sri Lankan and Indian forces and as the head of one of the leading schools in the island I was commandeered into willy-nilly associations with them. I had to walk a tight rope without treading on the corns of the military or the militants. Though destiny threw me into this predicament, God whom I always beg and beseech, blessed me with the necessary fortitude to withstand triumphantly all the stress and strain it entailed.

Mr. Balasingam was the Principal at Hartley College from 1985 to 1993.

During his tenure of office Hartley produced outstanding achievements.

As such, Hartley College was made the Lead school of a Cluster of 13 schools in Point Pedro with Mr. Balasingam as the Head.

This article gives an insight into the trying circumstances that prevailed at Vadammaradchy during his time.

Immediately after the infamous Vadamaradchy operation, I was one of those summoned by the Sri Lanka army to attend a public meeting at Vada Hindu Girls College. While the meeting was going on, the Rupavahini crew, that was covering the event, almost coerced me to face an interview. When they asked me for my opinion about the military operation I felt like saying 'I don't know if this is the end of a beginning or the beginning of an end' quoting Winston Churchill. But prompted by an intuition that discretion was the better part of valor I said a few acceptable words simply off my head! The following day the scene was relayed on the morning and evening TV. When at subsequent school seminars in Colombo and Jaffna many Principals recognized me without any introduction I just couldn't gauge whether Rupavahini had lent me popularity or notoriety!

Another day I wish to recall is when I went into the SL army camp sited in our hallowed college premises and indignantly protested to the army General against the arbitrary arrest of hundreds of our Hartleyites the previous day from the holy precincts of Puttalai MV and Pillayar temple. I appealed for their release as the arrest was an arbitrary one of the innocent pupils with a regular school attendance record. The appeal was upheld almost apologetically and all of them were released. The life and career of those students was saved in the nick of time. The gratitude that I reaped from them and their parents and the knowledge that all of them reached great heights in their career remain indelibly tattooed to my heart.

My associations with the IPKF covering three years were more exacting and eventful. During that period I was appointed as the head of the Point Pedro Cluster of thirteen schools by the Director of Education and as the President of the Puloly MPCS Union by the Jaffna Government Agent. These additional hats on my head considerably widened the area of my service and rendered my relations with the IPKF closer, onerous, inordinate and quite often life-threatening. I feel happy to recall that I was able to serve not only my college but also the entire community in Vadamaradchy during many an emergency and round-ups by easing the situation acting as a translator of the furious IPKF commanders at many public meetings by toning down their devastating and derogatory words against our militants into pleasing ones!

At this juncture I feel honour bound to say that though unfortunate circumstances soured their original ministerial mission into a ruthless military one the IPKF had a profound knowledge of our college and consequently a very healthy respect for her and for me. It was this that enabled me to engage their services in de-mining the area in and around our hoary premises, undertake a lot of rehabilitation work, redeem our alma mater from her refugee plight and install her back right royally in Her home.

As their camp stood cheek by jowl with our premises I could not help being in touch with them as I had to be in their good books to release our pupils or teachers who were often arrested in sudden round-ups. This policy was endorsed even by the militants when one dark night three of them armed to the teeth suddenly barged into my home and grilled me with several questions and cleared me out of their suspicion. The experience was eerie and it still rankles in my memory.

It was this delicate, if not diplomatic, policy of mine that enabled me to meet the IPKF and release several students, even one or two militants, above all, one of my best friends and a senior and versatile teacher of ours- N. Gunaseelan. He had been taken captive to the KKS camp but in response to my convincing representation that the college had been paralysed by his arrest the commander at the Manthikai camp relented. The extent of the confidence he had in me was such that the following day he sent a jeep to my home inviting me to come and take personal custody of Gunaseelan. Declining politely the transport I went on my bike thanked the commander profusely and took Guna, as we fondly call him, to his home. This stands as one of the proud moments in my life. I am happy that subsequently he became a Principal of Hartley and earned a great name.

Another unforgettable moment comes to mind. It occurred during the time when there was a massive search for the great Anton Balasingam. All vehicles on the road were stopped and searched. One day the CTB bus in which I was travelling was stopped at Manthikai and finding

this poor Balasingam an army Junior immediately got hold of me thinking he had caught the elusive one the IPKF were after! My protests in English fell on deaf ears as the officer knew only Hindi. On his message the local Chief rushed to the spot to get the 'prize catch' only to be disappointed that it was I whom he knew well enough. He was very apologetic for the mistaken identity and chided the officer. Then he asked me jokingly whether there was anything common with Anton Balasingam as I shared his name. When I replied that we both shared only diabetes he laughed heartily commending my sense of humour and let the bus proceed.

Hartley College did very well during my tenure that coincided with the eight years a Hartleyite goes through from Year Six to Year Twelve. We had a fine team of friendly colleagues on our staff who carried the students through a wide field of academic, cultural and social disciplines along with sports and games and put them on the highway to the Universities and professional careers in our country and abroad. Many of the pupils of my period are today shining high in many a capital in the world boosting the ever growing luster of our Bounteous Mother and giving me, along with the other Principals and the teachers, the serene joy and privilege of basking in Her reflected glory.

It would be fascinating to give out the names of my colleagues and students but sincere concerns and constraints nip the urge in the bud. It would consume pages and pages of the Miscellany. Also if anything is left unsaid what is said would beget unwelcome heartburns. The effort may end up, as a "koon pirai nethi enral kurrai mugam irrandu pawgum" essay to quote a famous tamil poet! The 1983/94 Miscellany is recommended for anyone interested in the names.

However, at this juncture my gut feelings tell me, all my colleagues will welcome, may indeed demand, that I make an exception to the above constraint in the case of K. V. Ponnampalam who was our Deputy Principal during my period. Blessed with great qualities of head and heart he was such a quintessence of amiability, tact and politeness that everyone of us held him high in our esteem and love. Above all he was my alter ego and in the context of the Cluster System and its attendant duties and responsibilities that often kept me away from my table he acquitted himself creditably as the virtual Principal. Thanks to him nobody found my performance wanting in anything and I deem it a privilege to record my grateful appreciation of his service at Hartley College.

My recollections will be found deficient if I fail to acknowledge the magnificent and timely aid and assistance our College received from the TRO, FORUT, the ADB and from our own marvellous rainbow of PPA in Pt. Po., Colombo, London, Canada/USA and Australia. We couldn't have succeeded as we did in restoring the vigour and vitality of our College without their help. The Colombo PPA with their classic celebration of our alma mater's ter-jubilee in 1989 made the Government of Sri Lanka issue a commemorative stamp and had the whole world salute her blue and red flag. This event and the wonderful receptions given to me on my retirement by the entire college, our tutorial and ancillary staff, Prefects Union, Scouts Squad and later by the PPA in Pt.Po, Colombo, London, and Canada shall remain ever green in my grateful memory. I end these recollections with my thankful prayers to God for the merciful guidance and guardianship He gave me throughout my tenure.

<p>This article was to be published in the school Miscellany 2008. But it did not materialise. We extend our thanks to Editor, Hartley College Miscellany for this consent in reproducing it here.</p>
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Hartley College Completes 170 Years in Sphere of Education

Kalabhooshanam Chelvatamby MANICCAVASAGAR

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The arrival of the British in Sri Lanka laid the foundation for the beginning of the growth of the Methodist schools especially after it had removed the ban on the Missionaries by the East India Company by an Act of Parliament in 1813. The Missionaries waited for this opportunity and made arrangements for the expedition in the East.

It was at this time that John Wesley's Lieutenant Dr. Thomas Cook who had the reputation of having converted millions of people to Christianity sold his property and set sail for Ceylon (Sri Lanka) as it was then called, with six other Missionaries in spite of his old age, in December 1813 though Dr. Thomas Cook died, five Missionaries arrived near Galle on June 29, 1814 and two of whom namely Lynch and Squance came to Jaffna in August the same year.

After spending some days in the Jaffna peninsula, Rev. Thomas Squance leased out a plot of land from a Nagappiar of Point Pedro near the seaside where the present Methodist Girls College is situated. A building was constructed on that plot of land wherein a Tamil school was functioning.

In 1826 Rt. Rev. Peter Percival who was one of the Christian Missionaries came to Ceylon to convert the people of Ceylon to Christianity but in 1830 he was sent to Calcutta to start a mission there.

There his attempt proved futile. Later he came to Ceylon in 1832 when a remarkable change in the administration of British rule occurred as a result of the recommendation of the Colebrooke Commission. This marked the significant event of their religion which eventually had its reflection on the education system.

Rev. Peter Percival started the Jaffna Central School in 1834 and in 1838 started an English School in Point Pedro which was known as Point Pedro Wesleyan Mission Central School. Thus the founding of the school took place due to persistent efforts and aspirations of the Methodist Missionaries.

Progress

The Point Pedro Wesleyan Mission Central School started by Rev. Peter Percival progressed well with about 50 students. However an account of the nature of the people prevailing at that time the number attending the school fluctuated from time to time.

Nevertheless due to the continuous effort and aspirations of Rev. Peter Percival, the General Committee in London was satisfied with the progress of the school and paid Rev. Peter Percival the sum of Sterling Pounds 400 in 1854 which he had incurred as expenses.

Since its inception in 1838 it has been continuously functioning as a school except for a brief interval in 1860. It was in 1861 that the school was re-opened with D. P. Niles, a graduate of the Batticaloa seminary.

As the school headmaster from 1861-1868 he worked hard for the progress of this school and it was evident at a time when Jaffna Central College was in great difficulties on account of Hindu religious revivalism.

Mr. Manicavasagar has contributed many articles on Hartley over the past 30 years. We are grateful to him for this beautifully crafted article which gives the history of Hartley from its inception in 1838.

Every Hartleyite should read this account.

When D. P. Niles was transferred to Jaffna Central School Samuel Hensman succeeded him as headmaster of the school. However with the passage of time the number of students started growing and in 1875 it had become a necessity on account of the increasing numbers to shift the school to the present site while allowing the old site to be used for the girls school. It was at this juncture John Chickering Thamotherampillai Sherrard became the headmaster of this school.

He was so closely connected with the school and so popular among the parents of that area and everyone began to call and refer the school as Sherrard's school, instead of using the name Point Pedro Wesleyan Mission Central School.

After the retirement of Sherrard the appointed S. A. Paulpillai as its principal. He was a disciplinarian and eventually died in 1906. After his death Stephen S. Kanapathipillai succeeded him as principal. He was a graduate of the Calcutta university. He was a keen sportsman and a soccer player. He taught mathematics and science. He functioned as its principal till 1908 and resigned to do law. In 1912 E. S. Abraham, a graduate of the University of Calcutta was appointed as principal.

The year 1915 marked a turning point in the history of the school when C. P. Thamotheram was appointed as principal. He was a graduate of the University of Madras and during his period of 28 years, significant changes took place. The school was named as Hartley College in 1916 when Rev. Marshall Hartley laid the foundation for a chemistry laboratory.

Recognition

During Thamotheram's tenure of office, he had capable assistants who played vital role for the development of the college. Notable contribution was made by W. A. Walton who was a veteran in Shakespeare's plays. He inspired the students to take an active part in the Shakespeare's play.

Further, during his time Hartley's results at the Cambridge Examination were exceptionally good, Hartley College earned its recognition as a leading school during Thamotheram's tenure of office. After a long period of 28 years as principal of Hartley College he retired in 1943 at the age of 60.

In 1943, K. Pooranampillai succeeded him as principal of Hartley College. He was a graduate of the London University and a post graduate trained at Selly Oak College, Birmingham.

Indeed, Poornampillai's period was 'golden era' in the history of Hartley College. The academic standard was maintained. He made the college a place for the acquisition of skills necessary for life.

In order to achieve this objectives, he widened the scope for extra curricular activities and formed school societies. It was during his period the gymnasium was inaugurated, additional classrooms too were put up. Poornampillai had his own system of conducting the examinations. He conducted the weekly test, monthly test and the term test and examined the performance of every pupil and brought it to the notice of the parents.

After relinquishing of office by Poornampillai as principal of Hartley College, Ratnasabapathy (1967-1971), C. Rajadurai (1971-1973), P. Ahambaram (1973-1975) and W. N. S. Samuel (1975-1985) functioned as principals with great acceptance both by the students and the parents.

Thereafter S. P. Balasingam, a distinguished old boy of Hartley College who strained every nerve of his to keep the flag of Hartley College flying amidst tension and turmoil when he was appointed as principal of Hartley College.

Contribution

Despite the turmoil and tribulations in the Jaffna peninsula in particular and the country in general Hartley College has not failed in its duty to hold the torch of learning, burning aloft and mould its students as useful citizens of the country. The present principal N. Theivendrarajah

who pilots the affairs of Hartley College is a science graduate (BSc) from the University of Peradeniya.

In 1985 he obtained his science degree and in 1994 he completed his Post Graduate Diploma in Education from the University of Colombo.

In 2002, he got a Postgraduate Diploma in Education Management from the National Institute of Education and Master in Education from the University of Jaffna in 2003.

In 1986, he got his appointment as a graduate teacher at Warakapola and in 1999 he was promoted to Sri Lanka Educational Administrative Service. Further, he was appointed as principal of Hartley College on 5.12.2005. Prior to this he functioned as Director of Education attached to the Department of Education , Dehiowita.

In fact, Theivendrarajah is a remarkable personality who discharged his responsibilities with distinction. He is constantly pragmatic and practical in his approach to the problems of the college and willing to seek out and accept solutions wherever they could be found. He always puts his heart and soul into the activities of the students and identify himself with them.

Further, two students namely Vimalanathan Rajeevan and Sri Sothinathan Nimalan have done extremely well in the GCE (A/L) 2007 in the maths stream and bio stream.

In fact, Rajeevan has come first in the All Island through Tamil medium and third in all mediums taken together. Even Nimalan has achieved excellent results in the Jaffna district in the bio stream. Theivendrarajah is a highly disciplined individual who translates thoughts and intentions into action, every minute into valuable moments. Indeed, he should be highly commended for piloting the affairs of Hartley College with unsurpassed distinction and unsullied honour.

Besides all these, the Hartley College Past Pupils Association (Colombo branch) main objects met and discussed about necessary requirements for the advancement of social welfare as may be conducive to the interior and well-being of past and present pupils of the college, to make all efforts which may be necessary to ensure that students leaving Hartley after their education, pursue their higher education in universities in Sri Lanka or abroad and to secure suitable employment, to honour past pupils who reach distinguished status, academic/professional excellence.

Funds

Further, the College provides scholarships and funds for various purposes. It has school development fund, sports fund, Vairamuttu memorial fund, S. S. Somasundaram memorial fund, S. C. Rasaratnam memorial fund, K. Ganeshalingam foundation fund, Prof. Thurairajah memorial scholarship fund, K. Pooranampillai memorial scholarship fund, T. Kangadaran memorial cricket fund, Nesamani Mahesan memorial fund, Rajaratnam Family Foundation (Ceylon) Ltd.

Even gold medals are presented to all students who obtain 3As at the Advanced Level examination. In fact, the college had its ups and downs due to the conditions that prevailed and the difficulties and problems encountered. However overcoming these problems and progress achieved in the spheres of education and sports from its inception is purely due to the dedicated services which the principals, students, parents, past pupils' associations both local and abroad.

Finally, let the light, the Christian Missionaries lit 170 years ago continue to shine in every way despite the ongoing war in the North and the East.

May this light-house of knowledge Hartley College, steer many more thousands of students to success and fame in their lives in the years ahead.

HARTLEY COLLEGE
PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION INC. NSW BRANCH
SYDNEY AUSTRALIA

MINUTES OF THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON
SATURDAY 14TH JULY 2007

AT GRANTHAM CHURCH HALL, SEVEN HILLS

The president Mr. K. Paskarajothy chaired the meeting. The recorded attendance was 48 members. Chief Guest Dr Ratnagopal was invited to join the meeting.

1. CHAIRMAN 'S WELCOME ADDRESS

President Mr. K. Paskarajothy welcomed the members and expressed his delight to see 48 Hartleites. He thanked all the committee members and their families for having worked on the PPA's activities during this year. He also thanked the rest of the membership for supporting the committee during the year.

2. PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 15TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Secretary Mr. Thirukumaran presented the minutes of the 15th annual general meeting held on 15th July 2006 at Strathfield Municipal Hall, Strathfield. Members adopted the minutes as correct record of the meeting. Proposed by Mr. Charles Somasundram and seconded by Mr. Santhakumar.

3. PRESENTATION OF THE AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT

On behalf of the Treasurer, Mr. K. Paskarajothy presented the audited financial report for the financial year ended 30 June 2007. He explained the revenues, expenses and the surplus for the year. He explained because of the life member's increase the fixed deposit amount also increased. Members adopted the financial report. Proposed by Mr. John Yoganathan and seconded by Mr. Jega Rajan.

4. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

Mr. K. Paskarajothy presented constitutional amendments. The amendments were accepted with the following qualifications. Proposed by Mr. Jega Rajan and seconded by Mr. Charles Somasundram.

Public Officer: The house approved the amendment concerning the appointment. Dr Ragavan indicated that the office of fair-trading may not accept the secretary being the public officer and wanted the committee to check on this. Committee agreed to do this.

Proposed by: Mr. P. Elango
Seconded by: Dr. S. Ragavan

Increase of committee members from 3 to 5: Elango explained the need to increase the committee of management from 10 to 12 by increasing the committee members from 3 to 5 as follows:

- The management committee number of 10 was decided when the Hartley membership was less than 100. Now the membership is around 200, increasing the committee would give opportunity to more Hartleyites to participate in the affairs of the association.

Although the house had no objection to this in principle, it felt that this amendment should not be implemented immediately because of insufficient notice. This amendment was accepted with the provision that it should be implemented from 2008 AGM.

Proposed by: Mr. P. Elango
Seconded by: Dr. S. Ragavan

5. ELECTION OF THE COMMITTEE 2007 - 2008

Mr. Paskarajothy presented the nominations received for the members of the Executive Committee for 2007-2008.

Membership elected the positions as below:

President:	Mr. Paskarajothy	Vice President:	Mr. Siva Gnanasundaram
Proposed by:	Mr. P. Elango	Proposed:	Mr. S. Santhakumar
Seconded by:	Mr. N. Karunaharan	Seconded	Mr. B. Selvanathan

Secretary:	Mr. G. Thirukumar	Joint Secretary:	Mr. B. Selvanathan
Proposed:	Mr. P. Elango	Proposed:	Mr. G. Thirukumar
Seconded:	Mr. N. Karunaharan	Seconded:	Mr. B. Kuganesan

Social Secretary:	Mr. A. Srikumar	Treasurer:	Mr. V. Sugumar
Proposed:	Mr. B. Selvanathan	Proposed:	Mr. S. Srianantharajah
Seconded:	Dr. B. Kannan	Seconded:	Mr. Charles Somasundram

Editor:	Mr. S. Subenthiran	Comm. member:	Mr. A. Muruganathan
Proposed:	Mr. K. Selvarajah	Proposed:	Mr. A. Srikumar
Seconded:	Mr. B. Kuganesan	Seconded:	Mr. P. Sivasubramaniam

Comm. member:	Mr. Dr. B. Kannan	Comm. member:	Mr. John Yoganathan
Proposed:	Mr. A. Srikumar	Proposed:	Dr. S. Ragavan
Seconded:	Mr. S. Subenthiran	Seconded:	Mr. R. Baskaran

5. AUDITOR

The floor unanimously elected Mr. P. Arunodayam as the auditor for the next financial year. Proposed by Mr. Jega Rajan and seconded by Mr. Charles Somasundram.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There were no other issues discussed and the President thanked all the members who attended and concluded the meeting.

Minutes Recorded by
G. Thirukumar.
Secretary
14th July 2007



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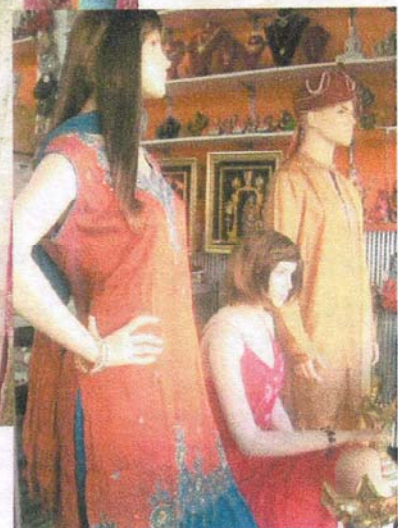
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Tennis Tournament
Hartley and Jaffna Hindu Old Boys of New South Wales
Sunday, 3rd August 2008



Hartley Team

Standing: K. Sriitharan, B. Kuganesan, A. Srikumar, Puvanachandran, K. Visakulan, S. Nanthakumar, S. Umakanthan, S. Gnanasundaram

On the ground: J. Reginold, Dr. B. Kanan, Sivarrooban, V. Jeyamenon

Note: not all the players appear on the photo



Players handshaking after a match



Hartley Team receives Final Match winning trophy

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Children Singing Tamil Valthu



Members and Families



Musical Performance by Bathithi & Babitha Selvananthan




Children Receiving Certificates

**HARTLEY COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION INC
NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRALIA**

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

As those charged with governance of the Association we certify:

- The accompanying financial report exhibits a true and fair view of the financial position at 30 June 2008 and transactions for the year then ended of Hartley College Past Pupils Association Inc
- The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the Constitution of the Association and applicable Australian Accounting Standards
- We are not aware of any circumstances that would render any particulars included in the financial report to be misleading or inaccurate
- Key management officers of Hartley College Past Pupils Association Inc have not received any benefits from the association during the year



K Paskarajothy
PRESIDENT



V Sugumar
TREASURER



G Thirukumaran
SECRETARY

Sydney
10 September 2008

INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

HARTLEY COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION INC

To members of Hartley College Past Pupils Association Inc

I have audited the special purpose financial report of the Hartley College Past Pupils Association Inc for the year ended 30 June 2008. The president is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial report consisting of the accompanying income statement, balance sheet and notes thereon.

I have conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members of the association.

I disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than members of the association or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

My audit has been conducted to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. My procedures included review of documents supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial report represents a view which is consistent with my understanding of the association's financial position and the results of its operation.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Audit Opinion

In my opinion, the financial report of the Hartley College Past Pupils Association Inc presents fairly the financial position of the association at 30 June 2008 and the results of its operations for the period then ended.



P Arunothayam
Honorary Auditor

Sydney
17 September 2008

**HARTLEY COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION INC
NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRALIA**

INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

		<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
RECEIPTS	NOTES	\$	\$
Annual Dinner	4	3,965	3,214
Donations	5	550	260
Contributions for School Computer laboratory	6	600	500
Contributions for School Water Tank Project	6	500	-
College development benefit show	7	-	4,215
Membership	12	800	1,600
Contributions for Mr. Nilojan's medical fund	13	-	4,260
Bank Interest		277	274
Cricket and Tennis		779	-
TOTAL RECEIPTS		7,471	14,323
EXPENDITURE			
Annual Dinner Expense	4	3,214	3,572
School Projects Expense	6	2,950	1,200
College development benefit show Expense	7	-	1,100
Grants expense	8	100	100
Mr. Nilojan's medical fund Expense	13	260	4,000
Wreath/flowers Expense		-	226
Newsletter expense		385	374
Cricket and Tennis Expense		735	578
Incorporation Compliance Expense		65	138
Bank charges		1	160
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		7,710	11,448
DEFICIT/SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR		(239)	2,875

(The accompanying notes form part of this financial report)

**HARTLEY COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION INC
NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRALIA**

BALANCE SHEET AT 30 JUNE 2008

	NOTES	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
		\$	\$
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Cash at bank and in hand	9	7,336	7,554
Life membership investment fund	10	10,277	10,000
Receivable	11	-	200
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		17,613	17,754
<u>NON CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
		-	-
TOTAL ASSETS		17,613	17,754
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>			
Payable		200	379
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		200	379
<u>NON CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>			
		-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES		200	379
NET ASSETS		17,413	17,375
<u>EQUITY</u>			
Life members reserve	12	10,277	10,000
Accumulated fund	12	7,136	7,375
TOTAL EQUITY		17,413	17,375

(The accompanying notes form part of this financial report)

**HARTLEY COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION INC
NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRALIA**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

1. Hartley College Past Pupils Association Inc

Hartley College Past Pupils Association Inc (Inc 9886632) New South Wales is a not for profit incorporated association functioning primarily in Sydney, New South Wales, Australia for the matters of concernment in relation to Hartley College, Point Pedro. Membership is restricted to past pupils and staff of the college. The books and records are retained by the secretary and treasurer of the association.

2. Financial Report

This is a special purpose financial report prepared on an accrual basis. It does not comply with all Australian Accounting Standards. The financial report is prepared for the use of the members and for the purpose of providing the committee with financial information relevant to the function and obligations of the Association.

3. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

- a) Hartley College Past Pupils Association Inc is a reporting entity and the financial report is prepared on a going concern basis.
- b) Revenue is recognised on cash basis except for bank interest.
- c) Life membership is \$100 and annual subscription is \$10.00 per annum. Subscription received by the membership during the year is accounted as income. Unpaid subscription is not recognised as receivable.
- d) Non cash and volunteer contributions are not recognised as they cannot be reliably measured.
- e) Payable represents accruals for printing costs

**HARTLEY COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION INC
NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRALIA**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

4. Annual Dinner Receipts and Expenses

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Ticket contributions	2,720	2,374
Advertising	1,060	560
Donations	-	100
Raffle	185	180
TOTAL RECEIPTS	3,965	3,214
Catering	1,935	1,800
Beverages	162	131
Hall Hire	750	977
Public address system	100	112
Garland, bouquet and trophies	35	154
Raffle	-	-
Artist	50	300
Other	182	98
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,214	3,572
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	751	(358)

5. Donations

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Donations	550	260
Annual donations by Sponsors for prizes	-	-
Total	550	260

HARTLEY COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION INC
NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRALIA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

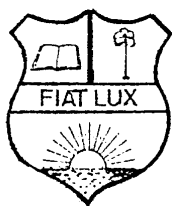
6. School Project Receipts and Expenses	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Contributions for School Computer laboratory	600	500
Contributions for School Water Tank Project	500	-
Computer Maintenance Expense	300	300
Water Tank Project Expense	2,650	500
Library project Expense sponsored by Mr. Paramatheva	-	200
Prize Expense sponsored by Mr. V Mathivanar	-	200
Total school Project Expenses	2,950	1,200
7. College development benefit show		
Ticket contributions	-	4,215
Hall Hire	-	(850)
Movie Hire	-	(250)
Surplus	-	3,115
8. Grant Expense		
Contribution to 'Remembrance Day' function	100	100
9. Cash at Bank and in Hand		
Cash at bank	6,886	7,154
Cash in hand	450	400
TOTAL	7,336	7,554
10. Life membership investment fund		
Bank Term Deposit	10,277	10,000

HARTLEY COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION INC
NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRALIA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

11. Receivable	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Interest and other	-	-
Deposit for Hall	-	200
TOTAL	-	200
12. Equity		
Life Members Reserve [108] [100 in 2007]	10,277	10,000
Accumulated fund	7,136	7,375
TOTAL	17,413	17,375
Reconciliation of members		
At 1 July	10,000	8,700
New life members 8 (13 for 2006)	277	1,300
At 30 June	10,277	10,000
Reconciliation of Accumulated fund		
At 1 July	7,375	5,800
Deficit/Surplus for the year	(239)	2,875
Transfer to Life Members Reserve	-	(1,300)
At 30 June	7,136	7,375
13. Mr. Nilojan's medical fund Expense		
Members and others contribution	-	4,260
Remitted to the HCCPA Trust and College	260	4,000

[END OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT]



**HARTLEY COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION
INCORPORATED, NEW SOUTH WALES BRANCH,
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27 September 2008

WE WISH TO EXPRESS OUR SINCERE THANKS TO:

- Our chief guest Mr Kaneshalingam and his wife for being present here tonight honouring our invitation. A special thanks to Mrs Kaneshalingam for assisting us with the presentations.
- All the children of our members for the Tamil Valthu and other activities.
- Mr Subenthiran for producing an excellent souvenir.
- All the organisations supporting us by giving advertisements.
- Mr Muruganantham and Mrs Poorani Muruganantham for entertaining us with melodious singing.
- Bathithi Babitha and Sribhairavi for entertaining us with their light music and dance performances.
- Anjana Nanthakumar, Geirthana Nanthakumar, Janani Vasanthan, Nayani Vasanthan for their musical performance.
- Ms. Dharshika Gnanasundharam for running the Trivia Quiz.
- All authors of the articles published in the souvenir.
- Spouses and the family of the committee members for hosting the committee meetings at their homes.
- Our Vice Patrons Messers Elango, Karunaharan and Kaneshalingam for their kind guidance throughout the year.
- The outgoing committee members for their excellent contribution to the Association over the years.
- Members and their spouses for preparing delicious food for the dinner.
- Grantham Church for providing the hall and supporting us over the years.
- Paskey and his sons for setting up lighting and sound system for tonight's performances. They have been doing this year after year.
- Finally, every one of you who attended and made this event a success.

G. Thirukumaran
Secretary



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