



SACA NEWSLETTER September/October 2017 Edition

Date for the Diary

St. Andrew's College Alumni Table Quiz January 2018

SACA are supporting Transition Year students and CHEEERS not for profit run by St Andrew's alumni and former transition year Uganda project participants Stu Garrett and Dr Roisin Plunkett

This event was a fantastic success last year

All proceeds raised from the Quiz will go directly to supporting an orphanage in Jinja, Kisiizi Hospital and Rubirizi Secondary School in Uganda

These are worthwhile programmes that St Andrew's has contributed greatly to and if nothing else it promises to be a great night!

Pull together a table of your friends and please get involved!

(attendance not restricted to Alumni)

Gleeson's Pub, Booterstown – 18th January, 7.30pm

Please drop Stu/Rosie a mail to register or attend on the night CHEEERS.info@gmail.com

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SACA Annual Dinner Friday 13th October



SACA Careers Evening

At SACA we love to give things back to the College & over the last 2 months we did just that with 20 Alumni from a wide variety of professions and educational backgrounds coming back to the school to share their college & work experiences with the current 5th and 6th years. SACA committee members worked closely with the school to formulate a new format for the career evening that delivers further value to the students.



SACA Donate new Dugouts to the Rugby Programme

SACA's European Cup winning Peter Bracken joined SACA committee members Andy Crawford and Dara and Paul McClatchie to present the college rugby programme with new dugouts. SACA raised the money at our well supported rugby lunch and were delighted to hand them over to Charlie Doel, Ian Dumbleton, Joan Kirby & the SCT team. Thanks to all Alumni who supported & to our sponsors Collen Construction & Synova Capital.



SACA Golf Outing 2017



SACA - Remembrance Assembly

SACA President Paul McClatchie attended the Remembrance Assembly at school this month, along with past pupils Bob Tweedy and Paddy Cook, and laid a wreath at the memorial to honour those who lost their lives in war. Paul is pictured here with Bob, Paddy, the Head Boy David Shanahan, Head Girl Robben Beatty, Headmistress Mrs Kirby and PTA Chairperson Sandra Tiernan. Also pictured is Alison Pollock whose uncle, W.F.A. Matthews, is one of the names on the WW1 Roll of Honour.



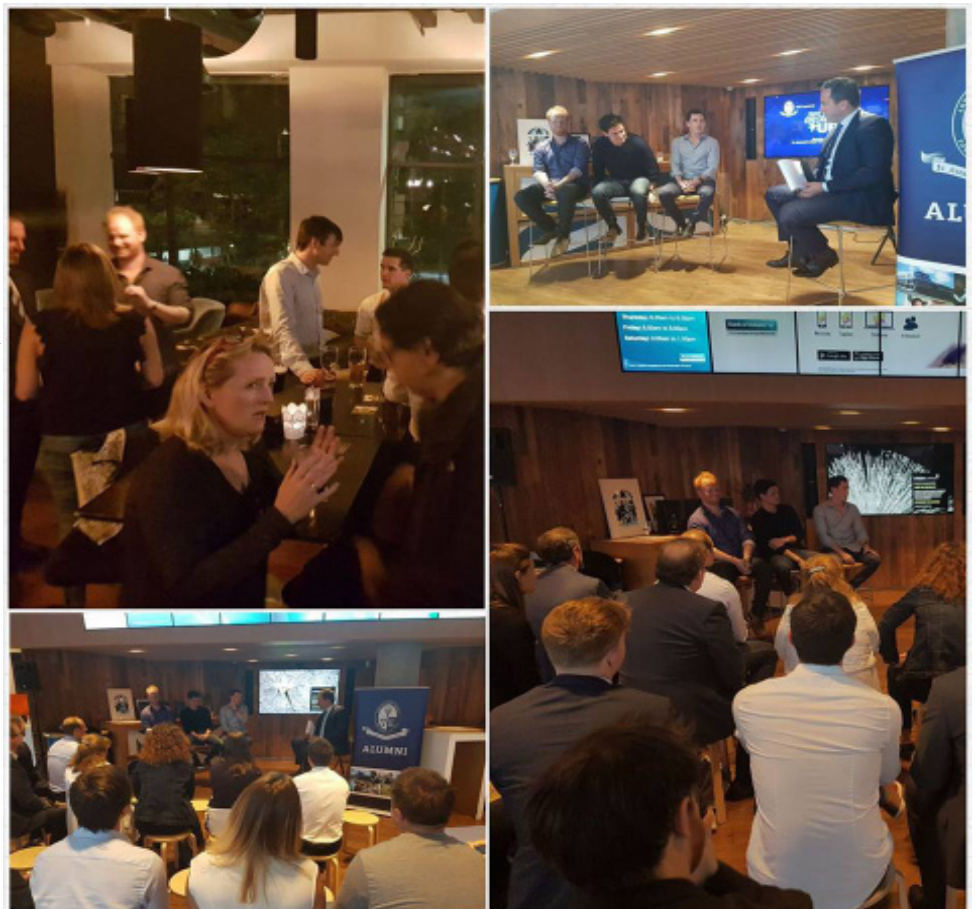
SACA Presents Chris Juul Jensen's Jersey to School

SACA committee members Andy Crawford with Paul & Dara McClatchie presented the Headmistress Joan Kirby with former pupil Chris Juul Jensen's Tour de France jersey which Chris gave to SACA at our Olympic evening. Chris has ridden all 3 cycling Grand Tours & represented Denmark in the Rio Olympics.



SACA Business Event "From The Ground Up"

SACA hosted a business event in the Bank of Ireland Innovation Center featuring Jack Kirwan from Sprout & Co, Evan Gray from Laundrie & Kevin Glynn from Butternut Box. It was great to hear the stories about their entrepreneurial journey so far. Thank you to the three guests as well as our sponsors for helping create such a fantastic event.



SACA News

Peter Lavery launches Tropica Cafe

Peter Lavery (Class of 2017) has a new venture in Dalkey - Tropica Cafe & Restaurant - serving specialty coffee, cold pressed juices, fresh fruit smoothies, as well as a delicious breakfast, lunch & dinner menu. All the food is homemade in their kitchens by their talented chefs. Tropica is open 7 days a week with breakfast from 9am and lunch from 12pm each day. Their big blue building stands out in the centre of Dalkey.
<https://kingfood.ie/tropica/>



Piers McGrail - Hollywood Reporter

St. Andrew's College Alumni member Piers McGrail from the Class of 2004 has been named by the Hollywood Reporter as one of the 10 rising Irish stars to watch. His debut "Kelly + Victor" won a BAFTA.
<http://www.hollywoodreporter.com/lists/10-rising-irish-stars-watch-1049491/item/peter-foott-irish-top-10-1049485>



Pierce Butler - Class of 1945

SACA has many gentlemen amongst its ranks and Pierce Butler (Class of 1945) is right up there with the best! He and his beautiful wife Joan starred in RTÉ One's 'Golden: Our 50 Years of Marriage' recently. Here they are pictured together.

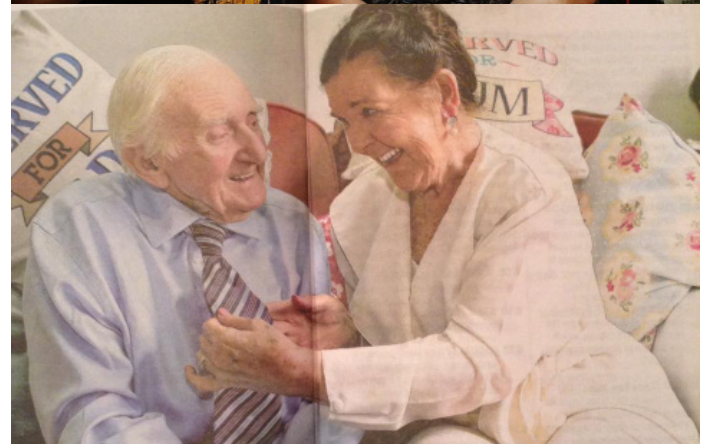
Sprout & Co set to launch 6th Store

Congratulations to Jack Kirwan & the Sprout & Co crew who are opening Sprout #6 on Upper Baginboda St very soon and its going to be their biggest yet. Jack featured in our recent business event speaking about his purpose driven Sprout & Co journey.



Hellfire Brew Club - Andy Crawford

Nice St. Andrew's moment at the All Ireland Craft Beer Festival in the RDS - former Pupil Andy Crawford was exhibiting his beers from his craft brewery the Hellfire Brew Club using a display and T-shirts designed by former pupil and designer Gavin Beattie and who should drop by but former pupil and winter Olympian David Connolly!



SACA Sports News

Schools Hockey

St. Andrew's Senior team won the Hockey All Irelands last month. They get off to a winning start in the with a 4-2 win over Newtown and followed that up with a 6-1 win over Campbell. They then confirmed their place in the semi finals after a hard fought 2-1 win over Sullivan!

Having beaten High School 2-1 in the Semi Final they reignited their rivalry with Wesley in the Final. After full time the teams could not be separated but we won it the hard way 4:1 on strokes. Congratulations to all the squad, coaches and supporters on a fantastic result.



Schools Rugby

The SCT Rugby team got their league campaign underway with a 19-14 away win vs Kilkenny. They followed this up with a big win vs Wesley (35-3). Since then, the team has lost two very close games against Gonzaga (15-20) and Pre Bray (5-10). They will be hoping to bounce back in their next game to reach the quarter finals of the competition. Best of luck!.

SACA News

Barbara Duff - "Rekindle the Spark"

Former St. Andrew's College teacher Barbara Duff has written a book entitled "Rekindle the Spark - 10 Steps to Revitalise your Relationship". She had her book's launch event at Dubray Books in Blackrock Shopping Centre on Wednesday 8 November.



Jill L'Estrange - www.lestrangeart.com

Former St. Andrew's pupil Jill L'Estrange had her first art exhibition in Tara Buildings in October. She also had her portfolio on show at the RDS Home Show for the first time. To check out her art pieces go to her website: www.lestrangeart.com



SACA Sports News

International and Provincial Rugby

It's been another busy few months for Andrew Porter and Jordan Larmour who have continued their rise in the Leinster ranks. Both players have featured prominently both in pre season and the Pro 14 so far this year.

Andrew Porter was also selected for the Ireland Autumn Internationals Squad. Jordan has been featured in a number of articles recently, who talk about his huge talent at such a young age. Check them out below:

<https://www.independent.ie/sport/rugby/leinster-rugby/kingspan-magic-just-the-start-for-talented-winger-jordan-larmour-36284715.html>

<https://www.irishtimes.com/sport/rugby/gordon-d-arcy-how-to-deal-with-life-after-rugby-i-m-still-trying-to-work-that-out-1.3243214?mode=amp>



Golf

Congratulations to St. Andrew's student Charlie Denvir who simply outclassed the field when retuning a record Connacht Boys Open winning score of -11 to win the 2017 Connacht Golf U18 Boys Amateur Open Championship by 8 strokes!



Golf

Congratulations to Neil Farrugia from the class of 2017 who was selected for the Irish soccer squad for the UEFA Under-19 Championship 2018 Qualifying vs Serbia, Azerbaijan & Cyprus! The U-19s qualified for the UEFA European Championship Elite Round following a 2-1 win over Serbia with Neil scoring the winner that clinched qualification!



Mr Michael Allen

Former teacher and parent at St. Andrew's College, Mr Michael Allen, sadly passed away.

Mr Allen taught History and Theory of Knowledge from 1976 until his retirement because of illness in 2012. He was also the Director of our Model United Nations Programme. We extend our deepest sympathy to his wife, Hazel, his daughter Stacey and his son Mikey, both alumni of St Andrew's.



Dates for your Diary

Class of 2012 – Five Year Reunion
Thursday 21 December
7pm to 8pm
Reception at the College

Clyde Road Lunch
Friday 13 April 2018
Royal St George Yacht Club
12.30pm

For more information please contact
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