Kentian Society
Supporting Kent Street Senior High School

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Kent Street Senior High School 70th Anniversary

The 70th anniversary will be celebrated next year and planning for this very important occasion has already commenced.

If you would like to help with the planning, please either contact either Kent Street Senior High School and leave your details with them or let us know.

You can also help by providing suggestions on how you think this occasion should be celebrated.

The organization of this event will be managed by a committee representing all people, past and present, who have had a connection with the school.



Chairman Bill Prince presenting the 2009 Kentian Scholarship to Jordan Perkusich

The event will be published in The West Australian, local newspapers.

We will also be promoting the occasion through websites including those of Kent Street Senior High School, The Kentian Society and Facebook.

Bill Prince
Chairman
The Kentian Society

P.S: Don't forget to remind other former students about this important event.

Your Details

Currently we, The Kentian Society, have your contact details. These may include postal addresses, email addresses and phone numbers. If you do not wish us to pass these details on to the 70th Anniversary Committee and/or do not wish to receive further contact from us please let us know by June 1st (the preparation date of the next newsletter).

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Principals' Report

Rod Beresford has been Principal of Kent Street Senior High School since 2007.

The Annual Report provides an overview of Kent Street Senior High School's activities and performance in 2008.

During 2008 the Year 12 students achieved a graduation rate of 98% and undertook an impressive range of academic, social and personal development activities.

The school TEE Dux, Elizabeth Ong, achieved a Tertiary Entrance Rank of 95.2 and 48% of the graduating class achieved a TER qualifying them for entry to a Western Australian University.

Curriculum Council Certificates of Excellence were awarded to Elizabeth Ong, Adrian Liew and Brett Fletcher. Kristal Hartig, Ross Smith, Zoe Arancini, Brandon Simpson and Adam Vilaca were all accepted into university prior to the completion of the school year.

The fine achievements of our many VET students were recognised by the Minister for Education and Training who presented the school with a Top Public School Award for this area.

Kent Street students made progress in many other areas. Senior Cricket Course students proudly represented Kent Street playing matches and coaching juniors in Singapore and Malaysia. Aviation students travelled to the Avalon Air show in Victoria, Year 10 Academic Extension students were placed third in the Petroleum Club's prestigious competition, Fashion and Design students presented their Fashion Show Case to 350 parents and family and five students represented Western Australia in various sports.

The Community Service Program has progressed well with the school supporting many local community activities. For example, musical performances for the elderly at the Swan Homes, which were greatly appreciated.

I thank also, the many people who have worked to support the school but in particular the leaders of the P&C, Cricket, Tennis and Aviation parent groups and the Kentian Society.

I also praise the work of parents, community leaders and Curtin University students who generously gave special time to our students.

I particularly acknowledge the fine contribution by Mr David Krieg, the retiring President of the School Council, for his exceptional contribution to Kent Street students over the past three years.

We remain committed to continual improvement by building on the traditions set by past students who have established such high standards in the community.

Rod Beresford
Principal
Kent Street Senior High School

Financial Report

The financial report for 2007 was prepared by Maureen Hooper and the financial Report for 2008 was prepared by Christopher Lesiter.

Account	2007	2008	+/-
Commonwealth Cheque Account	$4,043.87	$2,623.61	(-$1,420.26)
Pepertual Cash Management Fund	$3,842.52	$6,124.04	$2,281.52
Commonwealth Term Deposit	$10,310.96	$16,531.92	$6,220.96
Members Equity	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total	**$18,197.35**	**$25,279.57**	**$7,082.22**

Yearbooks

The first Kent Street Senior High School Yearbook was published in 1985.

We are currently seeking yearbooks for the following years: 1986, 1993, 1995, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005 and 2007.

And we need additional yearbooks for these years: 1987, 1992, 1994, 1996, 1997, 1998, 2000 and 2004.

The first Kent Street Senior High School Yearbook was published in 1985.

2009 AGM

The 2009 Annual General Meeting of The Kentian Society was held on 31st March, 2009



Left: Maureen Walkeyer (Committee Member), Otto Walkemeyer (Committee Member), Elaine Linfoot and Maureen Hooper.
Back: Bob Linfoot (Patron) , Bobbie Halliday and Judith Lee (Archivist).
Back Standing: Doug Corker, Joseph Lesiter (Secretary) , Bill Prince (Chairman) and Christopher Lesiter (Treasurer).
Right: Joan Playford, George Playford and Des Grimmer (Committee Member).

Reunions

For the latest information on reunions, please check the website.

65 in 2009 Reunion - Current Arrangements

If you were in 1st year 1957, 2nd year 1958 and up to 5th year 1961; be there. The reunion will be held on Sunday 25th October 2009 at The Victoria Park Hotel, Albany Highway in Victoria Park from 11.00 am. The only cost will be what you eat and drink. With 50+ attendees we get free use of a separate area of the hotel. Cheers Bar and Grill will be open with good food and snacks available. RSVP by end of August 2009. Please make a commitment to come and let others know its on.

Send names to lloydblake@iinet.net.au , rfanowrios@bigpond.com , or kentian.kentstreet.shs@det.wa.edu.au.

Aviation Students

The 30th Anniversary Dinner of Aviation at Kent Street Senior high School will be held at Tompkins Park on ***Saturday, October 24th, 2009,*** commencing at 6.30 pm. For more information please Kent Street Senior High School.

In The News



TOMLIN CALLS IT STUMPS

The Examiner 06/02/09

It is time to pass the baton, according to Kent Street Senior High School teacher Dave Tomlin. The former Sheffield Shield cricketer has headed the cricket program since it started 21 years ago. At the beginning of his final year as course co-ordinator, his efforts have been recognized with the CrickEd Award of WA.

Mr Tomlin was most proud of how many of his students had gone on to play first class cricket. "Of the 150 graduates, more than 80 have gone on to play first class district cricket," he said. "Four have gone on to play state cricket and two have played for Australia."

"But the course isn't just about go pin on to play high level cricket. It also opens other pathways, other careers in sports., like working for the WACA.
Mr Tomlin said the year the Kent Street team won the Gillette cup would remain in his memory forever. The Gillette Cup was a national schools' competition," he said. "We travelled all over the country to play cricket – it was fantastic.

"Back in '95 Marcus North was captain and we won it. Ken Street won the competition out of 26- schools around Australia. "I remember we played the grand final on Adelaide Oval against Toowoomba Grammar." The 50-year old would still play a role in the cricket course after stepping down at the end of the year.

"I'll still be around for a few years," he said. "But it's time to let some of the younger staff take a role. "I've had some great experiences over the years with the kids and the course has kept some kids in school that might otherwise have dropped out.

"I love my job and I love working with motivated, passionate students. And I just love cricket.