



St. Peter's College Old Boys' Union

(Since 1927)

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2015/16

88th Annual General Meeting
26th June 2016

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the 88th Annual General Meeting of St. Peter's College Old Boys' Union will be held on Sunday, 26th June 2016, at the D. J. Nicholas Perera Hall, St. Peter's College, Colombo 4, at 10.30 a.m.

PROGRAMME

- 8.15 a.m. – Holy Mass
- 9.15 a.m. – Rector's Breakfast
- 10.30 a.m. – Annual General Meeting

12th May 2016

AGENDA FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

1. Read Notice convening the Meeting
2. Opening Prayer by Rev. Fr. Rector
3. Two minutes silence to be observed in memory of Old Boys, Teachers and Students who have passed away during the year
4. Excuses
5. Adoption of the minutes of the 87th Annual General Meeting
6. Adoption of the minutes of the Special General Meeting held on 30th May 2016
7. Adoption of the Annual Report for the year 2015/16
8. Adoption of the audited Statement of Accounts for the year 2015/16
9. Address by the Patron on the affairs of the College
10. Address by the President
11. Resolutions, if any
12. Election of Office Bearers

Nominated Office Bearers by the outgoing Committee of Management:

- Patron (Rector – Ex-Officio), Ex-Officio Vice-Patrons (All living past Rectors), Ten Vice-Patrons, Three Past Presidents.

The following Office Bearers will be elected:

- President
- 6 Vice Presidents (and in addition 1 Vice President – to be nominated by Fr. Rector)
- Hony. General Secretary
- Hony. Assistant General Secretary
- Hony. Treasurer
- Hony. Assistant Treasurer
- Hony. Editor
- Hony. Assistant Editor

Committee Members representing the following periods in College:-

1976 and prior	- 2 members	1992 – 1996	- 2 members
1977 to 1981	- 2 members	1997 – 2001	- 2 members
1982 – 1986	- 2 members	2002 – 2006	- 2 members
1987 – 1991	- 2 members	2007 to date	- 2 members
Other Committee members	- 5 members		

13. Election of Auditor
14. Close of Meeting
15. Singing of the College Anthem

By order of the Committee of Management



Algi Wijewickrema
Hony General Secretary
09th June 2016

HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE YEAR 2015/16

- First day at school for year 1 students – Colombo and Gampaha
- Golden Gleam 2015
- Inauguration of the OBU Branch of St. Peter's College, Gampaha at the Gampaha Branch of College
- Inter Batch Cricket Tournament for the Gerry de Mel Trophy
- Sing-Along
- Honours Night
- Stag Night 2016
- Joe-Pete 50 Over Match - OBU Enclosure (Dr. Nielhaan Samaranayake Stand)
- Teacher Insurance
- Medical Camp for Staff
- Resolution adopted to incorporate Criteria for Presidency

OUR RECTORS

The Old Boys' Union wishes to pay humble tribute to our Rectors who have guided the destinies of our Alma Mater over the past 94 years.

N. B. The Rectors until 4th December 1977 were also the Presidents of the Old Boys' Union.



Rev. Fr. D. J. Nicholas Perera OMI
1922 - 1943



Rev. Fr. Basil Wiratunga OMI
1943 - 1955



Rev. Fr. Arthur N Fernando Mis. Ap.
1956 - 1963



Rev. Fr. Mervyn Weerakkody Mis. Ap.
1963 - 1971



Rev. Fr. Theodore E Peiris OMI
1971 - 1975



Rev. Fr. Claver Perera Mis. Ap.
1975 - 1976



Rev. Fr. Francis Mardiwela Mis. Ap.
1976 - 1977



Rev. Fr. Joe Wickremasinghe Mis. Ap.
1978 - 1994



Rev. Fr. Felician R Perera Mis. Ap.
1994 - 2005



Rev. Fr. Travis Gabriel
2005 - 2014



Rev. Fr. Trevor Martin
2014 to date

OUR PRESIDENTS

The Old Boys' Union of St. Peter's College was instituted on 15th October 1927 and up to 4th December 1977 the Rectors of the College were ex-officio Presidents of the Old Boys' Union.

Since December 1977 the following lay Presidents have led the Union:



Mr. J A R Felix
2014 to date



Mr. Shelly Wickramasinghe
1980 - 1983



Mr. V P A Perera
1983 - 1984



Mr. Mano Chanmugam
1984 - 1987 &
2002 - 2003



General Deshamanya
Denis Perera
1987 - 1990



Mr. Ranjit Weerasena
1990 - 1992



Mr. C E Maurice Perera
1992 - 1993



Mr. C Abeygoonewardene
1993 - 1996



Mr. Nivard A L Cabraal
1996 - 1999



Mr. Gerry De Mel
1999 - 2002



Mr. Harin Gunawardena
2003 - 2006



Mr. Suranga Senevirathne
2006 - 2009



Mr. Roshan Dharmaratna
2009 - 2011



Surgeon Commodore
Nielhan Samaranayake
2011 - 2013



Surgeon Rear Admiral
N.E.L.W Jayasekera
2013 - 2014



Mr. Romeish de Mel
2014 to date

MESSAGE FROM THE PATRON



St. Peter's College, Colombo 4 is a premier educational institute in Sri Lanka. The vision of St. Peter's College is inspired by the core essence of the vision of Catholic Education, i.e. integral education. St. Peter's College is steadily moving towards becoming a 'Par Excellent School of Education'. We are laying more and more emphasis on education. The mission is to give first place in all our endeavours to the imparting of quality education. Sports, co-curricular activities and extra-curricular activities are important and they will be proportionately emphasized. The main aim and objective is to create a teaching/ learning environment at St. Peter's College.

St. Peter's College, in its long years of service in the field of education has produced a countless number of Peterites who have nationally and internationally brought glory to their 'Alma Mater' and honour to their Motherland, Sri Lanka. These Old Peterites have left an indelible imprint upon society through their unique and invaluable service to humanity. They have kept the Blue, White and Gold flag fluttering high in the sky where ever they are by projecting always a deep sense of passionate loyalty to their 'Alma Mater', St. Peter's College.

The Old Peterites are a source of inspiration and a tower of strength to St. Peter's College. They remain a strong motivating force for the present boys. They continue to ever reverberate the essence of the Peterite spirit 'Virtus et Veritas'. The Old Peterites pass on the hallowed Peterite traditions to the present Peterites by engaging in various activities of the school. The school and the activities of the school are the point of engagement, interaction and merger between the past and the present. The Old Boys' Union plays an important role in facilitating this process of fusion and integration of the Peterite spirit. They have always stood by College in ensuring the progress and development of Peterites and St. Peter's College in the right direction.

Let me express my sincere gratitude to Mr. Romeish De Mel, the President of the OBU of St. Peter's College for all the support he has extended for the steady progress of the College in the direction it should sail, in keeping with the signs of the times. I also thank the entire OBU for providing inspirational leadership in helping College realize its aims and objectives.

Let me assure each Old Peterite my prayerful blessings in all their endeavours. May they prosper, bloom and blossom where ever they are. I pray that each of them and their family members may continue to be blessed by Divine Providence and experience always in their life God our Loving Father's merciful love and Mary our Beloved Mother's care and protection.

'God bless you!'

Rev. Fr. Trevor Martin
Rector / Principal.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



It is with immense pleasure that I send this message for the Annual Report of the OBU for the year 2015/16.

The St. Peter's College OBU which has a history that we can all be proud of has been supporting College and serving its members through the various activities undertaken.

The fact that the many Foundations, Batch Groups, etc. continued to support our Alma Mater through their activities needs to be mentioned and are detailed in this Annual Report. However there are 2 matters that need special mention when reviewing this year's activities.

One is the Honours Night which we had after a lapse of ten years. It was an event that came in for praise from those honoured, invitees and all participants alike and the organising committee, led by our Past President, Mr. Suranga Seneviratne deserves to be congratulated for a job done tremendously well.

The other matter is the resolution brought with the aim of helping the OBU to have the right person at the helm. Mr. Harin Gunawardena, a Past President of our OBU coordinated the efforts with the Batch Groups and the Gampaha Branch to ensure that we approached this difficult task in a methodical and professional manner and his efforts were brought to fruition with the relevant resolution passed at the Special General Meeting held on 30th May 2016.

I am also happy to record that during the year 2015/16, for the first time the OBU established a Branch at the Gampaha Branch of St. Peter's College and we wish the Branch President and his team all the very best for the future.

A very special Thank You to Mr. Algi Wijewickrema, our Hony General Secretary, who, as has been traditional, is the backbone of the Peterite OBU. His deep dedication to the OBU and College has certainly been an inspiration to us all. My special thanks also to Dion Saverimuttu, Mr. Shiran Yatagama, and as always, Mr. Haariz Rahaman, our silent tower of strength, who has been this "solid rock" of the OBU for over 25 years. I would also like to show my appreciation and offer my sincere thanks to the Committee of Management who worked tirelessly to achieve results for the OBU and College.

Let me, in conclusion thank Fr. Rector and the priest community for their support to the OBU and also the Batch Groups, the Gampaha Branch, the Foundations, sub-committees and overseas Branches for their unstinted cooperation and support to the OBU and College.

God bless you all

Romeish de Mel
President – St. Peter's College OBU

THE OLD BOYS' UNION

The Old Boys' Union (OBU) of St. Peter's College dates back to the year 1927, the same year that St. Peter's was officially promulgated (changing its name from St. Joseph's College South to St. Peter's), when the Old Boys formed themselves into a Union. The first Rector, Rev. Fr. Nicholas Perera OMI was also the first President of the Old Boys Union at its inauguration and up until Fr. Francis Madiwela (Rector in 1977) decided that the President of the OBU should be an Old Boy, Rectors continued to serve as Presidents. Since 1977, sixteen laymen have been Presidents and have rendered yeomen service to the OBU and College.

The Rectors who served as Ex-Officio Presidents of the OBU were Rev. Fathers D J Nicholas Perera OMI, Basil A Wiratunga OMI, Arthur Nicholas Fernando, Mervyn Weerakkody, Theodore Peiris OMI, Claver Perera and Francis Madiwela who rendered yeomen service to the OBU. During this period the Honorary Secretary had an important role to play as the Chief Executive Officer. Among these indefatigable Secretaries we have the pleasure of recalling the services rendered by M/s. Charles de Silva, Neville C R Weerasinghe (who served as the General Secretary for a considerable length of time), Major Edward Dias, P Julian Grero, Shirley Wijeratne, I M Wirasinghe and C E Maurice Perera.

When Fr. Francis Madiwela mooted the idea of a lay President for the OBU in 1977, a 3 man sub-committee comprising of M/s. J A R Felix (Chairman), C E Maurice Perera (Secretary) and George Wijesinghe was appointed to draft a new constitution which was unanimously adopted on the 4th of December that year and the first lay President of the OBU in the person of Mr. J A R Felix was unanimously elected while the Rector took up the post of Patron.

Since 1977 to date Mr. J A R Felix has been succeeded as President by M/s. Shelly Wickremasinghe, V P A Perera, Mano Chanmugam, General Deshamanya Denis Perera VSV, Ranjith Weerasena, C E Maurice Perera, Camillus R Abeygoonewardena DIG-Police, Nivard Cabraal, Gerry de Mel, Mano Chanmugam, (who served 2 terms), Harin Gunawardena, Suranga Seneviratne, Roshan Dharmaratne, Surgeon Commodore Nielhaan Samaranyake, Surgeon Rear Admiral N E L W Jayasekera VSV USP and the present incumbent Mr. Romeish de Mel who have, each in his own way, guided the destinies of the OBU with loyalty and dedication.

The Honorary General Secretaries during this period when lay Presidents led the OBU, have been no less diligent in the exercise of their duties and among them were M/s. Christie Rodrigo, Ernie Gunaratne, Terry William, Noel Jayasundera, Gerry de Mel (twice), Stanley Jayasinghe, Dunstan Fernando, Gihan Siribaddana, Nemantha Hatarasinghe, Kevin Edwards, Sriyan de Silva, Shehan D Fernando, Randy Roche, Haariz J Rahman (twice) and Denver Rozairo. The present holder of this office is Mr. Algi Wijewickrema.

When speaking about the Old Boys' Union we cannot forget the different Foundations, Batch Groups, our branch at Gampaha and Overseas Branches whose support to the OBU and College have been invaluable.

The OBU has over 6100 members and takes pride in the fact that the objectives of the Union as spelled out in the Constitution have been more than amply realised up to this 89th year of our existence.

GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT

The General Committee of Management has pleasure in submitting its Annual Report for the year 2015/16 together with the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2016. This Report was duly adopted by the General Committee at its meeting held on 26th May 2016.

As in the past the OBU was closely involved with the College in providing support, in whatever required form in the spheres of sports, academic activities and extra-curricular activities. Reports on the different activities that the OBU was involved in are detailed in this report.

Since the number of projects undertaken by the OBU in the past to support College has been so numerous, as in the year 2014/15, a deliberate effort was made this year too to ensure that instead of launching new projects the OBU should provide its fullest cooperation and support to complete and sustain the projects commenced in the past.

The Peterite Honours Night ceremoniously held on 13th February was after a lapse of 10 years and was a major event in the OBU's calendar for the year under review. The ceremony saw 73 Old Peterites receive the prestigious Peterite Honours and 3 others including another Peterite and Fr. Travis Gabriel, Rector Emeritus, awarded Special Honours. The Chief Guest for the event was also a distinguished Old Peterite, Prof. Rohan Jayasekara.

To have criteria for the election of the President of the OBU was considered important that the OBU, through discussions with its Batch Groups and the Gampaha Branch, formulated such criteria for Presidency and the Committee of Management proposed that these criteria be incorporated in the Constitution. A Special General Meeting to adopt the necessary resolution was held on Monday, 30th May 2016 at the D J Nicholas Perera Hall and the resolution was approved unanimously by the members present and consequently the OBU now has in its Constitution, criteria for the election of the President of the OBU.

The OBU records the termination of membership of Mr. Fabian Angunawala as ratified at the Committee meeting held on 10th March 2016.

The contribution by the Sub-Committees, Batch Groups, Foundations and the newly formed branch at Gampaha, in supporting the OBU and College was indeed praiseworthy and the Chairmen and the Presidents of these Sub-Committees, Batch Groups, Foundations and the Branch need to be congratulated for excellent work done by them.

Close links were maintained with the overseas branches and the magnanimous assistance received from many of them was indeed commendable benefiting both the OBU and our Alma Mater and we take this opportunity to say a big thank you to them for their generosity.

Composition of the General Committee of Management

Patron - Rev. Fr. Trevor Martin – Rector (Ex-Officio)

Vice Patrons - Rev. Fr. Felician R Perera (Ex-Officio)

- Rev. Fr. Travis Gabriel (Ex-Officio)
- Lankamanya (Dr.) Lester James Peiris
- Prof. Willie Mendis
- Prof. Ashley Halpe (up to 15th May 2016)
- Mr. Kumar Paul (Snr.)
- Mr. Mano Chanmugam
- Air Chief Marshal Roshan Goonetilleke
- Dr. Ananda Soysa
- Prof. Rohan Jayasekera
- Mr. Eardley Thilakaratne
- Mr. Nivard Cabraal

President	- Mr. Romeish de Mel
Immediate Past President	- Surgeon Rear Admiral N E L W Jayasekera VSV USP
Nominated Past Presidents	- Mr. Gerry de Mel - Mr. Suranga Seneviratne - Mr. Roshan Dharmaratne
Vice-Presidents	- Mr. Chanaka Goonewardene - Mr. Vishal Rodrigo - Mr. Jerry Anderson - Mr. Paul Newman - Mr. Ravika de Silva - Mr. Aruna Perera - Mr. Anthony Peiris (Rector's Nominee)
Hony General Secretary	- Mr. Algi Wijewickrema
Asst. General Secretary	- Mr. Haariz Rahman
Hony Treasurer	- Mr. Dion Saverimuttu
Asst. Treasurer	- Mr. Shiran Yatagama
Hony Editor	- Mr. Sujith Silva
Asst. Editor	- Mr. Dayan Georgesz

General Committee

Mr. Hilal Abdulla	Mr. Ramesh Rayappan	Mr. Shan Amarasekera
Mr. Dushantha Gunawardene	Mr. Warren Dalton	Mr. Asela Lihinikaduwa
Mr. Randy Roche	Mr. Charles Wijesuriya	Mr. Lindsay Melder
Mr. Ramesh Fonseka	Mr. Sanushka Perera	Mr. Anil Philips
Mr. Kevin Edwards	Mr. Kumantha Ranasinghe	Mr. Malinda Perera
Mr. Lawrence Paiva	Mr. Ravindra Lordon	Mr. Samitha Perera
Mr. Dinesh Rodrigo	Mr. Yuwanmini Landersz	
Mr. Dasun Hegoda (from Mar. 16)	Mr. Fouzan Ali (from Mar. 16)	
Mr. Chaminda Perera (up to Feb. 16 - Resigned)		
Mr. Kirkinston Michael (up to Jan. 16)		Mr. Sujeeva Dahanayake (up to Dec. 15)

Members Not Eligible for Election as Office Bearers

M/s. Jerome Bultjens and Jaan Fernando who had missed 3 consecutive meetings in the year 2013/14 and ceased to be Committee Members will not be eligible for election until the year 2017/18.

Mr. Vinoj de Silva who had missed 3 consecutive meetings in the year 2014/15 and ceased to be a Committee Member will not be eligible for election until the year 2018/19.

M/s. Sujeeva Dahanayake and Kirkinston Michael who missed 3 consecutive meetings in the year 2015/16 and ceased to be Committee Members will not be eligible for election until the year 2019/20.

The following Committee Members who have served 3 consecutive years from 2013/14 will not be eligible for re-election to the same office/post by virtue of the fact that they have served as General Committee members for 3 consecutive years. However they may be elected to any other office/post:

M/s. Ramesh Fonseka, Dinesh Rodrigo, Lindsay Melder, Sanushka Perera and Warren Dalton

General Committee Meetings

13 Committee meetings were held (2 in May '16) in the year 2015/16 and attendance of the Committee members at these meetings are given in the table below.

N. B. The Presidents of Foundations and the Chairmen of Sub-Committees who are members of the Committee of Management also attended meetings though their attendance is not recorded here.

#	Name	Total No. of Meetings	Present	Excused	Absent	Total Attended	%
1	Romeish de Mel	13	12	1	0	12	92%
2	Nicholas Jayasekera	13	1	6	6	1	8%
3	Gerry de Mel	13	11	2	0	11	85%
4	Suranga Seneviratne	13	13	0	0	13	100%
5	Roshan Dharmaratne	13	10	3	0	10	77%
6	Chanaka Goonewardene	13	10	2	1	10	77%
7	Vishal Rodrigo	13	9	4	0	9	69%
8	Jerry Anderson	13	13	0	0	13	100%
9	Paul Newman	13	12	1	0	12	92%
10	Ravika de Silva	13	13	0	0	13	100%
11	Aruna Perera	13	11	1	1	11	85%
12	Anthony Peiris (from Aug. '15)	12	4	4	4	4	33%
13	Algi Wijewickrema	13	13	0	0	13	100%
14	Haariz Rahman	13	13	0	0	13	100%
15	Dion Saverimuttu	13	10	3	0	10	77%
16	Shiran Yatagama	13	11	1	1	11	85%
17	Sujith Silva	13	8	4	1	8	62%
18	Dayan Georgesz	13	11	2	0	11	85%
19	Dushantha Gunewardene	13	11	2	0	11	85%
20	Hilal Abdulla	13	11	0	2	11	85%
21	Randy Roche	13	9	2	2	9	69%
22	Ramesh, Fonseka	13	7	6	0	7	54%
23	Kevin Edwards	13	11	2	0	11	85%
24	Kerkinston Michael (up to Jan '16) *	7	2	0	5	2	29%
25	Dasun Hegoda (from Mar '16)	5	4	1	0	4	80%
26	Lawrence Paiva	13	12	0	1	12	92%
27	Dinesh Rodrigo	13	8	4	1	8	62%
28	Ramesh Rayappan	13	11	1	1	11	85%
29	Warren Dalton	13	4	2	7	4	31%
30	Charles Wijesooriya	13	7	2	4	7	54%
31	Sanushka Perera	13	11	1	1	11	85%
32	Kumantha Ranasinghe	13	11	2	0	11	85%
33	Ravindra Lordon	13	10	3	0	10	77%
34	Yuwanmini Landersz	13	11	2	0	11	85%
35	Shan Amarasekera	13	7	3	3	7	54%
36	Asela Lihinikaduwa	13	11	2	0	11	85%
37	Lindsay Melder	13	8	4	1	8	62%
38	Chaminda Perera (Resigned in Feb '16) @	7	5	2	0	5	71%
39	Fouzan Ali (from March '16)	5	5	0	0	5	100%
40	Anil Phillips	13	10	3	0	10	77%
41	Sujeewa Dahanayake (up to Nov '15) *	5	2	0	3	2	40%
42	Malinda Perera	13	8	4	1	8	62%
43	Samitha Perera	13	7	5	1	7	54%

N.B.

* Committee membership terminated as per constitution, due to absence at 3 consecutive meetings

@ Resigned

Foundations, Sub-Committees and Affiliated Bodies

The following Served as Presidents or Chairmen and Secretaries of the respective Foundations, Sub-Committees and Affiliated Bodies:

Basketball Foundation

President – Mr. Amindra Wimalasena
Secretary – Mr. Ruwansha Godwin

Cricket Foundation

President – Mr. Amal Silva
Secretary – Mr. Kanishka Hewage

Football Foundation

President – Mr. Sampath Wickremasinghe
Secretary – Mr. Gehan de Silva

Rugby Foundation

President – Mr. Trinesh Fernando
Secretary – Mr. Ziyen Badhurdeen

Tennis Foundation

President – Mr. Shehan Ferdinandis
Secretary – Mr. Shalain Fernando

Track & Field Foundation

President – Mr. Manujaya Fernando
Secretary – Mr. Mario S Fernando

Academic Sub-Committee

Chairman – Mr. Chanaka Gunewardene
Secretary – Mr. Hishantha de Mel

Health Sub-Committee

Chairman – Mr. Naresh Raymond
Secretary – Mr. Lakshan Nanayakkara

Old Peterites' Sports Club (OPSC)

Chairman – Mr. Chaminda Perera (up to Feb. 16) and Mr. Ravika de Silva (from Mar. 16)
Secretary – Mr. Paul Newman

Old Boys' Union House – Lounge (OBUH)

Chairman – Mr. Jerry Anderson
Secretary – Mr. Dayan Georgesz

Members Enrolled During the Year

The Committee decided to adopt as a good practice, the reporting of the enrolment of new members in line with the financial year (April – March) instead of the period July - June.

Since the Annual Report of last year carried the names of those enrolled up to June 2015, we have reported in this year's Annual Report the names of those enrolled from July 2015 up to March 2016. Next year we will commence reporting those enrolled for the full financial year (April 2016 – March 2017) and continue thereafter to carry the names of those enrolled during the relevant financial years (April – March).

The following 309 were the Old Boys enrolled as members of the OBU during the period July 2015 – March 2016 (names given in alphabetical order for easy reference):

M/s. C.E.G.Abayasekara,	S.A.Abeykoon,	T.A.Abeykoon,
K.N.Abeyrathne,	H.S.Alwis,	K.I.S.Alwis,
L.R.Amerasinghe,	D.J.Anthony,	H.G.Anthony,
G.J.C.Aponso,	Y.O.Aponso,	K.Arulnathan,
J.S.Attidiyage,	K.G.L.Ayeshmantha,	A.N.Bandara,
H.M.A.M.Bandara,	S.A.H.Berhardt,	S.Y.Bolongne,
G.W.S.Christo,	B.A.Collins,	H.Cooray,
T.M.G.C.S.P.Cooray,	D.A.Crusz,	R.S.C.Dalpethado,
G.M.Daniel,	D.D.S.Dasanayake,	A.D.L.De Alwis,
A.C.De Alwis-Shu,	V.M.A.De Mel,	A.D.De Motte,
T.E.P.De Saa,	J.A.J.B.H.De Saram,	D.B.C.P.De Silva,
E.G.J.De Silva,	G.L.C.J.De Silva,	G.N.De Silva,
J.R.De Silva,	J.S.N.De Silva,	L.A.L.D.De Silva,
L.M.De Silva,	N.R.G.De Silva,	P.D.V.P.P.De Silva,
R.D.R.P.De Silva,	R.S.De Silva,	S.F.E.De Silva,
S.P.M.De Silva,	S.Y.De Silva,	U.P.M.De Silva,
R.M.De Zoysa Siriwardena,	M.A.Deen,	D.K.Delpachitra,
P.T.Delpachitra,	C.Dematanpitiya,	H.M.N.J.Deshan,
S.Dharmapriya,	D.M.P.Dias,	G.S.E.D.Dias,
M.S.L.Dias,	T.Dineshkanthan,	D.M.L.M.Dissanayake,
D.M.S.M.B.Dissanayake,	S.S.A.Dissanayake,	A.S.D.Dollewatte,
S.C.Edirisinghe,	A.S.Ekanayake,	M.R.Ferdinands,
A.H.Fernando,	A.K.Fernando,	A.P.C.Fernando,
A.T.M.Fernando,	C.B.S.Fernando,	D.A.Fernando,
D.S.D.Fernando,	E.P.T.R.Fernando,	H.H.Fernando,
J.A.Fernando,	M.L.S.S.Fernando,	M.M.A.M.S.Fernando,
M.N.Fernando,	M.Y.Fernando,	N.M.Fernando,
N.R.Fernando,	P.Fernando,	P.L.C.Fernando,
R.A.Fernando,	R.T.Fernando,	S.A.Fernando,
S.A.Fernando,	S.C.D.Fernando,	S.J.Fernando,
S.P.Fernando,	S.S.N.Fernando,	W.M.M.Fernando,
W.T.M.Fernando,	A.J.N.Fernandopulle,	J.M.V.Fernandopulle,
G.A.K.Fonseka,	G.W.L.R.Fonseka,	N.S.Fonseka,
Y.B.Fonseka,	M.G.D.R.Gamage,	D.Ganeshan,
J.S.T.Goonetilleke,	H.J.R.Goonewardene,	T.R.Goonewardene,
S.D.Govinnage,	N.M.Gunathilaka,	T.M.D.Gunatilleke,
W.M.N.D.Gunawardana,	D.P.G.V.Gunawardana,	S.T.Gunsekara,
M.Z.A.Ifaz,	M.G.Ifthikar,	I.M.Ihsan,
A.S.P.Ilangasekara,	H.D.S.E.Indula,	D.N.Isaac,
M.C.Jalangan,	M.S.Jalangan,	K.S.A.Jansz,
D.R.L.Jayakody,	D.D.A.U.Jayamaha,	D.D.R.C.Jayamaha,
N.S.Jayamaha,	C.D.Jayamanne,	M.P.Jayasekera,
M.D.S.Jayasinghe,	M.S.S.Jayasinghe,	N.V.Jayasundara,
S.I.G.Jayawardana,	T.M.Jayaweera,	M.F.Joswan,

D.S.Kaluarachchi,
A.D.Kariyawasam,
S.P.Kumar,
P.W.Lamahewa,
D.D.Lokuthota Hewage,
T.S.Mack,
R.E.Martenstyn,
M.R.R.Mohammed,
D.M.Moses,
L.S.Munasinghe,
H.L.Nanayakkara,
M.D.H.Nevamal,
S.Nithipan,
P.D.D.Palletenna,
H.Peiris,
S.V.Peiris,
C.J.R.Perera,
E.N.N.Perera,
H.K.Perera,
K.A.A.Perera,
L.W.Perera,
M.G.J.D.Perera,
P.D.N.Perera,
T.Perera,
V.V.Perera,
N.Primpan,
M.P.A.Pinto,
R.S.S.Pussadeniya,
K.D.Rajapakse,
D.M.L.B.Y.Rambukwella,
W.L.Ranasinghe,
S.M.Ranatunga,
R.C.Rayan,
M.A.Rifky,
B.K.F.N.Rodrigo,
V.R.Rubera,
H.D.Rupasinghe,
S.K.Ruvanwella,
A.M.Salih,
A.R.Samarasinghe,
M.S.Samarasinghe,
D.S.Sathasivam,
K.H.Senadeera,
D.A.P.J.Seneviratne,
E.B.P.Silva,
R.I.R.Silva,
.A.N.Somanader,
W.U.N.A.Soysa,
A.B.Suraweera,
W.F.K.Tharanga,
S.M.S.L.B.Thilakaratne,
M.A.Thremanna-Hettige,
S.Veeriah,
E.Wazeer,
A.G.Weerasinghe,
T.K.Wewelwela,
D.D.Wijerathne,
S.P.Wijesekera,
N.A.K.Wijewardena,

D.L.D.Kaluarachchige,
S.M.Kathriachchige,
S.A.A.Kumaratunga,
R.Y.Lenora,
W.D.Lorenz-Daniel,
C.V.Madurawala,
P.D.Medis,
M.A.Mohammed-Athas,
K.Moses,
D.S.Muthukumarana,
R.D.Nanyakkara,
P.O.Nilaweera,
M.S.S.Nizam,
C.E.Palliyaguru,
K.H.C.N.Peiris,
B.R.Perera,
D.H.A.K.T.Perera,
G.S.D.Perera,
H.Y.P.Perera,
K.R.S.Perera,
M.A.Perera,
M.K.R.M.Perera,
R.C.Perera,
V.M.Perera,
W.N.S.Perera,
R.A.R.Perumal,
D.A.Poulier,
A.J.N.Puvimanasinghe,
K.G.Rajapakse,
R.A.D.R.L.Ranasinghe,
R.M.K.P.Ranathunga,
W.L.N.H.Rathnayake,
D.E.Reid,
S.J.Roahana,
M.D.Rodrigo,
S.M.D.C.Rukshan,
P.L.Rupasinghe,
P.D.N.Sahan,
J.K.S.Samarajeewa,
J.L.D.Samarasinghe,
U.K.K.Sandeepa,
I.L.Sathgunalingam,
P.S.Senanayake,
D.J.R.Seneviratne,
L.S.D.Silva,
S.P.M.Silva,
L.A.Soris,
G.Subramaniam,
H.I.Suraweera,
M.N.Thassim,
K.Thiruchelvam,
T.M.Ubeysekera,
D.S.Vidanage,
G.C.Weerarathna,
N.W.Weralupitiya,
C.G.Wickramage,
G.K.Wijeratne,
Y.A.Wijethunga,
R.W.Wimalasiri,

P.St.J.R.Kanagasundram,
J.S.A.Kumar,
M.M.T.A.Kurera,
P.T.Liyanage,
M.J.Machado,
D.A.Martel,
B.A.P.K.Mendis,
M.S.Mohideen,
S.K.Moses,
J.V.Muttiah,
D.Navaratnam,
M.Q.Nishfan Rawoof,
V.C.A.Paiva,
S.A.Panditharatne,
K.S.A.Peiris,
C.Perera,
D.K.H.T.Perera,
H.A.S.P.Perera,
J.D.M.P.Perera,
L.A.Perera,
M.D.A.G.Perera,
N.P.Perera,
S.R.J.Perera,
V.T.M.Perera,
C.C.J.Peries,
S.Perumal,
B.L.D.C.Priyanthamal,
Z.A.Quasi,
R.Ramakrishnan,
S.S.Ranasinghe,
R.N.Ranatunga,
E.W.S.Ravhansa,
M.H.N.N.Reyal,
S.J.J.Roche,
R.K.Rodrigo,
W.A.D.P.Rukshan,
N.D.M.Rushaine,
M.R.Saheed,
A.L.Samarasinghe,
M.S.Samarasinghe,
M.Saranapala,
I.S.Saverus,
A.Seneviratne,
C.S.L.Silva,
N.Silva,
C.Siriwardana,
S.J.Soysa,
G.Sundaramoorthy,
J.M.D.S.Tharaka,
S.Thavendran,
D.A.Thomas,
D.N.Vaas,
P.Vinoth,
R.D.Weerasingha,
D.T.L.Wettasinghe,
W.M.D.R.P.Wickramasinghe,
M.Wijesekera,
C.I.Wijetunga,
B.P.Zeegas.

In Memoriam

Based on information provided to the General Committee, we place on record the passing away of the following Old Peterites, Staff and Students during the year and offer our deepest sympathies to their families:

Rev. Fr. Anthony Malaviarchchi,
Dr Sivakumar Vedavanam,
Rukshantha Kumar Kanagalingam,
Cyril Goonetilleke,
Christie Gomesz,
Desmond Dharmarajah,
L P Ernst,
Joseph James Jayawardena,
Malcolm Van Arkadie,
Vernon Crusz,
Umar Ali Manikku,
Bernard Jinadasa,
Glennie Outschoorn,
Samadara Rodrigo
Ranjith Amarasekara

Prof. Ashley Halpe (Vice Patron),
M/s. Cornel Warne,
M A C Farook,
Chris Peters,
Chathura Silva,
Francis Vedanayagam,
Rex de Silva,
Lester Perera,
Arthur Fernandez,
Stanley Arnold,
Dilip Motha,
Richard Gabriel,
Chathura Chinthaka Silva,
Herbert Prins

Dr. Adiel Anghie
Iresha Lodowyke,
Upul Fernando,
Melville Fernando,
Joseph de Saram,
Anderson Algama,
Ronald Salvadore,
Patrick Ababhayaratne,
G C G Karaunaratne,
Cecil Heyn,
Andrew Kelaart,
Jeremy Pavy,
Mahesh Nagarajah,
Alavi Moulana

Members of staff - Mr. Tony Martin, Ms. Deepthi de Silva and Ms. Rita Fernando

Students - Mast. Sachinda Fernando and Mast. Sonal Perera

May they rest in peace!

Activities During the Year

The Honours Night

As mentioned in the preamble to this report, one of the major events held by the OBU in the year under review was the Peterite Honours Night which was held after a lapse on 10 years. The Organising Committee ably led by Mr. Suranga Seneviratne, Nominated Past President, surpassed everyone's expectation in conducting this event which was held on 13th February this year. 73 Old Peterites received Peterite Honours under 11 different categories. In addition 3 others including another Old Peterite, the former Rector, Rev. Fr. Travis Gabriel were awarded Special Honours for their loyal and dedicated services to College.

Those receiving Peterite Honours at this year's ceremony were:-

Dr. Noel Perin (posthumous)	Dr. Chrishan Jayamaha	Dr. Nielhaan Samaranayake
Dr. Nicholas Jayasekera	Dr. Ajith Perera	Mr. Shavindra Fernando
Mr. Aubrey Joachim	Mr. Suren Perera	Mr. Vijaya Paranaheva
Mr. Rukshan Dias (posthumous)	Mr. Lalith Seneviratne	Mr. Brian Ratnayake
Mr. Roshan Dharmaratne	Mr. Roshan Hettiarachchi	Mr. Russel Weerappa
Mr. Don Andrew Liyanage	Mr. S. Rube Fernando	Mr. Namal Gomes
Mr. Sudath Perera	Mr. Marlon Fernando	Mr. Dushantha Gunewardene
Mr. Ebert Silva (posthumous)	Mr. Jerry Anderson	Mr. Dirk Pereira
Mr. Upali Obeyesekere	Mr. Jude Fernando	Mr. Suraj Perera
Mr. Damitha Gomes	Mr. Rukman Seneviratne	Mr. Nalin Jayasundera
Mr. Mahen Kariyawasn	Mr. Asela Lihinikaduwa	Mr. Harin Gunewardena
Mr. Quintus Perera	Mr. Amindra Wimalasena	Mr. Prsanna Wimalasena
Mr. Sanjeeva Abeygoonewardene	Mr. Sheron Fernando	Mr. Mahinda Saranapala
Mr. Nishantha Jayasooriya	Mr. Kevin Edwards	Mr. Sumedha Fernando
Mr. Anselm Perera	Mr. Misver Deane	Dr. Nirmal de Silva
Mr. Randy Roche	Mr. Aubrey Saverimuttu	Mr. Cedric de Silva
Mr. Joachim Caspersz	Mr. Nishantha Senaveratne	Mr. Maxwell Cruz
Mr. Mike Harridge	Mr. Ranil Jayawardena	Mr. Christie Mariuathasan
Mr. Paul Newman	Mr. Panduka Ranasinghe	Mr. Ranmore Martinez
Mr. Angelo Perera	Mr. Andre Berenger	Mr. Srimantha Wijeyeratne
Mr. Shehan Fernano	Mr. Dimithra Gunasekera	Mr. Rajeew Perera
Mr. Suhiru Anthony	Mr. Sharo Fernando	Mr. Anuradha Herath
Mr. Sandun Herath	Mr. Lee Keegel	Mr. Ishan Noor
Mr. Dulaj Perera	Mr. Danushka Ranjan	Mr. Shenal Dias
Mr. T Dineshkanthan	Rev. Fr. Travis Gabriel	Mr. Basil Dabare
Mr. Lal Perera		

The Chief Guest at this colourful and memorable night was Prof. Rohan Jayasekara, a distinguished Old Peterite who was accompanied by his wife.

The entire programme from the welcome to the on screen presentation of citations, the souvenir published and the fellowship after the conclusion of the Honours presentation came in for high praise from all quarters.

Establishment of an OBU Branch at the Gampaha Branch of College

Consequent to the passing of the resolution at the last AGM, to establish a branch of the OBU at the Gampaha Branch of St. Peter's College, with the active support of the Committee of Management, the Inaugural General Meeting (IGM) of St. Peter's College Colombo's Gamapaha Branch was held on 8th November 2015 at St. Peter's College, Gampaha Branch.

Rev. Fr. Lakmin Silva, Director of the Gampaha Branch along with Mr. Mathew Bernard, Vice-Principal, Mr. Romeish de Mel, President of OBU and Mr. Algi Wijewickrama, Hony General Secretary of the OBU were present at this occasion which will be a milestone in the history of the OBU.

More details relating to the IGM and the activities of the Branch are included under Branch activities in this report.

Teacher Insurance

The Teacher Insurance scheme to meet their medical expenses is funded by the OBU and this continued this year too. The renewal of the policy was done effective February 2016 and the policy holder cards were presented to the staff.

Dance Committee

It is with great pleasure that we record the success of yet another OBU Dance “Golden Gleam 2015” which was themed “A Night at the Oscars”.

It was held at the Colombo Hilton on the 8th of August 2015 and was patronized by Peterites, well wishers and the Priest Community of St. Peter’s College. The dance generated a profit of Rs.3.2 million.

Bands “Misty” and “Black” shared the band stand and kept the dance floor alive. Competitions and guest dance performances helped the Golden Gleam 2015 to reach a truly Oscar winning level for a dance. Mr. Vishal Rodrigo (Chairman) and his committee members, which included their spouses, deserve to be congratulated.

Welcome of Year 1 Students

The OBU was involved in the past several years in the arrangements made by College – both at Colombo and Gampaha – to welcome the year 1 students to College on their 1st day at school and this practice continued this year too.

At Colombo

The 1st day at School Programme to welcome the new entrants to Year 1 at St. Peter’s College was held on the 19th January 2016 with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel by Fr. Trevor Martin, Rector, assisted by the Principal of the Primary Fr. Samith Rangana and the priest community. The Head Mistress together with the tutorial staff of the primary section and some members of the OBU Committee also participated in the prayer service. As is customary the OBU Committee members comprising of the President, Mr. Romeish De Mel, Past Presidents and a number of committee members pinned the “1st Day at School” badge on the shirts of all the new students and hosted the little ones to refreshments at their respective class rooms.

At Gampaha

The welcome ceremony for the new entrants at the Gampaha branch was held on Monday, 18th January 2016. The event saw the band leading the Director of the Branch School, Rev. Fr. Lakmin Silva, staff and Mr. Algi Wijewickrema, Hony General Secretary, representing the OBU to the school hall where the new students had congregated with their parents. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was held at the hall and after a welcome dance by older children the “1st Day at School” badges were pinned on the new students before they were led away to their classes by the Year 2 students.

Other OBU events such as the Inter Batch Cricket Tournament, Sing-Along, Stag Night 2016, the OBU enclosure at the Joe-Pete 50 Over Match and a Medical Camp for Staff are reported elsewhere in this report.

Reports on the OPSC, Sports Foundations and the OBUH

Old Peterites' Sports Club (OPSC)

The OPSC Committee consisted of the following:

The President – Mr. Chaminda Perera (up to early Feb 2016) / Mr. Ravika de Silva (from February 2016)

Secretary - Mr. Paul Newman

Advisor - Mr. Suranga Seneviratne

Committee member - Mr. Kumantha Ranasinghe

Saints Quadrangular Tournament

In the Saints Quadrangular tournament St. Peter's College Old boys were the winners of the main cricket tournament and the over 40s tournament. The Peterite Old Boys were also winners of the rugby tournament though not lucky at Basketball this time.

The Inter Batch 6 a side Soft Ball Cricket Tournament for the Gerry de Mel Trophy

This tournament was successfully organized by the OPSC and all who participated and the spectators too had a great time. The Chief Guest was a past Peterite cricketer, athlete, basketball player and President of the NCC, Mr. Marlon Ranasinghe.

In the veterans' trophy matches the winners were the 83-86 batch who received the Dr. Nielhaan Samaranyake memorial trophy and the runners up were the 71-74 batch who received the Malik Mendis memorial trophy.

In the main tournament, the 2013 batch were the winners of the Gerry de Mel challenge trophy while the runners up were the 2010 batch who were awarded the Suraj Perera challenge trophy.

Individual awards in the main tournament were won by the following:

Best Fielder - Mr. Lahiru Milantha (2013), Best Bowler - Mr. Ravishka Fernando (2013), Best Batsman - Mr. Angelo Emmanuel (2010) and the Man of the Series - Mr. Shashen Fernando (2013).

Hockey

The Old Peterites hockey team had participated in the Colombo Hockey Association (CHA) Tournament - League, nine a-side and the knockout segments and emerged Runners-up in the knockout segment.

OPSC had jointly organized TPT (Thomas', Peter's, Trinity) Hockey Carnival at which the Peterites were winners in the age groups of 20 - 30 and over 40 and emerged runners-up in the 30 - 40 age group category.

Fr. Rector has appointed Mr. Rohan Dissanayake as the Technical Consultant and M/s. Indika Jinase-na and Ravika de Silva to coordinate Hockey at College.

A recruitment drive has been completed among students of Grade 4 & 5 by the OPSC.

A few coaching camps had also been conducted for all age groups and the OPSC is in the process of streamlining College Hockey covering all aspects.

Cricket Foundation (CF)

Past Cricketers' Dinner (Joint Event with St. Joseph's College Past Cricketers Association)

Organised by a joint committee, comprising of Josephians and Peterites, the event was held at Waters Edge in February 2015, in the lead up to the big match. This had seen many Peterite Old Boys and past cricketers in attendance.

Annual Big-Match and Limited Overs encounters

The CF played key roles in the Joint Organizing Committee with St. Joseph's College with regard to the organising of the Big Match and the limited over match.

Tuskers Tent at the Joe-Pete Big Match (Jointly Organised with the SJC, Past Cricketers' Association)

Organised by a joint committee with members of the Joes' Past Cricketers' Association, the tent had been an outstanding success with tickets being sold out. The tent had been well patronized by batch groups, past cricketers, old boys and their guests.

Supporting the Saints Quadrangular

Members of the CF also extended technical and organizing support towards the Saints Quadrangular event.

Sourcing Sponsorships for the Senior Cricket Teams

The Cricket Foundation had sourced cash, materials and clothing valued at over Rs.1.1 million during the year in support of College Cricket.

Team Building/ Motivational programmes for the Senior Cricket Teams

The CF had been instrumental in finding resource persons for the team building and motivational programmes organised by College authorities and in addition had met part of the costs of these programmes.

Felicitation Dinner and Overseas Tour for the 1st XI Cricket Team

A felicitation dinner in appreciation of a successful season where the St. Peter's College 1st XI team ended the season as the joint League Champions and the undisputed T20 Champions in tournaments conducted by the Sri Lanka Schools Cricket Association and to recognise the players, coaching staff and support staff was held on 27th May 2016 at Waters Edge. This was a grand function and came in for praise by all participants.

An overseas tour to Malaysia is also being organised by the Cricket Foundation to take place from 6th to 9th June 2016.

While thanking Mr. Keerthi Gunaratne for his services to Peterite Cricket we record pleasure the appointment Mr. Malinda Warnapura as the new Head Coach during this year.

Football Foundation (FF)

AGM

The AGM of the Football Foundation had been held on 10th June 2015 and Mr. Sampath Wickramasinghe had been elected President with M/s. Warren Dalton and Asiri Wickamasooriya as Vice Presidents, Mr. Gehan de Silva as Secretary, Mr. Tharanga Fernando as Treasurer, M/s. Rifaath Fuard and Arjuna Muttiah as Assistants and 8 others as Committee members.

Supporting College

During the year the FF had supported College football through the following:

- Providing the required footballs for junior and senior teams
- Renovating and painting the goal Posts
- Providing a pair of goal nets
- Providing materials for practice and drill
- Providing playing attire (jerseys and shorts) for all age groups, viz under 13, 15, 17 and 19

The Football Foundation had also provided financial sponsorships through the donation Rs.110,000/- each for four under 19 Peterite Soccer players who had been selected to represent Sri Lanka Schools Football Team which toured China for the Asian Schools Football Tournament.

Events Organized by the FF

- A parents meeting to provide awareness on St. Peter's football and to invite them to act as partners to develop football at College
- Hosting the Press Conference headed by the two Rectors prior to the Big Match
- Organizing the mega event in the school's football calendar, the Silver Jubilee of the Josephian-Peterite annual encounter which was held on 23rd October 2015 at the CR & FC grounds. This encounter is the longest continuous Big Match in football in Sri Lanka at school level. The event was jointly organized by College and the Football Foundation along with the St. Joseph's College and their Football Advisory Board.

All in all Peterite Football flies high in all age groups and they have achieved great results in the tournaments they participated.

Peterite Soccer Achievements

- Champions – U19 - Indoor Futsal Soccer Carnival - 3
- Winners – U19 - Josephian-Peterite 25th Jubilee Soccer Encounter
- Winners – U15 - Josephian-Peterite Annual Soccer Encounter
- Joint-Winners – U13 - Josephian-Peterite Annual Soccer Encounter
- Cup Champions – U19 - 7th Joes Futsal Carnival
- Cup Runners-up – U15 - 7th Joes Futsal Carnival
- District Champions – U15 Samaposha All Island Schools Football Tournament - 2015
- Qualified for the Super Eight in All Island Schools Football Tournament - 2015 and the second round matches are to be played soon.

Rugby Foundation (RF)

In February 2016 Rev. Fr. Trevor Martin, Rector appointed Mr. Colin Denish as head coach of Rugby. This was after the originally appointed head coach for 2016 Mr. Ronnie Ibrahim parted ways amicably with SPC Rugby due to personal reasons.

In August 2015 Fr. Rector appointed a Rugby Advisory Committee (RAC) with several RF members invited to join the RAC to advise Father on college rugby matters, if required by him.

In December 2015, the Inter House Rugby Tournament of SPC had been conducted very successfully with the participation of over 500 students, college officials, RF membership and many old boys. The Chief Guest was Rev. Fr. Trevor Martin and this event had been spearheaded by Mr. Chanaka Goonewardena supported by several RF members in the organizing committee.

There had been two meetings conducted by College in September 2015 and February 2016 with the participation of all the coaches and the senior squad where Fr. Rector had elaborated on the guidelines for students and reiterated the framework/requirements expected by SPC from the College Rugby team.

There had been a rugby workshop conducted by the Head coach, Mr. Denish for all coaches and trainers from Under 10 to Under 20 age groups with regard the practice plan and process for 2016.

The Annual "Legends Game" between Present Boys and Old Boys had been played on 6th March 2016 at Havelock Park in front of an enthusiastic crowd of Old Peterites. The Rector, Rev. Fr. Trevor Martin had graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. The Present boys had won a hard fought match at the end of eighty minutes. It has been reported that a member of the Rugby Advisory Committee and the Rugby Foundation had generously come forward with a financial contribution ensuring the conducting of this match.

The Rugby Foundation is headed by its President Mr. Trinesh Fernando with Mr. Ziayn Badhurdeen functioning as Secretary.

Tennis Foundation (TF)

During the 4th week of June 2015, St. Peter's College created Tennis History by becoming the only School in Sri Lanka to win all three age groups to emerge All Island Inter-Schools Tennis Champions. St Peter's won the Under 15, 17 & 19 age groups in a "White Wash" defeating all Schools.

In recognition of this momentous achievement the TF felicitated the players. The Felicitation Ceremony was held on 24th July 2015 at the College Hall with the patronage of Rev. Fr. Trevor Martin, Rector and other distinguished guests, members of the Tennis Foundation, former tennis players and parents all numbering over 250 were present at the occasion. A video presentation going down memory lane was followed by the awards presentation and fellowship.

The TF also hosted the annual encounter between the old boys and the present boys in January 2016. The event was a success where Peterite tennis players of 18 years gathered for an afternoon of tennis, fun and fellowship.

The Tennis Foundation wishes to recognise the roles played by the Head Coach, Mr. K. D. Y. Pathiraja and Mr. Bernard Jesuthasan, Master in Charge of tennis and also thank Fr. Trevor Martin, Rector and Fr. Thilina Pethum, Sports Coordinator for the collaborative support provided.

The President of the Tennis Foundation is Mr. Shehan Ferdinandis.

Track & Field Foundation (T&F F)

Mr. Manujaya Fernando had been elected President for the year 2015/16 at the AGM held last year and Mr. Mario Fernando as Secretary.

Importance of Nutrients

A programme to educate the parents of the athletes on the importance of taking healthy nutrients for the athletes had been organized by the T&F F in July 2015. Dr. Ajith Perera and Mrs. Janakie Perera had made a very good presentation on the subject at this meeting and a few parents had made use of this opportunity to donate a water dispenser to the college.

Coaching Camp & Parent Briefing

A two day coaching camp had also been conducted by the T&F F in July 2015 for the junior athletes at college grounds along with a motivational programme carried out simultaneously.

A meeting had been organized for the parents of the athletes to brief them of the plan of the Track & Field Foundation for the year.

Athletics Quadrangular

The Track & Field Foundation was able to successfully organize and host the Quadrangular Athletic meet among the four leading Catholic schools after a lapse of 25 long years. There was enthusiastic participation among both the Old Boys and present boys from all four schools.

St. Benedict's College won the trophy in the present boys' category whilst St. Peter's College won the trophy in the Old Boys' category. The Chief Guest at this event was a distinguished Old Peterite Dr. Rohantha Athukorala.

Old Boys' Union House (OBUH)/ Lounge

The activities of the Old Boys' Union House for the period under review were organised by a committee under the Chairmanship of Mr. Jerry Anderson.

During the period under review the Committee focused on completing some of the urgent improvements required for the secretariat building, the lounge and the kitchen.

The committee also organized a number of events with the objective of increasing patronage at the OBUH Lounge and generating funds.

Club Night – September

The first club night for the year was organised on 18th September 2015 at the OBUH Lounge. This was organised to coincide with the improvements done to the kitchen and the arrival of a new caterer.

Pete Fest (Oktober Fest)

The 'Pete Fest' organised in the style of "Oktober Fest" was held on 17th October 2015. The ambiance of the German festival was created with the décor, furniture and themed food & beverages. This came for the praise of all who participated.

Lighting of the Christmas Tree

The Christmas season at the Lounge commenced with the Lighting of the Christmas tree by Mr. Romeish de Mel, President of the OBU, on 4th December 2015 followed by a social and singing of Christmas carols. This has now become a tradition at the Lounge.

Annual Christmas Sing-Along

The annual Christmas Sing-along was held on 19th December 2015 with the popular band 'Pearl' leading the Petes in singing. This was held at the College hall with over 300 Peterites and friends in attendance. Those present thoroughly enjoyed themselves singing with the band and there were some who won "money bags" at this well organised event which also generated profits for the OBU.

Annual Stag Night

The Annual "Stag Night" was held at the College grounds on 3rd March 2016. This year the Stag Night saw an unprecedented gathering of over 500 old boys of all ages. The band 'Fire' and many guest artists entertained the Old Boys gathered while they reminisced years gone by.

The OBU Enclosure at the Joe-Pete 50 Over Match

A special enclosure which was named after Past President, Dr. Nielhaan Samaranayake was organised by the OBUH. The ticket price included a special lunch and beverages and needless to say it was a sellout.

Joe-Pete Big Match and Fifty Over 'After Parties'

The 'After Parties' which were held after both days of the Joe-Pete Big Match and after the Fifty Over Cricket Fixture saw old boys, spouses and friends in great numbers at the OBUH Lounge.

Improvements to the OBU Secretariat and Peterite Lounge

The Lounge area walls have been painted and the ground floor bar area renovated by painting walls and floor repairs.

A number of equipment required for the proper functioning of the kitchen including stoves, a stainless steel work top, deep freezer and refrigerators have been installed in the kitchen to improve the quality of the kitchen.

The OBU together with the OBUH & Lounge Committee invite all Old Peterites and members of the OBU to become members of the OBUH Lounge and patronize the Lounge in order to ensure its continued existence.

A takeaway counter was constructed at the Lounge and will soon be operational.

Sri Lanka Branch Activities (Gampaha)

Inaugural General Meeting

With the OBU passing the resolution at the 87th AGM (last year) to establish a branch of the OBU at the Gampaha Branch of St. Peter's College, the Inaugural General Meeting (IGM) of St. Peter's College Colombo's Gamapaha Branch was held on 8th November 2015 at the Gampaha Branch premises. Among the participants were Rev. Fr. Lakmin Silva, Director of the Gampaha Branch, Mr. Mathew Bernard, Vice-Principal, Mr. Romeish de Mel, President of OBU and Mr. Algi Wijewickrama, Hony General Secretary of the OBU.

The following Office Bearers were elected along with 6 Committee members:

Patron – Rev. Fr. Trevor Martin – Rector, St. Peter's College
Vice-Patrons (ex-officio) – Rev. Fr. Lakmin Silva (Director, Gampaha Branch)
– Mr. Romeish de Mel (President – OBU, St. Peter's College)

President – Mr. Malinda Perera
Hony General Secretary – Mr. Samitha Perera
Hony Treasurer – Mr. Roshan Milinda
Assistant Secretary – Mr. Shaminda Perera
Assistant Treasurer – Mr. Nalinda Perera

Membership development Programme

This has been one of the major events in their calendar. In July 2015 they had organized a meeting for the students who were sitting the Advance Level examination and given them the opportunity to enroll as members of the OBU just after their examination. Refreshments had also been served for the students.

Silver Sheen 2015

The annual Christmas gathering "Silver Sheen 2015" had been held on 12th of December 2015. This is one of the major activities organised by the Gamapaha Branch in their events calendar.

Annual Scholarship Program

Every year during the Christmas season they donate stationery and fund some students who find it difficult to pay the fees in ensuing academic year. This project is called "Brother to Brother" and with the help of the 2011 Batch they had donated stationery and funded some students in need.

Annual Cricket Carnival

The Annual Peterite Cricket Carnival had been held on 3rd of April 2016 at Gamapaha Branch grounds and successfully completed in the presence of an enthusiastic crowd. The Champions for the year had been the 2010 Batch and runners up, the 2009 Batch.

Renovation of Director's Office

SPC OBU Gampaha Branch Committee of Management had decided to renovate the Director's Office and that had been successfully completed with the support of many Old Peterites who are employed overseas.

Donation towards Sports at School

The main donation of the branch had been providing required swimming equipment to the College swimming squad with the help of 2004 Batch Group.

AGM - 2015



OBU EVENTS

Golden Glean 2015



1st Day at school - Colombo & Gampaha



OBU EVENTS (Cont.)

Honours Night



Health Camp



OPSC , OBUH & Gampaha Branch

Sing-Along



OPSC



Gampaha Branch



Reports on Batch Group and Sub-Committee Activities

Pre-Seventies Batch

The 2015 Annual General Meeting

The 8th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Batch had been held on 29th May 2015 with Rev. Fr. Trevor Martin, Rector and the President of the OBU, Mr. Romeish de Mel and over 40 members attending.

At the AGM the following had been elected as office bearers:

President – Mr. Harold Jansz (re-elected)
Immediate Past-President Maj. Jayantha Atapattu (Retd)
Senior Vice President - Mr. Algi Wijewickrema
Vice President - Mr. Eraj Balasuriya
Hony General Secretary - Mr. Malcolm Atton
Hony Treasurer - Mr. Nihal Wijeratne
Hony Asst. General Secretary - Mr. Howard Daniels
Hony Asst. Treasurer - Mr. Srinath Fernando

Eight other Committee members had also been elected along with Mr. Cedric de Silva as the Hony Auditor.

The Patrons is Fr. Trevor Martin (Rector) while the Vice-Patrons are Mr. Romeish de Mel, President of the OBU (ex-officio) and M/s. Ashantha Tim Andradi and Harindra Sirisena.

Sub Committees

Two Sub-Committees had functioned during the year to handle their scholarship scheme and the events. The scholarship sub-committee had been chaired by Mr. Algi Wijewickrema and the events sub-committee by Mr. David Cruz.

The Scholarship Programme

The scholarship programme for needy students which had commenced in 2010 had seen 10 scholarships awarded during the year 2015/16 at a cost of Rs.177,200/-. Provision has also been made to award ten scholarships during the year 2016/17 and the batch is considering increasing the number of scholarships depending on funds received.

They wish to express their gratitude to the several Old Peterite donors from their batch whose donations had enabled them to continue with the scheme.

Activities

The 8th Annual get together of the Old Peterites' Group of Pre 1970 "In St. Peter's Bowers" had been held on 28th November, 2015 at the Grand Oriental Hotel (GOH), Rainbow Ballroom to a sellout crowd of over 190 persons. Part of the funds generated from this event are used to support the scholarship programme of the batch

The 9th Annual get together is scheduled for Saturday, 26th November 2016, at the GOH, Rainbow Ballroom and they are planning to make this another memorable event.

A members "stag" get together had also been held on Sunday, 24th April, 2016 at Hotel Randiya, Moratuwa which had been attended by 48 members.

OBU Cricket Tournament

The six a side soft ball cricket tournament for the "Gerry de Mel Trophy" organised by the Old Boys' Union, held on 1st November 2015 had seen the following batch members participate in the tournament:

M/s. Hector Pietersz (Capt), Hilal Abdulla, Rodney Martenstyn, Jayantha Atapattu, Erajh Balasuriya, Mahinda Saranapala, Cyril Wijesena and Anton Blake.

Achievements of members of the Batch

Three members of the Batch have been recognised as follows:

- Mr. Srinath Fernando who continues as President of the Welfare Society of St. Peter's College
- Mr. Algi Wijewickrema who was re-elected as the Hony. General Secretary of the OBU
- Mr. Hilal Abdulla who was elected to the OBU committee as a representative of the Pre 1975 group

1971 –74 Batch

Residential Get Together

The 1971-74 Batch had organized a Residential Get-Together for the Sixth Time on 5th September 2015 at The Tangerine Beach Hotel, Kalutara.

This successful event had been attended by about 55 members and their families with the fellowship going past mid-night on the 1st day and all the participants taking part in indoor games. A raffle draw had seen a member win the 1st prize of a return Air Ticket sponsored by a batch mate.

On the 2nd day spouses too had been entertained with a cookery demonstration conducted by the Executive chef of Tangerine Hotel.

6 A Side Cricket Tournament

The Batch group had participated in the inter batch six a side soft ball cricket tournament for the Gerry De Mel Trophy organized by the OBU on 1st November 2015 at the College grounds. In the veterans category the 71-74 batch had received the Malik Mendis memorial trophy emerging runners up losing to the much younger 83-86 batch in the finals.

The Team had comprised of M/s. Anthony Martinus (Capt), Ayantha Panditaratna, Rohan Rodrigo, Suranjan Keerthisinghe, Worrell Obeyesekere and Hiran Fernando.

Overseas Members Visiting Sri Lanka

Whenever batch members from overseas visited Sri Lanka the Batch had taken time to organize a get-together to maintain relationships and had hosted batch mates at the Navy Light House Galley for dinner on the 18th and 30th December 2015 respectively.

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the 71 – 74 Batch had been held on 28th February 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at Ranmal Holiday Resort (Ramadia),Gorakana, Moratuwa.

The office bearers elected for the Year 2016/ 2017 had been as follows:

Mr. Malsri Fernando	- President
Mr. Hiran Fernando	- Secretary
Mr. LalanthaHerath	- Treasurer
Mr. LakshmanAbeyratna	- Asst. Secretary
Mr. Amal De Livera	- Asst. Treasurer
Mr. Roshan Perera	- Auditor

The annual get together had also been held on the same day at Ranmal Holiday Resort, Moratuwa with the participation of over 75 of members and their families, with live music and dancing followed by lunch.

Achievements

A proud moment for the batch had been when batch mate and IPP of the OBU, Surgeon Rear Admiral Dr. Nicholas Jayasekera, was appointed the first Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Tertiary Care Teaching Hospital of General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University (KDU) from April 18 2016 onwards.

1983 – 86 Batch

The AGM of the 1983-86 Batch had been held on 19th June 2015 at the Sr. Flora Hall and the Office Bearers elected had been as follows:

President – Mr. Sherard Benedict Perera
Immediate Past President – Mr. Lawrence Paiva
Vice-President – Mr. Mevan De Silva
Secretary – Mr. Geoffrey Wijetilleke
Treasurer – Mr. Ruwan Dharmawardane
Asst. Secretary – Mr. Charitha Perera
Asst. Treasurer – Mr. Nalaka Silva

Six Batch Coordinators had also been elected at this AGM.

Batch Stag Nite

A “Stag Night” had been organised and held for the first time on 18th September 2015 at BARS Cafe, Colombo and they hope to make this an annual event.

Christmas Glitz

“Christmas Glitz” 2015 (Xmas Party) held on 5th December 2015 at “Paradise Beach Pavilion”, Mt. Lavinia had been the Batch family get-together during the festive season and the event had been organised for the 3rd consecutive year.

Gerry de Mel Trophy

The 83-86 Batch were the veterans’ champions at the Gerry De Mel Trophy 6-a-side cricket tournament of the OBU which was held at College grounds on 1st November 2015.

Petes Go-Retro

By the time this Annual Report is published, a musical evening of singing and dancing would have been held on 11th June 2016 at Grand Monarch, Thalawathugoda by this Batch. The objective of this annual event is to generate funds for various projects undertaken by them to uplift the standards of College. This year too, they had embarked on the development of the Rev. Sr. Flora Lecture Hall with continued investment with the Air Conditioners at the lecture hall serviced and the sound systems tested as part of this project.

1987 – 92 Batch

Teachers’ Day Fund Raiser - Marians Night

The Old Peterites group of 87-92 better known as “Legends “, for the 3rd successive year had organized the Marians Musical evening with Ronnie Leitch at the Empire Ball Room of Mount Lavinia Hotel on 4th September 2015. This had been held to raise funds for the Annual Teachers’ day outing to coincide with the World Teachers’ day celebrations in October.

Teachers’ Day Outing at the Club Bentota

For the 14th consecutive year the batch group of 87-92 had organized the Teachers’ Day outing on 17th October 2015 for the entire staff and the priest community of the College including the Gampaha branch. The event included a motivation speaker and a few team building games.

The Annual War Heroes Memorial Mass

Since our Alma Mater, St. Peter’s College has produced many who have made the supreme sacrifice to protect our motherland it has been a tradition of this Batch Group to salute our own brothers who have given their lives to protect the country. They have continued to remember and honour these Peterites every year during the month of November for the past five years and on 2nd November 2015 they had the remembrance programme with Holy Mass and laying of flowers at the War Heroes’ Memorial at College

1993 – 94 Batch

AGM

The AGM had been held on 6th June 2015 with a participation of 60 members and the Committee elected includes the following Office Bearers along with 10 other Committee members:

President - Mr. Anil Phillips
Vice President - Mr. Niroschan Mangamuni
Vice President - Mr. Ramesh Rayappan
General Secretary - Mr. Ravika de Silva
Treasurer - Mr. Malinda Nanayakkara
Asst. Secretary - Mr. Nadun Gomes
Asst. Treasurer - Mr. Thusitha Nissanka.

The batch is also well represented in the OBU management committee through the following members:

Mr. Ravika de Silva - Vice President/ OPSC President (from Feb 2016); Mr. Sujith Silva – Hony Editor; M/s. Ramesh Rayappan, Anil Phillips and Warren Dalton - Committee members.

Motivational Programmes for A/L students

Two motivational programmes for the A/L students had been carried out by the Batch – one for the students of the Bio Stream at which 2 doctors from the batch had made valuable presentations and the other for the Math students at which IT had been the focus and here too a member of the batch had been the presenter. Both programmes had been well received by the students and the staff involved in the relevant subjects

Family Get Together

A Family Get Together at which 120 families had attended had been organised with Holy Mass, breakfast, with cricket for fathers and children and cookery demonstrations, fitness sessions, health food demonstrations and beauty culture sessions for the ladies thrown in.

Kids too had not been forgotten and had enjoyed the day with indoor and outdoor games, magic shows, movies, bouncers and cartoon characters.

Golden 40's Dinner Dance

This had been the highlight of the Batch, the Golden 40s Dinner Dance at the Jaic Hilton, Colombo and had seen about 200 glamorous couples attending. Music had been by the band most in demand in town, “Misty” with interludes by the hottest DJs. This had been organized to celebrate the 40th birthdays of the batch mates and had been a sell out that everyone enjoyed.

Joe- Pete Joint Tent - Crusades

Along with the batch of Joes '93, the Peterite batch of 93/94 had organized the Joe-Pete Crusades Joint Tent for the 2nd successful year and more than 120 Joes and Petes had gathered along with family members

PTA Representation

At the PTA AGM held on the Sunday the 2nd April 2016 the following Batch Committee members had been elected to the PTA Committee

Mr. Ravika de Silva - 2nd Vice President; Mr. Nadun Gomes - General Secretary and M/s. Malinda Nanayakkara & Dilan Wijesuriya - Committee members.

Other Activities

- The Batch has been involved in offering scholarships under the OBU for the last 15 years

- Had arranged for Bio students' career exposure visits to Lady Ridgeway/ Sri Jayawardanepura and Colombo Hospitals to gain experience in live operations and have made plans to arrange for a visit to the Sri Lankan Air Lines for the math students.
- Had financially contributed towards sponsoring 2 swimmers from College who represented the Asian Swimming Championships.

1995 – 2000 Batch

The Old Peterite Batch Group of 1995 - 1999 which was founded in 2003 under the leadership of Mr. Sanjeeva Abeygoonewardena was later expanded to accommodate Old Peterites belonging to the Batch of 2000 making the Batch one of the largest under the OBU umbrella.

The Batch Group has had their Inaugural General Meeting in May 2006 with Mr. Sanjeeva Abeygoonewardena as its inaugural President and the Batch is currently led by Mr. Suren Antony Perera as President.

Annual Batch Get Together

The Annual Batch Get Together organised exclusively for the batch members for an evening of fellowship is said to be a much anticipated event in the batch group's event calendar and the event is organised to coincide with the AGM. This get together for 2014/15 had been held at the Peterite Lounge on 6th June 2015 soon after their AGM, with over 100 Batch mates participating.

Battle of the Saints Cricket Carnival - 2015

The seventh edition of the Battle of the Saints Cricket Carnival had been conducted in a grand scale on 6th December 2015 at St. Peter's College grounds. This event had been an annual fixture organized jointly by the Old Peterites Batch Group of 1995-2000 and the Joes Batch of '99 and is unique in nature that it is a tournament jointly organized by two alumni with rich traditions. This year's event had seen the participation of more than 30 teams in a keenly contested tournament.

“Pearly Gates”

Pearly Gates is the flag ship event of the Batch, which is an exclusive enclosure organised at the annual Joe-Pete limited over Cricket Encounter. The 2015 event had attracted over 300 Old Peterites and their families this year and was at the 'B' Lower Block of the R Premadasa Stadium adding colour to the match venue with a live band, a papare band, DJ and face painting. All present had been clad in t-shirts designed especially for the event.

“A Gathering of Class”

The class of 2000 together with the Old Peterite Batch Group of 1995-2000 had organized “A Gathering of Class” on 3rd October 2015 at Hilton Residencies, Colombo 2.

The event had been a colourful one organised to coincide with 15 years since leaving College. Over 150 batch mates, spouses and well-wishers had attended and the popular band 'Black' and DJs entertained the crowd with many gifts, prizes and surprises were offer.

“Once upon a Time”

The Peterite Class of 1996 together with the Old Peterite Batch Group of 1995-2000 had organized an event titled “Once upon a time ...” on 18 March 2016 at Hilton Residencies, Colombo 2.

This event for Peterites and their partners had been organized to celebrate 20 years since the Year One class of 1982 left College. A host of entertainment items had been lined up including the popular DJ Ashan with Sonic Journey who had provided music to dance the night away. A gift pack had also been presented to the ladies in attendance in addition to other prizes and surprises.

2004 Batch

The Inaugural General Meeting (IGM) of the 2004 Batch had been held on 21st June 2015 where the official Committee to represent the 2004 batch had been formed. The event had been attended by Mr. Romeish De Mel as the President of the OBU and consequent to this IGM the 2004 batch is now officially recognised by the OBU.

Batch Reunion

The 2004 Batch Reunion had been held at the College club house on 15th August 2015 and had been a success with over sixty batch mates participating and contributing towards the batch fund.

Website

The 2004 Batch website had been launched on 30th November 2015, <http://www.st-peters2004batch.club/>

Christmas Party

The Batch Christmas party held on December 13th 2015 at The Station, Restaurant and Bar in Dehiwala has been a success with over fifty batch mates participating and contributing towards the batch fund.

“The Cougar Den” at the 50 Over Match

The Batch had organized an exclusive VIP enclosure and package for batch mates to enjoy the Joe-Pete Limited over Cricket Encounter in 2016 on 12th March. This exclusive section had been branded “The Cougar Den”. The event had been very successful with over 70 batch mates and families participating and enjoying the match in the VIP boxes.

Fundraising

In just under an year, the 2004 Batch had raised over Rs.125,000/- and are planning to carryout projects in the 2016/2017.

2005 Batch

This Batch has been able to establish a 140 active member base with a total of 325 members in the database of which a majority being overseas members.

For the year 2015/16, they had organized main two events namely,

- 10th Year Celebration of the batch of 2005
- Keys of the Kingdom – Joe Pete Encounter 2015

Annual General Meeting 2015/2016

The Annual General Meeting for the year 2015/16 had been successfully held on the 22nd May 2015 at the Peterite Lounge with the participation of 42 members. The President of the OBU had also been present at which the Office Bearers for the year 2015/16 had been elected and the plans for the year declared.

10th Year Anniversary Get Together

As 2015 marked the 10th year after leaving College, the batch had decided to celebrate and revive old memories with fellow batch mates. Therefore, a 10th Anniversary batch get together had been organized with support from both local and overseas members. The event had been successfully held on 12th September 2015 at Dutch Burgher Union, Colombo with the participation of over 105 members. Rev. Fr. Rector along with other officials from the OBU had been present at the occasion to extend their support and appreciate the initiates of 2005 batch.

Keys of the Kingdom 2016 – 50 Over Joe-Pete Encounter

The Batch enclosure of the 2005 Batch for the 50 Over Joe-Pete encounter known as “Keys of the Kingdom” has been a remarkable success since the inception and this year too it had had high participation showcasing the batch spirit at the 50 over Joe-Pete encounter on 12th March 2016. Many colleagues from other batches also had come to their tent proving the success seen over past years.

A T-Shirt printed to coincide with the match highlighting the batch identity had seen good demand resulting in the full quantity printed being sold out.

Communications

They proudly mention the fact that their Facebook page has become the platform for all the members to have close interaction with each other and to revive golden memories of school days.

2006 Batch

Family Get-together

The batch had organized a day out for the families to meet and interact with each other. The event held at the Blue Waters Hotel, Wadduwa on 31st July 2015 had turned out to be a success with many of the members joining along with their families.

8th AGM held on the 14th January 2016

The 8th AGM of the batch of 2006 had been held on the 14th of January 2016 at the Rev. Sr. Flora Memorial Hall and along with 5 Committee members, the following office bearers had been elected for the year 2016:

President	- Yuwanmini Landersz
Vice President	- Shalain Fernando
Secretary	- Oshan Fonseka
Treasurer	- Roshika Perera
Asst. Secretary	- UdaraDissanayake
Asst. Treasurer	- Terry Stanisten

“SIXERS” Joe-Pete Limited Overs Encounter - Batch Enclosure

The 2006 Batch had organised a special enclosure named “SIXERS” enclosure for the Joe-Pete 50 over match with many giveaways and had been a tremendous success with over 200 participants attending and enjoying with friends & family.

Plans for 2016

As the batch is celebrating their 10th year since leaving College in 2016, this year’s committee has announced that they have many exciting plans including a reunion which is expected to be held later in the year.

2009 Batch

This fledgling Batch has named its AGM ‘Golden Shades of 2009’. This event which had been held on the 12th of December 2015 is said to have been a roaring success. During this meeting future plans had been discussed and new committee members appointed.

This meeting had enabled them to go down memory lane and helped meet long lost friends, rekindling friendships enabling them to start off the year with excitement and commitment for the school and for each other.

Health Sub-Committee

The Health Sub-Committee is chaired by Mr. Naresh Raymond and comprises 08 members.

Medical Centre

The Medical Centre situated adjoining the Chapel organised by the Health Sub-Committee is open on all school days from 8.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. and has a qualified Nurse. It serves the students as well as all categories of staff at College.

A Clinic is conducted by a Doctor (Old Boy/Parent) for the staff and students every Thursday.

Health Camp

The OBU Health Sub-Committee had organized a highly successful Health Camp on 10th March 2016, at the D J Nicholas Perera Hall, for all staff of College. The Chief Guest was Rev. Fr. Trevor Martin while the Guest of honor was Prof. Rohan Jayasekera. Twelve Old Boy doctors had attended on the staff numbering around 200 who attended the Camp for diagnosis and treatment of cardiac ailments, diabetes, and other general ailments.

One Committee member had sponsored an eye camp conducted by Vision Care and Dr. Lakshman Weerasinghe donated 75 spectacles.

Technical Staff had been provided by Surgeon Rear Admiral Dr. Nicholas Jayasekera (IPP) and Pearl Hospital and it must be said that this Health Camp and came in for praise from all who attended it.

Editorial Sub-Committee

The Editorial Sub-Committee headed by the Hony Editor, Sujith Silva has helped revamp and re-launch the OBU website (<http://www.stpetersobu.com/>).

They had also circulated a News Letter via the web, the Peterite Email Network (PEN) and the OBU's Face Book Page (<https://www.facebook.com/obuofstpeterscollege/>).

Old Boy members are encouraged to visit our website (<http://www.stpetersobu.com/>), "like" our Face Book Page (<https://www.facebook.com/obuofstpeterscollege/>) and become members of the PEN ensuring that you are kept informed of current news of the OBU and College.

Batch Groups

Pre 70s



71 - 74



83 - 86



87 - 92



Batch Groups (Cont.)

93 - 94



2004



2005



2006



Sports Foundations

Cricket Foundation



Tennis Foundation



Track & Field Foundation



Overseas

Melbourne, Australia



Canada



Washington DC, USA





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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF ST. PETER'S OLD BOYS' UNION

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of St. Peter's Old Boys' Union, which comprise the balance sheet as at 31st March 2016, and the income & expenditure account for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Committee of Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards. This responsibility includes: designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Scope of Audit and Basis of Opinion

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit. We therefore believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, so far as appears from our examination, the Union maintained proper accounting records the year then ended 31st March 2016 and the financial statements give a true and fair view of the Union's state of affairs as at 31st March 2016 and its surplus for the year then ended in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Moratuwa
10th June 2016



Partners: P.N.C. Gomes B.Sc. (Accountancy), MBA (Sri J.), FCA, ACMA
Mrs. T.H.D.N. Renuka Bsc. (Accountancy), MBA (Sri J.), FCA, ACMA

ST. PETER'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS' UNION

INCOME & EXPENDENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH	NOTE	2016 Rs.	2015 Rs.
INCOME	2	1,801,726.22	1,024,070.13
Add:			
Net Surplus/(Deficit) from Union House	SCHEDULE 1	138,168.85	(30,473.53)
Net Surplus/(Deficit) from OPSC	SCHEDULE 2	(112,600.00)	-
		<u>25,568.85</u>	<u>(30,473.53)</u>
		1,827,295.07	993,596.60
Less: EXPENSES			
Annual Report & AGM Expenses		160,656.00	264,594.00
Bank Charges/Credit card commission		35,542.71	21,674.80
Balances Written off		-	100,000.00
Depreciation		776,617.44	748,179.44
Miscellaneous Expenses		55,200.00	110,099.80
Audit Fees		22,500.00	20,000.00
Secretarial Expenses		62,175.00	17,900.00
Rectors Farewell		-	74,050.00
Donations		245,300.00	516,600.00
Donations received on behalf of Batch Groups/ Foundations		259,910.00	-
Overdraft Interest		-	205.45
Dengue Prevention		-	8,875.00
Health Centre Running Cost		265,600.00	175,000.00
Memberships & Membership Cards		24,804.90	141,993.29
Web site		140,000.00	25,200.00
Expenses for Welcome of Year 1 Students		49,100.00	83,350.00
Fr. Lakmin Farewell		-	13,950.36
Teachers Insurance Event		-	123,684.92
Lunch for AL Batch		108,200.00	-
		<u>2,205,606.05</u>	<u>2,445,357.06</u>
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) FROM REGULAR ACTIVITIES		(378,310.98)	(1,451,760.46)
Add: Net Income/(Deficit) Transferred From Projects Completed	3	771,426.56	6,111,687.77
NET SURPLUS /(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR		<u>393,115.58</u>	<u>4,659,927.31</u>



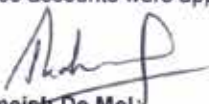
ST. PETER'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS' UNION


BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH	NOTE	2016 Rs.	2015 Rs.
NON CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, Plant and Equipment	4	821,059.63	1,520,377.06
Investment	5	10,123,966.76	7,204,252.11
		<u>10,945,026.39</u>	<u>8,724,629.17</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Inventories	6	129,242.19	192,522.61
Accounts Receivable	7	832,897.16	1,143,676.08
Cash & Cash Equivalents	8	1,857,180.26	2,897,886.87
Projects in Progress	3	-	300,000.00
		<u>2,819,319.61</u>	<u>4,534,085.56</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u><u>13,764,346.00</u></u>	<u><u>13,258,714.73</u></u>
FINANCED BY			
Accumulated Fund	9	13,336,563.69	12,943,448.11
4X4 Challenge scholarship Fund	10	285,814.42	200,267.42
		<u>13,622,378.11</u>	<u>13,143,715.53</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	11	141,967.89	54,023.34
Minor Staff Children Academic Fund		-	60,975.86
Projects in Progress	3	-	-
		<u>141,967.89</u>	<u>114,999.20</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u><u>13,764,346.00</u></u>	<u><u>13,258,714.73</u></u>

The Committee of Management is responsible for the preparation and presentation of these financial statements.

These accounts were approved on behalf of the Committee of Management by,


Romeish De Mel
 President
 St Peter's College Old Boys' Union


Dion Saverimuttu
 Hony. Treasurer
 St Peters College Old Boys' Union



ST. PETER'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS' UNION

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2016

NOTE 1

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A summary of the more important accounting policies is set out below :

01 General Policies

The financial statements of the Union are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and Accounting Standards laid down by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka. These statements are prepared on a historical cost basis.

02 Assets and Bases of their Valuation

2.1 Property, Plant and Equipment

The cost of Property, Plant and Equipment is the purchase or construction cost, together with any incidental expenses of acquisition.

Provision for depreciation is calculated by using a straight line method on the cost or valuation of all property, plant and equipment, other than freehold land, in order to write off such amounts over the estimated useful economic life of such assets. The estimated useful life of assets are as follows:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Union House - Office Equipment	04 years
Union House Furniture	04 years
OBUH Lounge Electrical Items	04 years
OBUH Lounge Furniture	04 years
OBUH Lounge Fixtures & Fitting	04 years
OBU Secretariats Fixtures & Fitting	04 years
OBUH Lounge Equipments	04 years
OBU Secretariats Furniture	04 years

No depreciation is provided in the year of purchase and full years depreciation is provided in the year of disposal.

03 Liabilities and Provisions

All known liabilities have been accounted for in preparing the financial statements.

04 Income and Expenditure Account

4.1 Income

Income is accounted on cash basis except for Sales at the Union House Lounge and Hoarding Income

4.2 Expenditure Recognition

Expenses are recognized in the income statement on the basis of a direct association between the cost incurred and the earning of specific items of income. All expenditure incurred in the running of the Union and in maintaining the property, plant and equipment in a state of efficiency has been charged to the income statement.



ST. PETER'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS' UNION

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH

	2016 Rs.	2015 Rs.
NOTE 2		
INCOME		
Commission of Credit Cards	18,701.68	22,913.74
Interest Income	419,714.65	249,156.39
Membership Fees	239,050.00	79,250.00
Donations	497,559.89	469,500.00
Donations received on behalf of Batch Groups/ Foundations	259,910.00	-
Ad Hoarding Income	359,490.00	150,000.00
Disposal of Fixed Assets	-	50,000.00
Membership Card	7,300.00	3,250.00
	<u>1,801,726.22</u>	<u>1,024,070.13</u>
NOTE 05		
INVESTMENTS		
Union Bank - Fixed Deposit	2,532,111.12	2,404,252.11
Seylan Bank - Fixed Deposit 1	2,650,501.42	2,500,000.00
Seylan Bank - Fixed Deposit 2	2,441,354.22	2,300,000.00
Seylan Bank - Fixed Deposit 3	2,500,000.00	-
	<u>10,123,966.76</u>	<u>7,204,252.11</u>
NOTE 06		
INVENTORIES		
Soft Drinks	27,743.19	33,189.61
"T" Shirts	26,527.50	31,527.50
Tie stocks	74,971.50	127,805.50
	<u>129,242.19</u>	<u>192,522.61</u>
NOTE 07		
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE		
Advance Payment - Golden Gleam 2016	400,000.00	-
Deposits- Bottles & Crates, Electricity Connection	332,155.50	332,155.50
Other Debtors	40,798.72	601,520.58
Receivable from SPC OBU Washington DC	59,942.94	-
Hoarding Rental Receivable	-	200,000.00
Sing A long Receivable	-	10,000.00
	<u>832,897.16</u>	<u>1,143,676.08</u>



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NOTE 3
PROJECTS

	Golden Gleam 2015	Honours Night	OBU Secretariat	Quadrangular Tournament	Car Stickers	Total Rs.
Balance income/(expenses) as at 31st March 2015	(300,000.00)	-	-	-	-	(300,000.00)
Add.						
Receipts	12,198,008.00	-	-	-	3,450.00	12,201,458.00
	11,898,008.00	-	-	-	3,450.00	11,901,458.00
Less.						
Expenses Incurred	8,688,062.04	1,618,409.40	198,610.00	124,950.00	-	10,630,031.44
	3,209,945.96	(1,618,409.40)	(198,610.00)	(124,950.00)	3,450.00	1,271,426.56
Transferred to 4X4 Challenge scholarship fund	500,000.00	-	-	-	-	500,000.00
Surplus/(Deficit) Transferred to Income and Expenditure account	2,709,945.96	(1,618,409.40)	(198,610.00)	(124,950.00)	3,450.00	771,426.56
Balance income/(expenses) as at 31st March 2016	-	-	-	-	-	-



ST. PETER'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS' UNION

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NOTE 4

PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

	As at 1 st April 2015	Additions	As at 31 st March 2016
COST			
Union House Equipments	171,397.00	-	171,397.00
Union House Furniture	87,500.00	-	87,500.00
OBUH Lounge Electrical items	163,757.75	-	163,757.75
OBUH Lounge Furniture	929,975.00	-	929,975.00
OBUH Lounge Fixtures & Fitting	1,909,165.00	12,300.00	1,921,465.00
OBUH Lounge Equipments	115,450.00	65,000.00	180,450.00
OBU Secretariat Fixtures & Fitting	260,648.00	-	260,648.00
OBU Secretariat Furniture	191,500.00	-	191,500.00
Accounting Software	75,000.00	-	75,000.00
	<u>3,904,392.75</u>	<u>77,300.00</u>	<u>3,981,692.75</u>
DEPRECIATION			
Union House Equipments	155,362.00	4,008.75	159,370.75
Union House Furniture	87,500.00	-	87,500.00
OBUH Lounge Electrical items	88,403.94	40,939.44	129,343.38
OBUH Lounge Furniture	836,246.50	93,728.50	929,975.00
OBUH Lounge Fixtures & Fitting	826,567.25	477,291.25	1,303,858.50
OBUH Lounge Equipments	41,450.00	28,862.50	70,312.50
OBU Secretariat Fixtures & Fitting	195,486.00	65,162.00	260,648.00
OBU Secretariat Furniture	143,625.00	47,875.00	191,500.00
Accounting software	9,375.00	18,750.00	28,125.00
	<u>2,384,015.69</u>	<u>776,617.44</u>	<u>3,160,633.13</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
Union House Equipments	16,035.00	-	12,026.25
Union House Furniture	-	-	-
OBUH Lounge Electrical items	75,353.81	-	34,414.38
OBUH Lounge Electrical Furniture	93,728.50	-	-
OBUH Lounge Fixtures & Fitting	1,082,597.75	-	617,606.50
OBUH Lounge Equipments	74,000.00	-	110,137.50
OBU Secretariat Fixtures & Fitting	65,162.00	-	-
OBU Secretariat Furniture	47,875.00	-	-
Accounting Software	65,625.00	-	46,875.00
	<u>1,520,377.06</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>821,059.63</u>



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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH

	2016 Rs.	2015 Rs.
NOTE 08		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Union Bank		
A/c No: 1237200017	869,866.85	339,445.40
Seylan Bank		
A/c No: 068001350259-001(OPSC)	305,691.44	305,691.44
A/c No: 032-01402386-001	221,745.66	539,442.55
Seylan Union House C/A A/C No 032-01402458-001	278,050.60	416,072.88
Peoples Bank		
Peoples Bank A/c No: 014100190003194	162,780.71	1,282,234.60
Petty Cash	19,045.00	15,000.00
	<u>1,857,180.26</u>	<u>2,897,886.87</u>
 NOTE 09		
ACCUMULATED FUND		
Balance at the beginning of the year	12,943,448.11	8,283,520.80
Add.		
Surplus/(deficit)for the year	393,115.58	4,659,927.31
Balance at the end of the year	<u>13,336,563.69</u>	<u>12,943,448.11</u>
 NOTE 10		
4X4 CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP FUND		
Balance at the beginning of the year	200,267.42	190,189.61
Add :		
Transfer from the Golden Gleem Project	500,000.00	484,161.00
Receipts for pledge : SPC OBU Australia	-	119,000.00
Less : Payments		
Scholarship	-	(122,000.00)
Teachers Insurance	(414,453.00)	(471,083.19)
Balance at the end of the year	<u>285,814.42</u>	<u>200,267.42</u>
 NOTE 11		
ACCOUNT PAYABLE		
Auditor's Remuneration	22,500.00	20,000.00
Other Creditors	119,467.89	34,023.34
	<u>141,967.89</u>	<u>54,023.34</u>



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NOTES TO THE FINANCIALS STATEMENTS (Cont.)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH

	2016 Rs	2015 Rs
NOTE 12		
COST OF SALES - OBUH		
Inventories at the beginning of the year	33,189.61	41,996.00
Add.		
Purchases		
Soft Drinks & Ice cubes	229,525.76	205,871.61
Payments to Lounge Caterer	1,526,307.65	997,798.11
	<u>1,789,023.02</u>	<u>1,245,665.72</u>
Less.		
Inventories at the end of the year	(27,743.19)	(33,189.61)
	<u>1,761,279.83</u>	<u>1,212,476.11</u>

NOTE 13

OTHER INCOME/ (LOSS) - UNION HOUSE

Net Expenses AGM Social	(18,312.00)	(25,849.48)
Net Income from Club Nights	(7,850.00)	(58,338.10)
Hire of Hall/Guest Tickets	106,025.00	50,800.00
Net Income/Expense from Stag night	104,115.84	70,401.46
Net Income/Expense from Sing along	302,453.00	-
Net income from the sale of tie	10,566.00	36,018.00
OBUH Pool Table	1,000.00	11,475.00
	<u>497,997.84</u>	<u>84,506.88</u>



ST. PETER'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS' UNION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE UNION HOUSE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH	Notes	2016 Rs.	2015 Rs.
SCHEDULE 1			
INCOME			
Turnover		2,310,015.95	1,767,182.98
Less : Cost of Sale	12	<u>(1,761,279.83)</u>	<u>(1,212,476.11)</u>
GROSS PROFIT		548,736.12	554,706.87
ADD : OTHER INCOME			
OBUH Lounge Membership		544,000.00	518,000.00
Other Income /(Loss) of Union House	13	<u>497,997.84</u>	<u>84,506.88</u>
		1,041,997.84	602,506.88
LESS EXPENSES:			
Salaries & allowances		812,735.68	725,054.14
Bonus		59,000.00	-
Cutlery, Glassware, Maintenance		32,160.00	6,782.00
Entertainment - Musical Group		95,636.91	37,409.88
Stationary		9,028.00	36,700.00
Union House- Telecom		29,063.00	19,330.00
Miscellaneous exp ect		50,794.47	44,620.00
Electricity		14,262.00	13,054.00
Membership Cards Lounge		321,877.05	304,737.26
		<u>27,008.00</u>	-
		1,452,565.11	1,187,687.28
NET SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR			
TRANSFERED TO INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT		<u>138,168.85</u>	<u>(30,473.53)</u>



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NOTES TO THE FINANCIALS STATEMENTS (Cont.)

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH

	2016 Rs.	2015 Rs.
SCHEDULE 2		
OLD PETERITE SPORTS CLUBS		
INCOME	-	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
LESS : EXPENSES		
Cricket Tournament	112,600.00	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u>112,600.00</u>	<u> </u>
NET DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR TRANSFERED TO INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT	<u><u>(112,600.00)</u></u>	<u><u> </u></u>



OVERSEAS BRANCH REPORTS

From our Melbourne Branch (Australia)

Annual General Meeting

The 34th AGM had been held on 31st July 2015 and a total of 66 members had attended.

Kingswood Rugby 7's

The Peterite rugby team fielded at the annual Kingswood rugby 7's tournament had been extremely competitive become runners-up in the plate finals after a penalty shootout when the scores had been level at full time.

Peterite Golf Open

The annual golf day had been on 8th November 2015 and it had been hosted at the Freeway Public golf course Camberwell. A reasonable turnout of 34 had been on the course showcasing their Driving and Putting skills on the day. Richard De Souza & Philip Maurice had been the overall winners.

Peterite Christmas Function

The Peterite Christmas function had been held on the 6th December 2015 at the Mulgrave Community Centre. A larger than exceeded turnout of 250 people including kids had been present joining in the festivities singing carols. There had been a buffet lunch with a beautiful spread of Sri Lankan cuisine. This had also been the official launch party for the Peterite Annual Dinner Dance for 2016, "White Night" and had seen the unveiling of the theme and to keep the atmosphere going there had been Champagne served to all in attendance.

Quadrangular 2016

With the re-launch of the tournament in Australia participation among the 4 schools had been fantastic. The Peterites had played the Bens in the first match and the Joes had played the Anthonians in a 20/20 style knock out tournament. Petes had beaten the Bens and progressed to the final against the old enemy in sports, the Joes. The Peterite team captained by Roshan Ismail had competed fiercely but unfortunately the Joes had prevailed.

Stag Night

The Stag Night had been held on 26th February 2016 at the Harlequins Club house in Ashwood. It has been reported that the event is becoming bigger and better every year, with participation exceeding expectations with around 120 people. Everyone had had a great time with a live band and a surprise papare from the younger Old Petes.

Annual Big Match

The annual Big Match had been held on 28th February 2016 at the southern reserve where Peterite stalwart Mr. Tyrone Le Mercier had been the Guest of Honour at the presentation. This event had been well received and represented by the two schools.

The over 40s game had seen the Petes compiling a formidable 191 in 25 over's and the Joes had fallen short being all out for 144 runs. The Peterite team had been captained by Jerome Chandrasekara and the Man of Match had been Jeremy Ekanayake.

In the open event the Joes had won the toss and elected to bat first and scored 164 in 30 overs. However, the formidable Peterite batting line up had failed to fire on the day and had been all out for 100 runs.

Special General Meeting

An SGM had been held on 29th April 2016 at the Harlequins Club House, Ashwood in order to make amendments to the constitution to keep the club current with the times. The proposed changes had been approved by the members and they have to now proceed with seeking approval from Consumer Affairs Victoria.

The Committee

The current Committee comprises of President – Chanaka Perera, Vice-President – Nicholas Opatha, Secretary – Prasad Algama, Treasurer – Valentino Pereira and Social Secretary – Jerome Chandrasekera along with 6 others.

From the Washington DC Branch in USA

Annual General Meeting - 2015

The AGM of the St. Peter's College Old Boys' Union Washington, D.C. (SPCOBUWDC) was held at the Gannett Facility, in Mclean, VA on Saturday, March 14th, 2015 and the Office Bearers elected were as follows:

Executive Committee Members:- Dakshi De Silva, Marlon Perera, Nishan Jayaratnam, Trevor Mack and Gaddafi Ismail while Dilan Mack was elected Secretary, Trevor Somasundaram was elected Treasurer and Sheran Fernando was elected Auditor.

Rugby Champions

The team representing SPCOBWDC have emerged champions at the recent Washington D.C. Sri Lanka Rugby 7s concluded over the Memorial Day holiday weekend in Maryland, USA. The much-anticipated annual tournament, now in its 15th year, was organized by the D.C. St. Thomas's College Old Boys' Union.

This was the 1st time SPCOBWDC had become champions in this tournament, in its 15 year history.

25th Annual Joe/Pete cricket Encounter in Washington DC

The 25th Annual Josephian-Peterite cricket encounter had been played on Saturday, September 19th at the Strawberry Knolls Park, Gaithersburg, Maryland. As in past years, this event had also been well attended by family and friends of both alumni, many of whom had come from different States. This is the 2nd longest, Joe-Pete cricket encounter played outside Sri Lanka.

The St. Peter's team had been captained by Suresh Jayasekera and the Josephians by Don Milroy

St. Joseph's batting first had put up a decent score of 214 for the loss of 7 wickets at the end of 25 overs but the Peterites had been all out for 88 runs in 15 overs thus giving the Josephians a convincing victory. To mark the special year a Master's cricket game had also been organized. St. Peter's batting first had scored 90 runs in 6 overs whereas the Josephians had been all out for 34 runs.

Dr. Chandru Mirchandani had hosted the awards ceremony and the day's proceedings had come to an end with the singing of the Sri Lankan national anthem.

Canada's Josephian-Peterite Alumni Association

In March Canada's joint Old Boys' Association, the Josephian-Peterite Alumni Association (JPAA) held its AGM and the founding-president Mr. Upali Obeyesekere continued his third year of his second term as president of the association and a cohesive committee had been formed to conduct the social and sports events for the year.

To kick-off the year's activities JPAA Canada had held its popular annual Fellowship Nite on June 26th in Toronto at J&J Banquet Hall in Markham. They had invited the Peterite Cricket Captain of 1963, Mr. Tyrone Le Mercier to be guest of honour. Mr. Le Mercier and his wife Jean had flown from Melbourne, Australia. DJ- Rohan Weerasinghe had provided super music and kept the crowd on the floor most of the time and taking the role of guest artiste had been Old Peterite Larry Landersz entertaining the crowd with popular songs.

The event had been well attended and kicked is expected to kick off a splendid year for JPAA Canada.

Tickets were

Saints Quadrangular 2016

The next event had been the 6th Annual Saints Quadrangular T20 Cricket Tournament – Canada version. Played at the picturesque Ajax Cricket Club Grounds, the strong Josephian XI had grabbed honours and won the tournament

31st Josephian-Peterite Encounter (Canada Series)

The 31st Josephian-Peterite Annual Cricket Encounter had been held on Monday, September 7th 2015, a statutory holiday in Canada (Labour Day at Ajax Cricket Club grounds. A high standard of cricket had been witnessed throughout the day. The Peterites had won the Masters Game played in T20 format captained by Dane Joseph, former Peterite cricketer and the main Game won by the Josephians who had fielded a strong side.

JPAA's Annual Dinner Dance

The final event had been the well presented Annual Dinner Dance which had been on November 28th enjoyed by all participants. Committee Chairman had been the JPAA President Upali Obeyesekere and he together with his committee had enlisted the international performer of Sri Lankan origin Alston Koch to appear as a Guest Artiste and Peterite Pradeep Thomas as the DJ who had provided fantastic music for dancing.

Donation to Schools

The Association being a joint Josephian-Peterite Association for alumni from both schools action had been taken to donate a sum of \$2,000 to St. Joseph's College. This had been a decision that deferred since 2013 and the donation had been handed over to Fr. Travis Gabriel, Rector of St. Joseph's on May 29, 2015.

The year under review was under the Presidency of Mr. Upali Obeyesekere while the new President of JPAA is Mr. Christie Joseph (Josephian).

MINUTES OF THE 87TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The minutes of the 87th Annual General Meeting of the Old Boys' Union of St. Peter's College, Colombo 4, held on Sunday, 28th June 2015 at the D. J. Nicholas Perera Hall.

The meeting commenced at 10.30 a.m. with the President, Mr. Romeish de Mel in the Chair.

After the Honorary General Secretary had read the Notice convening the Annual General meeting, at the request of the President, Rev. Fr. Trevor Martin, Rector/Patron led the gathering in prayer.

Present

A total of 662 members had signed the attendance registers.

Excuses

Rev. Frs. Vincent Ashley and Sriyan Ranasinghe, M/s. Roshan Dharmaratne, Dulan Kuruppu, Damitha Gomes, Fawaz Fassi, Sanjeewa Abeygoonewardene, Ryle Abrham, Dilshan Perera, Abaya Rajakarunanayake, Mevan de Silva, Shiran Yatagama and Kitto Fernandopulle

In Memoriam

Two minutes silence was observed in memory of the following deceased Old Boys, Staff and Student (based on information received by the Committee):

Rev. Fr. Brian Jayawardena	Mr. Terrence M de Zilva
Rev. Fr. Bob Rodrigo OMI	Mr. V Balasubramaniam
Prof. Stanley Dissanayake	Mr. Malcolm Andree
Dr. Nielhaan Samaranyake (Past President)	Mr. Clement Silva
Dr. Lucian Perera	Mr. Luke Perera
Dr. P F Devapura	Mr. Bertram Anthony Misso
Dr. Thomas Crusz	Mr. Ashok Witharana
Dr. R Vignesvaran	Mr. Joe Rodrigo
Dr. Rex Gunaratne	Mr. John Marcellus
Mr. Sunil de Silva	Mr. Harold Fernando
Mr. Tony Phillips	Mr. Hemal Wimalasekera
Mr. Shelley Blake	Mr. Raj Philip
Mr. Indrajith de Silva	Mr. Kenneth Rajakariar
Mr. Marcel Beiling	Mr. Wilhelm Hoffman
Mr. Terrence Gomes	Mr. Ahmed Noordeen
Mr. Barney Caldera	Mr. Nihal Fernando
Mr. Elsworth de Andrado	Mr. Vernon Crusz
Mr. Bhagwan Surtani	Mr. Kumar Bastianpillai
Mr. Dudley Fernando	Mr. Carlyle Davy
Mr. Vincent Rabot	Mr. Kavinda Abeysekera
Mr. Lakshman Silva (Staff)	Mr. Iresha Canud Lodowick
Mr. Bertie Roche (Staff)	Mast. Timothy Benjamin (Student)

Adoption of the Minutes of the 86th Annual General Meeting

The President informed the house that the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting (86th AGM) was included in the Annual Report for the year 2014/15, which had been made available to members via the OBU website and distributed among those present at the AGM, and called upon the members to adopt the minutes.

As proposed by Mr. Ravika de Silva and seconded by Mr. Camillus Abeygoonewardena, the minutes of the 86th Annual General Meeting was adopted.

Adoption of the Annual Report for the Year 2014/15

The President called for the Annual Report for the year 2014/15, which, as mentioned above had been available to members via the OBU website and was in the hands of the members present, to be approved by the house.

The house approved the Annual Report as proposed by Mr. Suranga Seneviratne and seconded by Mr. Anil Phillips.

Adoption of the Audited Statement of Account for the Year 2014/2015

The President requested that the Statement of Accounts as made available in the Annual Report for the year 2014/15, be approved by members and the house approved same as proposed by Mr. Harin Gunawardene and seconded by Mr. Jayantha Atapattu.

Address by the Patron on the state of the College

Fr. Trevor Martin, Rector of St. Peter's College and Patron of the Old Boys' Union said he wished to first of all thank Fr. Freely Muthukudarachchi for concelebrating Mass and preaching a topical homily.

He said that this was his 2nd AGM in the 16 months he had been Rector and thanked the OBU President and members for helping the College in numerous ways in particular he mentioned the Teachers' Day outing, Dengue Prevention programme and Scholarships offered by different Batch Groups. He added that the Foundations under the OBU had also provided valuable support towards the successes achieved by Cricket, Tennis, Athletics, Basketball, Rugby, Soccer, etc. and thanked the relevant Foundations for their generous support.

St. Peter's being an educational institution Fr. Rector said that he believed that his prime responsibility was to improve education at St. Peter's. He said that in his recent tour of Australia and Dubai when he mentioned his plans for improving education at St. Peter's, the Old Boys there had been so taken up by the plans that they had said that they would like to come back to College. Fr. Rector said that apart from special preparatory exams held for the A/L students he has started special exams on a regular basis for students from Year 6 upwards in certain important subjects so that the "exam culture" could be established at College.

Continuing about his overseas visit Fr. Rector said that he had visited a few schools in Melbourne, Brisbane and Dubai and based on discussions with the principals of those schools, he had decided to implement a programme of "Three Ms", Monitor, Measure and Mentor with an added M, Motivation.

While admitting there were still short comings and resistance to the new initiatives in these initial months, he said that he was not discouraged as he knew that things would fall into place in time. He said that results were being seen even as at present and explaining this he said that in comparing the O/L results for 2013 with 2014, where there had been 19 students with 9 'A's in 2013, in 2014 there had been 24 students with 9 'A's and while there had been 24 students with 8 'A's in 2013, this had increased to 28 in 2014.

With this mindset taking root, he said that further improvements could be expected in 2015 and where only about 2 or 3 students were expected to enter medical college in the past, he was encouraging 10 – 15 students to qualify for medical college. Towards this end Fr. Rector said that as a form of encouragement to students to achieve good results constantly, he was organising mini prize-giving ceremonies, grade by grade, with Platinum, Gold and Silver awards and even Diamond awards for those scoring 95 marks or higher.

He spoke of school attendance being a problem with about 475 students absent each day and said he intended to have discussions with parents, teachers and prefects and monitors. Speaking of the latter two categories he said that leadership training was being given as part of their training.

He also spoke of the basket of values that had introduced last year and said that this was now being talked about in class and students are familiar with it and were aware of the value of this as they go out into the society.

Speaking of achievements in the field of sports he announced that the Peterite 1st XI cricket team had been selected as the Champion cricket team in the Bata/Observer School Cricketer of the year contest and the Peterite cricket captain had been chosen as the best captain. This he said was justified as we had beaten the league champions by innings. In Tennis Fr. Rector announced that St. Peter's had become champions in all age groups this year and had been champions for the past several years. He added that soccer and basketball too have been success stories and acknowledged the support received from the respective Foundations.

Continuing Fr. Rector said that financing all these was not an easy task. He said that Rs.72 M per annum was spent on salaries while only Rs.57 M p.a. was received as school fees and in addition donations received supplemented the income. There were also other costs such as electricity Rs.6 M p.a. with Rs.8 M spent on ground renovation. While funds have to be found and Old Boys had always helped he said that more support from Old Boys was needed. Despite the expenses and difficulties Fr. Rector said that he had plans to construct a pavilion similar to the one at the Police Park and added that the science laboratory which was very old also needed refurbishment.

With arrears of school fees running into Rs.5 M he said cutting down unwanted expenses was also a need. He thanked the PTA for their assistance in proposing a security plan and implementing the dress code and also thanked the Old Boys' Union Officers for assisting in Financial and HR management.

Fr. Rector said that he has to contribute 10% towards the Archbishop's fund to support poor schools and though we have problems this was also a necessity and appealed to the Old Boys to continue to support. In this regard he thanked the Old Boys Union and the Batch Groups and said that the St. Peter's College OBU was known to be the best OBU among schools today.

Before he concluded he invited as many Old Boys to come to the Royal College Sports Complex that evening to cheer the rucker team who were to play a match against the Science College in the Milo Knockout Tournament. In regard to rugby he said that decisions had to be taken based on performance and certain personnel have been released from their contracts. Fr. Rector said that he was happy to mention that 8 parents who had met him with the intention of taking their sons out of St. Peter's had later decided to allow their sons to continue at St. Peter's after listening to his plans.

In conclusion he again thanked the Old Boys' Union, the Batch Groups and the Foundations for the excellent support given to College.

Address by the President

Mr. Romeish de Mel said in his address that at every Mass we attend, a message is available and said in the homily that day Fr. Freely had spoken about balancing our lives. This he said was very important and we in the OBU had to know how to balance our time with regard to having a balance between work, family life and time spent for the OBU.

Mr. de Mel said that there were about 15 unfinished projects which needed our attention which was why no new projects had been started. This he said was deliberately done to avoid such new projects, if started, becoming burdens on future OBU Presidents.

He added that we were known to be the strongest OBU among schools which was because of our unity and urged that we should continue to be united. He said all the work that the OBU had done was in the Annual Report and emphasised that Batch Groups, which were an integral part of the OBU, were a key to our success and cited the 87-92 Batch which organised the Teachers' Day, the 83-86 Batch which helped renovate the Sr. Flora Hall and other batches that assisted in donating scholarships as examples. He said that he wished to emphasise that no one should consider the OBU as an adornment or accolade but rather invited Old Boys to come forward to assist the OBU and College.

Mr. de Mel said that resolutions have been recommended because we needed to move with the times and be up to date and ensure that the OBU is sustained. He added that the constitution of the OBU was clear about its objectives and that was to support St. Peter's which he said was what we had to do.

Finally he thanked M/s. Algi Wijewickrema, Haariz Rahman and Dion Saverimuttu and all Committee Members for the excellent and dedicated work done to serve the OBU. He also thanked others who also served though they were not in the Committee and thanked Fr. Rector for the excellent breakfast. He requested those who would be elected to the Committee to ensure that they have time to serve the OBU without sacrificing time that they had to spend with their families and at work.

Resolutions

Prior to taking up Resolutions, the President informed the members present that Mr. Dishan Anthony whose membership had been terminated some time back has appealed to be readmitted and said that the Committee of Management having considered the appeal had approved it. Since re-admittance required ratification at an AGM, he requested the House to approve the appeal to readmit Mr. Dishan Anthony. The house unanimously approved the re-admittance of Mr. Dishan Anthony to the OBU.

The President announced that the Management Committee had recommended several resolutions to amend the Constitution which included a resolution to create provision to have Branches of the OBU where Branches of St. Peter's College, Colombo exist, e.g. Gampaha and to correct anomalies or update the constitution to bring it in line with present needs.

Mr. Lucian Rajakarunanayke said that in item 6 of the proposed resolutions (under 14 b (i) instead of Minute Book it should read as Minutes Book. He also pointed out that where the word "will" appears the word "shall" should be used, e.g. section 7, 10 and 11.

Mr. Dayan Georgesz said that in item 12 "Facebook" account had been mentioned but since social media is much wider, with the future also in mind, he suggested that the term "social media" be used instead of "Facebook". Mr. Rajakarunanayake while agreeing said that since uncontrolled use of social media could become a problem, he would suggest that whichever medium was used it should be only after obtaining approval of the Committee.

The resolutions were passed unanimously, subject to the amendments mentioned above.

Election of Office Bearers

The President recommended the following appointments which were ratified by the house:

Patron: Rev. Fr. Trevor Martin – Rector (Ex-officio)

Vice Patrons: Rev. Fr. Felician Perera (Ex-officio)
Rev. Fr. Travis Gabriel (Ex-officio)

Lankamanya (Dr.) Lester James Peiris
Prof. Willie Mendis
Prof. Ashley Halpe
Mr. Kumar Paul (Snr.)
Mr. Mano Chanmugam
Air Chief Marshal Roshan Goonathileke
Dr. Ananda Soysa
Mr. Eardley Thilakarathne
Prof. Rohan Jayasekera
Mr. Nivard Cabraal

Nominated Past Presidents - The President thereafter tabled the names of the following three Past Presidents, recommended by the outgoing committee to serve on the Committee of Management for the ensuing year, which proposal was also ratified by the house:

M/s. Gerry de Mel, Suranga Seneviratne and Roshan Dharmaratne.

Election of the President

At this point Mr. Romeish de Mel vacated the chair and invited Mr. Camilus Abeygoonewardene to act as the pro-tem Chairman.

Mr. Camilus Abeygoonewardene thanked Mr. Romeish de Mel and the Committee for the work done during the year which he mentioned included a very successful dance led by the Chairman of the Dance Committee, Mr. Ashley Fonseka that earned Rs.7.2 million and the updating of the membership register. He recalled what Mr. De Mel had said in his acceptance speech at the previous AGM and said that since there were projects that needed completion, he would recommend that Mr. Romeish de Mel should continue. The House, with applause, unanimously approved his nomination as President and Mr. Romeish de Mel being declared unanimously elected was presented with the President's Medallion by the pro-tem Chairman.

Immediate Past President: Dr. Nicholas Jayasekera (Ex-officio)

Election to other Posts:

Nominee	Proposed By	Seconded By
Vice Presidents:		
Mr. Chanaka Goonewardene	from the Chair	-
Mr. Vishal Rodrigo	from the Chair	-
Mr. Jerry Anderson	from the Chair	-
Mr. Paul Newman	Mr. Suranga Seneviratne	Mr. Gerry de Mel
Mr. Ravika de Silva	Mr. Harin Gunawardena	Mr. Anil Phillips
Mr. Aruna Perera	Mr. Ramesh Fonseka	Mr. Vishal Rodrigo
Mr. Anthony Peiris	(Fr. Rector's Nominee)	-
Hony General Secretary		
Mr. Algi Wijewickrema	from the Chair	-
Asst. General Secretary		
Mr. Haariz Rahman	from the Chair	-
Hony Treasurer		
Mr. Dion Saverimuttu	from the Chair	-
Asst. Treasurer		
Mr. Shiran Yatagama	Mr. Dion Saverimuttu	Mr. Gerry de Mel
Hony Editor		
Mr. Sujith Silva	from the Chair	-
Asst. Editor		
Mr. Dayan Georgesz	Mr. Sujith Silva	Mr. Suranga Seneviratne
General Committee		
(1975 and prior)		
Mr. Dushantha Gunewardene	Mr. Kevin Edwards	Mr. Anil de Mel
Mr. Hilal Abdulla	Mr. Jayantha Atapattu	Mr. Harindra Sirisena
(1976 - 1980)		
Mr. Randy Roche	Mr. Chanaka Goonewardena	Mr. Jerry Anderson
Mr. Ramesh Fonseka	Mr. Aruna Perera	Mr. Chanaka Goonewardena

Nominee	Proposed By	Seconded By
(1981 - 1985) Mr. Kevin Edwards Mr. Kerkinston Michael	From the Chair Mr. Milroy Peiris	- Mr. Rohan Anthony
(1986 – 1990) Mr. Dinesh Rodrigo Mr. Lawrence Paiva	Mr. Lindsay Melder Mr. Sherad Benedict	Mr. Suranga Seneviratne Mr. Fassli Saleem
(1991 – 1995) Mr. Ramesh Rayappan Mr. Warren Dalton	Mr. Anil Phillips Mr. Ravika de Silva	Mr. Ravika de Silva Mr. Niroshan Mangamma
(1996 – 2000) Mr. Charles Wijesuriya Mr. Sanushka Perera	Mr. Suren A Perera Mr. Suren Perera	Mr. Zakir Mohamedaly Mr. Suren A Perera
(2001 – 2005) Mr. Kumantha Ranasinghe Mr. Ravindra Lordon	Mr. Dinesh Lionel Mr. Nimantha Nanayakkara	Mr. Shakith Medawela Mr. Dinuka Jayasinghe
(2006 to date) Mr. Yuwanmini Landersz Mr. Shan Amarasekera	Mr. Shehan Liyanage Mr. Lakshimal Samarasinghe	Mr. Udara Dissanayake Mr. Ishfaq Mukthar

5 Other Committee Members

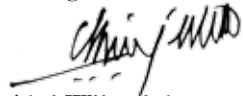
Mr. Asela Lihinikaduwa	From the Chair	-
Mr. Lindsay Melder	From the Chair	-
Mr. Anil Phillips	Mr. Ravika de Silva	Mr. Sudesh Mendis
Mr. Chaminda Perera	Mr. Suranga Seneviratne	Mr. Chanaka Goonewardene
Mr. Sujeewa Dahanayake	Mr. Roshan Fernando	Mr. Shane Martenstyn

Appointment of Auditors

The President proposed that M/s Gomes & Co. continue as auditors. This was accepted by the House.

As per the constitution the Presidents of the Foundations will also be ex-officio members of the Committee of Management.

There being no other business, the meeting concluded at 12.40 p.m. to the lusty singing of the College anthem and the call for three hearty cheers to St. Peter's College led by the President.



Algi Wijewickrema
Hony. General Secretary
1st July 2015

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

The minutes of the Special General Meeting held on 30th May 2016 at 6.30 p.m. at the D J Nicholas Perera Hall at St. Peter's College, Colombo.

The meeting opened with a prayer by the President.

Thereafter, at the invitation of the President, the Hony General Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

Attendance

50 members had signed the attendance register

Excuses

The following had sent their excuses:

M/s. Dion Saverimuttu, Ashan Wijewickrema, Mario Fernando, Erajh Balasuriya

The Resolution

The President said that since the resolution had been published in the OBU's website and printed copies were made available at the meeting he would not read the resolution but would like to briefly explain the reasons for a resolution to be thought of for criteria for the Presidency of the OBU.

He said that this was initiated in view of some individuals who were aspiring to the Office of President of the OBU with a view to earning accolades for themselves rather than serving the OBU, when in fact in an organisation like St. Peter's College Old Boys' Union the President should be elevated rather than elected and that the base criteria for the Presidency was thought of about 2 years ago and Batch Groups were invited to contribute their ideas.

The President added that a cross section of the Batch Groups had contributed their ideas and a consultant was appointed to ensure that this important process was handled in the best possible manner. Mr. Harin Gunawardena, a Past President and a consultant to the World Bank and other large private sector organisations was fortunately available he said and helped to ensure that the criteria for the election of the President was duly formulated, following lengthy discussions amongst themselves, and thereafter discussed at the Committee of Management meeting and with the unanimous approval of the Committee of Management the resolution is accordingly presented to the general membership at this Special General Meeting.

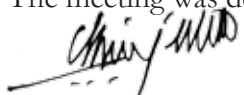
He said that looking into the next future of the OBU and maintaining the unity of this precious Union, it was considered a necessity to have in place such criteria for the Presidency of the OBU.

The President mentioned 2 typographical errors that needed correction in the resolution presented, as follows:

- In clause (iii) under "Selection Committee" of chapter 8 to be introduced, the words "all living" should be added after the word "President and". The said clause 8 (iii) should correctly read as "The Selection Committee will comprise of the President and all living Presidents of the OBU (in consultation with the Patron)"
- In the Character Evaluation Form (CEF) in the fourth line the rating to have scores as 5 for very high, 4 for high, 3 for average, 3 for low and 1 for very low and the said line should therefore read as "Significance of the Position/ Project: Very High (5); High (4); Average (3); Low (2); Very Low (1)"

Having concluded his briefing the President asked the house if they would vote for the resolution and the house unanimously approved the Resolution.

The meeting was declared closed thereafter at 6.38 p.m.


Algi Wijewickrema
Hony General Secretary
SPC – OBU
31st May 2016

OLD PETERITES IN THE NEWS

- Rev. Fr. Feely Muthukudaarachchi – Appointed Rector, St. Aloysius Seminary
- Mr. Paul Newman –Manager, Sri Lanka Women’s Basketball team (2016)
- Mr. Christie Mariathasan – Manager, Sri Lanka Women’s Basketball team (2015)
- Surgeon Rear Admiral Nicholas Jayasekera (IPP) – Appointed as CEO of the Kotelawala Defence University Hospital
- Mr. Geoff Alagaratnam – Re-elected as President of the Bar Association of Sri Lanka
- Mr. Roy Dias – Appointed Coach of the under 19 Sri Lanka Cricket team to tour England and South Africa
- Mr. Hishantha de Mel – Appointed Acting General Manager, John Keells Holding
- Mr. Sanith de S Wijeratne – CEO, Carbon Consulting Company

The items published above are based on information reaching the Committee of Management.

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The General Committee of Management wishes to thank Rev. Fr. Rector and the entire Priest community of St. Peter's College for the assistance and cooperation rendered to the OBU throughout the year.

We also take this opportunity to thank all Tutorial staff, the Administration staff and the minor staff for their support to the OBU whenever the need arose.



Algi Wijewickrema
Hony General Secretary
9th June 2016

COLLEGE ANTHEM

(Words by L T Minor of the staff of St. Joseph's College and music by George de Niese of the staff of St. Peter's College)

Chorus

Lend a heart and lend a hand
And lift the flag on high,
Let its glorious colours give
A greeting to the sky

Golden gleam and silver sheen
And blue that crowns the world,
Set the flag a-flying boys,
Keep the flag unfurled.

While in boyhood here we linger,
Mid a garden's fragrant flowers
Who will dare to point a finger,
When such joys are ours

Work enduring, play alluring,
Fills our happy hours,
Ills all curing, health ensuring
In St. Peter's bowers

And our flag is floating proudly
Let us sing its praises loudly

(Repeat chorus)