



PERTH MODERNIAN SOCIETY

## Annual Report 2015

Sphinx Scholarships Year 10 awardees



Sphinx Scholarships presenters



Annual Reunion - 5th Sept. 2015



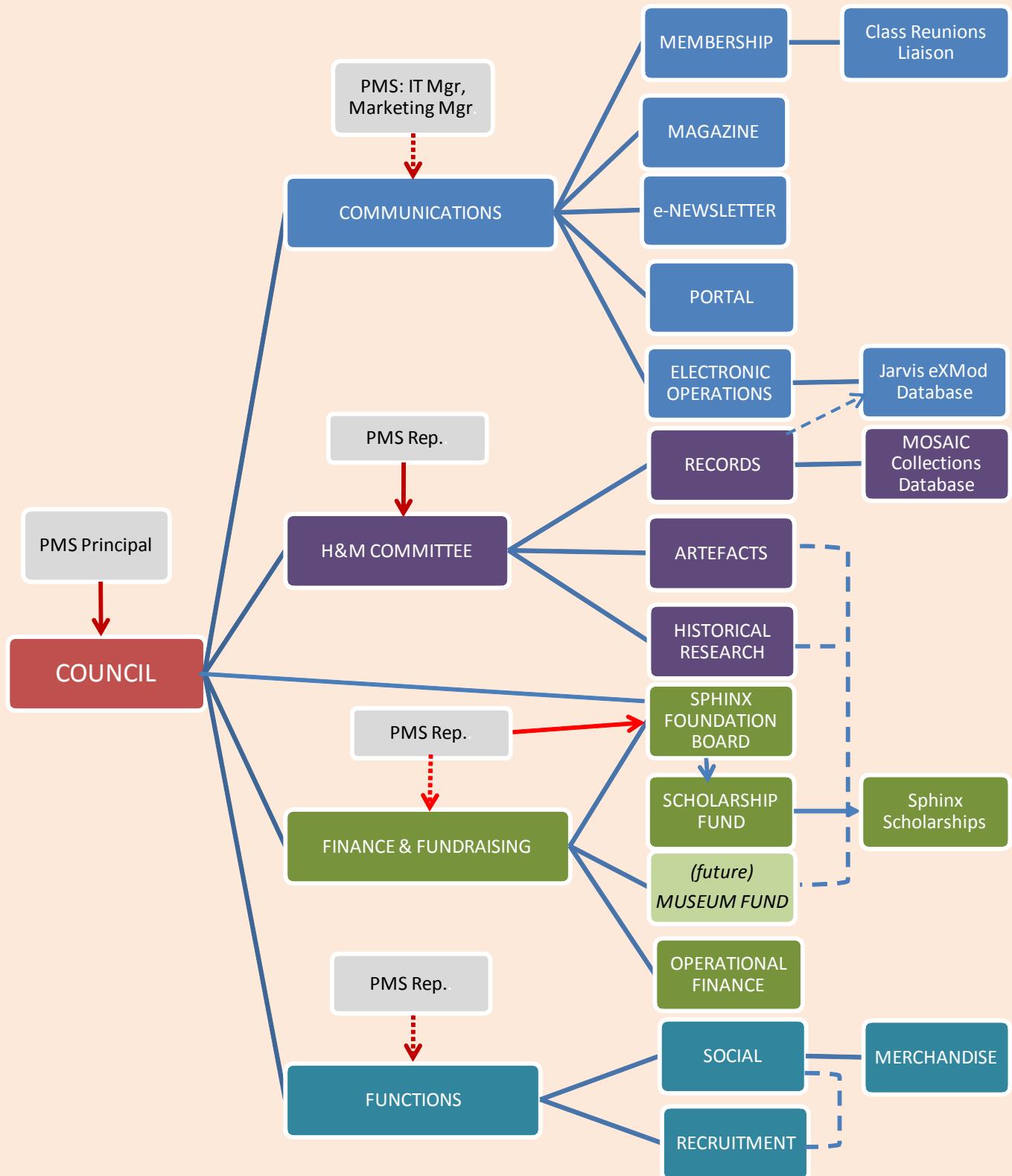
PMS students at the Perth Modernian Society History Centre:





PERTH MODERNIAN SOCIETY

## ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE SOCIETY





## PERTH MODERNIAN SOCIETY

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## ANNUAL REPORT 2015

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The **primary object** of the Perth Modernian Society (Inc) is the advancement of education for the benefit of the community as a whole. In undertaking the primary object this Society of former staff and students (alumni) must have regard to the educational principles and practices of Perth Modern School from its inception to the present and which may guide the School in the future.

### Vision

A vibrant, respected and valued alumni organisation that values inclusiveness, educational excellence and collegiality.

### Mission

To provide opportunities to connect Modernians; preserve history and traditions of Perth Modern School; and to support and encourage current students to achieve their personal best.

### Values

Modernians share the core values of Perth Modern School in addition to ensuring the inclusiveness and relevance for all past, present and future members of the Society.

## 2015 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

In its 20th year, the Society continued to blossom in 2015 and achieved many good things, and Modernians collectively again proved to be one of Perth Modern School's most valuable assets. It is not a one-way street: the rewards are great for the alumni who choose to stay engaged with their *alma mater*.

### Overview of 2015 activities

#### Governance

The Council comprised Sallie Davies and Annemie McAuliffe (Vice Presidents), Eve Broadley (Hon. Treasurer), Deborah Beresford (Hon. Secretary), Barrie Baker, Peter Farr (President), Dr Irene Froyland, Ian Jarvis (Communications), Bruce McCallum, and Barbara Mallett. I sincerely thank all of them for their dedicated efforts in 2015. Lois Joll (Principal) reported to Council meetings about school activities/achievements and issues or on occasions was represented by Val Furphy or Steve Jurilj.

#### Initiatives in 2015

In 2015 the Council commenced three valuable administrative initiatives:

- Self assessment survey - completed by all Councillors and collated and analysed by **Bruce McCallum**;
- Perth Modernian Society Council Calendar - a detailed schedule of all proposed meetings for 2016;
- A new telephone number - when a caller leaves a message, that message is forwarded by email as a sound file to a Council member who deals with the matter.

The Society worked cooperatively with the School administration and the School Board in numerous ways, and these linkages continue to grow. For example, in 2015 the Council commenced the practice of inviting representatives of the other constituent bodies to address an ordinary meeting of the Council. Fittingly, the first to do so was Professor **Michael Henderson**, Chair of the School Board.

The Society applauds the School for commissioning a book to cover the more recent history of Perth Mod (due for launch ~May 2016).

Councillors, volunteers and donors were appreciative to be invited to a range of impressive school events in 2015.

Photo: Modernian Fellow **Donald Tyler** with Peter Farr (left) and Barrie Baker (right) after the Year 12 Presentation Ceremony (Nov. 2015) which was held for the first time in the School's new *Tyler-McCusker Sports Centre* (background)



#### **Premises**

The Society is very fortunate to have an Archive room in the Parsons Building, and as well the History Centre. The Society is most grateful that the School administration found a way in April 2015 to overcome a damaging water leak by getting the roof of the History Centre retiled.

#### **Keeping in Touch**

##### Communications

- e-Newsletter, sent quarterly to some 1,600 members (all issues are available on the website);
- Perth Modernian Society portal ([www.perthmoderniansociety.org.au](http://www.perthmoderniansociety.org.au));
- eVent Notices;
- 'The Perth Modernian' 16-page glossy magazine. Given increasing mailing costs, in July 2015 the expanded Annual Magazine was distributed via email link to Contributing Members who had provided an email address, and mailed only to those who had not. This Magazine brings more detailed items on issues and research of interest to those members who contribute financially to Council operations;
- The Perth Modernian Society Facebook Page (see below);
- Council agreed in 2015 that the Annual Report for the 2015 calendar year would be prepared for distribution in hard copy at the AGM at the end of April 2016, and to be available on the website thereafter.

Due to circumstances outside its control, during 2014 the Society was forced to plan for the changeover to a different platform for dispatch of the quarterly e-Newsletters and also for the hosting of the website; this was

undertaken in March/April 2015. Many thanks to volunteer **Ian Jarvis** for the time and effort he put into this and other ICT Matters.

The Perth Modernian Society **Facebook** Group was set up about 5 years ago by **Reece Harley** and as at Feb 2016 it had 328 members. FaceBook is a good vehicle of communication for the younger generation of Modernians as it is quick and accessible (e.g. Music Teacher **Celia Christmass** placed an invitation "To past Mod Music Students" to join the 2015 Anzac Day Choir). **Emma Scott** posted an invite in Feb. 2016: "*Hi class of '96 - Who's up for celebrating our 20*

*year reunion this year? That sure came up fast!"*



#### Annual Oration

Distinguished Modernian Professor **Shirley Randell AO** delivered the fifth Annual Oration to senior students and visitors in August 2015. Shirley's topic was titled '*Global Citizenship: Learning to contribute to and take part in a Wider World*'. (The oration is available on the Society's website). Shirley spent time with students over morning tea following her presentation. She has also since indicated her desire to fund a Sphinx Scholarship in the Social Justice area, which the Sphinx Foundation and PMS have recently confirmed they are delighted to facilitate.

#### Reunions

Considerable effort has been made to re-vitalise the attendance at the **Annual Reunion** and in 2015 numbers were up on the previous year. A plaque was unveiled to honour former student, teacher and Old Modernian President Eric Strauss with the naming of the new Sports Facility situated in the north west corner of the School grounds (near the History Centre). Thanks go to Vice President **Annemie McAuliffe** and Guest MC **Rebecca Dollery**, student 1999-2003, of ABC fame - for her part in the success of the day.



Thank you also to **Annemie McAuliffe** and **Irene Froyland** for their efforts to provide an information service for organisers of class/year reunions. The enthusiasm for these events appears to be increasing.

#### History Centre and Archives

The Council is thankful for the dedication of the volunteers who contributed more than 3000 hours to the History Centre and Archives over the year. Their work will require paid support if it is to grow and continue to serve members, the School and the wider community in a meaningful way. This was partly the motivation for the Council resolving in 2015 to set about creating a special tax-deductible **Museum Fund** (see below).

#### Constitution Amendments

To this end, the first step taken was to set about amending the Society's Constitution so that a Museum Fund set up by the Society would potentially be eligible for Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status by the ATO. The fairly minor amendments were put and carried at a Special Meeting on 5th Sept. 2015 (as part of the annual reunion). Subsequently, the revised Constitution was submitted to the Dept. of Commerce (Associations and Charities, Registration Section) for its approval, which was obtained in late Oct. 2015. At the time of writing, work is progressing on the application to the ATO for DGR status. If this is successful, it will be another milestone for the Society. The Society's updated constitution is on the website: [www.perthmoderniansociety.org.au](http://www.perthmoderniansociety.org.au)

The Associations and Charities, Registration Section advised Council that the Constitution would need further amendment to comply with the Associations Incorporation Bill 2014. However, to allow time for existing incorporated associations such as the Perth Modernian Society to ensure that its rules comply with the new law, the general requirements for content of rules in the new law will not apply to an existing association until the expiry of a transition period of 3 years after the new Associations Incorporation Act 2015 commences (1 July 2016). This is to give existing incorporated associations plenty of time in which to ensure their rules comply with the new law. The task of Constitution Revision will be significant and the Society will most likely need legal assistance.

## **Perth Modern School Board**

As an Independent Public School (IPS), Perth Modern School has a school Board comprising the Principal, parents, staff and members of the general community. Since its inception, the Society has been invited to nominate one of the Board's Community members. The Council was very pleased to nominate **Dr Irene Froyland** as its nominee from the beginning of 2015, taking over from Deb Beresford who had served the permitted maximum of three terms.

## **Membership Trends**

Membership levels remained steady, but regrettably a significant number of members passed away in 2015. Changes in memberships over the past six years are summarised in the table below:

Year ended December:	New 4-Year Contributing Members	Total 4-Year Contributing Members	Registered Members
2010	29	471	3196
2011	18	494	3366
2012	85	580	3758
2013	35	614	3638
2014	108	722	3559
2015	38	765	3583

The Society's **Strategic Plan 2014-2017** focuses on the need to expand membership - especially in the post-scholarship era cohorts, and to entice more members to volunteer their services so that the workload can be spread better and more can be achieved where gaps have been identified.

## **Finances**

The Financial Statements for the Society have been prepared by the Hon. Treasurer Eve Broadley.

The Council of the Society resolved in February 2015:

- A. *That the Society discontinues engaging auditors for all accounts other than that of the Sphinx Scholarship Fund and seeks endorsement of this at the next AGM.*
- B. *That all financial recommendations be referenced against the current Society Strategic Plan.*

Accordingly external audits have not been commissioned for the Society or the Sphinx Foundation Inc. for the 2015 Financial Year. The external audit of the Sphinx Scholarship Fund for 2015 was competed without any issues being raised in March 2016.

## **Income and Expenditure - Perth Modernian Society Inc.**

In 2015, Income amounted to \$14, 463 and Expenses \$12,240, giving a net Operating Profit of \$2,223, and leaving the Society with a net cash at bank at 31/12/2015 of \$18,164.

- The main recurrent cost items comprised: Newsletters (\$1,272), Printing, Stationery & Postage (\$935), IT, Communications and website hosting (\$3,116), Insurance (\$1,596).
- Net function cash inflows amounted to \$1,160 after payment of a donation to the Music Department as thanks for staging a memorable concert for Annual Reunion attendees.
- The Society was grateful to the School to be given the opportunity to run the football parking using the School grounds for one AFL game which resulted in a payment of \$2,873 back to the Society. Without this income, the Society would have run at a small loss for the year.

The anniversary occurred in 2015 of the inaugural Contributing Members who subscribed in 2010 and 2011 to the 4-Year financial contribution, so accordingly, renewal notice were sent to these Members in late 2015. By decision of the Council, the Contributing fee was raised by \$20 to \$120 for 4 years to help cover increased costs faced by the Society.

## **Sphinx Foundation Inc**

Governance: In 2015 the Board of Directors comprised: Al Koenig (to Feb 2015), Barrie Baker (Hon. Secretary), Peter Farr (Hon. Treasurer), Eve Broadley and Petrice Judge, with Val Furphy (Associate Principal) (ex-officio) representing the School.

The Sphinx Scholarship Fund is independently audited and the Sphinx Foundation reports annually as required to the ACNC (Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission).

With the assistance again of Emeritus Professor Lesley Parker, the Board played a big part in the process of advertising for and selecting scholarship and bursary winners. A record amount of \$42,360 was distributed to 43 Awardees in Feb. 2016. Of these 21 were new awards and 22 were renewals. Thankyou letters/emails were received by the School and donors from a large proportion of the Awardees.

An Annual Giving Appeal to raise funds to enable 3-year entry scholarships to be converted to 4-year scholarships from 2015 was conducted in May 2015 and very pleasingly resulted in 58 donors contributing \$29,000. In addition, 6 other donors contributed \$57,000 for specific scholarships to bring the year's total donations to the wonderful figure of \$86,000.

The wonderful support of some 250 donors to the end of 2015 has raised \$671,000 and has permitted the Sphinx Foundation Board between 2010 and Feb 2016 to provide 131 awards totalling \$151,000 to incoming students (Years 7 and 8) with demonstrated financial needs or other circumstances, or to Year 10 students who have demonstrated high achievement in specific academic subjects. 2015 was the first year that four Scholarships in the Sciences and Maths have been awarded - this was made possible by the generosity of Don Tyler and several other Modernians.

Photo: Sphinx Scholarships presenters Dec 2015; **Allen Prince** (representing Don Tyler), **Julia Heptinstall** (representing her father the late John Down) and **Peter Farr** (Perth Modernian Society & Sphinx Foundation)

The Sphinx Foundation Board has set itself four principal targets for 2016:

- (i) Board expansion and sharing of the workload associated with the Scholarship Fund;
- (ii) investing wisely and managing investments prudently in an exceedingly challenging investing climate;
- (iii) raising approximately \$35,000 through an Annual Giving appeal to complete the task of converting 3-year entry scholarships to 4 years; and
- (iv) to make further headway on establishing academic excellence scholarships for all remaining learning areas - namely Technology and Enterprise, Social Science, Politics/Law, Languages, Health and Physical Education, and the Arts, with the aim of promoting excellence and assist with education costs in Years 11 and 12.



With respect to (i), following due diligence, two excellent candidates for Directors were invited to join the Board at the end of 2015, and in Feb. 2016 the Council of the Perth Modernian Society endorsed the appointment of **Jeanette McQueen** (1961) and **Nigel Hunt** (present parent of a Mod student). With six Directors, the Board now has greater capacity to share the workload and pursue new initiatives.

### ***Shaping the Future - Challenges***

As a member-focused organisation, the Council is looking to try and create events that will appeal more to younger generations of Modernians. With some 328 Modernians presently on the Perth Modernian Society Facebook Group, the Council is hoping for this to be a vehicle to assist in communicating better with the younger cohorts.

Resourcing the History Centre (money and man-hours) stands out as a great collective challenge for members of the Society. To this end, work is progressing on the application to the ATO for tax-deductible status. If this is successful, it will be another milestone for the Society.

A webmaster is needed who can keep the Society's portal relevant and current.

The task of Constitution Revision caused by the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 will be significant and the Society will most likely need legal assistance.

I sincerely thank on members' behalf the Society's Councillors, the H&M Committee, the Sphinx Foundation Board, other volunteers, and special contributors for the enormous amount of work and goodwill that they put in to so many projects during 2015 and year-to-date 2016.

**Peter Farr FAIM, FAICD**  
**President**  
7/4/2016



PERTH MODERNIAN SOCIETY

**ABN 26 086 852 570**

**FINANCIAL REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

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**PERTH MODERNIAN SOCIETY (INC)**  
**ABN 26 086 852 570**

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2015**

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
BANK	18,062	16,017
SUNDRY DEBTORS	102	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<hr/> 18,064	<hr/> 16,017
 <b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	50	125
 <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	50	125
 <b>NET ASSETS</b>	18,114	15,892
 <b>MEMBERS FUNDS</b>	18,114	15,892

**PERTH MODERNIAN SOCIETY (INC)**  
**ABN 26 086 852 570**

**PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
<b>INCOME</b>			
Functions	6,031	5,034	
Interest	205	285	
Subscriptions	4,910	10,138	
Sale merchandise	444	235	
Lottery West grants		8,448	
Football parking	2,873	3,000	1
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>14,463</b>	<b>27,140</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Audit		935	2
Donations	1,000	500	
Function catering and labour	3,495	2,379	
Function equipment hire	224	164	
Function other	152	375	
Silver badges		923	
Newsletter printing and editorial	1,272	1,982	
Printing, stationery and postage	935	3,051	
Contribution to Sphinx			
Foundation		0	
Computer & communication costs	3,116	2,505	
Insurance	1,596	1,525	
Strategic plan		2,992	
Computer hardware	398	4,307	3
Sundry	52	687	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>12,240</b>	<b>22,325</b>	
<b>OPERATING PROFIT (LOSS)</b>	<b>2,223</b>	<b>4,815</b>	

**PERTH MODERNIAN SOCIETY (INC)**  
**ABN 26 086 852 570**

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2015**

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FUNCTION ACTIVITIES</b>		
Receipts from function activities	6,031	5,034
Payment to suppliers	-3,871	-2,918
<b>Net function cash inflows</b>	<b>2160</b>	<b>2,116</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OTHER OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Receipts from members	4,910	10,138
Payments to suppliers	-7,320	-20,826
Donation received	620	125
Donation made	-1000	-500
Interest received	205	285
Sale of merchandise and other	342	235
Contribution to Sphinx Foundation	0	0
Refund book sales to Sphinx Found.	0	0
Refund donation to H&M	-530	-225
Refund donation to Sphinx	-215	
Football parking from school	2,873	3,000
Lottery West grant	0	8,448
<b>Net operating cash inflows</b>	<b>-115</b>	<b>680</b>
Net increase / (decrease) in cash held	2,045	2,796
Cash at beginning of year	16,017	13,221
<b>Cash at end of year</b>	<b>18,062</b>	<b>16,017</b>

**PERTH MODERNAIN SOCIETY (INC)**  
**ABN 26 086 852 570**  
**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING METHOD**

This is not a general purpose financial report. It is a special purpose report prepared for the members of the club to enable compliance with requirements of the Corporation Act and the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936.

**NOTE 1.**

Perth Modernian Society Council organised resources to conduct the football parking for one AFL game in 2015, with the money collected going to Perth Modern School. The School subsequently contributed \$2,873 to the Society as its share of the overall income from parking in 2015.

**NOTE 2.**

The accounts of the Society are no longer audited following a resolution passed at the 2015 Annual General Meeting.

**NOTE 3.**

Computer hardware was purchased with the balance of funds the Society received in 2014 as a grant from Lotterywest.

**PERTH MODERNIAN SOCIETY**

**STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE**

The Committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial report.

In the opinion of the Committee the financial report:

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Perth Modernian Society (Inc). as at 31 December 2015 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Perth Modernian Society (Inc) will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:

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PRESIDENT

PETER FARR



DATE 15/2/2016

TREASURER

EVE BROADLEY



DATE 15/2/2016

## 2015 HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE

### ANNUAL REPORT

#### History Centre and Archives

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2015 began with new IT hardware purchased by the Perth Modernian Society with a **Lotterywest Grant of \$5,000**. These increased the capacity of our IT capabilities and are now in use by the History Centre and Archives volunteers who maintain systems and records, both historical and membership.

The biographical database developed and maintained by Ian Jarvis, student 1954-58, was renamed the **Jarvis eXMod Database** to be referred to as **Jed**. This facility sits alongside the hard copy **George Burvill Biographical Index** (GBI). The name in each instance recognises the volunteer responsible for its initial development to accommodate the biographical records of the Society.

#### Donations of interest

**Nora McWhinney**, student 1949-53 donated a framed print of Perth Modern School which she purchased at an Opportunity Shop. Unframed copies have been released from the Archives. These are available to interested persons or for use as placemats at Reunions.

The original **Perth Modern School pound cupboard** bearing student signatures dating from 1921, and two map cabinets donated by the School have been put to good use in the History Centre.

A second limited edition print of Perth Modern School by Austin Platt determined as being excess to requirements for the PMS Art Collection was passed to the History Centre in a stained condition has now been restored and framed at no cost to this committee. A woven image of Perth Modern School by **Joyce Kirkham (née Doran)**, student 1926-30, has been cleaned, restored and framed at no cost by volunteers Gay (student 1954-58) and daughter Christina Albillos.

#### Visits of note

- Katie Chin – PMS Art teacher
- Chairman of the PMS Board, Professor Michael Henderson
- Prue Griffiths, Research Officer employed by the Subiaco Council to document the history of Subiaco Oval.
- Kerry and Annemie McAuliffe who offered the benefit of Kerry's legal expertise for the DGR application.
- Malcolm Queckett, reporter for *The West Australian*, during an official visit to the School, 20 March.



Year 8 ANZAC visits to view a display featuring *The First Decade of Perth Modern School*, with a questionnaire:

- Thursday 23 April, one class of 30 students and one teacher
- Friday 24 April, two classes of 54 students and two teachers following the ANZAC Assembly
- Tuesday 28 April, two classes of 55 students and two teachers
- Thursday 7 May, one class and one teacher on her return from Gallipoli
- Friday, 8 May, one class and one teacher on her return from Gallipoli

Modernians from the **Class of 1955** visited the History Centre during a heritage trail tour as part of their 60 Year Reunion in November 2015. A Sphinx banner has been left with the History Centre for use by other reunion groups and donations were received by both the Historical and Museum Committee and the Sphinx Scholarship Fund.

The History Centre was also open for visitors at the **Perth Modernian Society 2015 Annual Reunion** on 5th Sept. 2015.



## Research Projects

- The expanded time line for the history of the School continues to be researched and has been invaluable in guiding the selection of historical display items and information requested for various projects
- The History of Student/Staff involvement time line enables references to be integrated (ongoing)
- One further Prefect for 1911, 1912 has been identified but there still appears to be one short for 1912
- PMS Heritage Trail – has been trialled and research and development continues
- 100 years of *The Sphinx* research has continued and a complete set of photocopies is in preparation for use in the History Centre
- The history of Thomas Street School is being further researched
- No direct PMS links with Subiaco Oval have been identified but this research remains ongoing
- War Service information across all students is continuing
- Research of biographies of notable Modernians for a publication commissioned by the Principal:

From its inaugural year in 1911, Perth Modern School has produced many remarkable students who have not only excelled academically, but as alumni have made outstanding contributions to many professions and the community. The book ***A Celebration of Contribution: Tales of the courage, commitment and creativity of Modernians*** to be launched in mid-2016 will provide fascinating biographical snapshots of over 160 former students from 1911-1963 whose achievements have benefitted the local community, the state, the nation and in some cases, the world.

[Further information is available through [www.perthmodern.wa.edu.au](http://www.perthmodern.wa.edu.au) ]

The **Historical and Museum Committee** is appreciative of the many members of the Perth Modernian Society and their families and friends who keep us informed of deaths, honours and other special items of interest. In addition, the memorabilia, photographs, Sphinx magazines and other artefacts donated continue to add to the rich tapestry which records the history and legacies of Perth Modern School. The work of compiling the information and collections for display and for reference is carried out by volunteers, mostly former staff and students of Perth Modern School. Your help is always appreciated.

## Sallie Davies

Chair, Historical and Museum Committee

**Perth Modernian Society  
Historical and Museum Committee**

**SUMMARY FINANCIAL REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

**PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

**INCOME**

Interest		\$209.38
Donations:		
From Perth Modernian Society for ticketing of Annual Reunions:		
	2014	\$125.00
	2015	\$305.00
		\$430.00
Other donations		\$100.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>\$739.38</b>

**EXPENSES**

Computer, etc	<u>\$107.94</u>	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$107.94</b>
<b>OPERATING PROFIT (LOSS)</b>		<b><u>\$631.44</u></b>

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2015**

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash at bank	\$1,349.27	\$921.32
Term Deposits	<u>\$11,829.25</u>	\$11,625.76
	<u>\$13,178.52</u>	<u>\$12,547.08</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	Nil	Nil
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	Nil	Nil
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<u><b>\$13,178.52</b></u>	<u><b>\$12,547.08</b></u>
<b>INCREASE IN ASSETS</b>	<u><b>\$631.44</b></u>	

A.A. Porter  
Hon. Treasurer  
16/03/2016



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#### **2015 COUNCIL**

Peter Farr, *President*  
student 1954-58  
Sallie Davies, *Vice President*  
student 1951-55, teacher 1961  
Annemie McAuliffe,  
*Vice President*  
student 1955-59  
Deborah Beresford,  
*Hon Secretary*  
teacher 1974-2007  
Eve Broadley, *Hon Treasurer*  
student 1958-60  
Barrie Baker, *Finance*  
student 1954-58  
Dr Irene Froyland, *PMS Board, Reunions*  
student 1955-59  
Ian Jarvis, *Communications*  
student 1954-58  
Barbara Mallett  
student 1966-70  
Bruce McCallum (to Nov. 2015)  
student 1954-58  
Lois Joll, *PMS Principal*  
**Vacant, Functions Convenor**  
**Vacant, Hon Executive Officer**  
**(Refer Councillors' profiles pp 18-21)**

#### **Finance**

Barrie Baker, *Convenor*  
*Treasurers*  
Eve Broadley, *Council*  
Peter Farr, *Sphinx Foundation*  
Alan Porter, *H&M Committee*

#### **Sphinx Foundation Board**

Barrie Baker, *Acting Chair and Secretary*  
Peter Farr, *Treasurer*  
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Annemie McAuliffe, *Convenor*  
Dr Irene Froyland

## **WHO MAKES IT ALL HAPPEN**

#### **Historical & Museum Committee**

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Sallie Davies, *Chair/Secretary*  
Deb Beresford, *Honorary Archivist/Curator*  
Alan Porter, *Hon Treasurer*  
Ian Jarvis, *Hon IT Manager*  
Frank Hedges, *Member*  
Rod Smith, *Member*  
Gay Albillos, *Hon Secretary*  
**Vacancy**



*L to R: PMS Head Boy Jet Kye Chong with Barrie Baker, A/Chair, Sphinx Foundation and Peter Farr, President*

#### **VOLUNTEERS**

##### **History Centre and Archives**

Gay Albillos, *Conservation*  
Deb Beresford, *Hon Archivist*  
David Black, *Hon Consultant*  
Jim Davies, *Biographical Index*  
Sallie Davies, *Coordinator*  
Frank Hedges, *Bio Index*  
Robert Johnson, *war history*  
Stephen Monterosso, *Thomas St*  
Bill MacPherson, *Photo Scanner*  
Deirdre Owen, *Archives*  
Alan Porter, *Science Restoration*  
Rod Smith, *Science Data Entry*  
Roger Stubbs, *Research*  
Robyn White, *Archives*  
Alison Woodman, *Research*

#### **MODERNIAN FELLOWS**

Sallie Davies  
Malcolm McCusker  
Donald Tyler



*L to R: Donald Tyler, student 1945, Sallie Davies, student 1951-55, teacher 1961 and Malcolm McCusker, student 1954-55*



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Jet Kye Chong, *Head Boy Student Representative*



# Perth Modernian Society (Inc.)

## Councillors' Profiles

The Council comprised ten members in the period April 2015-April 2016.

### Barrie Baker

BA(Hons), Dip Ed, Dip Comp, Dip Theol, Dip Ed Admin  
(immediate past President)

Barrie was a PMS student 1954-1958, and after graduating at UWA, like many PMS students from the scholarship era, he followed a teaching vocation starting in 1964 at Mount Lawley Senior High School. Barrie spent his whole working career in the field of education, the last 33 years of which were in Technical Education. He was a pioneer in computer education in Western Australia, both in TAFE and for three years at the WA Treasury in charge of State Government computer training. He held positions in TAFE ranging from lecturer to Assistant Director. Whilst there he was seconded part time to the Public Service Commission Doig Management Centre to set up computer training there. He was also in charge of the development of the East Perth TAFE campus.



Barrie has an interest in urban heritage and won the 2011 WA Heritage Council Award for the individual making the greatest contribution to heritage in Western Australia. He is patron of the Mount Lawley Society and a volunteer music teacher at his local primary school. Barrie has other extensive community involvements including the Australian Student Christian Movement and is a Lay Pastoral Minister in the Anglican Church. He is active in the Australian Shareholders' Association and was convener of its North of the River group for 14 years until 2015.

Barrie has served on the Council of the Perth Modernian Society (Inc) since its formation in 1995. He served as president for seven years (2006 to 2013). He has been the Functions Coordinator since 1996 and the Finance and Fundraising Committee since 2011

Barrie has been a Director of the board of the Sphinx Foundation since 2000, serving also as secretary and chairman. His interests in these positions have been steering the Foundation to more effectively serve the educational needs of PMS students, especially in providing scholarship incentives for worthy students. He is currently its Interim Chairman.

### Deborah Beresford

Bachelor of Applied Science (Library Studies) W.A.I.T.  
(Hon. Secretary)



Deborah graduated as a teacher from Graylands Teachers College in 1962 and then taught at Metropolitan primary schools before marriage. In 1974 she was appointed to Perth Modern School as a Teacher Librarian where she taught until her retirement in 2007.

In 1995 she joined the Perth Modernian Society (Inc.) and has been on the Council since 2006 and has served as the Secretary since 2008. In 2009 she joined the Historical and Museum Committee taking on the role of Honorary Archivist for the Perth Modernian Society, an appointment she still holds. She has also been involved on the Functions Committee since 2006, and during that time she has organised and helped with the Annual Reunions.

Deborah was on the Perth Modern School Council for many years and then became an inaugural member of the School Board as the Perth Modernian Society's nominee. During her teaching career she was a member of the West Australian School Library Association of which she was Secretary for 3 years.

She has had a variety of community involvement in the past with Junior sporting clubs. (Surf Life Saving, Junior Australian Rules Football, and Claremont Amateur Swimming Club), and was a member of the Waratah Red Cross Branch.

## **Evelyn (Eve) Broadley**

Eve attended Perth Modern School as a scholarship student in 1958-60.



Eve has served on the Council of the Perth Modernian Society since its formation in 1995. She served as president for two terms and has been the honorary treasurer for ten years. She was the editor of the magazine for twelve years. She has been a Director of the board of the Sphinx Foundation Inc. since 2006.

Eve has a Graduate Diploma in Applied Finance and a Graduate Diploma in Corporate Management.

Eve has spent her whole working career in Stockbroking. Currently working as a private and institution client adviser at DJ Carmichael & Co. Prior to that she was a director in her own broking firm, Hogan & Partners, and prior to that as a director of Paterson Securities. She was also employed by the Perth Stock Exchange as the manager of the trading floor, being the first female in Australia to hold that position. She was also the first female in Western Australia to be appointed as a Member of the Australian Stock Exchange.

She was appointed by the State Government to serve as a member of the Finance Brokers Board from 1994 to 1999.

Eve has been a member of Royal Kings Park Tennis Club for over forty years with several years serving on the committee. She is a member of Mosman Park Golf Club, serving as the Convenor of the business ladies for many years and represents the club at the WA Business Ladies Golf Association.

## **Sallie Davies (née Hicks)** (Vice President)



Perth Modernian Society Councillor: 1997-1999, Vice President 2010-2016  
Sphinx Foundation Board Member: 2003-2010  
Historical and Museum Committee: 2006-2007, Chair 2007-current

Sallie was a student at Perth Modern School from 1951-1955. A Home Science Teacher in the country before transferring to Perth Modern School in 1961, Sallie married in 1962 and moved back to the country where she was involved in various community activities. Back in Perth in 1972 Sallie became involved in P&C Associations and with Stirling Players and the development of Stirling Theatre.

In 1978 she was appointed Coordinator of the 150th Celebrations for the City of Stirling and was subsequently invited by the Stirling Council to establish a community support service. In 1990, Sallie was awarded the Rotary Club of Osborne Park City of Stirling Merit Award for Community and Vocational Service. She was elected Chairperson of the Volunteer Centre of Western Australia, and subsequently became its Executive Director, retiring as Executive Director of Volunteering Western Australia in 2001. A founding Director on the Board of Volunteering Australia Sallie served on national committees from 1990. Sallie was awarded a Centenary Medal for her services to the community through Volunteering Western Australia.

Sallie joined the Board of the Sphinx Foundation and coordinated the Publication Working party responsible for researching and publishing the '*Perth Modern School: the History and the Heritage*'. She became chair the Historical and Museum Committee and has represented that Committee on the Society Council since 2007. As Newsletter Coordinator she is part of the Communications working group and has been involved in the development of the portal, JeD (Jarvis ex-Mod Database), the integrated former staff/student database, the e-Newsletters and the Magazine for Contributing Members. She has been integrally involved with the recent development of the History Centre. In 2014 Sallie was named as one of the three inaugural Modernian Fellows for her contribution to the Society and thereby the advancement of education at Perth Modern School

## **Peter Farr BE(Hons), BEc, MSc, C.Eng, FAICD, FAIM** (President)



Peter was a Perth Modern School scholarship student 1954-1958.

After graduating in Canada in 1966 with a Masters degree, Peter has followed careers totalling 50 years in engineering and management consulting. He has board experience with private companies, and as a Fellow of both the Australian Institute of Company Directors and the Australian Institute of Management, he has a strong background in Corporate Governance best practice. He has had community

involvement with appointments on the Council and Treasurer of St Catherine's College (UWA), Convocation (University of Western Australia), Parents and Citizens Committees, the Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club Offshore Committee, St John of God Subiaco Hospital Consumer Advisory Group and that Hospital's Policy Subcommittee.

Peter has made a large commitment to the Perth Modernian Society (Inc) having been a Councillor for over ten years and he has served as its Vice President or President since 2006. New initiatives he has played a role in are the Portal, the Sphinx Scholarship Fund, the Annual Oration, Perth Modernian Society Awards scheme, the Society's inaugural Strategic Plan, Constitution revision and Governance standards. He has also been Treasurer and on the organising committee for all the 1954-58 class reunions.

He was appointed as a Director of the Sphinx Foundation Inc. in 2008 and as Hon. Treasurer in 2009. He has been involved with the Sphinx Scholarship Fund as its Treasurer and investment manager since its inception in 2009 during which time the fund has grown to over \$700,000. The Fund has had the notable achievement to date of awarding 130 scholarships and bursaries thereby helping many PMS students to aim high and achieve their potential.

#### **Dr Irene Froyland**

PhD (Crim), MA (Psych), Dip Ed



Irene attended Perth Modern School 1955-59. After University graduation she became a mathematics teacher and a teacher educator, then went on to complete a doctorate in criminology.

She was a member of the team of teachers who revised the teaching of maths in WA schools in the 1960s, and then as a foundation staff member of Edith Cowan University taught and researched in the disciplines of education, psychology, justice studies and criminology. She was part of the team that developed the first degree courses for police and prison officers in WA, and worked to win the collocation of the Police Academy and ECU in Joondalup. Together with selected police officers she was instrumental in the establishment of the *Centre for Police Research*, now known as the *Sellenger Centre*, which subsequently won ECU's first collaborative ARC grant. In 2004, Irene was appointed Foundation Director - Corruption Prevention, Education and Research in the Corruption and Crime Commission, a role she filled for over six years, leading a team of professionals committed to preventing misconduct in the WA Public Sector.

Upon retirement she accepted community positions as Vice President of the Arthritis Foundation of WA, Chair of the Council of Advice to Arthritis Australia, and member of the Newborough Primary School Board. Irene joined the Council of the Perth Modernian Society in 2013 and was elected as its nominee on the PMS Board in 2015. She has been active in several of the Society's projects and her overriding ambition for the Society is that it is relevant to all Modernians and supports them in the modern world.

#### **Ian Jarvis**

Ian was a Perth Modern School scholarship student 1954-1958 and became involved in the Society after attending the 50th reunion of the Class of '58.



The experience Ian brings to the decision making and activities of the Perth Modernian Society Council includes 35 years of financial management, administration and IT development in Telstra and 9 years in LotteryWest.

He has been involved with the Society since 2008 and served on the Sphinx Board then PMS Council since 2009. His current roles include Convenor of the Communications Committee, a member of the Historical and Museum Committee, and unofficial ICTs coordinator.

Ian was instrumental in bringing the Society into the electronics age in 2009 with the development and maintenance of the Society's Portal and the Ex Student/Staff database (JED), compilation and distribution of the quarterly e-Newsletter and implementation of the Historical and Museum Collections database (MOSAIC). These all require regular attention to ensure their efficient operation and continuity.

His involvement in community activities includes 12 years on the Board of Kids Are Kids Therapy and Education Centre in Bateman, development of their client management database, 11 years on the Riverton, Rossmoyne and Shelley Residents' Association Committee and various roles over 40 years in the Shelley Sailing Club.

**Barbara Mallett**  
BA, Dip Ed, M App Ling

Barbara attended PMS in the Music School era and graduated in 1970, as a recipient of a Commonwealth University Scholarship. After completing a BA at UWA, she commenced her first graduate position in 1973 as the Statistical Research Officer of West Australian Newspapers.



Claremont Teachers College (now ECU) pioneered the Dip Ed (Primary) in the late 1970s and Barbara was one of the first graduates. Barbara taught for a brief period as well as spending some time in the business world of Telstra, before "retiring" to life as a mother and hobby farmer when the family moved to the Perth hills a few years later. During this time Barbara was very active in the P&C at Parkerville PS, which led to her accepting the position of State Councillor for the WA Council of State Schools Organisation for the Northam District. In 1990 she returned to teaching, and pioneered a German language programme in a metropolitan school. Later she switched to Italian and enjoyed being part of a primary school Italian programme for about 6 years. This led her to move out of the classroom into an administrative role as Schools Officer at the Italo-Australian Welfare & Cultural Centre Inc. where she has been since 2004.

Barbara completed a Master of Applied Linguistics through Monash University and has pursued her interest in the development of language from infancy and also the structure of related and unrelated languages. She is a member of the Hills Choir where she assists with pronunciation and intonation when the choir sings in languages other than English. She loves to travel and to explore the lands of her heritage.

In 2010, after assisting in organizing a 40<sup>th</sup> reunion for her graduating year, Barbara was invited to join the Perth Modernian Society as a Councillor. She led a group on the School Centennial planning day, and since 2015, her commitments have allowed her to take a slightly more active role in the Society and the continuing life of PMS.

**Bruce McCallum**  
(resigned Nov. 2015)

**Annemarie (Annemie) McAuliffe (née Davies)**  
BA, Dip Ed, MLIS  
(Vice President)

Annemie attended Perth Modern School 1955-59.



Annemie has followed professional careers in academia, government, the private sector, and board appointments. After completing a BA in Classics at UWA she joined the National Library in Canberra as a library trainee. Her library career saw her working in the ACT and Northern Territory before returning to Perth and working primarily in academic libraries at a time when libraries were transitioning to computerised operations. Her career expanded into academic teaching, senior library management, business studies and academic politics. She was the first female President of the Academic Staff Association at Curtin University and an elected member of the Curtin Council, later a Ministerial Representative to Council.

In the 1980s Annemie took up an information technology policy position in the Western Australian Government and was posted overseas to London and later to Indonesia. During this time also she was appointed to various State and national boards including Marjory Smart Fellow to St Hilda's College, University of Melbourne, and the Commissioner of the Future.

After leaving Government in the mid-1990s and moving to Kalgoorlie, Annemie established a regional consultancy and undertook significant studies particularly in regional telecommunications, Indigenous business development and land use management. She returned to Government to develop a State Telecommunications Strategy.

Her Board experience includes chair of the WA Telecentre Advisory Council, board of the Insurance Commission of Western Australia, FESA and the board of the Potato Marketing Corporation of Western Australia

These days Annemie is bound up with her family and paints at every opportunity. She joined the Perth Modernian Society Council in 2009, and has been co-Vice President since 2013. She is determined to work for a Society that is relevant for all members, past and present students and staff. She has been an active contributor to areas such as the inaugural Strategic Plan, and Class Reunions liaison.

## MILESTONES FOR PERTH MODERN SCHOOL EX-STAFF/STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

**1913** Annual Reunion held August 1913. Reg Williams (PMS student 1911-13) became joint Hon Secretary for the Perth Modern School **Ex-Students Association**.

**1914** The **Perth Modern School Ex-Students Association Incorporated** held Ex-Students Day. All members joining in the first year to be known as **Foundation Members**, with badges available.

### Aims of the Association

- To establish a strong esprit de corps amongst the ex-students of the PMS ("Union is strength")
- To further the interests of the School
- To establish a friendly intercourse between the past and present students of the PMS by means of meetings and social functions.

**1918** Constitution was reviewed and **Old Modernians Association Incorporated** came into being.

**1922** **Unveiling of War Memorial** - funds were raised by former students and to be managed by the **Old Modernians Trust Fund** appointed in perpetuity.

**1926-58** *The Sphinx* reported on activities of the **Old Modernians Association** for each calendar year's social events and Ex-Students Days.

**1960** **Keith Graham**, PMS student 1928-29, became the inaugural president of the **Parents and Citizens Association** at Perth Modern School.

**1969** Deed of Trust established under patronage of the **Hon Mr Justice Wolff**, PMS student 1913-14, to establish a legally constituted **Board of Trustees to administer the Library in perpetuity**. **Old Modernians** asked to contribute.

**1970** A new library was built as part of the Commonwealth Secondary Schools Library Programme.

**1970** **Joseph Parsons Memorial Library** officially opened by **Governor General Sir Paul Hasluck**, student 1918-22.

**1973** **Launch of a Foundation Committee** in December to prepare a proposal for recording, preservation and display of information and objects associated with Perth Modern School. Principal Mr Joe Stokes originated the proposal for the historical record and sought the help of ex-students for the physical and financial requirements of the task.

**1974-94** **Perth Modern School Historical Society** established its **Museum Collections**.

**1995** **Perth Modernian Society Planning Committee** formed to establish **Perth Modernian Society**:

- Perth Modernian Society (Inc), Registered No. 1004735, 11th July 1995
- Sphinx Foundation (Inc), established to secure funds and future publication of a School history
- **Historical and Museum Society** became a **standing Committee** of the Society.

**2005** Launch of **Perth Modern School: the History and the Heritage** - researched and published by the Sphinx Foundation. 5,000 copies printed.

**2008** **Sphinx Foundation Constitution** revised to empower establishment of the Sphinx Scholarship Fund.

**2009** Accommodation available for establishment of **Perth Modernian Society History Centre**.

The Society entered the electronic age by launching a **portal** and **databases** for (i) ex-Student/staff records and (ii) artefacts.

**2010** Official launch of the **Sphinx Scholarship Fund** at the home of Malcolm and Tonya McCusker.

**2011** **Perth Modern School Centenary Year** celebrations.

**2013** Revision of Perth Modernian Society **Constitution** to accommodate new organisational structure completed

**2014** **Celebrating 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary** of the establishment of the **PMS Museum Collections** and **100 Years of The Sphinx** at Perth Modern School.

Launch of Perth Modernian Society inaugural **Strategic Plan 2014-2017**.

Confirmation of three inaugural **Modernian Fellows** - **Sallie Davies, Malcolm McCusker and Donald Tyler** - for their outstanding contributions to the Society and PMS.

**2015** Celebrated establishment of **Perth Modern School's first orchestra 100 years ago**.

Council self assessment survey - completed by all Councillors; collated and analysed by **Bruce McCallum**.

Revision of Perth Modernian Society **Constitution** completed in preparation for **DGR application** for a proposed **Museum Fund**.