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St. Peter's College Old Boys' Union



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



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Welcome to the newsletter dedicated to capture activities of the SPC OBU to celebrate the centenary of St. Peter's College. The Committee of Management (COM) and I hope to continue to update you with the information about the activities of the Union to celebrate this important milestone and to link all members wherever they may be. We have requested all Sub-Committees, Batch Groups, Branches and Foundations of the SPC OBU to provide information about their activities.



Please refer to the relevant pages on this newsletter for more information.

The main focus of the COM will be to reach the membership globally, increase the patronage and membership of the Peterite Lounge and complete our home, the SPC OBU Secretariat Building. We hope to build synergies when participating in activities of the OBU and the College by connecting Old Boys and gaining an advantage from their professional experience and expertise.

The COM welcomes your ideas, feedback and proposals on the above and any others that you think may be important for the SPC OBU and look forward to this feedback.

I hope you enjoy this newsletter and thank you all for the roles you played to make the celebration as grand and meaningful as it was.

Thank you and stay safe!

Virtus et Veritas
Ravika de Silva.
President – SPC OBU.



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EDITORIAL COLUMN



On behalf of the editorial team, it gives me great pleasure to present to you the centenary e-newsletter of the St. Peter's College Old Boys' Union. In celebration of the Centenary, the year was filled with many significant events organized by the OBU Committee of Management and its affiliated entities. The editorial team has been working extensively to bring true value to its services and share the most updated information related to these events.

As a first step, the Editorial team modernized the OBU website (<https://stpetersobu.com/>) which was launched on 28th July 2022, and was kept up to date with all Centenary news and other relevant publications throughout the year, alongside the OBU FB page (<https://facebook.com/obuofstpeterscollege/>) and the OBU Twitter account (www.twitter.com/obuofstpeterscollege). In addition, the committee ensured the release of quarterly e-newsletters as a part of its key services.

As we conclude the Centenary year, I'm certain that, you will be pleased to see this Newsletter which summarizes the journey of an eventful year. Therefore, I urge you all to preserve this as a lifetime souvenir of our Alma mater.

Anushka Mendis

Hon. Editor

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OBU Committee of Management



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Committee of Management

The Committee of Management of St. Peter's College Old Boys' Union together with its affiliated entities, planned and executed its activities ensuring the centenary year was celebrated in grand style. The traditional events on an OBU calendar were coupled with special events organized for celebrating the Centenary year which made this year's journey more colourful by providing the SPC community with an unforgettable lifetime experience.

While some of the key events and projects are highlighted below, the detailed updates on each of these events and the rest of the Centenary events have been presented via the updates of the affiliated entities under this issue.

- The Peterite Connect initiation which brought Old Peterite professionals onto a single platform
- Creating the global forum to connect all the OBU branches worldwide through a single communication platform
- Organizing the largest and the most profit making dinner dance in the history of the SPC OBU
- Forming the Past Teachers Association

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Committee of Management

- Centenary Teachers' Day outing
- Back to School for the Centenary
- Introducing the HNB Peterite Affinity Credit Card
- Centenary retreat and spiritual session for Old Boys and their families
- Past Teachers' Retreat
- Limited-edition Centenary Memorabilia
- Stag Night in a concert style
- Inaugurating 4 new foundations (Arts / Cadets / Swimming / Scouts)
- Inaugurating, extending, and reviving some Overseas Branches
- Awarding Peterite Honours
- The master SPC OBU membership database managed by an App
- Digital Image archives
- Lend a Hand Programme (Peterites in need Fund)

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Batch Group Updates

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71-74 Batch Group

Our batch group went on a three-day tour to Sober Islands in Trincomalee in early November 2022 along with their families. More than 30 individuals participated in this tour. During the end of December 2022, the batch hosted a mega Christmas party at the Peterite Lounge where a large number of members and their spouses attended. The batch also unveiled a canvas painting at the Peterite lounge drawn by our own batch mate Jayantha Silva, a prominent artist. The Batch Group also participated in the Back to School program hosted by the OBU. Thereafter, in April 2023, just after Easter, the batch hosted another get together in honour of Thilak Fernando and this too was patronized by a large gathering of members and their spouses. Lastly, our AGM was held on 20th May 2023 with several of our batch mates in attendance.



AGM fellowship on 11th June 2022



Meeting up with batch mates at the
OBU Lounge

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71-74 Batch Group



Unveiling of the Painting of Jayantha Silva by the OBU President Ravika De Silva



Ravika De Silva addressing the gathering at the OBU Lounge



Sober Island Trincomalee



Christmas Party



Back to School

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83-86 Batch Group

During the Centenary year, the Batch group was able to organize a fundraiser as the 55th birthday bash. It was organized in a grand manner and was held at the Monarch Imperial with entertainment provided by the band Misty. With the profit gained, our aim was to first help some of our batch mates and their families who were going through some challenging times due to the pandemic and economic crisis. The committee had identified the people who needed support and allocated funds and disbursed it accordingly and continue to do so.

As a gesture of support, the batch group contributed a sum of Rs.50,000/ for the teacher's day out which is organized annually. Also a sum of Rs.100,000/ was donated towards the renovation fund of the D.J. Nicholas Perera Hall.



Committee - Batch Group of 83-86

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87-92 Batch Group

As the Centenary started, given the challenge all have faced due to Covid and the economic crisis, the batch group decided that the projects should be mainly targeted to help the needy given the circumstances and, should not be centered around entertainment only. With this primary objective in mind, the batch group was able to conduct many charity projects while ensuring some of the traditional batch group events were conducted throughout the year.

PROJECT AT KANDANA PARISH

The batch group organized a charity event on 25 th. June 2022 at the St Sebastian Church in Kandana by donating 50 parcels amounting to a value of LKR 400,000/-

PROJECT AT MORATUWA

On a collective request from Prof. Agaladada Sirisumana, Chief priest in Moratuwa and also, the head of the Sinhala division at the University of Colombo, to conduct a Medical camp for the People of the area, the batch group agreed to take up the project. On another request by the community from Moratuwa, the batch organized a Medical camp on 17 th September 2022 at Sri Bodhirajaramaya. With the help of NHSL, a comprehensive medical check-up was done and free spectacles and medicines too were given out. Free food (B'fast and lunch) was provided to the people of the area.

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87-92 Batch Group

COMMITTEE ANNUAL OUTING

The batch had its outing on 29 th. October 2022 at Wadduwa Beach Hotel. The Committee members along with their families participated.

DENIYAYA PROJECT ON 03rd. DECEMBER 2022

Based on the success of the previous 2 projects in Kadana and Moratuwa. The committee decided on taking on another project in the rural area. Deniyaya was identified as a needy location due to the poor health facility, Malnutrition and remoteness. Over 1,000 registered for the camp. The cost of the project was over LKR 1 million where free healthcare services were provided. Dry rations too were distributed to around 200 needy people.

TEACHERS' OUTING

On the request of the OBU President Mr Ravika De Silva LKR 50,000/- was donated to meet the expenses with the approval of the committee.

ANNUAL HEALTH CAMP FOR TEACHERS PAST & PRESENT

The Batch group assisted the Health Committee in organizing the above event. This was done in 2 stages. About 300 teachers and staff members benefited from this project.

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87-92 Batch Group

MEDICAL CENTRE AWARDS NIGHT

The members of the 87-92 helped the Health Committee in organizing the awards night which was held on 10th December 2022. Parallel to this event, the batch group found sponsors to meet the cost of the Plaque, Snacks etc. and donated a fridge, Nebulizers, an Oxygen regulator, and a Digital BP meter. The total cost was approx. LKR 450,000/-. Dr. Ajith Perera of Medichecks (Pvt) Ltd. was a main contributor to this event.

HELPING HAND PROJECT

In December 2022, the batch group launched a project to help needy batch mates during the festival season by collecting LKR 199,795.16 which was donated by each batch to the needy.

PREPARATION OF SNACKS FOR GRADE 01 STUDENTS

Based on a request made by the OBU to provide milk and thripasha for the students, the 87-92 batch sponsored this need and the cost was estimated at LKR 60,000/-

HI MATCHAN

Traditionally, the 87-92 Hi Matchan batch get-together event took place on 12th May 2023 at Mount Lavinia Beach at the Haus Chandra Beach hotel with around 106 participants which was the highest ever participation rate.

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93-94 Batch Group

As the Centenary year began, most of the Batch group activities were inhibited due to the pandemic and subsequent health restrictions. However, the batch was able to make notable contributions to College and arrange a batch meet-up to achieve its development objectives.

Platinum Sponsor at the Golden Gleam Centenary Dinner Dance

The 93/94 batch was the platinum sponsor of the Centenary Dinner Dance by providing sponsorship to the value of Rs. 4,000,000/-. The batch also contributed by having the following members of the batch be part of the dance committee and achieving a record-breaking 20 million profit for its designated projects. The members were;

Ramesh Rayappan – Joint Chairman Anil Phillips – Secretary Ravika de Silva, Sujith Silva, Hans Beekmeyer, Roshan Fernando, Devapriya Perera

Student Scholarship Program

This is the batch's key initiative that started in 2002, the batch group was able to sponsor needy students for the 21st consecutive year. A cheque of Rs. 377,500/- was handed over to Rev. Fr. Rector on the 13th. of May 2023 by the President, Mr. Niroshan Mangamuni.

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93-94 Batch Group

Teachers' day 2022

The batch provided a donation of Rs.50,000/- to the teacher's day program in appreciation of the untiring and relentless service they provide to St Peters College and its students.

Crusaders Tent

After a 3-year gap, the batch was able to organize the "CRUSADERS" Tent at the JOE-PETE limited over Cricket match which was held on the 30th of April. The uniqueness of this tent is that, this is the only tent at the 50-over that is organized with the 93 batch group of St Joseph's College. The tent was sold out with over 250 attendees along with the batch mates and their families.



Committee - Batch Group of 93-94

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95-00 Batch Group

Answering appeal from the Track and Field foundation of College

The batch group was delighted to contribute towards our up & coming **long jumper, Mast. Hirusha Heshan** towards his pre-meet preparations of a 40-day healthy diet prior to him attending the World Junior Athletics Championships.

Primary Physical Training Arena-Refurbishment

The '**Primary Physical Training Arena**' was first handed over to College in 2018. Answering Rev. Father Milan's request to refurbish the area after a long period, this arena was refurbished as it was established in accordance with the PT subject at College and it had become an integral part of the student's activities. With the use of the batch group funds, it completed refurbishment while adding on a new balancing beam for the arena on the 7th of October 2022.

The Bike Hub "Reduce your Carbon Footprint"

Setting standards with yet another novel concept, the batch group sought the endorsement of Rev. Fr. Rector and established the 'Peterite Bike Hub' concept to help battle the country's fuel crisis and transport woes. The idea & the vision behind it was to promote the healthy habit of cycling to school and having a secure parking space for bikes. Funds were generated by well-wishers and committee members.

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95-00 Batch Group

Give a Gift of Kindness... 'A project to hand over dry rations worth LKR 15,000/- to 80 non-academic & minor staff of College'

The batch group was swift to move in to do what little it could do towards easing the burdens of our college non-academic and minor staff. Our own batch group comradeship responded to a call made by the committee and were able to campaign and organize a distribution of dry rations for the aforesaid staff categories of college. It was an outstanding success and an overall feel-good campaign.

The All-Saints football tournament 2022 - 'Sponsored the College Jersey'

The batch group was able to sponsor the jerseys of the All-Saints Football Tournament 2022 given that many of our batch mates are involved and supporting the college football foundation.

Teachers' day organized by the OBU

Keeping in line with 'chipping in' when possible and where needed, the batch group was able to be a part-sponsor of the 'annual teachers day outing 2022' by supporting the main calendar event with 3 committee members coming forward to sponsor LKR 150,000/- towards the event.

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95-2000 Batch Group



**Primary Physical Training Arena
Refurbishment**



**Answering appeal from the
Track and Field foundation of College**



**The Bike Hub "Reduce your
Carbon Footprint"**



Give a Gift of Kindness...



**The All-Saints football tournament 2022 –
'Sponsored the College Jersey'**

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2001-03 Batch Group

During the Centenary year, the Batch group managed to organize some key events as an overall Batch group as well as, at individual batch level. The Key projects during the past year is as follows;

- An inter-class six-a-side cricket and tap rucker tournament organized by the 2001-2003 batch was successfully held on 7th. December 2022 at the Angampitiya grounds with the participation of batchmates from 2001-2003
- Class of 2003 contributed financially and participated in a community kitchen program at the voice community kitchen to help the needy.
- Class of 2002 held their 20th-year anniversary dinner dance at Shangri-La Hotel, Colombo.
- Class of 2003 helped sponsor 2 Peterite athletes participating in the World Junior Athletic Championships
- The class of 2002 held its annual Christmas party in December 2022
- The CSR project initiated by the class of 2002 assisted two schools in Thanthirimale. This was conducted in March 2023.
- “Kingsmen”, the brand new stand was introduced during 49th Joe-Pete One Day 50 over Encounter.

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2001-03 Batch Group



Six-a-side cricket and tap rugger tournament



Class of 2002 Dinner Dance



Thanthirimale CSR Project

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2004 Batch Group

The Batch Group of 2004 successfully organized a batch reunion to celebrate the centenary year. This event was held at the Nondescripts Cricket Club during December 2022.

At the 49th Joe-Pete Limited Overs Encounter, the batch group organized the Peterite 4s stand. In light of the centenary year, the batch committee offered an all-inclusive ticket (Food, Drink, and entertainment) which was the lowest priced ticket offered at a stand organized at the 49th Joe-Pete encounter.

In light of the centenary year, the 2004 batch group donated Rs. 300,000/- to various College and OBU activities and causes.



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2006 Batch Group

It was a year of events in the SIXERS calendar. Starting off with an inter-batch cricket tournament (“Sixers Cricket Fiesta”) which was a family event for the batchmates which was organized after 03 years in order to reunite the entire batch. The event marked a successful benchmark which resulted in an event where almost everyone in the batch patronized this event.

The Batch group was able to present a pre-screening session of the first ever record breaking 3D animated movie “Gajaman” for the old Peterites and their families. The event was a successful “Full-House” session at the PVR cinemas (One Galle Face Mall).

The eventful calendar of the Sixers marked its end at the epic “Sixers” tent held at the SLC Grandstand, celebrating 10 years at the 49th Joe - Pete limited over encounter. This was a major success which marked a benchmark in the Sixers’ history.

Furthermore, the batch of 2006 launched its official logo (Sixers) this year which would be used in all future branding requirements of memorabilia of the batch.

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2007 Batch Group

Christmas Cricket Carnival, a family-oriented Cricket extravaganza was held on the 4th of December 2022, reuniting the batchmates after a prolonged break where they enjoyed an action-packed Sunday. The event attracted close to 100 participants with Team 11S3 winning the class-wise six-a-side tournament while Team 11S5 were the runners-up.

The 12th Peterite Vehicle Parade (PVP12) was held on the 30th of April, 2023, attracting over 400 vehicles and 1,000 parade-goers, marking the continuation of an 11-year-old tradition following a two-year hiatus. The Batch of 2007 and the PVP Sub-Committee did an excellent job conducting an inspiring, disciplined, and law-abiding vehicle parade with the guidance and support of Sri Lanka Police and the Defense Ministry.

The third PVP DEN, an all-inclusive enclosure, hosted approximately 400 spectators of the 49th Joe-Pete Limited-Over Encounter. The participants enjoyed a memorable day filled with great music, succulent food, refreshing beverages, and the PVP hospitality and brotherhood.

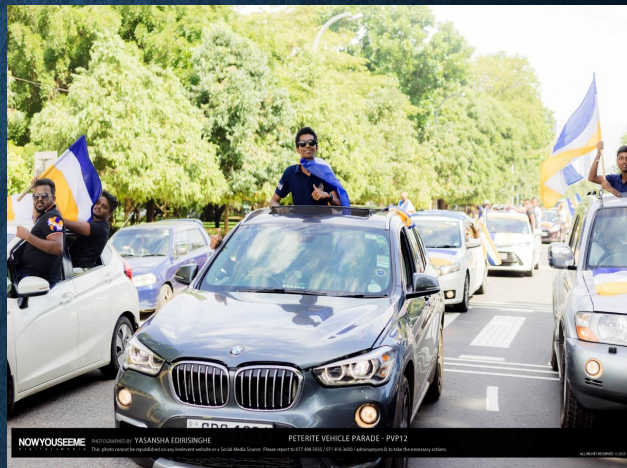
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2007 Batch Group



Event: Christmas Cricket Carnival | **Date:** 4th of December 2022



Event: Peterite Vehicle Parade - PVP12 | **Date:** 30th of April 2023



Event: PVP DEN | **Date:** 30th of April 2023

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2008 Batch Group

During the Centenary year, the focus of the batch group was to create engagement and networking. The batch continued to have general meet ups at the club house and with time, saw an increase in the number of members in attendance. As the batch activities continued, the increased enthusiasm resulted in more members obtaining membership at the Peterite Lounge.

Further, the batch group initiated a limited edition cufflink of the OBU of St. Peter's College. The committee planned this as a fundraiser for the batch to initiate projects that would benefit the OBU as well as College. The idea behind creating merchandise, is to create loyalty products which can be worn at OBU events or any other events to showcase the Peterite identity and loyalty. This merchandise was widely appreciated throughout the Main Old Boys union, Batch groups as well as overseas batch groups, which was very encouraging.

As much as good times are celebrated, the difficult times are testing for the better. The committee initiated a project supported by the batch members raising funds to buy new clothing and dry rations for Peterites in need of the batch. These collections were handed out during Christmas.

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2009 Batch Group

Rev. Fr. Felician Ranjith Perera Annual cricket tournament was held on the 28th of August 2022. For the 1st. time, the event was made a family event which included games and entertainment where over 70 batch mates along with their families took part.

A donation of LKR 100,000/- was arranged and given for the College Hall renovation project. This decision was finalised at the batch AGM held on the 07th June 2023.



Committee - Batch Group of 2009

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2010 Batch Group

The SPC OBU Batch of 2010 organized a lively Karaoke night on February 10, 2023 at the Peterite Lounge. This event witnessed an impressive turnout, with over 35 batchmates enthusiastically participating. The Karaoke night offered an enjoyable and entertaining experience filled with laughter, music, and fond memories.

Overall, the activities organized by the SPC OBU Batch of 2010 during the Centenary year exemplified the spirit of unity and engagement among its members. The AGM and the subsequent fellowship provided a platform for the batchmates to strengthen their bond and contribute to the ongoing success of the OBU. The Karaoke night, with its vibrant atmosphere, brought the batchmates together for an enjoyable evening of entertainment and helped create some long-lasting memories.



Committee - Batch Group of 2010

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2011 Batch Group

For the second time, the 3rd. Umpire tent for the Joe - Pete limited over encounter was successfully organized with over 300 participants in attendance which was done in collaboration with the 2012 Batch Group.



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2012 Batch Group

Initially, based on the request of multiple members, there was an initiation carried out to provide and get more members registered in the main OBU.

Further, the main key event was the Joe-Pete 50 Over batch tent "3 rd. Umpire" which was carried out jointly with the 2011 batch. The event was a grand success with the participation of approx. 300 people. The tent, which was organized for the first time, proved to be a great experience for both batches by providing an opportunity for our batch mates to meet each other after a considerable time lag.



Committee - Batch Group of 2012

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2013/2017 Batch Group

Through the social media platforms (WhatsApp group, Facebook & Instagram), the batch group members are given instant updates on any upcoming events which occur in the college and OBU calendar year.

As a mark of centenary year celebrations, a membership drive was held during the month of July 2022 for all the 2013/17 batch group members. The members were given support and guidance on how to apply for the OBU membership cards and to clarify any queries regarding their pending memberships.



Committee - Batch Group of 2013-17

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2018/2022 Batch Group

During the Centenary year, this batch group was happy to welcome the 2021 and 2022 batches into this Batch group. After onboarding these batches, this batch group carried out a few activities and intends to increase its involvement in the OBU calendar year activities from next year onwards.



Committee - Batch Group of 2018-22

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Subcommittees

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Peterite CONNECT

The Peterite Connect subcommittee was officially launched on 09th August 2022 with the sole intention of connecting old Peterite professionals from different industries on to a single platform to collaborate in a more productive manner in order to serve the relevant industry, the OBU and College. The platform hopes to have continuous engagement through physical meetings and events while, remote engagement would be supported by the virtual network via the introduction of digital platforms such as the Peterite Connect website, FB page and the Mobile App which were launched at the inauguration. The committee consisting of main key industry clusters, are led by reputed old Peterite professionals from the respective Industry.

As of today, Eleven clusters managed to host their inauguration meetings and as a follow-up to the inauguration meetings, most of the clusters were able to initiate some key projects/activities to serve the SPC community. Some clusters however, are currently at the planning stage and will facilitate their activities in the near future. Some of the highlighted projects are;

- Shipping, Transport, Logistics & Aviation
 - Providing internship and job opportunities with priority to the Old Peterites through the network
 - Donation of books/Articles to the College library related to the industry
- Financial Services, Banking, & Non-Banking
 - Providing internship and job opportunities with priority to the Old Peterites through the network
- Plantations & Agriculture
 - Conducting regular meetups by connecting old Peterites from the industry for partnership building
- Public Relations, Media & Entertainment, Arts & Culture
 - Media workshop for College students - In planning stage
 - College Media Unit visit to Media Station - In planning stage
- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics)
 - Seminar series to the College students - In planning stage
 - Initiating focused mentoring programs to the College students by connecting them with top ranked old Peterite academics across the Globe - In planning stage
- Defence Services
 - Memorial service for the war heroes - In planning stage

The Year 2023/24 is expected to be an eventful year with all clusters planning their events in supporting the long term objectives and therefore, the committee invites Old Peterite professionals to be a part of this wonderful journey.

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Peterite CONNECT



Peterite Connect Launch - 09.08.2022



Peterite Connect Maritime Inauguration - 30.09.2022



Peterite Connect Media & Arts Inauguration - 24.03.2023

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Peterite CONNECT



Peterite Connect Defense Inauguration - 22.04.2023



Peterite Connect Banking & Finance Inauguration - 10.10.2022



Peterite Connect Plantation Inauguration - 10.03.2023

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Peterite CONNECT



Peterite Connect Manufacturing, Trade and Commerce
Inauguration - 15.06.2023



Peterite Connect Medical Cluster Inauguration -
22.06.2023

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Peterite CONNECT



Peterite Connect Architecture, Construction & Realestate Cluster Inauguration - 28.06.2023



Peterite Connect ICT & BPO Cluster Inauguration - 28.06.2023



Peterite Connect Cluster meet-up - 28.06.2023

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D J Nicholas Perera Hall Project Committee

The Centenary year hall renovation project subcommittee was originally formed in 2021 to coordinate between the College administration and the OBU regarding Centenary year activities. With the activities in the Centenary curtailed due to the economic crisis faced in 2022, the subcommittee extended its support on the Centenary celebrations day (18th January 2022) as well as, the development of the Centenary logo and the Centenary year song (“Golden Glories” by The Peterite Chorale).

Subsequently, the activities of the sub committee were focused towards the main fund-raising project undertaken by the OBU for the Centenary year; the D J Nicholas Perera Hall renovation project. The sub committee completed the following activities towards this project;

- Development of an initial scope assessment and estimated cost proposal – July 2021
- Development of sponsor/donation proposal and circulation – November 2021
- Development of dedicated web page (on the OBU site) for donations along with updated donor details and payment gateway – September 2022
<https://stpetersobu.com/dj-nicholas-perera-hall-project/>

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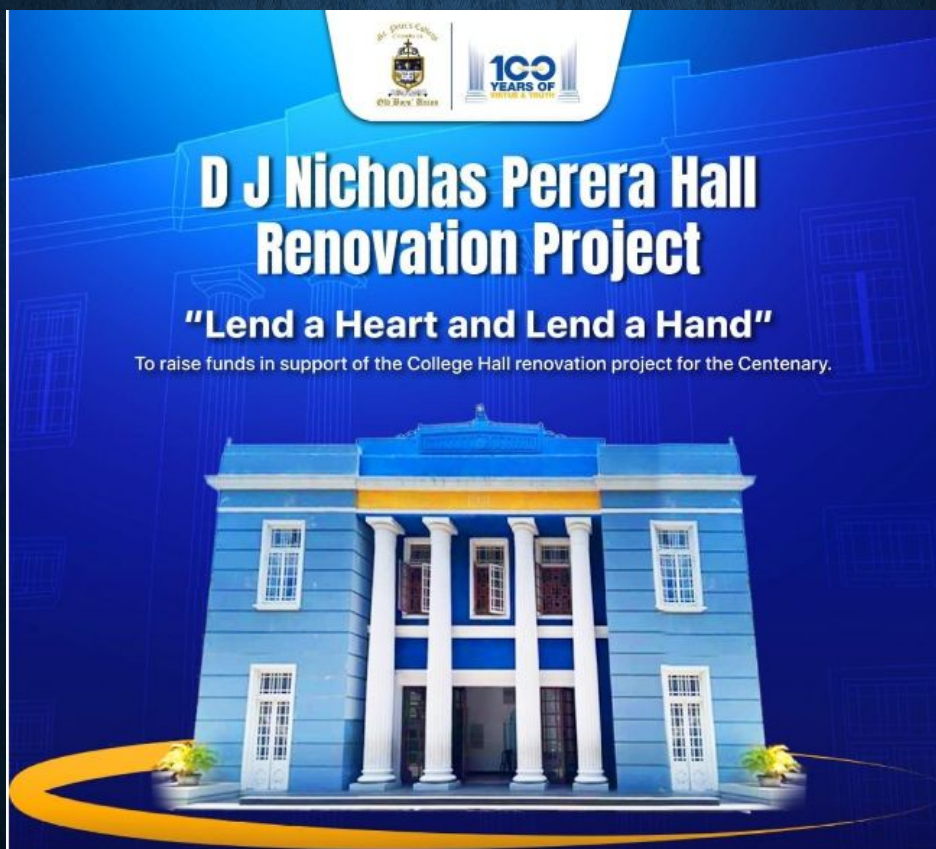


D J Nicholas Perera Hall Project Committee

- Development of a video with the history of the College Hall and proposed renovations to be shared amongst the Peterite Community (local and overseas) to raise awareness and encourage fund raising – December 2022

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SmDYWNqPg9w>

The fund raising for the first phase of the project was concluded by June 2023 and all funds collected to date were handed over to Rev. Fr. Rector to commence phase 1 of the renovation project.



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FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE

► The Objective of the Finance Sub-committee is to enhance the visibility of the finance function of the St. Peter's College Old Boys' Union by maintaining transparency in finances.

► During the Financial Year 2022/23 the committee was involved with the finalization and submission of the Golden Gleam 2022 special purpose audit in line with the policies of the OBU. A RFP was floated among the identified audit firms and after evaluation, engagement was assigned to W.R Rodrigo & Co. to conduct the special purpose audit to validate the income and expenses of Golden Gleam 2022.

► Finance Committee ratified the special projects Budgets :

- Back to School
- Memorabilia: After reviewing, the budget with the project chair, due to adverse economic circumstances, the finance committee recommended to reduce the number of memorabilia items to 25 in the first phase.

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FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE

► The Finance Committee reviewed and commented on the OPSC financials in relation to the consistency of presenting cost information in line with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards and agreed to align the cost/income presentation in line with the relevant accounting standards.

► The Finance Committee TOR was finalised and updated by the current finance committee to be included in the OBU constitution during the constitution amendment process. Even though the Finance committee existed prior to the constitutional reforms, the constitution did not incorporate the TOR of the finance committee.

► Finance committee ratified the preliminary budget submitted for Golden Gleam 2023 by the committee and raised observations relating to the budgeted profits and the allocation of profits. The Committee is in the process of finalising the budget.

► The Finance committee ratified the budget for the Peterite Stag Night and provided preliminary comments in providing a detailed break-up relating to income and expenditure items and this was later incorporated and submitted for approval.

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FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE

The Finance Sub-committee was able to successfully achieve its objectives during the past year by enhancing the visibility of the finance function of the St. Peter's College Old Boys' Union by maintaining transparency in finances. The committee took the lead in reviewing, finalizing and ratifying all projects executed by the OBU and its affiliated entities.

As a special project, the committee launched an Affinity card partnering with HNB PLC at 'Back to School for the Centenary' organized on 11th December 2022. Rev. Fr. Rohitha Rodrigo, Rector of St. Peter's College accepted a replica of the card at the ceremony to signify the launch.

Custom-made for the SPC OBU and parents of students, the card offers a wide range of exclusive benefits and promotional deals across the Bank's broad portfolio of merchant partners. All members can use this opportunity to give back to the school through this initiative as a percentage will be contributed to the SPC OBU every time a card is issued and used.

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FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE



Finance Subcommittee



Launching the Affinity card

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Golden Gleam Centenary Dinner Dance 2022 Committee

The 2022 edition of the Golden Gleam, which coincided with the Centenary Celebrations of College, was held on the 24th of September 2022 at the Colombo Hilton with over 550 guests in attendance. A unique feature of this dance was the fact that, for the first time at a Golden Gleam (and possibly for the first time at a College Dance in Sri Lanka), 3 of Sri Lanka's best bands namely Misty, Black & 2Forty2 performed on a single platform till 7.00 AM in the morning. Guest performances by Corrine Almeida and the 'Sway Dancers' kept the guests enthralled the entire night. The immensely popular Gehan Blok & Dino Corera were the comperes at the event providing an equal dose of humor and nostalgia.

Since the year 2022 signified an important milestone for St. Peter's College as we celebrate 100 years of being a school of excellence with unparalleled tradition and a unique history, the proceeds from Golden Gleam 2022 were mainly focused on 3 key objectives based on the following allocation.

- Renovation of the D.J. Nicholas Perera Hall and other key development projects carried out by the OBU: 40% allocation of profits
- Soft Skills Development Program of students from grades 10-13: 40% allocation of profits
- Lend a Heart & Lend a Hand Initiative to support Peterite alumni in need who were adversely affected by the pandemic & economic crisis: 20% allocation of profits.

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Golden Glean Centenary Dinner Dance 2022 Committee



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HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE

Medical Centre Awards night

The Batch group of 87-92 helped the Health Committee in organizing the awards night which was held on 10 th December 2022 at Sister Flora Hall. Parallel to the event, the batch group found sponsors to meet the cost of the Plaque, Snacks, a fridge, Nebulizers, an Oxygen regulator, and a Digital BP meter. The total cost was approximately LKR 450,000/- Dr Ajith Perera was the main contributor to this event.

Annual Health Camp for Past & Present Teachers

The Batch group of 87-92 assisted the Health Committee in organizing the above event. This was done in 2 stages. About 300 teachers & staff members benefited from this.

1st Stage on 24th February 2023 - All specimen collection was done on this day for treatment the next day.

2nd Stage on 3rd March 2023 - On this day treatment, counselling & medicine were issued. The Batch of 87-92 sponsored Drinks, Breakfast and Lunch for the value of LKR 250,000/-. The batch group of 87-92 organized free milk for over 600 participants. They donated much needed medicines to the Medical Centre for the Value of LKR 400,000/- and also helped out 2 teachers in purchasing spectacles to the value of LKR 40,000/-

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MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SUB COMMITTEE

Centenary Limited Edition Memorabilia pack & Tie

Centenary Memorabilia pack was designed targeting the College centenary celebration and this was a limited edition pack & Tie to mark 100 years of St. Peter's College. Sales proceeds of the project funded the Peterite Honors night.

Centenary Year Back to School Event

Back to school event was organized through Membership Development Sub Committee which was held on 11th December 2022. This event was organized to give the Old Peterites an opportunity to go back to College in the Centenary year. The event started with Mass held at the college chapel followed by the Assembly at the college quadrangular. There was around 500 young & old Peterites who met their Old teachers and spent time with them in their classrooms. Eventually, during the Interval, everyone rushed to get their usual 'Malu pan', Egg bun & Canteen tea followed by a fellowship get together at the College grounds to be entertained by a live band organized by the OBUH. Past and Present teachers were hosted to Lunch at Rev. Sister Flora Hall after the event by SPC OBU .

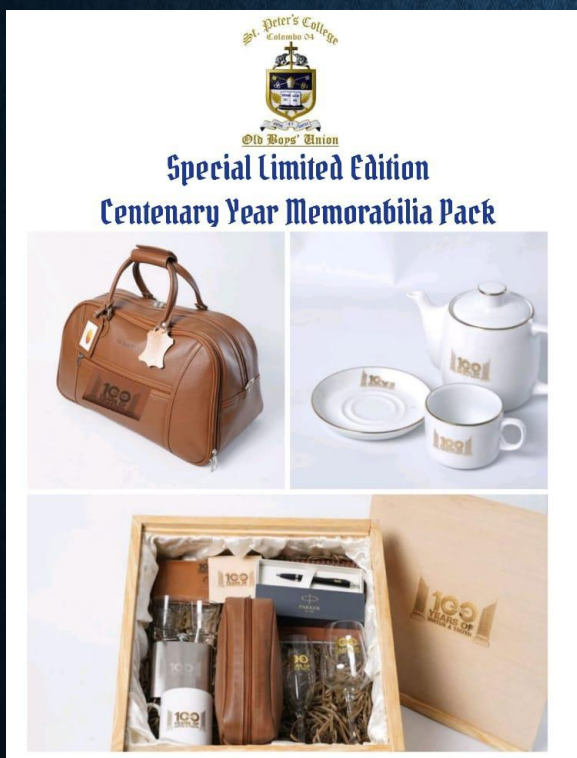
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MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SUB COMMITTEE

Membership Drive for A Level Students

Traditionally, the Old Boys Union welcomes the present Advanced Level students to join the SPC OBU and for the centenary year, this event was held on 11th of January 2023. The event was held at D.J. Nicholas Perera hall with the participation of around 300 A/L students, teachers, Rev Fr, Rector. Students were given valuable advice on how to prepare themselves for A/L examinations and career guidance advice by distinguished Old Boys. The event was followed by lunch which was hosted by the SPC OBU for all the participants.



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Membership drive for the A/L students

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MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SUB COMMITTEE



Past Teachers' Association Inauguration - 08.10.2022



Present Teachers Outing at Suriya Resort - 14.10.2022

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Peterite Honours Sub Committee

The 7th occasion of awarding Peterite Honours was held on the 3rd of May at the Cinnamon Lakeside, under the patronage of Marshal of the Air Force, Roshan Gunathilake, Governor of the Western Province who was welcomed as the Chief Guest. It is one the most looked forward to events of the St. Peter's College Old Boys' Union. It honours Peterite Alumni who have brought Honour to the College and showcased utmost dedication and talent in their fields of work and are Peterite Role models to all who enter through the gates of College.

This year, 52 recipients received this Honour for their respective fields of work or activity. Four of the recipients received special awards for their outstanding service and loyalty to St. Peter's College. The process for Honours drew nearly 180 nominations of Peterites from Sri Lanka and overseas which was an encouraging and tedious task for the selection panel which comprised of five eminent Peterites namely; Vidya Jothi Prof. Rohan Jayasekera, Dr. Shivaji Felix, Mr. Sriyan de S Wijeyeratne, Dr. Nicholas Jayasekera and Dr. Nirmal de Silva.

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Peterite Honours Sub Committee



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Old Boys' Union House (OBUH) / The Peterite Lounge Sub Committee

The OBUH Sub-committee completed a year filled with a range of events and functions in addition to running the Peterite Lounge. The team concentrated on core areas such as membership development, theme nights, traditional functions, private and batch events and operations of the Peterite Lounge. Even amidst minor hiccups such as power outages, it was heartening to see members patronize the Peterite Lounge.

48th Joe – Pete 50 Over Encounter Live Screening on Giant Screen

Due to health restrictions the organizing committee decided to play the traditional limited overs game under closed doors on 6th August 2022. The OBUH Sub-committee hosted an event at the Lounge with a live band, DJ & Papare band.

Membership Development

A relatively large number of new members joined the Peterite Lounge during the period under review while a majority of the existing members renewed their memberships. A promotional campaign to attract members and encourage members to renew their memberships was carried out. Ten new life members were enrolled during the year taking the tally to one hundred and ten.

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Old Boys' Union House (OBUH) / The Peterite Lounge Sub Committee

Back to School for the Centenary

The “Back to School for the Centenary” event was an event where the SPC OBU community provided an opportunity to recall and re-enact their schooling memories and experiences by taking a “trip down memory lane” albeit, this time as an old boy of St. Peter’s College dressed as a school boy. The event was held on the 11th of December 2022. OBUH subcommittee hosted the social at the grounds with Live Band, DJ & many fun games.

Peterite Stag Night – Concert Atmosphere

What a night this was for the young Old Boys and the senior but young at heart Old Boys. Over 600 old boys flocked to the College grounds to enjoy yet another fantastic stag night. The band “FLOW” did a wonderful job to keep the Boys on the dance floor. Jayasri, Lahiru Perera, Piyal Perera & Tashni Perera participated as guest artists

Theme Nights and After Parties

‘Retro Night’, Sri Lankan Night, ‘Members Night’ were a few theme nights that were organized with famous DJs and live bands in attendance. In addition, ‘after parties’ were organized for all the rugby encounters played at the College grounds.

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OLD PETERITE SPORTS CLUB SUBCOMMITTEE

The OPSC subcommittee concentrated on three major events during the Centenary year which is presented here.

Quadrangular Tournament – Present Boys

Commemorating the centenary year of the college, on the request of Rev Fr Rohitha Rodrigo, Rector of St. Peter's College, the OPSC organized the first-ever Saints' Quadrangular Tournament, where the Present Boys of St. Anthony's College, Kandy, St. Benedict's College, Colombo, St. Joseph's College, Colombo, and St. Peter's College, Bambalapitiya, participated in Rugby 7s, T10 Cricket and Basketball tournaments on the 29th and 30th of October 2022, at St Peter's College grounds. Mr. Vinothan John, a distinguished old boy and former national Cricket player, graced the occasion as Chief Guest. St Peter's College emerged as the overall Champion.

Quadrangular Tournament – Old Boys

On the 26th and 27th of November 2022, the OPSC, as organizers, took steps to conduct a fully-fledged tournament with the introduction of the T10 Cricket Tournament for both categories, the Main (below 40) and the Over 40 age category. All matches were played at St. Peter's College thus, allowing spectators to enjoy some exciting cricket while seeing their former school cricketers in action once again.

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OLD PETERITE SPORTS CLUB SUBCOMMITTEE

Inter-Batch Cricket Tournament

The Annual Inter-Batch Cricket Tournament is a much-anticipated feature in the OBU calendar and was held on January 22, 2023. The players from each batch group formed their teams to take part in the two age categories namely; over forties and below forties. In this year's edition, 22 teams signed up for the over 40's age category, whereas 24 teams competed in the below 40 category.

Mr. Jehan Jayasuriya, Peterite Gold recipient and former Junior Sri Lanka Cricket Captain, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest while Mr. Gerry De Mel, past President of SPC OBU was the guest of Honour. At this year's edition, the 2009 Batch became the winner and the 2013-17 Batch Group ended up as the runner-up in the below 40 category, receiving the Gerry De Mel and Suraj Perera trophies, respectively. In the over 40 category, the 2001- 03 batch group clinched the Dr. Neilhaan Samaranayake trophy as the winner, while the Malik Mendis trophy for the runner-up was awarded to the 95-2000 batch group.

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OLD PETERITE SPORTS CLUB SUBCOMMITTEE



2009 Batch - Champions of the Inter-Batch Cricket Tournament - Under 40 Category



2015 Batch - Runners-up of the Inter-Batch Cricket Tournament - Under 40 Category

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OLD PETERITE SPORTS CLUB SUBCOMMITTEE



2002 Batch - Champions of the Inter-Batch Cricket Tournament - Over 40 Category



2000 Batch - Runners-up of the Inter-Batch Cricket Tournament - Over 40 Category

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OLD PETERITE SPORTS CLUB SUBCOMMITTEE



Quadrangular tournament

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Foundations

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Arts Foundation

During the Centenary year, the Arts foundation has strived to revive and develop the rich history of St. Peter's College in the spheres of Arts & Music, both oriental and western disciplines. Standing out amongst other leading schools, St Peter's College is well known for its contributions to Arts & Music having won many accolades at interschool & All island in choral music, orchestra/band performance, debating and drama and has successfully produced some well recognized professionals in these fields over the years, in all three language streams.

The Foundation focused on the following areas during the year despite the challenging period faced by the country and the many disruptions to the schools' calendar during the 2022/23 year.

Debate Workshops

The Foundation proposed to conduct a workshop for students interested in taking up debating targeting those in grades 6- 8 with the aim of creating a feeder pool to the senior College debate team. The workshop was conducted in June 2023.

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Arts Foundation

Drama Workshops and Interhouse Drama Competition

The Foundation sought to revive the Interhouse drama competition at College which had been dormant for over 4 years during the pandemic, beginning with a series of 5 workshops conducted by Messrs. Javin Thomas and Kanishka Herat, both respected amateur English theater actor/directors and Foundation members, in preparation for the interhouse 31 competition. It was noted that the workshops were well attended by students from the junior grades (grade 6-8). The Interhouse competition was kicked off with a briefing of the house captains and the draw for the competition was held in November 2022 with rehearsals commencing from January 2023 with 6 old boy mentors appointed from the Foundation to support the houses in their preparation.

Unfortunately, the competition could not be held due to the tight school exam schedule. The focus of the students has now shifted to preparation for the Interschool Shakespeare competition scheduled for September 2023. Mr. Wasaam Ismail (Old Peterite and past director of SPC for the competition) will direct the College cast this year assisted by Mr. Javin Thomas and Mr. Kanishka Herat. The interhouse competition would be shifted to later in the year based on the school calendar.

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Arts Foundation

Establishing a Western Orchestra

The Foundation presented a proposal for the formation of a western orchestra at St. Peter's College to Rev. Fr. Rector. The proposal prepared by Mr. Naveen Fernando, Vice President Music of the Foundation (respected member of the Colombo Brass ensemble, Colombo Wind Orchestra and the Symphony Orchestra of Sri Lanka among others), includes a series of workshops on classical music which would be conducted for students of the middle school and above with the aim of educating the students and building a love of music and instrumentation amongst them from a young age. Students interested in continuing will be enrolled to rehearsals for the different sections of the orchestra based on their talent and interest.



Committee - Arts Foundation

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Arts Foundation



Drama workshops

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Arts Foundation



Inter-house debate competition

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Basketball Foundation

This Centenary year was a very Successful year for the basketball foundation as it was a year where we were able to achieve many championships for St. Peter's College and also, facilitate many programs for the school basketball teams. This was possible because of tireless efforts of the Basketball foundation, Prior members of the basketball foundation and also the support provided by the college. As part of the activities conducted from the foundation, the key initiatives highlighted below helped the team to build a strong unit and bag many titles.

- ❖ **Motivational Camp** – This was done in October 2022 where the foundation spent the day with the under 20 team motivating them before their tournament. There were many guest speakers and past players of St. Peter's college who represented college and even the national team to come speak to the boys on how best they can prepare for the tournament.
- ❖ **Spark with fire (Character building program)** – This was done in March 2023 where all the basketball players at St. Peter's College were invited. Foundation got a guest speaker; Dr. Nirmal De Silva, to come talk about character building, creating purpose, essentials of building a high-performance team and identifying roles in a team and critical thinking for game planning.

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Basketball Foundation

- ❖ Champions night – This was done in March 2023 to honor the Under 20 Championship team and other age groups that have attained notable accomplishments in recent years.
- ❖ Mentoring sessions and practice matches with veterans were organized for teams in preparation for upcoming tournaments
- ❖ Organizing more friendly matches with other school teams to better prepare them for the tournaments
- ❖ Operational support - food supplied for full day practice sessions, indoor court bookings arranged at Sugathadasa indoor and other basketball courts to help prepare for the tournament.



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Basketball Foundation



2022

CHAMPIONS

ALL ISLAND SCHOOLS
BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

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Cadet Foundation

The Cadet Foundation of St Peter's College stepped into its 3rd year of voyaging during the Centenary year of the College. Spearheaded by the training subcommittee, a well formulated training module was delivered to our platoon. The efforts have been well supported by all members of the committee and members of our wider forum, who are equally passionate to chip in where needed. While the foundation overlooked all training and nourishment needs of the College platoon, the foundation played an active role in many Centenary year events by providing its services as required by the College and the OBU.

It was great to see Three of our foundation members namely; Air Vice Marshal. Camillus Labrooy (Retd.), Major Thushara Wettasinghe (Retd.) and Mr. Nelum Attanayaka, been chosen and recognized with 'Peterite Honours' which is a great honour for the foundation. The foundation wholeheartedly congratulate these gentlemen on their achievements and accolades. In respect to honouring the war heroes produced by the college, the foundation, together with the Peterite Connect Defence Cluster, hosted "TRIBUTE TO THE GALLANT" during the month June 2023.

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Cadet Foundation



Back to school



Tribute to the Gallant

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Football Foundation

During the Centenary year, the Football foundation ensured to extend its fullest support to the College Football team where the foundation managed to fulfill the Jersey requirements for all age groups through the donations of the fellow members and the OBU community. As a part of the Centenary year, the All-Saints' Football Tournament was one of the main events organized by the foundation where 16 leading schools participated for the event which was held at the College grounds and our team emerged Plate Champions.

The foundation also organized the Centenary year Old Peterites Vs Present Peterites Football Encounter held in October 2022 at Baddegana Football Complex, where the present boys won after a very tight game of 5 goals to 4 goals. Focusing on all major tournaments, the foundation managed to organize multiple coaching camps and had the courtesy of organizing appreciation events on each win during the past year.



Committee - Football Foundation

Dialog - Internal

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Football Foundation



U 20 Western Province Champions



Donation of Jerseys to the Senior Junior

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Rugby Foundation

Inaugural mass for the 2022 squad

Rector Rev Fr. Rohitha Rodrigo and Sports Coordinator Rev Fr. Milan Bernard with the Rugby Foundation Committee and the Coaching staff organized a mass prior to starting practice for the 2022 pre-season training.

Legends Game

With the commencing of the Dialog league 2022 rugby schools season, The customary "LEGENDS" game between the Old Boys Vs the 2022 Peterite rugby team was played. The Old boys team was captained by Mr. Misver Dean. There was a big gathering to view this match which was played at the College grounds. The incumbent team led by Master Sudesh Jayawickrama won the match. Thereafter, Medals were distributed to all players who took part by our Chief Guest Mr. Fazal Mohamed.

Team bonding and OBT programme

Prior to the season kick off, the rugby squad was taken to the Ganemulla Defense Camp. It was a fantastic learning experience for the boys and there were many fun events and several takeaways after the two days spent together. The President, Mr. Mangala Dharmapriya and VP Samson Roy were also involved in this programme supporting the boys and the back up staff.

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Rugby Foundation

Jersey Ceremony

Rector Rev Fr. Rohitha Rodrigo and Sports Coordinator Rev Fr. Milan Bernard prayed over the Jersey's and blessed them with holy water. The Rugby Foundation Committee and the Coaching staff were present for this Jersey ceremony. The 2022 squad was presented with the Player Jersey, warm-up T-shirt, Skinny, Playing short, Stockings and the carrier rugby bags.

Memorial Service

A memorial Service was organized by the RF and class of 80/83E for Mr. Nigel Forbes, past president of the rugby foundation in September 2022.

Rev Fr. Basil Weeratunga- Shield

Staging one of the best second half comebacks, St.Peter's College retained the Rev Fr.Basil Weeratunga Shield by beating St. Joseph's College in a nail biting 25 - 24 finish.

Education

Sponsoring students for extra tuition to get through GCE O/L Exams.

Surgeries

Successfully sponsored surgeries for players who were injured during practices and matches.

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Rugby Foundation

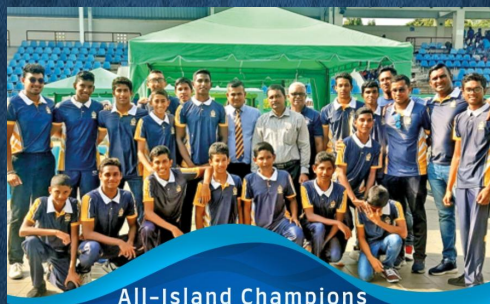


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Swimming Foundation

In light of the centenary year, the foundation handed over 95 team jerseys to the College swimmers in October of 2022.



All-Island Champions

The Peterite swimmers maintained their dominance at the 2022 All-Island School Games Swimming Championships, held at the Sugathadasa Stadium Swimming Pool Complex in Colombo.

At the end of the three-day meet, St. Peter's College finished with an overall aggregate of 92 points, well ahead of rivals St. Joseph's College, who came as runners-up with 76 points.

The Peterite swimming captain Panduka Rason also established a record in the boys' Under-20 freestyle, clocking 55.78 seconds.

Individual Performances

Panduka Rason; 1 Gold, 1 Silver, 1 Bronze
Chris Pavithra; 2 Gold, 1 Silver
Matthew Cooray; 1 Silver, 1 Bronze
Pruthavi Poornima; 1 Silver, 1 Bronze
Vihanga Caldera; 1 Gold, 2 Silver
Kaveesha Perera; 1 Silver
Qaid Farook; 2 Gold, 1 Bronze
A I M Haathim; 1 Gold, 2 Silver

Relay Performances

Under 14 Relay : A I M Haathim, Qaid Farook, Nathan Toussant, Jovash Pieterse won 1 Gold and 1 Silver in the Medley and Freestyle Relays

Under 16 Relay: Kaveesha Perera, Umar Farook, Ean Jake and Vihanga Caldera won 1 Gold and 1 Silver in the Medley and Freestyle Relays

Under 18 Relay: Chris Pavithra, Pruthavi Poornima, Mathew Cooray and Asith Seyan won 1 Bronze in the Medley Relay



Committee - Swimming Foundation

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Tennis Foundation

During this Centenary year, nominating our tennis coach Mr. Dinith Pathiraja for Peterite Honors and witnessing him winning the achievement is a testament to the quality of coaching that our college provides. Recognizing and honouring talented coaches is just as important as recognizing talented players as they play a key role in shaping the development and success of these players. By honouring our coach, the foundation is not only showing appreciation for his hard work and dedication, but also motivating him to continue to provide top-quality coaching.

Sponsorship for 2 Tennis Rackets

Sponsoring student, Mast. Ganuka Fernando for 2 ITF tournaments is a great initiative that shows the foundation's dedication to supporting young talent in the sport of tennis. By providing this sponsorship, the foundation not only helped Ganuka financially, but also helped him gain valuable competitive experience at the international level.



Committee - Tennis Foundation

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Tennis Foundation



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Track and Field Foundation

The main objective of the Track and Field Foundation is to support the college to uplift the quality of Athletics from multiple aspects. They are; to support and develop a winning team, enhance the infrastructure & facilities for Peterite Athletes and most importantly, to empower Peterite Athletes to perform well, not only in sports, but also in other areas of Life. The foundation embarked on several key initiatives during the Centenary year.

Securing a Sponsorship for College Athletics

The foundation secured sponsorship (Powered by) from Sporting Vacanze, which is a world renowned travel and leisure brand based in Italy who took over providing financial support of the Foundation for the Centenary.

Organizing the Saint's Quadrangular Athletics Meet

The foundation took the initiative to organize the Saint's Quadrangular Athletics Meet during the Centenary Year. Quadrangular meet is a traditional meet between the leading Catholic schools of St. Joseph's College, St. Anthony's College, St. Benedict's College and St. Peter's College. The meet was held in December 2022. Old Peterites Emerged Champions in the recently concluded Saint's Quadrangular Athletics Meet with 227 Points whilst Present Peterites emerged as Runners-up with 431 Points. The Athletic meet was held at St. Peter's College Grounds.

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Track and Field Foundation

Provision of Jersey for Junior Athletes

Track & Field foundation sponsored the Track Suit of the Junior Athletes for the Sir John Tarbet Junior Championships 2022.

Sponsoring two athletes for World Junior Athletic Championship 2022

The foundation, with the support of generous donors, sponsored two outstanding Peterite Athletes, Master Hirusha Heshan and Master Rumesh Tharanaga, who have both qualified and are representing the Sri Lankan Junior Athletic Squad, for the World Junior Athletic Championship 2022 which will be held from the 02nd to the 07th of August 2022 at the Estadio Olímpico Pascual Guerrero Cali, Colombia.

Nutritional Support Programme during Off-Season training

The foundation sponsored the college Athletics team with nutritional support during Off-Season Training



Committee - Track & Field Foundation

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Track and Field Foundation



Sponsoring the Jerseys



Quadrangular Athletic Meet

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Overseas Branches

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DOHA, QATAR BRANCH

OBAQ successfully organized and executed the fundraising DJ night at the Mercure Grand hotel in Doha. The event was a major success where two prominent Peterite DJs performed to an audience of 170+. Over 8,000 Qatar riyals were raised for future OBA Qatar events and initiatives.

24-02-2023: Participated in the inter school OBA Bowling championship organized by Ananda college OBA, Qatar. St. Peter's OBAQ participated in the tournament and emerged as the cup champions of the tournament. 16 fellow OBAs participated in the tournament.

16-04-2023: Participated in the inter school OBA Touch Rugby championship organized by St. Sylvester's College OBA, Qatar. St Peter's OBAQ participated in the tournament and emerged as the bowl runners up of the tournament.

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MELBOURNE BRANCH

The centenary year for the St. Peter's College Melbourne branch was filled with Social, Sporting and other activities that were organized throughout the year. Among those, the committee is happy to highlight below the featuring events from the events calendar.

- Rugby Group After the Whistle – 1st October 2022
- 70's Group Luncheon – 23rd October 2022
- Family Christmas Dinner – 10th December 2022
- Golf Day – 8th January 2023
- Quadrangular Cricket Tournament – 26th January 2023
- Joe-Pete Big Match – 26th March 2023
- Dinner Dance – 29th April 2023
- Mass for Departed Peterites – 2nd July 2023

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MELBOURNE BRANCH

THE JOE PETE CRICKET MATCH(26/3/2023)



Congratulations to our boys who won the Open Age Match.

The Over 40's encounter was won by the Joes.

And the Inaugural Ladies Match was won by St Bridget's beating HFC.



THE "AUTUMN BALL 2023"(29/4/2023)



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NEW ZEALAND BRANCH

Centenary mass held at St. Peter and Paul church I Johnsonville wellington in January 2022

Dinner dance held at Petone Wellington on 29th. October 2022.



Centenary Dinner Dance



Big match

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WESTERN AUSTRALIA BRANCH

The initial Peterite gathering and group establishment was held on 5th. of June 2022

Peterite BBQ – Organized by the current president, which took place in January 2023 which led to the big match.

The formation of the interim committee on the 3rd. of March 2023

Joe-Pete Big Match – 1st Joe Pete Encounter in Western Australia

AGM – held on the 29th. of April 2023

- Election & appointments of Council members
- Adoption of the constitution
- After Party

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WESTERN AUSTRALIA BRANCH



Peterite BBQ 2023



Big Match



AGM



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UAE Branch

Annual General Meeting 2022/23

The Annual General Meeting held on 13th. August 2022 at Gulf Courts Hotel, Business Bay, Dubai. The AGM was graced by Rev. Fr. Rector Rohitha Rodrigo and on our invitation, The President of OBU, Colombo Mr. Ravika De Silva, General Secretary Dayan Georgesz, Treasurer, Dion Bernard, Golden Gleam Committee represented by Dr. Nirmal De Silva and the victorious 1st. XI Cricket team Captain; Master Wanuja Sahan had joined the meeting via Zoom technology. A total of 42 members participated in the AGM and with the approval of the Working Committee and the membership, the Branch made the below contribution for College and the main OBU;

- D.J. Nicholas Perera Hall Renovation : LKR 3,000,000/-
- Golden Gleam Centenary Dinner Dance : LKR 250,000/-
- Peterite Connect : LKR 200,000/-
- Contribution for Cricketers Victory Celebration : LKR 100,000/-

Peterite Christmas Party

The branch celebrated Christmas with Peterite families at the Davunci's in Mellennium Airport Hotel on 17th. December 2022. Over 100 participated and had a grand time with our own musician's musical abilities on display and the carols were sung by our children and family members.

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Anto-Pete Cricket Encounter (3rd Edition)

The 3rd. encounter between St. Anthony's College, Katugastota and St. Peter's College concluded on 4th February 2023 at the picturesque Malek Stadium giving our 1st. XI Cricket team the 3rd. consecutive win to mark 3-0 lead in this annual battle. The Peterite Spouses team recorded an easy win over Antonian Spouses to mark the lead as 2-0. The Peterite Masters played their hearts out to win the battle, but the Antonians won the game to mark 1-1 in the standing.

Joe-Pete Cricket Encounter (6th Edition)

The 6th encounter between Josephians and Peterites concluded on 18th. February 2023 at the picturesque Malek Stadium giving our 1st. XI Cricket team the 6th consecutive win to mark 6-0 lead in this annual battle. The Peterite Spouses team recorded an easy win over Josephian Spouses to mark the lead as 4-1. The Peterite Masters played well but the Josephian batters batted superbly to win the game and Josephians leading the Masters shield as 2-1 in the standing.

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Peterite Karting Championship (2nd Edition)

This fundraiser event of the OBU started in 2022 and had its second season on 12th March 2023 at Sharjah Karting Club with 45 drivers representing 22 School OBUs and OGAs. Peterite driver Dharshana Dayarathne won the Peterite Karting Champions Award.

Cricket and Rugby Success Celebration Party

A gala gathering organized by the Cricket and Rugby players of the OBU to celebrate their victories. The gathering took place at a members villa on 15 th March 2023 with over 60 participants.



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Anto-Pete Cricket Encounter



Joe-Pete Cricket Encounter



Indoor Sports Carnival Carnival

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United Kingdom Branch

“Peterite Centenary Holy Mass” - Peterites in the UK began Centenary Celebrations with a Holy Mass and a Champagne Reception at Westminster Cathedral, London on the 22nd January 2022. The mass was celebrated by Rev Fr. Ruwan Hewawasam. Sri Lanka's High Commissioner to the UK, H.E Mrs. Saroja Sirisena graced the occasion. More than 20 Sri Lankan school OBA's, OGA's and PPA's were represented to mark this special celebration. Over 250 invited guests attended.

“Peterites On-Thames” - A Thames River Cruise, exclusively organized by SPC OBU UK for Peterites and their families, embarked from Putney Pier, London on the 11th June 2022. The event was fully sold out and over 200 guests attended. Entertained by Solid and catered by Virindu.

“Battle of the Saints and Family Fun Day” - The annual JOE-PETE cricket encounter in the UK was held on 26th of June 2022 at Burnham Cricket Club, Slough, Berkshire. It was a family event with Kids entertainment, Sri Lankan food stalls and music provided by Solid.

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“Saint Quadrangular 2022” – SPC OBU UK got involved in organizing this 20/20 Pink Ball Tournament participated by Peterites, Josephians, Benedictines and Anthonians. The event was held on 29th August 2022 at Burnham Cricket Club, Slough. Sri Lankan Food and Live entertainment was provided.

“La Bamba Nite 2022” – The Peterite Centenary Dinner Dance in the United Kingdom was held at The Hilton T5 London on the 17th September with over 600 guests in attendance. The chief guest was Rev. Fr. Rohitha Rodrigo who is the Rector of St. Peter's College Colombo. The evening started with a Champagne reception at 5.30 PM while guests were serenaded by the ever popular Janaka Palapathwala, accompanied by Hiran Wijeratne. During the main event, the crowd was entertained by a galaxy of stars from Sri Lanka namely Sohan Weerasinghe, Stephanie Siriwardhana, Clifford Richards and Dmajor Band Members, Roshila Hettiarachchi and Mahesh Athukorala. House bands were Frontline and Solid. A cash donation of £2,500/- was presented to Rev. Fr. Rohitha Rodrigo during the event.

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Washington D.C. (SPCOBUWDC)

SPCOBUWDC together with the Peterite Alumni in the New York/New Jersey area hosted the St. Peter's College Centennial Ball on December 3rd. 2022 at the Royal Manor in Garfield, NJ to celebrate the centenary of St. Peter's College. Old Peterites from Italy, Canada and all parts of the U.S. attended the event. The event committee worked tirelessly, sacrificing their personal time to help make the Centennial Ball highly successful. A total of 260 guests attended the event.

Under the theme "Lend a Heart and Lend a Hand" from our college anthem, US \$20,000/- was donated to St. Peter's College to assist students who have been adversely affected by the current economic conditions in Sri Lanka and also, for the D.J. Nicholas Perera Hall Renovation Project. The equivalent of USD \$11,500/- has been earmarked to help deserving students in College and the remainder towards renovating the College Hall. The funds to help students (US \$11,500/-) was invested in a Fixed Deposit.

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Best Wishes

From the
OBU Editorial Team 2022/23