

# new lands

Over the past two months there have been announcements of new appointments for Brothers. I thank those completing periods of responsibility and those prepared to begin.

**Anthony Robinson** has been outstanding in his 15 years of service as Province Secretary (Sydney:1990 - 1995; 2005 - 2012; Australia: 2013). Besides the general administration duties of this role, he has chaired and represented us on numerous committees and organisations and held the Sydney Province property portfolio. Very recently he had a health setback and will now not be able to go to the Tudella novitiate in Sri Lanka in 2013 as planned.

**Matthew Clarke** is to be the new Province Secretary. He is an extraordinarily organized man, has excellent IT skills and discretion plus. If transfer fees were part of our practice, Newman College at Churchlands would be setting a high price!

Community Leaders finishing in 2013: **Ray Mulvogue** (Ashgrove); **Robert Aitken** (Randwick); **Jordan Ryan** (Westmead); **Anthony Robinson** (Eastwood); **Matthew Green** (Alice Springs); **Paul Kane** (Enoggera); **Peter Carroll** (Fitzroy); **John McDonnell** (Drummoyne); **Matthew Clarke** (Churchlands); **David Blay** (Somerton Park / Netley); **Doug Walsh** (Coburg); **John Horgan** (East Timor); **Darren Burge** (Seabird, Randwick.); **John Maguire** (Blacktown).

Community Leaders beginning in 2014: **Brendan Neily** (Ashgrove); **Ray Mulvogue** (Randwick); **Ray Arthur** (Westmead / Blacktown); **Matthew Clarke** (Eastwood); **Tony Caddy** (Alice Springs); **Justin Guthrie** (Fitzroy); **Tony Paterson** (Drummoyne); **John Horgan** (Churchlands); **Paul Gilchrist** (Adelaide); **Peter Walsh** (East Timor); **Mark Paul** (Seabird, Randwick).

School Principals finishing in 2013: **Br Bill Sullivan** (Cairns); **Br Paul Gilchrist** (Alice Springs); **Br Peter Corr** (North Shore); **Br Darren Burge** (John Berne); **Erica Pegorer** (Traralgon);

**Tony Duncan** (Penshurst); **Mark Tuffey** (Acting, Dundas).

School Principals beginning in 2014: **Br Darren Burge** (Cairns); **Br Matthew Green** (Alice Springs); **Mr Tony Duncan** (North Shore); **Br Mark Paul** (John Berne); **John Freeman** (Traralgon); **John Finneran** (Penshurst); **Angela Hay** (Dundas); **Darren McGregor** (Marist College, Bendigo)

A snapshot of other changes: We have a Discernment Community opening at Kennedy House, Eastwood. This means that the Vocations team of **Greg McDonald** and **Rod Thomson** will be moving there. For reasons of community strength in the Brisbane area, we are withdrawing from Enoggera. We have decided to relocate the **Melbourne REMAR** crew to Coburg and will move the 'northern' crew from Brisbane to Sydney. This means that the Brothers community will withdraw from Coburg. We are very grateful to **Br Harry Prout** and the Exodus community at Heidelberg West for their support of the Melbourne crew in recent years.

We have two men headed to Rome to join the General Administration – **Denis Cooper** to the Manziana renewal centre (in 2014, this will be a training program for formation personnel) and **Tony Leon** to the General House as Assistant director of the Brothers Today Secretariat.

Three Australian Brothers are finishing this year at the Divine Word University, Madang, PNG. **Brendan Neily** has been the right hand man of the President there for a number of years, especially as leader of the HR section. **Michael McManus** has been in the Communications department as leader and lecturer for the past 16 years. He will have a much deserved sabbatical year in 2014. **Frank Hough** has been lecturing in various subjects and continuing to assist formators throughout the country for the past two years. He will now move to Port Moresby to respond to an invitation of the Bishops of PNG and heads of Religious Institutes to be the National Professional Standards officer. The District of Melanesia will continue to have a community on the campus



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of DWU for Brothers studying there. Br Pat Howley continues as a special lecturer while living off-campus.

We are strengthening our commitment to East Timor in providing new personnel in the Teachers' College and Formation. **Peter Corr** will undertake language studies for most of the year to be ready to take over from Fons van Rooij as Principal of the Teachers' College, Bacau, in 2015. Peter will go first to Curitiba, Brazil, for Portuguese studies for six months and then learn Tetum in East Timor. A Brazilian Brother, **Lecio Hinkler**, has joined **Tony Clark** in caring for the aspirants and postulants.

**Justin Golding** will go to Manzianna to prepare to be a formator. The program he is attending is run only every 8 years and we believe that Justin will benefit from it greatly. **Robert Aitken** will have time for some studies, starting in Leuven where he will join **Peter Pemble** who is pursuing his doctorate. **Michael Callinan** will continue with learning Spanish. He has been in Colombia but will move to Guadalajara, Mexico, at the start of 2014.

Any move is an ending and a beginning and therefore potentially tough. Most 2014 communities are different from

how they started in 2013! All of us are being called to be open to the new landscape that is emerging in our new Province. We are being asked to make an act of faith. I thank all of you who are taking up new appointments for such faith, your willingness and trust.



## Australian Marist Community Pastoral Team (AMCPT)

**Peter Carroll** will be fully involved as Deputy Provincial in 2014. His work on the AMCPT will be taken up by **Graham Neist**. **Carole Wark** will no longer be half-time on the AMCPT but will be full-time on the Mission and Life Formation Team. **Gail Coates** will increase her time on the AMCPT and be joined by **Marion McKinley**. So, the team in 2014 is : **Joe McCarthy (Leader); Br Paul Kane; Br Graham Neist; Gail Coates; Marion McKinley.**

## Association of Christ's Faithful

The Provincial Council has renamed and expanded the group that has been running with this. It was called "The Canonical Taskforce". It will now be known as the "Association Task Force". Its membership is: **Joe McCarthy (Chair), Carole Wark, Mark Woolford, Paul Herrick, Br Jeff Crowe** and two new members: **Br Graham Neist and Steve Byrne**. The work of this taskforce is to prepare a path for the Association to be recognized canonically and civilly. The taskforce reports to both the Provincial Council and the Mission Council. As mentioned in an earlier edition of New

Lands, the Superior General has asked us to continue developing the profile of the association and documentation prior to an international meeting at the end of March 2014.

## News of Brothers

**Geoff Kelly** is at home in Australia, taking a three month break from his posting in Vietnam as a member of the new Marist District of Asia. He is based at Blacktown but moving around visiting family.

Jeff caught up with **Michael Sexton** at the end of the General Conference in Lyons. Mick works in a medical library in the city of Oran in Algeria. After seven years he is totally fluent in French and has a smattering of Arabic. From next year he will be in charge of the Third Age program for English speakers which will mean an absence from Algeria for three months a year. Mick contacts his father each week by Skype.

**Peter Pemble** has now completed with Distinction his Masters in Theology and in Advanced Theology and Religion. This will give him a Licentiate in Theology (STL) by the end of this year. His Masters Thesis was titled, "*Charism - From Measuring to Inspiring: A Research into the Catholic Identity of*

Marist Schools". He has been accepted to continue towards a PhD in Pastoral Theology. Peter has had some more trouble with his knee and had to defend his Masters thesis from his hospital room by Skype: 1 hour with 3 professors!



## From the Provincial Council

The Council decided to continue to take responsibility for Direction 3 of last year's Chapter. This direction is concerned with personal well-being, community life and our spirituality. We will add a half-day to every second Council meeting next year to do this.

The Provincial Council held an extended meeting recently where we made a



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North Fitzroy Vic 5:30 to 7:30 pm

**Adelaide Monday November 25,**  
Paringa Hall, Sacred Heart College,  
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**Brisbane Monday December 2,**  
Marist Centre Brisbane, 142 Frasers  
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**Sydney Wednesday December 4,**  
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Extensions are to start soon to the new house in Forbes. In the end there will be five good size, en-suite rooms.

The Province has purchased a new house for the Brothers in Alice Springs. There are four good rooms. A large internal area can be easily subdivided to allow for two more rooms.

Jeff

**When you acknowledge the integrity of your solitude, and settle into its mystery, your relationships with others takes on a new warmth, adventure and wonder.**

John O'Donohue

review of Province Operations in 2013 and considered 2014. As a new Province we are in a learning period in regard to providing the needed pastoral support of Brothers across the whole country, of managing a complex operation across three centres, and of establishing new structures that engage and include all Marists and that will best provide for the future of Marists into the 21st century.

We anticipate the need for the Deputy Provincial, **Peter Carroll**, to be more available in 2014 to the Provincial in sharing leadership responsibilities and demands. So, while it has been appropriate for Peter to have been based in Melbourne and **Paul Kane** in

Brisbane during this first year of the new Province, this arrangement will change in 2014.

Peter will move to Drummoyne. Paul will move to Fitzroy. Paul will continue as Assistant Provincial with delegated responsibilities for our people and works in East Timor and Cambodia and also be the chair of our local formators' network and support for vocations ministry. He will remain a member of the Australian Marist Community Pastoral Team and so be moving around ministries and communities.

In terms of management, there is a need to have key executive people meeting regularly with the Provincial: as indicated on our Province organisation chart,

these are the **Province Secretary, the Director of Business Services, the Executive Director of Marist Ministries, the Vice-Provincial.** Their brief is to consider matters of Province administration relevant to the overall operation, to determine national policies, and to ensure effective communication. The group will be known as the Executive Team.

**Paul Gilchrist** will replace Peter Corr as the Chair of the Finance Commission. Thanks, Paul.

The Province land at Dundas (former residence block and surrounds) is to be sub-divided into 11 blocks. Road access to St Patrick's Marist College is part of the development plan.

*Dear Friends,*

It is with much pleasure that we announce the 2014 Remar Ministry Team (RMT). In doing so, we acknowledge the contributions; sacrifices and dedication of the 2013 RMT. We wish Connor, Ellen, Gilbert, Jess, Rita, Simon and Tshepo all the best with their future ambitions. We thank you for the manner in which you inspired, mentored and nurtured our Young Marist Rowers across Australia.



In 2013 our Remar Youth Ministry Movement was operating in 13 Colleges. In 2014, our movement will be extending into four new NSW and Queensland schools.

In 2014, two Remar crews will operate - one from Melbourne and the other from Sydney. Our Melbourne Crew will be living within the Coburg suburb whilst our Sydney Crew will be living within the Eastwood suburb.

**Our 2014 RMT members are:**

**Sydney Crew**

- Ashley Cipriani** St Francis Xavier's College, Beaconsfield
- Michael Lane** Marcellin College, Bulleen
- James Mein** Penola Catholic College, Broadmeadows
- Tegan Perkins** Newman College, Perth

**Melbourne Crew**

- Tom Chalkley** Notre Dame College, Shepparton
- Paige de Ravel** Assumption College, Kilmore
- Amanda Hance** Marist-Sion College, Warragul
- Stefan Versace** Newman College, Perth

We wish the 2014 RMT all the best as they embark on their year of solidarity and service.

Please share this information with your Helms.

Take Care and God Bless

*Nicki*

## In our next volume ...

- Update on Marist Volunteers Australia

## Happening in the Marist World ...

### News from the Aleppo Marist Blues

A precarious status quo has been reigning in Aleppo for some weeks, concomitantly with the decision to suspend the air strikes that were going to be inflicted on us to "punish" the regime for using chemical weapons. To wish to "punish" the regime by killing young conscripts (finding themselves on the chosen sites) [\[read more\]](#)