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Friends

of Sydney University Football Club



**The Friends of Sydney University
Football Club**

ANNUAL 28th DINNER

PROGRAM



FRIDAY 26 JULY 2024

St Andrew's College Chapel



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Schedule of Proceedings

5.45 pm	Welcome – St. Andrews Piper
6.00 pm	Pre-Dinner Drinks are served in the Erickson Room <i>Welcome – Mr. David Lyons, President SUFC</i>
7.00pm	Guests to be seated in St. Andrews Chapel Welcome to Country
7.05 pm	Official Welcome <i>Mr. David Mortimer AO, Chair SUFC Friends</i>
7.10 pm	Ceremonial Ode to the Haggis
7.20 pm	A Toast to Sydney University <i>Mr. John Coorey</i>
7.25 pm	Response on behalf of Sydney University <i>Ms. Belinda Hutchinson AC</i>
7.30 pm	Entrée to be served
8.00 pm	Main Meal to be served
8.20 pm	Guest Speaker Introduction <i>Rear Admiral Lee Goddard CSC RAN</i>
8.30 pm	Guest Speaker <i>General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK AC(MIL) CVO MC (Retd)</i>
9.15 pm	Vote of Thanks <i>Mr. David Mortimer AO</i> Presentation of Honorary Life Member Awards <i>Mr. Phillip Harry AM, Associate Professor Dr. Paul Darveniza</i>
9.30 pm	Dessert to be served Post Dinner Drinks
11.00 pm	Evening concludes



MENU

🌀 CANAPES 🌀

Caramelised onion & goat cheese tart

Mushroom arancini balls

🌀 CEREMONIAL SCOTTISH HAGGIS 🌀

🌀 ENTREES 🌀

Thinly sliced smoked duck breast, served with eggplant caponata, chickpea puree & micro herbs [gf]

Raviolo and prawn snapper mousseline in a crustacean broth with bottarga

🌀 MAINS 🌀

Eye Fillet Potato Dauphinoise, Charred Broccolini, and Port Wine Jus

Corn Fed Supreme Chicken, Colcannon, Roasted Yellow Beets, & Chicken Jus Lie

🌀 DESSERTS 🌀

Rafaello slice

Raspberry Amandine Tart

🌀 BEVERAGES* 🌀

Domaine Gayda - Figure Libre Freestyle Blanc– Pays D'Oc - 2017

Juliette Amat Crozes – Hermitage - 2014

Chateau Respide Medeville – Grand Vin De Bordeaux - 2016

Bellevue - French Triple Malt Whiskey

Southern Highlands Brewing Co. Beers

*Wines and Whiskey generously supplied by Justine & David Lyons from 'French Vine'



St Andrews College

MUSICIANS



Sterling

Sterling is a talented second-year student studying International Relations at St Andrews College, with a passion for music. Proficient in both the bagpipes and piano, Sterling has earned several prestigious scholarships, including the Keyboard Accompanist Scholarship, Choral Scholarship, Instrumental Scholarship, Scott West Organ Scholarship, and Piper Scholarship. Within the academic community, Sterling's leadership and musical abilities are widely esteemed, particularly as the jazz band convener.

Jess

Jess, who is a Chorister and carrying the Haggis tonight, is a dedicated third-year student at the University of Sydney, pursuing a degree in Music Performance. As a talented chorister and recipient of the Choral Scholarship, Jess's musical abilities shine through in every performance. In addition to her studies, Jess serves as the choir convener, displaying her leadership skills and commitment to her musical community.

Scarlet

Scarlet is a dedicated second-year student at the University of Sydney's Conservatorium, where she is pursuing a degree in Performance with an Advanced Studio focus. As a talented chorister and recipient of both the Choral and Cultural Scholarships, Scarlet's musical prowess is evident. Serving as the choir convener, she demonstrates strong leadership and commitment to her musical community. Tonight, Scarlet will be performing "Ode to Haggis," adding a touch of cultural heritage to her already impressive repertoire.

Olivia

Olivia is a first-year Medicine student at UNSW, supported by an Indigenous scholarship at St Andrew's College. Originally, from Port Macquarie, she enjoys spending time with her friends and family whenever she returns home. Olivia attended Abbotsleigh as a boarder from Year 7 to 12, where she honed her public speaking skills. Tonight, she will be delivering the Welcome to Country Acknowledgement, drawing on her experience in giving impactful speeches.





Mr. David Lyons

David is an experienced private market advisory and investment professional with deep experience in a range of asset classes, he is the founding partner of OBH Partners, an independent corporate advisory and investment firm with a focus on new-generation infrastructure.

David also acts as a director of Australian Agricultural Growth Partners, a leading sustainably focused agricultural investment manager that specialises in agricultural development. Prior to establishing OBH Partners, David was a Director in the Deals, Tax and Legal team for KPMG Australia

David holds a Master of Business Administration (Honours) from The International University of Monaco and a Graduate Certificate in Real Estate Finance from Harvard University.

David had a long and illustrious professional rugby career which included 46 tests for the Wallabies, over 100 games for the Waratahs and 7 seasons in Europe's elite club competition. Many of the skills that enabled David to flourish on the world sporting stage have been key to delivering positive outcomes for his clients.

David is Founder and a Director of "French Vine" an importation, distribution and retail business specialising in quality artisanal French wine. David grew up near Molong, NSW and continues to have a close connection to regional Australia and is President of The Sydney University Football Club.





Mr. John Coorey

John is a Partner and former Chairman of the legal firm, Sparke Helmore. His focus is on professional indemnity, directors' and officers' (D&O) liability, commercial litigation and aviation litigation. He has an Arts and a Law Degree from Sydney University.

Previously John worked with Corrs, Chamber, Westgarth and had three years in London with leading London litigation firm, Lovells. John played for Sydney University Football Club between 1981 and 1988 and played 114 games across all grades including the famous 1981 Tour to the UK, Ireland and France.

John is a former Club Secretary and Club Captain of SUFC. John is the Chair of Council of St John's College.

John's passions include rugby, cricket and (good) red wine.



Mr. David Mortimer AO

David was educated in Sydney and completed a Bachelor of Economics degree at Sydney University graduating with First Class Honours. After a career in the banking and finance industry in Australia and the United States, he joined TNT becoming a Director of the company in 1985.



In 1992, David was appointed Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of the TNT Limited worldwide group, a leading Australian transport company with revenues of \$7 billion at the time. Following the merger of TNT Limited with the Dutch based KPN group in 1997, he remained as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Asian Pacific Region until 1998.

David was Deputy Chairman of Ansett Australia Holdings Limited from 1992 - 1996 and Chairman of GD Express Worldwide from 1992 - 1996. He was also a Director of Ascham School Limited from 1989 - 1997.

In 1996, David was appointed by the Federal Government to conduct a review of Business Programs that resulted in "The Mortimer Report". In 2008, he also conducted a review on Defence Procurement and a Review of Export Policies and Programs for the Federal Government.

David was Chairman of Sydney Airports Corporation Limited until its sale; Chairman of Bankstown Airport Limited, Camden Airport Limited and Haxton Park Airport limited until their sale; Chairman of MIA Group Limited and Chairman of Citect Corporation Limited. He was Chairman of Leighton Holdings Limited, of Arrow Pharmaceuticals and of the Defence Procurement Advisory Board. David was a Director of the Australian Tourist Commission (ATC); of Adsteam Marine Limited, Petsec Energy Limited, MySale Group and Sigma Pharmaceuticals and also of Intoll Management Limited (previously Macquarie Infrastructure Management) and Chairman of Australia Post from 2006 - 2012.

In 2005, David was appointed as an Officer of the Order of Australia and in 2010 he was appointed a Fellow of the Senate of the University of Sydney, and was Chair of the University of Sydney Senate Investment Committee until May 2020. In 2021 David was awarded a Doctor of Business (honoris causa) by the University of Sydney and appointed Pro Chancellor of the University from 2018- 2022.

David was Chair of Opera Australia until December 2021. He is also Governor of the Australia Israel Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

He was Chairman of Crescent Capital Partners for 16 years until his retirement at the end of 2017.

David is Chairman of the Australian Schoolboys Rugby Foundation and Sydney University Football Club Foundation until 2023 - he remains a Director. He was President of the Sydney University Football Club for 16 years until his retirement in 2016. He is a member of Royal Sydney Golf Club. Together with David Baffsky he founded the IRAA (International Rugby Academy of Australia).

He was formerly a director of the Australian Graduate School of Management and a Governor of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia and is an Ambassador of the Australian Indigenous Education Foundation.

David was one of the founding members of the Friends of Sydney University Football Club 28 years ago and is the current Chair of the Friends of SUFC.



Ms. Belinda Hutchinson AC

Ms. Hutchinson is a Graduate of the University of Sydney and began her career as a chartered accountant at Arthur Andersen, before moving into project and corporate finance. She worked at Ciribank for 11 years before joining Macquarie Group, where she created its Equity Capital Markets division.



Ms. Hutchison has held roles as a Non-Executive on the boards of renewable energy supplier Snowy Hydro Trading, Crane Group, and EnergyAustralia, Telstra and Coles Myer before becoming chair of QBE Insurance. She later also served on the Boards of Thales Australia, AGL Energy, St Vincent's Health Australia, TAB, Sydney Water, and is currently a Non-Executive Director of Qantas.

Ms. Hutchinson was appointed chancellor of the University of Sydney in 2013, and was re-appointed by the University senate for an additional two terms. In March 2024, it was announced that Ms. Hutchinson would be stepping down from the role, having reached 12-year limit of the University Senate.

Ms. Hutchinson has served as the president of the council of the State Library of New South Wales, president of Chief Executive Women, chair of Future Generation Global and is a board member of the Centre for Independent Studies a non-executive member of the Australian Philanthropic Services, as well as a trustee of the St Vincent's Curran Foundation.

Her family also has a foundation that supports a number of community-based projects.



Rear Admiral Lee Goddard

CSC RAN

Rear Admiral Goddard was promoted to his current rank in 2019 and following a 34-year fulltime career he transferred to the Active Reserve in early 2021 to join Australia's leading impact philanthropy, the Minderoo Foundation.



Prior to his transfer he was dual appointed as the Commander Maritime Border Command and Commander Operation Sovereign Borders. Prior to these appointments he was seconded into the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet for two years as an Assistant Secretary during 2017-2018.

Lee Goddard joined the Royal Australian Navy (RAN) in 1987 from Melbourne through the Australian Defence Force Academy where he completed his degree studies graduating with a Bachelor of Science in 1989. In his final year he was appointed as the first naval Academy Cadet Captain and was awarded the RSL Sword of Leadership on graduation. In the following year while completing Seaman Officer training at the RAN College (Jervis Bay) in 1990 he was appointed College Captain and awarded the Queen's Medal.

Throughout his career he has served at sea in Australian, Canadian, Malaysian and US Navy warships, and on operations in the Middle East and Border Protection. He gained his Bridge Watchkeeping Certificate in early 1992 while serving on exchange with the Canadian Navy, in HMCS Yukon based in Victoria, British Columbia. Later in 1993-1995 he served as a Watch/Executive Officer onboard Australia's national tall ship STS Young Endeavour and he has been posted overseas to Canada, Malaysia, Bahrain and the USA.

In 1996 he completed the RAN Principal Warfare Officer's course where as dux he was awarded both the Sydney-Emden prize and the RAN Sword of Excellence. He was a member of the commissioning crews of the Anzac Class frigates HMAS Arunta (Warfare Officer) during 1997-1999 and HMAS Stuart (Executive Officer) during 2001-2003. During 2006-2008 he commanded the Anzac Class frigate, HMAS Parramatta, and the ship was awarded the Duke of Gloucester's Cup in late 2008. He was awarded the Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC), on Australia Day 2007, for service as the Commander Operations in the maritime component of Joint Operations Command. Following on from his first sea command in 2008 he was appointed Commander Sea Training.

In 2009 he was posted as an inaugural member of the 'New Generation Navy' Team, as the Director Transformation & Innovation working closely with the Nous Group that reported directly to the Chief of Navy. He was then selected to attend the US Naval War College in Newport Rhode Island, where he joined the Naval Command College, graduating in June 2010 and was awarded the War College's International Leadership Prize. He was subsequently asked to remain at the War College as an International Fellow, teaching within the Department of Strategy and Policy at the Masters level.

On his return to Australia in early 2011 he was appointed as the Director Military Strategic Commitments at the Australian Defence Headquarters, working within the strategic level of Defence and across Government. He returned to sea in late 2012 to assume command of the upgraded Anzac Class warship HMAS Perth, that included the seminal ASMD supersonics missile firings and senior RAN ship duties during the 2013 Fleet Review. On promotion to commodore in late 2014 he assumed the role of Commander Surface Forces, responsible for 18 Major Fleet Units and the introduction into service of the Canberra Class LHD and Hobart Class DDG.

Rear Admiral Goddard was awarded a Master of Arts (International Relations) in 1996, is a former Vice President of the Australian Naval Institute council and has previously served as a Councillor with the Australian Institute of International Affairs. He has contributed to a range of professional and academic journals focused on international affairs and security issues. His personal interests evolve around family, sport and sailing.



Guest Speaker

General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK AC(Mil) CVO MC (Retd)



When recognised in 2001 as Australian of the Year, it was said that, “In every respect Peter Cosgrove demonstrated that he is a role model. The man at the top displayed those characteristics we value most as Australians – strength, determination, intelligence, compassion and humour.”

Having led troops as a junior leader and as Commander-in-Chief, having served as Australia’s Governor General from 2014 to 2019, and having travelled the world and Australia, General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove has unique perspectives on Australia, Australians and our place in the world. His views on leadership are grounded in experience, his keynotes are insightful, entertaining and revealing.

The son of a soldier, Peter Cosgrove attended Waverley College in Sydney and later graduated from the Royal Military College, Duntroon, in 1968.

He was sent to Malaysia as a lieutenant in the 1st Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment. During his next infantry posting in Vietnam he commanded a rifle platoon and was awarded the Military Cross for his performance and leadership during an assault on enemy positions. With his wife Lynne, the next twenty years saw the family grow to three sons and a wide variety of defence force postings, including extended duty in the UK and India.

In 1999 Peter Cosgrove became a national figure following his appointment as Commander of the International Force East Timor (INTERFET). He was responsible for overseeing East Timor’s transition to independence during what was to become a tense and uncertain period. The International Force rapidly and decisively restored law and order and handed it over to another UN force early in 2000. For his leadership of INTERFET he was subsequently advanced to the rank of Companion in the military division of the Order of Australia and was invested by Her Majesty the Queen at Yarralumla during her visit to Australia early in 2000.

Peter Cosgrove was soon promoted and made Chief of the Army. He went on to be promoted again to General and was appointed Chief of the Defence Force. Peter Cosgrove retired from the Army in July 2005.

Subsequently, he accepted positions on numerous boards, including QANTAS, Cardno and the Australian Rugby Union. He was appointed by the Queensland Government to lead the taskforce rebuilding communities in the Innisfail region following the devastation caused by Cyclone Larry in 2006. From 2007 to 2012, he chaired the Council of the Australian War Memorial, and served as Chancellor of the Australian Catholic University from 2010 until early 2014.

General Cosgrove's best-selling autobiography My Story was published in 2006 and he delivered the Boyer Lectures series, A Very Australian Conversation in 2009.

On 25 March 2014, Prime Minister Tony Abbott announced that General Cosgrove would become a Knight in the Order of Australia when sworn in as Governor General. His Excellency General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retd) was sworn in as Australia's 26th Governor General and he served in that role until June 2019.

In 2019, Sir Peter Cosgrove was admitted to the Royal Victorian Order by Her Majesty and appointed a Commander of the Order.

Sir Peter is an avid sports follower with particular emphasis on Rugby and Cricket. He is the husband to Lynne and they have three sons and two grandchildren.





HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS



Mr. Phillip Harry AM

Phil began playing rugby at Artarmon Primary School and went on to captain Sydney Grammar 1st fifteen. Just like his son, Richard, Phil started his career as a flanker and then played more than 100 games for Sydney University in the front row, 98 of these were in 1st Grade.



In Representative Rugby he played for Sydney, NSW, Australian Universities and the Australian Barbarians.

Phil entered Rugby Administration over 20 years later, becoming President of NSW Rugby Union, then President of the Australian Rugby Union.

Phil studied Economics at Sydney University, graduating in 1960. He then spent several years studying Anthropology. Phil had a long career in Australia International business in the Plastics Industry.

Phil's interests include yachting, surfing, and charity fund-raising. He was a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in 2006 "For service to Rugby football as a player and in a range of executive roles, and to the community through support for charitable organisations."

Phil's personal motto has always been: "Be positive, take on leadership, act with integrity, and never die wondering."

Phil's honorary life membership will be accepted on his behalf by his son, Mr. Richard Harry.

Richard says "The SUFC has been a mainstay in Dad's life through not only his enduring involvement but also the pride in his family following suit. The club has given him so much joy, success on the field when he was captain and deep, lasting friendships still in place today off the field."



Associate Professor Dr. Paul Darveniza



Paul Darveniza first played rugby league in the Queensland country town of Warwick before he boarded at Cranbrook School in Sydney where he excelled in rugby union. Paul was a member of the Cranbrook Firsts for his last two years at Cranbrook. After leaving school, Paul played rugby with the Easts Wallaroos in the under 18 & under 20 competitions.

He progressed from there to play in the Eastern Suburbs First Grade side in 1965. While Paul enjoyed his season at Easts, he was attracted by Dr John Solomon's suggestion, as he was then studying Medicine at Sydney University, that he play rugby for his university. John Solomon was the coach of SUFC First Grade at the time and was looking to build a team to win the Schute Shield and he recognised Paul's ability as a rugby hooker.

Paul played his first season with SUFC in 1966 and began a highly successful career with the Club. He played 100 games for SUFC and became the first player to play 100 games without ever playing a game in a lower grade. Such was his outstanding skill and determination as a rugby hooker.

During his time with SUFC, Paul was a member of the Schute Shield winning teams in 1968 & 1970. The 1968 Team was one of the best teams to play for SUFC. The team played 24 games winning 23 losing only to Parramatta 6-3 at what coach David Brockhoff referred to as "Death Valley". Nine former, current or future Wallabies played in the 1968 Team. Much of the success of that team was contributed to Paul Darveniza who spearheaded a scrum which would win up to 10 tight heads in a match.

In 1997, Paul Darveniza was selected in the SUFC's greatest Team between the Years 1920-1994. An amazing honour but truly well deserved. Paul was awarded a University Blue for Rugby in 1967. He retired from rugby at the end of 1971 to concentrate on his medical studies.

Paul also had an impressive representative history during his time at SUFC. He was first picked for NSW in 1967. He played 4 Tests for the Wallabies between 1968-69. He first toured to Ireland & Scotland with the Wallabies as back-up hooker to captain, Peter Johnson. His first Test was against Wales in Sydney. In 1969 he joined 6 other SUFC players on a Wallabies

Tour to South Africa. He played in the last three Tests of a 4 Test series. It was a bruising, and later controversial, tour to SA.

Paul went on 2 overseas trips with SUFC. He was a member of the first ever overseas tour by SUFC in the summer of 1968-69. The team played 7 games on tour, 6 in California and one in Honolulu all against American Universities. It was an amazing tour as it was in the middle of drastic change in the community and the Universities. It was a time of hippie flower power in San Francisco, topless & bottomless waitresses, Kent State University shootings and University marches demonstrating against Viet Nam. We shook hands with 219 cm giant, Lou Alcindor (later to become Kareem Abdul -Jabbar) after a UCLA basketball game. It was exciting times. SUFC won all matches including the one against the Golden Bears representing UC Berkley who beat Queensland the next year in Brisbane.

Paul also played in the SUFC team that was invited to play Otago University in NZ in 1969 to celebrate Otago's 100th anniversary. SUFC won a close match and were shouted a week-long bus tour of the South Island by our hosts. It was a huge amount of fun. Many stories are told about both SUFC tours but all for another time.

Paul will be remembered for his amazing sporting ability and tenacity as a rugby player, for his attitude to the game and his excellent approach to life on and off the field. He was always a gentleman.

He will also be remembered for his amazing contribution to medicine as a specialist Neurologist at St Vincents Hospital in Sydney for over 50 years.

This Rugby biography was penned by Paul's good friend Mr Andrew Murray AM who is accepting this award posthumously on his behalf. Paul had an extensive and esteemed professional career in addition to this reflection.



WITH THANKS

The Sydney University Football Club thanks its' Friends network and the contributions and involvement of each of this evening's attendees, as well as our Friends that could not be with us tonight.

The Friends of SUFC would also like to extend its thanks and gratitude to tonight's distinguished guests:

Sir Peter Cosgrove AK, AC (Mil), CVO, MC (Retd.) and Lady Lynne Cosgrove





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