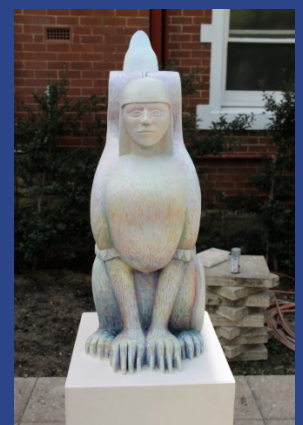




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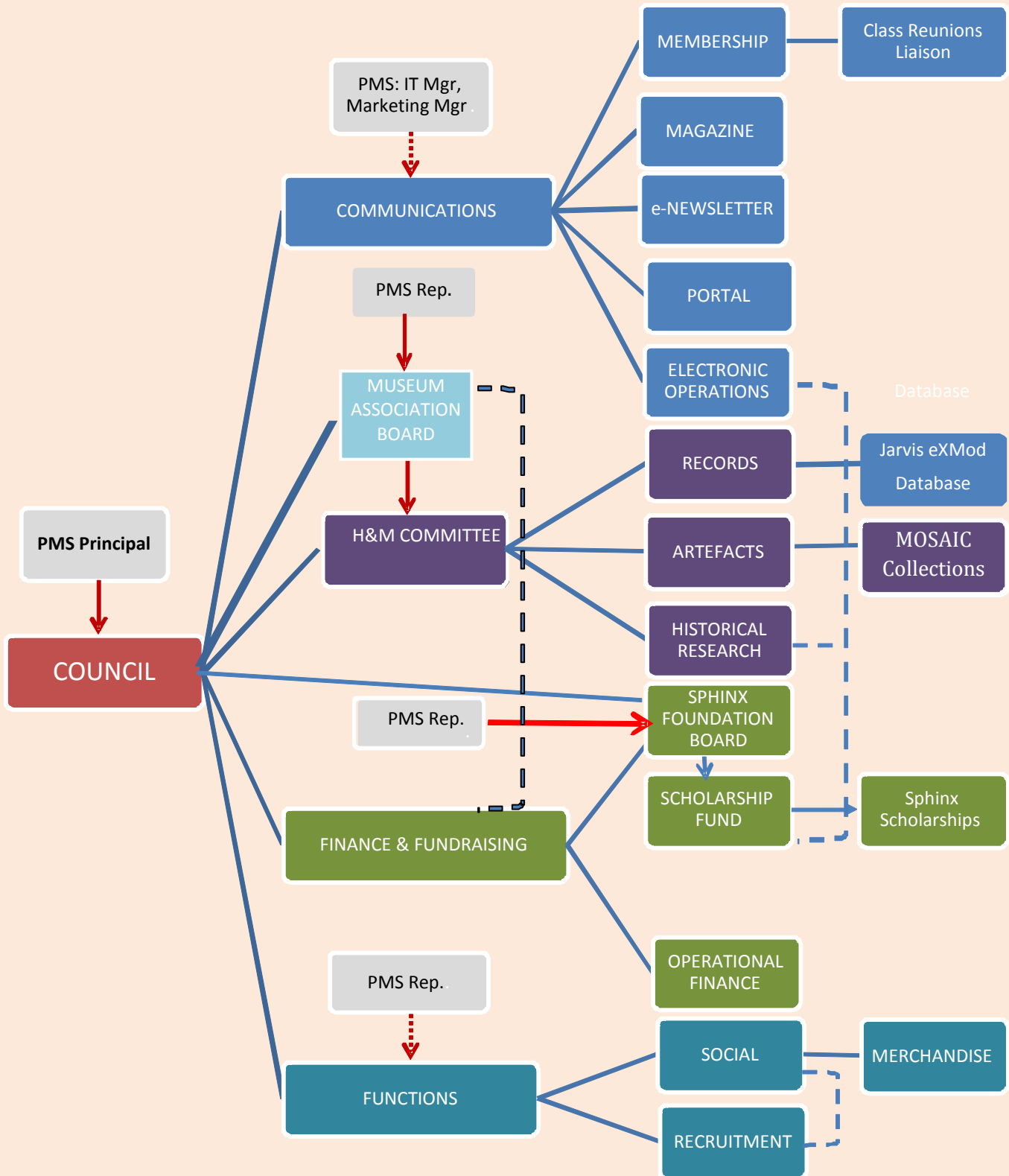
Annual Report 2018





PERTH MODERNIAN SOCIETY

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE SOCIETY





PERTH MODERNIAN SOCIETY

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

Vision

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

Mission

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

Values

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



PERTH MODERNIAN SOCIETY

2018 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This past year has been a quiet one in comparison to the previous year that saw Modern School remain on its current site. However, the Society has continued to support the School and its members in a variety of ways. In particular, the Sphinx Foundation, ably supported by many Society members, continues to support students at the School, the School's efforts to build a multi-purpose auditorium have been supported and the Perth Modernian Society Museum Association has DGR status, providing it with a strong foundation from which it can grow. The Society's Committee has also continued to oversee the Annual Oration and reunion day that many members enjoy. While we do live in interesting times, we can hope these are the only types of activities the Society has to deal with in the future.

Overview of 2018 activities

Governance and Compliance

Since the 2018 AGM, the Council includes (Geoffrey Soutar (President), Peter Farr (Immediate Past President), Barrie Baker, (Vice Pres.), Eve Broadley (Hon. Treasurer), Deborah Beresford (Hon. Secretary), Ian Jarvis (Communications), Sallie Davies, Barbara Mallett, Julian Grill, Jeanette McQueen, Ruth Barrett and Ed Lazarus. Peter Farr has represented the Society on the PMS Board and has provided the Committee with information about the School's activities, as has Lois Joll (Principal), who attends Council meetings

I sincerely thank all Councillors for their dedicated efforts. Councillors' profiles may be found on pages 20-25 of this Report.

The Society's incorporated association's registration number (IARN) is A1004735K.

Under the new Western Australian Associations Incorporation Act (2015) there is now the requirement to submit an annual Information Statement to Consumer Protection which was done as required in 2018.

Perth Modernian Society Awards in 2018

This year the Council Awards Sub-Committee recommended the award of Moderna Scola to **Rosemary Pratt (néeMount)** and **Dr June Stephenson (néeMcLeod)**. Their names have been added to the Moderna Scola Board in the History Centre



Collaboration and Premises

The Society once again worked cooperatively with the School administration, Head Boy/Head Girl, the P&C Association and the School Board.

The Society is very fortunate to have an Archive room in the Parsons Building, and as well the History Centre.

Keeping in Touch

Communications

- Perth Modernian Society portal www.perthmoderniansociety.org.au;
- e-Newsletter, sent quarterly to over 1,600 members (all issues are available on the website);
- eVent Notices;
- 'The Perth Modernian' 16-page glossy magazine - distributed via email link to Contributing Members who had provided an email address, and mailed only to other Contributing Members;
- The Perth Modernian Society Facebook Page (334 members);
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/143154475697422/>
- The 2017 Annual Report was distributed in hard copy at the **22nd Annual General Meeting** and is also available on our website.

Our Guest Speakers at the 2018 AGM were Sallie Davies, Chair of the History and Museum Committee and Dr Ian Melville, WA Representative on the ANME (Australian National Museum of Education). Before Sallie introduced Dr Melville, she presented an overview of the evolution of the Perth Modernian Society History Centre and Archives and the potential way forward for the new Museum Association, Dr Melville highlighted the very important role of school museums (for those schools lucky enough to have one) in reminding students of the heritage that they are fortunate to inherit.

Perth Modernian Society Annual Oration for 2018



Distinguished Modernian Elizabeth Gaines' (CEO of Fortescue Minerals Group Ltd) spoke to senior students on 14th June 2018. She spoke fondly about her school days and time in the specialist music program as a student at Perth Modern School from 1976 to 1980. She told her audience about her journey to the top of the business world and reflected on how her experiences at Mod helped mould the way she conducts herself in business today. Elizabeth spent time with students over morning tea following her presentation.

Reunions

Numbers at the Annual Reunion in Sept. 2018 were swelled by the attendance of those attending the 1958 Class Reunion that took place the previous day. Thanks go to the people who organised class reunions, and those who kept our Facebook page humming.

History Centre and Archives

The Council is thankful for the dedication of the volunteers who contributed numerous hours to the History Centre and Archives over the year. Work was completed on creating a special tax-deductible fund via the new Perth Modernian Society Museum Association Incorporated.

Perth Modern School Board

As an Independent Public School (IPS), Perth Modern School has a school Board comprising the Principal, parents, staff and members of the general community. Since its inception, the Society has been invited to nominate one of the Board's Community members - a role filled in 2018 by Peter Farr. Modernian and former School Patron Dr Ken Michael AC was elected Chair of the board in Feb. 2018, and Peter Farr as Deputy Chair.

Membership Trends

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

Membership levels increased slightly once again in 2018, but regrettably a significant number of members passed away during the year. At the end of 2018, the Society had over 800 Contributing Members, as well as more than 3600 Registered Members, which meant we have more than 4400 registered members. Changes in membership over the past nine years can be seen in the table below.

Year ended December:	New/Renewed 4-Year Contributing Members (incl. new graduates)	Total 4-Year Contributing Members	Registered Members	Total Members
2010	29	471	3196	3667
2011	18	494	3366	3860
2012	88 (14)	580	3758	4338
2013	27 (10)	614	3638	4252
2014	110 (2)	722	3559	4281
2015	35 (3)	765	3583	4348
2016	34 (17)	818	3590	4408
2017	64 (18)	834	3591	4425
2018	40 (26)	833	3608	4441

- As shown in column 2 of the Table, some progress is evident in 2016, 2017 and 2018 due to the increasing encouragement of new graduates to join up.
- Both the Sphinx Foundation and the H&M Committee secured some new volunteers in 2018 who were largely interested parents with the much needed skills to move these initiatives forward.

Finances

The Financial Statements for the Society have been prepared by the Hon. Treasurer Eve Broadley and can be found on pages 19-23.

An external audit was not commissioned for the Society for the 2018 Financial Year. The external audit of the **Sphinx Scholarship Fund** in 2018 was completed with no significant issues raised.

Income and Expenditure - Perth Modernian Society (Inc.)

In 2018, Income amounted to \$10,755 and Expenses \$12,120 giving a net Operating Loss of \$1.365 and leaving the Society with a net cash at bank at 31/12/2018 of \$26,811 (compared to \$27,301 in 2017). Net Assets = \$26,811 (compared to \$28,265 in 2017).

Notes:

- Subscriptions were \$6,136 (compared to \$9,265 in 2017).
- The main recurrent cost items again comprised: Newsletters; Printing, Stationery & Postage; IT, Communications and website hosting; Insurance, trophies (i.e. Honours Awards).

- Net function cash inflows amounted to \$220 after payment of a donation to the Music Department of \$1,000 as thanks for staging a memorable concert for Annual Reunion attendees.
- The closure of Subiaco Oval and the move of AFL football games to Optus Stadium caused a significant reduction in our annual income, which had been boosted in previous recent years by parking fees obtained from one game each year.

Sphinx Foundation Inc

The Council is thankful for the dedicated efforts of the Chairman and Directors of the Sphinx Foundation Inc. (Their separate report is provided on pages 13-15).

The Sphinx Scholarship Fund, established just a decade ago, has record funds under management. The Society's Council sincerely thanks the 93 donors to the Sphinx Scholarship Fund in 2018. The Sphinx Foundation continues to provide valuable scholarships and bursaries awarded to PMS students, and in Feb. 2018 provided a helping hand to **68** needy and worthy students in a wide range of categories. Several new financial awards offered in 2018 are listed on page 12.

Conclusion

I sincerely thank on all members' behalf, the Society's Councillors, the H&M Committee and volunteers, the Sphinx Foundation Board, the new Perth Modernian Society Museum Association Incorporated Board, many other volunteers, and special contributors for the enormous amount of work and goodwill that they put in to so many projects during 2018.



Geoff Soutar
President

30th April 2019



PERTH MODERNIAN SOCIETY (INC)

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FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2018

	2018	2017
CURRENT ASSETS		
BANK	26811	27,301
SUNDRY DEBTORS		2,646
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>26811</u>	<u>29,947</u>
 CURRENT LIABILITIES	 <u>0</u>	 <u>1682</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES	 <u>0</u>	 <u>1682</u>
 NET ASSETS	 <u>26811</u>	 <u>28,265</u>
 MEMBERS FUNDS	 <u>26811</u>	 <u>28,265</u>

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

	2018	2017	NOTES
INCOME			
Functions	4266	5,093	
Interest	353	270	
Subscriptions	6136	9,265	
Sale			
merchandise	0	0	
Donations	0	6,400	
Football parking	0	2,324	
TOTAL			
INCOME	10755	23,352	
 EXPENSES			
 Donations	1750	1,000	
Function catering and			
labour	2958	2,878	
Function equipment hire	231	159	
Function other	47	27	
Silver badges	1421	521	
Newsletter printing and			
editorial	1323	1,329	
Printing, stationery and			
postage	584	1490	
Contribution to Sphinx			
Foundation			
Computer & communication			
costs	2620	1,305	
Insurance	824	780	
Trophies	286	448	
Computer hardware		0	
Fighting Fund	0	6,015	
Sundry	76	0	
TOTAL EXPENSES	12120	15,952	
 OPERATING PROFIT			
(LOSS)	-1365	7,400	

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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2018**

	2018	2017
CASH FLOWS FROM FUNCTION ACTIVITIES		
Receipts from function activities	4456	5,688
Payment to suppliers	-3236	-3,064
Net function cash inflows	1220	2624
CASH FLOWS FROM OTHER OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Sundry debtors (2017)	2646	
c/fwd liabilities (2017)	-1682	
Receipts from members	6136	9,316
Payments to suppliers	-7223	-8,331
Donation received	0	7800
Donation made	-1750	-1000
Interest received	353	270
Sale of merchandise and other	0	182
Contribution to Sphinx Foundation		0
Refund book sales to Sphinx		
Found.	0	-110
Refund donation to H&M	-190	-425
Refund book sales to school	0	-60
Football parking from school	0	2,324
Other Fighting Fund expenses	0	-4889
Net operating cash inflows	-1710	5077
Net increase / (decrease) in cash held	-490	7,701
Cash at beginning of year	27301	19,600
Cash at end of year	26,811	27,301

STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

The Council has determined that the Society is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in the Notes to the financial report.

In the opinion of the Council the financial report:

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Perth Modernian Society (Inc) as at 31 December 2018 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Perth Modernian Society (Inc) will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

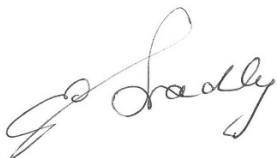
This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Council and is signed for and on behalf of the Council by:



PRESIDENT

GEOFF SOUTAR

DATE 13/05/2019



TREASURER

EVE BROADLEY

DATE 13/05/2019



**SPHINX FOUNDATION INC
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STRUCTURE AND MEMBERSHIP:

At the 2018 AGM, Eve Broadley and William Philogene gave notice of their intentions to resign from the Board of the Sphinx Foundation.

Vivian Wang CPA has been accepted as a new member of the Board and formally joined the Board in February 2019

In 2018 the Board of Sphinx Foundation was augmented by a new subcommittee called the Investment Subcommittee. Its function is to advise the Board on matters relating to capital investments through its input into the Investment Policy Document, and to provide investment market intelligence to the Board of the Foundation. Its inaugural members are:

- Peter Farr FAIM, FAICD – convenor
- Reg Gillard FCPA
- Rob Gray CFA
- Louise Edwards ACA, AIMM
- William Philogene BCom.

ANNUAL APPEAL

The 2018 Annual Appeal for the Sphinx Scholarship Fund was conducted in May 2018. Donations resulting were approx. \$29,000.

As a result of this and other generous donations, the number of Scholarships and Bursaries awarded to be taken up in 2019 was 43 (13 Year 7 Entry awards and 30 Later Year awards). Four new subject areas covered were

- Information Technology (IT) and Computer Science
- Innovations, Entrepreneurship and Independent Research
- Mechatronics Engineering
- Visual and Performing Arts

The Board is very pleased to have the flexibility to match the needs of students to the philanthropic wishes of donors which has enhanced the richness of the educational experiences of Perth Modern School students.

Photo: Donors Allen Prince and Don Tyler having morning tea with Peter Farr, Eve Broadley and Jeanette McQueen, Feb 2018.



Sphinx Foundation Inc. Financial Reports Summary

(to 30 June 2018 and to 30/4/2019)

(A) Sphinx Foundation Inc.

The Net Cash at bank at 30/6/2018 was \$913, and at 30/4/2019 was \$993.

(B) Sphinx Scholarship Fund

The Sphinx Scholarship Fund has just reached the milestone of 10 years since the inaugural gifts made by two far-sighted Modernians, the late Jim Cundill and the late John Down. The aggregate value of all donations (1/7/2008 to 30/4/2019) = **\$923,400**, and the aggregate scholarship and bursary payouts have amounted to **\$311,416** since the inaugural awards in Dec. 2009 through to Feb. 2019.

The Audit for the 18-month period **1/1/2017 to 30/6/2018** was completed and signed off by the Auditor, Anderson Munro & Wylie on 11 October 2018. The next audit will be for the period 1/7/2018 to 30/6/2019.

Scholarship Fund Asset summary as at 30/6/2018 and 30/4/2019:

#	Asset Type	Market Value \$	% of total	30/4/2019
a	Cash at bank	\$ 84,499	9%	\$88,105
b	Floating Rate Notes and Bonds	Nil		
c	ASX Listed shares	\$ 377,630	40%	\$417,310
d	Other investments (managed funds, Unlisted Property Trusts, etc)	\$ 459,422	49%	\$490,010
	Less payments due	Nil		Nil
	Accounts Receivable (Imputation Credits)	\$ 8,071	1%	\$8,760
	Tax refunds by ATO	\$ 1,421	0.2%	-
	Franking credits due 30/6/2018	\$ 9,381	1%	
	Net Assets	\$940,424	100%	\$1,004,185

Notes:

1. The net return on average investment assets for the calendar year 2017 was 6.05% (2017 = 7.0%, 2016 = 6.4%).
2. The Management Expense Ratio (MER) in calendar year 2018 was a low 0.74% (2017 = 0.7%).
3. Scholarships and bursaries paid out in calendar **2018** to students at Perth Modern School totalled **\$53,733** (2017 = \$47,075, 2016 = \$40,240, 2015 = \$28,500), and in 2019 YTD = a record **\$62,344**.
4. The **John Christmass Choral Music Scholarship**, honouring the late John Christmass, was created in March 2019. *(More donations are urgently sought from Modernians to make this sustainable).*

Income and Expenditure

In the audit period 1/1/2017 to 30/6/2018, the Scholarship Fund income amounted to \$274,837 giving a highly satisfactory net Operating Surplus of \$165,522. The surplus is used in two principal ways: (a) Invested to provide the corpus for scholarships in future years, (b) scholarships and bursaries payouts in the current year.

Balance Sheet

As at the last audit date of 30/6/2018, the Scholarship Fund Total Current Assets = \$103,372 (31/12/2017 = \$63,387, 31/12/2016 = \$60,025) and Net Cash at bank of \$84,499 (31/12/2017 = \$63,036, 31/12/2016 = \$49,321). Total Assets = \$940,424 (31/12/2017 = \$895,172, 31/12/2016 = \$774,902). Total Liabilities = Nil. Net Assets = \$940,424 (31/12/2017 = \$895,172, 31/12/2016 = \$774,902). [NB includes unrealised capital gains or losses on individual ASX listed shareholdings as at 30/6/2018.]

Net Assets at **30/4/2019 = \$1,004,185**.

The Audit Fee for the audit period was \$1,600 (Excl GST).

Investment Sub-Committee

During the calendar year 2018, the Investment Sub-Committee Terms of Reference was developed. Following interviews and due diligence conducted by the Board, the Sub-Committee membership has been assembled and approved by the Sphinx Foundation Inc. Board and comprises:

- Peter Farr BE(Hons), BEc, MASc, FAIM, FAICD
- Reg Gillard FAICD, Fellow of the Certified Practicing Accountants of Australia
- Louise Edwards BA(Hons), ACA, AIMM
- Robert Gray BA(Hons), CFA (Chartered Financial Analyst)
- William Philogene B.Com

Reg, Louise, Rob and William are well qualified for the Investment Sub-Committee role and as a bonus, all of them are parents of students presently attending PMS.

In the present very difficult era for investing, the Sub-Committee will undoubtedly play a very beneficial role.



Photo: Sphinx Foundation Scholarship Recipients, Feb. 2019



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HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE

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2018 was a year of transition for the Historical and Museum Committee of the Perth Modernian Society as we received confirmation from the Australian Tax Office (ATO) that the Perth Modernian Society Museum Association had achieved Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status which means that donations of \$2 and over are tax deductible.

We are extremely appreciative of the generous support of Sphinx Foundation Board Members, and particularly value and acknowledge the pro bono advice received from Nigel Hunt and Brendan Dawson of King & Wood Mallesons.

It became very apparent over the past decade that people are interested in the story of Perth Modern School and its valuable heritage. Our volunteer work now requires consistent financial support to meet the continuing costs associated with collecting, preserving and exhibiting the physical and cultural traditions of Perth Modern School.

The **Historical and Museum Committee** has met needs until now with minimal fund raising. Urgent support has been sought through grant applications to meet the current imperative for maintenance and replacement of IT equipment used by our volunteers who work in this area. The updating by the volunteers of the MOSAIC museum collection data-base and the Jarvis eXMOD data-base (JeD) for staff/student biographical information is constant in house and remotely. This Committee has now moved to become a standing committee of the Board of the **Perth Modernian Society Museum Association Incorporated** with the long term dream of raising funds to employ a CEO/Collections Manager to support our volunteers to effectively prioritise and manage museum activities. Such a person might also open the Museum more frequently for volunteer activities, private and public viewing, and thus provide support for communication between all Modernians, past and present, the School, the Society, and the wider community.



The **2019 Board of the Perth Modernian Society Museum Association** is chaired by Dr Robyn White. Other Board members are Sallie Davies (Chair of the Museum [H&M] Standing Committee), Bob Johnson (Treasurer), Sharon Williams (Secretary), Professor Alistair Paterson (archaeologist and researcher), and Lois Joll (School Principal). This Board will be expanded to seven people who meet the criteria required by the ATO for responsible persons with particular interest and financial expertise for the organisation to retain this long sought for DGR status

Your help as a volunteer, memorabilia donor or financial benefactor (now with tax deductibility) can make a difference. Please contact Sallie Davies 041 9964 732 or Robyn White 0409 889 056 to discuss how you might share our dreams.

Email: museum@perthmoderniansociety.org.au

Perth Modernian Society Museum Association Incorporated

ABN 73 761 561 543



raising funds

to honour the history and share the heritage of

Perth Modern School through the

Perth Modernian Society Museum

Managed, curated and cared for by volunteers.

Yes, we can help each other . . .

PERTH MODERNIAN SOCIETY MUSEUM ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED				
Financial Report for the year ended 31 December 2018				
Transactions include those of the Historical and Museum Committee and the PMSMA				
	H&M 1/1/18 to 31/12/18	PMSMA 1/10/18 to 31/12/18	TOTAL 1/1/18 to 31/12/18	H&M 2017
Income				
Perth Modernian Society - reunion donations		190	190	425
Museum donations box	115	70	185	216
Entertainment Book commission	182	434	616	-
Interest	254		254	193
Total Income	551	694	1,245	834
Expenses				
Conservation of Parsons drawing	330		330	
Printing and Stationery	178		178	295
One pull-up banner	381		381	
Display boards				49
Mannequins				590
Incorporation expenses PMSMA Inc				144
Total Expenses	889	-	889	1,077
Surplus/(Deficit)	(339)	694	355	(243)
Assets				
Assets				
Cash at Bank				
Opening balances	13,288	0	13,288	12,239
Surplus / (Deficit)	(339)	694	355	1,049
Closing balances	12,950	694	13,644	13,288
Bank Account Balances at end of year				
PMSMA Bankwest operating account	-	694	694	-
H&M cheque account	1,254		1,254	846
H&M Term Deposit account	11,696		11,696	12,442
Total Bank Account Balances	12,950	694	13,644	13,288
Note: During the 2018 year, responsibility for the financial transactions of the Museum were transferred from the H&M Committee, a Committee of Perth Modernian Society Incorporated, to the Perth Modernian Society Museum Association Incorporated, a subsidiary of Perth Modernian Society Incorporated. The H&M bank accounts will be closed during 2019. The advantage of operating the museum through the PMSMA is that donations of \$2 and over are tax deductible to donors whereas donations to the H&M Committee were not.				

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2018 COUNCIL

Winthrop Professor Geoff Soutar,
President
student 1961-65
Deborah Beresford,
Hon Secretary
teacher 1974-2007
Eve Broadley, *Hon Treasurer*
student 1958-60
Barrie Baker, *Finance*,
Vice President, Functions
student 1954-58
Sallie Davies,
H&MC Representative
student 1951-55, teacher 1961
Peter Farr, *Immediate*
Past President
student 1954-58
Ian Jarvis, *Communications*
student 1954-58
Jeanette McQueen (*from March*
2018) *Sphinx Foundation*
Representative
student 1957-61
Barbara Mallett
Reunion Liaison
student 1966-70
Ed Lazarus,
Membership
student 1956-60
Ruth Barrett,
student 1952-56
Julian Grill,
student 1956-57
Lois Joll, *PMS Principal*
(Refer **Councillors' profiles** pp
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Finance Committee

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

Sphinx Foundation Board

Barrie Baker, *Chair*
Peter Farr, *Treasurer*
Eve Broadley, *Member*
Nigel Hunt, *Member*
Jeanette McQueen, *Secretary*
William Philogene *Member (until*
Oct. 2018)
Val Furphy, *Associate Principal*
Vivian Wang (*from Feb. 2019*)



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Historical & Museum Committee

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Deb Beresford, *Hon Archivist*
Alan Porter, *Hon Treasurer*
Ian Jarvis, *Hon IT Manager*
Frank Hedges, *Member*
Gay Albillos, *Member*
Rod Smith, *Member*
Sharon Williams, *Member*
Robert Johnson, *Member*

VOLUNTEERS

History Centre and Archives
Gay Albillos, *Conservation*
Deb Beresford, *Hon Archivist*
Jim Davies, *Biographical Index*
Sallie Davies, *Coordinator*
Frank Hedges, *Bio Index*
Robert Johnson, *war history*
Angela Jones, *Research*
Bill MacPherson, *Archives*
Deirdre Owen, *Archives*
Alan Porter, *Science Restoration*
Rod Smith, *Science Data Entry*
Roger Stubbs, *Research*
Dr Robyn White, *Archives*
Sharon Williams, *P&C Research*
Alison Woodman, *Research*

MODERNIAN FELLOWS

Barrie Baker
Sallie Davies
Peter Farr
Ian Jarvis
Malcolm McCusker AC CVO QC
Donald Tyler

MODERNA SCOLA AWARDS

Deborah Beresford
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Alan Porter
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Community Representative and
Alumni
Peter Farr, *Deputy Chair*
Community Representative and
Alumni
Craig Donovan, *Secretary*
Parent Representative
Lois Joll, *Principal*
Val Furphy, *Associate Principal*
Dr Nicholas Waldron, *Parent*
Representative
Ishtar Barranco, *Parent*
Representative
Professor Dale Pinto, *Parent*
Representative
Professor Paul Arthur, *Parent*
Representative
Meredith Eddington, *Community*
Representative
Phil Marshall, *President, Perth*
Modern School P&C
Bronwyn Rasmussen, *Community*
Representative
Chris Rapley, *Staff*
Representative
Jarrad Strain, *Staff*
Representative

Perth Modernian Society (Inc.)

Councillors' Profiles

The Council comprised these eleven members in the period April 2018-May 2019:

Barrie Baker BA(Hons), Dip Ed, Dip Comp, Dip Theol, Dip Ed Admin
(Vice President, Functions Coordinator and Finance Committee Chair)

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



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

Barrie has served on the Council of the Perth Modernian Society (Inc) since its formation in 1995. He served as president for seven years (2006 to 2013), and he became a Vice President in 2017. He has been the Functions Coordinator since 1996 and Convenor of the Finance and Fundraising Committee since 2011.

Barrie has been a Director of the board of the Sphinx Foundation since 2000, serving also as secretary and chairman. His interests in these positions have been steering the Foundation to more effectively serve the educational needs of PMS students, especially in providing scholarship incentives for worthy students. He was elected its Chairman in 2017.

At the 2016 Annual Reunion, Barrie was named as a **Modernian Fellow** for his distinguished contribution to the Perth Modernian Society and thereby the advancement of education at Perth Modern School.

Ruth Barrett BA (née McWhinney), BA, Dip Ed, Grad Dip Ed (Reading Education) Ruth attended Perth Modern School from 1952 to 1956, being one of five Mod Bods from the McWhinney family.

Ruth studied at UWA and Claremont Teachers College, and went on to teach Junior Primary classes at what was then South Terrace Primary School (now re-named Fremantle Primary). Among the 54 children in her first class, there was only one that spoke English. In 1964 she undertook a pilot program for the Education Department, teaching English to older children: they figured the younger ones would quickly pick up the language by themselves. Ruth completed a BA, majoring in English, later a Diploma of Education, and Graduate Diploma (Reading Education).



In 1965, with husband George (who had an exchange teaching position) Ruth went to England, and taught there for most of that year. On their return they started a family. Then in 1970 Ruth was asked to lecture in English Literature at Claremont Teachers College, just for a term. George and Ruth had a long holiday in Europe in 1971, and came back to WA to continue their family. In 1975 she was asked to fill in again at CTC, this time in Junior Primary Method. That was followed by a semester in the Music Department. After that she began to lecture in the Graduate Diploma in Reading Education at CTC, Claremont. Over the next few years Ruth lectured in Language Education at the Graylands and Mount Lawley Campuses as they were amalgamated into WACAE then Edith Cowan University respectively. She lectured at the Churchlands Campus until around 1996, and continued to supervise students on teaching practice until 2000.

Ruth has had a long connection with the Claremont Museum, and for many years has been a Friend of the WA Museum. She is also a member of the Royal Western Australian Historical Society. When she gets time, she pursues family history – including the family's ANZAC links to Gallipoli.

Deborah Beresford B App Sci (Library Studies) WAIT
(Hon Secretary)

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

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



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

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

At the 2016 Annual Reunion, Deborah was named as an inaugural **Moderna Scola** - the award recognises her distinguished contribution to the Perth Modernian Society and Perth Modern School.

Evelyn (Eve) Broadley
(Hon Treasurer)

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

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



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

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

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

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

At the 2017 AGM, Eve was named as a **Moderna Scola** - the award recognises her distinguished contribution to the Perth Modernian Society and Perth Modern School.

Sallie Davies (née Hicks)

(Representing Historical and Museum Committee)

Perth Modernian Society Councillor: 1997-1999, Vice President 2010-2016

Sphinx Foundation Board Member: 2003-2010

Historical and Museum Committee: 2006-2007, Chair 2007-current

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



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

Sallie joined the Board of the Sphinx Foundation and coordinated the Publication Working party responsible for researching and publishing '*Perth Modern School: The History and the Heritage*'. She became chair the Historical and Museum Committee and has represented that Committee on the Society Council since 2007. As Newsletter Coordinator she is part of the Communications working group and has been involved in the development of the portal, JeD (Jarvis ex-Mod Database), the integrated former staff/student database, the e-Newsletters and the Magazine for Contributing Members. She has been integrally involved with the development and coordination of the History Centre since 2009.

As Chair of the Historical and Museum Committee she was invited to be a member of the P&C Committee supporting the School Centenary publication "*Past Present and Future of Perth Modern School*". Sallie also supported volunteers Alison Woodman and Roger Stubbs who prepared the more recent School publication "*A Celebration of Contribution*" published in 2016.

In 2014 Sallie was named as one of the three inaugural **Modernian Fellows** for her distinguished contribution to the Perth Modernian Society and thereby the advancement of education at Perth Modern School. In early 2018 Sallie became a founding member of the Board of the new Perth Modernian Society Museum Association Incorporated and elected as its inaugural Chair.

Julian Grill LLB, JP

Julian attended Perth Modern School in 1956 and 1957 and was part of the victorious Australia Rules side in each year. He graduated in Law from UWA in 1964 and was admitted to the bar of the WA Supreme Court in 1966. He was a legal partner of John Wheeldon, Federal Minister for Social Security and Tom Evans the WA Attorney General.



In 1977 Julian entered State Parliament and retired in 2001. During that time he held variously named seats in the Eastern Goldfields and Esperance region for about 25 years up until 2001. He held numerous ministerial portfolios during this period, including Transport, Fisheries, Tourism, Agriculture and Economic Development. During most of his time as Minister he was on the budget sub-subcommittee.

Julian has been chairman of several listed mining companies since leaving politics and has had a further career since 2001 as a corporate and government relations consultant.

After retiring from Parliament in 2001 he took up the chairmanship of several ASX listed junior mining companies. He also set up a very successful lobbying business which until 2007. When he joined Council he was writing a book, and doing pro-bono legal and lobby work for good causes.

Peter Farr BE(Hons), BEc, MASc, C.Eng, FAICD, FAIM
(Immediate Past President)

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

After graduating in Canada in 1966 with a Masters degree, Peter has followed careers totalling over 50 years in engineering and management consulting. He has board experience with private companies, and as a Fellow of both the Australian Institute of Company Directors and the Australian Institute of Management, he has a strong background in Corporate Governance best practice. He has had community involvement with appointments on the Council and Treasurer of St Catherine's College (UWA), Convocation (University of Western Australia), Parents and Citizens Committees, the Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club Offshore Committee, St John of God Subiaco Hospital Consumer Advisory Group and Policy Sub-Committee.



Peter has made a large commitment to the Perth Modernian Society (Inc) having been a Councillor for over ten years and he has served as its Vice President or President from 2006 to April 2018. New initiatives he has played a role in are the Portal, corporate Style Manual, the Sphinx Scholarship Fund, the Annual Oration, Perth Modernian Society Awards scheme, the Society's inaugural Strategic Plan, Annual Report in 'best practice' format, Constitutions revision, and Governance standards. He has also been Treasurer and on the organising committee for all the 1954-58 class reunions.

He was appointed as a Director of the Sphinx Foundation Inc. in 2008 and as Hon. Treasurer in 2009. He has been involved with the Sphinx Scholarship Fund as its Treasurer and investment manager since its inception in 2009 during which time the fund has grown to over \$900,000. The Fund has had the notable achievement to date of awarding over 200 scholarships and bursaries worth over \$250,000 thereby helping many PMS students to aim high and achieve their potential.

At the Society's 2017 AGM, Peter was named as a **Modernian Fellow** for his distinguished contribution to the Society and thereby the advancement of education at Perth Modern School. Peter played major roles in the successful *Save PMS* Campaign. In 2018 the Council nominated him to represent Modernians on the PMS School Board, and he was elected Deputy Chair in Feb. 2018.

Ian Jarvis
(Communications)

Ian was a Perth Modern School scholarship student 1954-1958 and became involved in the Society after attending the 50th reunion of the Class of '58. The experience Ian brings to the decision making and activities of the Perth Modernian Society Council includes 35 years of financial management, administration and IT development in Telstra and 9 years in LotteryWest.



He has been involved with the Society since 2008 and served on the Sphinx Board then PMS Council since 2009. His current roles include Convenor of the Communications Committee, a member of the Historical and Museum Committee, and unofficial ICTs coordinator. Ian was instrumental in bringing the Society into the electronics age in 2009 with the development and maintenance of the Society's Portal and the Ex Student/Staff database (JED), compilation and distribution of the quarterly e-Newsletter and implementation of the Historical and Museum Collections database (MOSAIC). These all require regular attention to ensure their efficient operation and continuity.

His involvement in community activities includes membership of the Board of Kids Are Kids Therapy and Education Centre in Bateman since 2003, development of their client management database, Committee member on the Riverton, Rossmoyne and Shelley Residents' Association from 2004 to 2017 and various roles over 40 plus years in the Shelley Sailing Club

At the 2016 Annual Reunion, Ian was named as a **Modernian Fellow** for his distinguished contribution to the Society and thereby the advancement of education at Perth Modern School.

Ed Lazarus B Eng (Hons) ADM
(Membership)

Ed attended Perth Modern School from 1956 to 1960 and was selected as a prefect.

He continued to UWA to study Electrical Engineering with a cadetship from the Stat Electricity Commission.

He graduated with Honours in 1965, and left WA to pursue a career in electronics. He spent 4 years at AWA involved in electronic design before joining IBM in 1969. Ed's IBM career spanned 27 years and his roles in the Systems Engineering area included installing software systems in many industries in Australia and Asia. He spent 2 years in an IBM research and Development Centre in Florida, responsible for teaching new software to IBM and customer personnel throughout many countries. He represented IBM on Standards, and Industry Telecommunications related Committees. His last assignment in IBM was as Wireless Solutions Manager for Asia Pacific at the time when wireless applications were in their infancy.



Ed left IBM in 1995 to return to Perth, where he joined Murdoch University. His role was to develop and teach undergraduate and postgraduate courses in Telecommunications for Business and E-Commerce. He acted as coordinator for these programmes, and the offshore MBA programmes in Asia. He then joined Central Institute of Technology to teach Computer Networking courses, gradually reducing working hours to retirement.

Community activities included many years as an Army Reserve Officer in RA Signals Units, and several years as a Scout leader. Since retirement, he does voluntary work for Seniors, teaching and technical support.

Jeanette McQueen

(Sphinx Foundation Representative)

Jeanette attended Perth Modern School from 1957 to 1961 as a full scholarship student.

During two years at Graylands Teachers College, Jeanette was elected Societies President and won the Lee-Steere Historical Society prize, which was open to teachers who had up to five years' experience, for her thesis. Following a posting of two years to West Northam Primary School, Jeanette taught for three years at Quairading District High School before marrying and moving on to a wheat and sheep farm. Continuing her interest in netball and basketball, Jeanette formed a group to create a district competition in both sports, as well as holding positions in the local tennis club.



The family moved to Chidlow to set up a racehorse breeding and agistment property, which was followed by acquisition of another property in the Gidgegannup area. During this time Jeanette served on the Bloodhorse Breeders' Committee and was the WA representative to the Australian Equine Research Foundation.

Jeanette entered the business world including positions as Operations Manager for the America's Cup Ball, Winery Promotions Manager at Houghton Wines, Exhibition Manager at the Perth Mint, Manager of Hannans North Tourist Mine, and Regional Executive Director for the WA Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Jeanette then established with her son, a market and social research company (SAVANT Surveys and Strategies), with major universities and hospitals around Australia as clients and operated for fifteen years until her retirement.

During this time, Jeanette completed study at the University of WA, firstly for a course in Marketing and Strategic Planning and later for units towards an MBA. Also, for twelve years Jeanette lectured at Diploma level in Marketing and Public Relations at various TAFE colleges.

Jeanette has been responsible for organising the reunions for her student year at PMS and through this association with the School was invited to join the Board of the Sphinx Foundation and in March 2018 she was nominated by the Foundation as its allotted representative on the Council of the Perth Modernian Society.

Barbara Mallett BA, Dip Ed, M App Ling
(Reunions Liaison)

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



Claremont Teachers College (now ECU) pioneered the Dip Ed (Primary) in the late 1970s and Barbara was one of the first graduates. Barbara taught for a brief period as well as spending some time in the business world of Telstra, before “retiring” to life as a mother and hobby farmer when the family moved to the Perth hills a few years later.

During this time Barbara was very active in the P&C at Parkerville PS, which led to her accepting the position of State Councillor for the WA Council of State Schools Organisation for the Northam District. In 1990 she returned to teaching, and pioneered a German language programme in a metropolitan school. Later she switched to Italian and enjoyed being part of a primary school Italian programme for about 6 years. This led her to move out of the classroom into an administrative role as Schools Officer at the Italo-Australian Welfare & Cultural Centre Inc. where she has been since 2004.

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

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

Professor Geoffrey Soutar

BEC (UWA), MA PhD (Cornell), FASSA, FAIM, FANZAM, FANZMAC
(President)



Geoff attended Perth Modern School as a scholarship student from 1961 to 1965 and was a Rotary Exchange Student in New York State in 1966.

He returned to Perth and attended UWA, graduating with a First Class Honours Degree in Economics in 1971. He undertook Doctoral studies at Cornell University through a Fulbright and an Earhart Fellowship, graduating in 1974.

Since then he has worked at UWA, Curtin and ECU. During this time, he was the Foundation Professor of Management at Curtin, the Executive Dean of Business at ECU and the Director of the GSM at UWA. He is presently Director of the UWA DBA Program and the Nancy Keegan and Don Voelte Distinguished Scholar at the UWA Business School.

Distinguished awards Geoff has received include:

- Fellow and Life Member of the Australian and New Zealand Academy of Management
- Life Member of the Australian Market and Social Research Society
- Inaugural Fellow of the Australian and New Zealand Marketing Academy
- Fellow of the Academy of the Social Sciences of Australia (2015)
- Winner of ANZMAC's Distinguished Researcher Award
- Australian Teaching and Learning Council Citation winner for his contribution to student learning.

In 2016 Geoff accepted an invitation to join the Perth Modernian Society Council and he became a Vice President in 2017 and President in 2018.

MILESTONES FOR PERTH MODERN SCHOOL EX-STAFF/STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

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

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

Aims of the Association

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

2011 Perth Modern School Centenary Year celebrations.

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

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

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

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

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

- Council self-assessment survey - completed by all Councillors; collated and analysed by Bruce McCallum.
- Revision of Perth Modernian Society Constitution completed in preparation for DGR application for a proposed Museum Fund.

2016 Modernian Awards made to Barrie Baker, Deborah Beresford, Ian Jarvis, Alan Porter and Alison Woodman for their outstanding contributions to the Society and PMS.

2017 Save Perth Mod Campaign – successful.

- Inaugural PMS Heritage Day 14 October 2017.
- Modernian Awards made to Peter Farr, Eve Broadley and Tonya McCusker for their outstanding contributions to the Society and PMS.
- Amended Constitutions adopted for the Perth Modernian Society and Sphinx Foundation, and a constitution was adopted for the Perth Modernian Society Museum Association Incorporated.
- Perth Modernian Society Museum Association Incorporated with Charitable Status from 6 November 2017.

2018 Celebration of 50 years since Special Music Program was established at Perth Modern School

- Modernian Awards made to Dr June Stevenson and Rosemary Pratt.

