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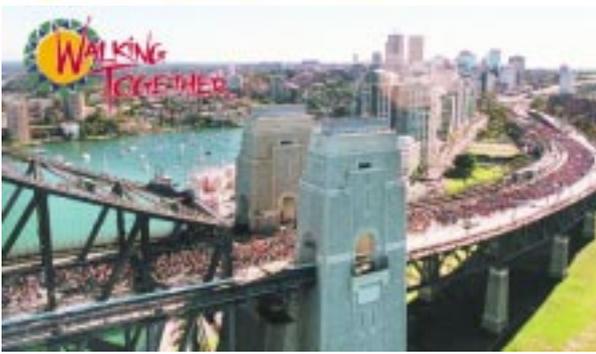
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PERTH WALK FOR RECONCILIATION

Sunday, 3rd December 2000 10.00am start

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WHO CAN FORGET the outpouring of sentiment from the grass roots of Australia society in May when hundreds of thousands of ordinary men and women walked across Sydney Harbour Bridge enmasse in a show of solidarity with the original inhabitants of this land, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The photos on the front page and at left – which come courtesy of the Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation website – show the huge crowd in Sydney. It took some five hours for everyone to make the journey.

Since then millions more have made similar journeys in the other capital and regional cities of the nation. The last major capital city Walk for Reconciliation is to be held in Perth on Sunday, December 3rd.

The Christian Brothers and the Edmund Rice Family support this important Reconciliation initiative both is the spirit of the Year of Great Jubilee and because of the particular importance of the need for Reconciliation between those who came later and the descendants of the original inhabitants and owners of this land.

We urge all readers of *Edmund Rice Family News* who can come to support this initiative to do so. A cordial invitation is extended to all members of the Edmund Rice Family in Perth, particularly school communities, to walk as group. Look for the Edmund Rice Banner at McCallum Park prior to the commencement of the walk.

The details of the walk are as follows:



PERTH WALK FOR RECONCILIATION Sunday, December 3rd

Gathering time: 10am

Bridge Open: 10:30 am — 11:45

Starting at McCallum Park, across the Causeway, along the River, to a concert and ceremony at Supreme Court Gardens

Bring Banners and good spirit!

(And remember the drinking water and sunscreen)

For more information:

General: www.reconciliation.org.au, e-mail: 'afrwa@iexpress.net.au' or phone 1800 060 269 (free call)

Edmund Rice Family: Telephone 9365 2800 Holy Spirit Provincialate.

Archivist honoured by her peers...

JOSETTE MATHERS, Archivist at the Holy Spirit Provincialate in Manning, is passionate about history and preserving the records that enable accurate histories to be written.

An important part of her work as an Archivist with the Christian Brothers has been in finding the historical records for the hundreds of former child migrants who came into the care of the Christian Brothers earlier this century.

In August the work of Josette, along with colleague, Dr Debra Rosser, was recognised by her peers in the Australian Society of Archivists. In a personal award, Dr Rosser and Josette received a Mander Jones Award for this work on the Personal History Index (PHIND) for former child migrants to Catholic Homes in Western Australia. A

separate institutional award was presented to the Christian Brothers Holy Spirit Province, the Sisters of Mercy Perth Congregation and the Poor Sisters of Nazareth.

Josette told *ERF News* that she was thrilled that her work, and the work of the Holy Spirit Province of the Christian Brothers, has been recognised in this way. She said, "while only about 10% of my time is involved in helping former child migrants and their families trace the important records in their lives, this work does bring home to me how important the preservation and cataloguing of records is."

Congratulations Josette, we do appreciate the honour your work has brought to all of us in the Edmund Rice Family.



Josette Mathers



EDITORIAL

WITH THE APPROACH of the climax of the Year of Great Jubilee and the 2000th Anniversary of the Birth of Jesus, it is an appropriate time for us to have a focus on Reconciliation.

The core of the message that Christ brought into the world is the two commandments to love God and to love our neighbours. Blessed Edmund Rice is one of the great exemplars of loving one's neighbour. Difficult situations tend to throw up saints and it is perhaps not entirely coincidental that his work began in one of the most conflict ridden communities on earth and which, even now, after centuries of distrust and unease is at last beginning to forge feelings of trust and tolerance between different groups of people who happen to share the same soil.

In Australia too, we have a continuing challenge to rebuild trust and mutual respect between communities that need to be proud of their unique qualities but also aware of what they need to share in common, particularly the land they inhabit.

In both Australia and Ireland, we have much to learn from one another. Perhaps the greatest thing we all have to still learn is the humility of Christ. It is from our humility before God, and one another, that we can learn most also from Edmund Rice. Isn't humility the essential lesson we learn from his life?

Let's Talk – International Reconciliation

WHILE WE'RE WALKING THE WALK across the Causeway, six people from the Holy Spirit Province will be WALKING THE TALK at an international level. Three staff members from Clontarf Aboriginal College are joining three leaders from the Edmund Rice Camps in the Let's Talk international reconciliation initiative that has been running between Ireland and other provinces around the world for a number of years.

The project is an initiative of a number of Edmund Rice agencies in Ireland, Australia and other places as well as local agencies involved in reconciliation such as ANTaR (Australians for Native Title and Reconciliation) and the 80-20 Centre for Social Justice in Dublin. Richard Mavros of the Edmund Rice Camps for Kids (WA) has taken the initiative in getting people from Holy Spirit Province involved.

The program is based on a philosophy of social action through experience, analysis and reflection.

This year the study visit to Dublin, Belfast and others parts of Ireland will focus on the work of educators, activists and other leaders in the area of social justice education and social action. The key element of the experience is dialogue and human encounter. People from diverse backgrounds will have the opportunity to meet with those who have been involved with the Irish Peace Process at a variety of levels.

The objectives of the Let's Talk initiative are:

- * To advance the debate about reconciliation in Australia by internationalising discussion.
- * To conduct dialogue with our partners in the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland about the strengths, weaknesses and key learnings of work for peace and reconciliation (especially youth, educators, activists, and the travellers).
- * To build relationships between indigenous and non-indigenous Australians, and between Australians and Irish.
- * To increase knowledge about the Irish Peace Process.
- * To develop skills needed to advance the process of Reconciliation.
- * To activate motivation in participants to continue the struggle for rights and justice in Australia.
- * To produce an educational resource for public use.
- * To promote awareness of Reconciliation internationally using the media.
- * Build a network of support between active members, Edmund Rice Centre for Justice and Community Education, ER Camps and the Universities.

The study visit is being coordinated by Dr Colm Regan, International Coordinator of Let's Talk. It is an exercise in Community Youth Development that recognizes the need to 'work with' young people to build strong, pluralistic communities as opposed to traditional approaches to youth work where young people are viewed as a group to be 'worked on'.

It is envisaged that through the experience of another place and different approaches to reconciliation and community development, participants will be able to reflect upon the Australian context with new eyes.

The delegates from Holy Spirit Province are: Donella Brown (Principal, Clontarf Aboriginal College), Kavilyn Holmes, Greg Dan (Teacher Assistants, Clontarf AC), Ashley Little, Tash Glass and Susan McGune (Edmund Rice Camps Leaders). Ashley, Tash and Susan have all had a long term involvement with the Edmund Rice Camps and are members of the Executive Committee of ERC (WA) Inc.

Richard Mavros told *ERF News* that his own international links developed during his recent overseas excursion for the World Youth Day in Rome have come in handy. Two volunteers he met in Ireland are taking the Australians under their wing at the conclusion of the Let's Talk Program. They will be giving them a three day trip to take in some of the sights of Ireland including a visit to Callan and Waterford.



Richard Mavros, with the five West Australians who recently attended a leadership Conference in Ireland (see more on p 6) and then went on to the World Youth Day in Rome. The contacts Mav made in Ireland have proved valuable for the Let's Talk delegates who are now in Ireland.

Business Managers: helping make the impossible happen!

Brian Coyne interviewed Don Allen about his work as Business Manager for Holy Spirit Province.

HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT about the tremendous paradox represented by Blessed Edmund Rice. Summed up, it runs like this: Edmund Rice was a relatively prosperous man who gave up his prosperity to serve the poor. In many respects the institution which he founded went on to become far more successful from the point of view of its total net worth than had he continued on running a family business. The Edmund Rice Family, the Christian Brothers and the Patrician Brothers around the world represent something far bigger than any private business person could hope to establish if entirely dependant on their own, and other human resources.

Don Allen, Business Manager for the Holy Spirit Province, appreciates the irony or the paradox. I interviewed Don shortly after his return from the half-yearly meeting of bursars and business managers from the provinces of Australia, New Zealand and Papua New Guinea.

Ethos...

Part of the ethos of any religious order, indeed for the whole Church, is to take up the "way" of Christ. To go out and do what needs to be done in the world and to let God worry about where the resources will come from to sustain the endeavour.

This way of thinking sits at odds with most theories of how to run a business – or the methods that are taught in almost all schools of business administration today.



Don Allen

Don is one of the people who constantly faces the dilemmas of what is possible and what needs to be done. Today virtually all of the provinces employ a lay business manager. Their role is to provide financial advice and to find the ways to help make the impossible happen.

He told us: "in terms of budget size, schools continue to be the biggest single endeavour the Christian Brothers are engaged in but this is changing. As government funding has become available and lay people have been able to take over the work of the Brothers in schools, the schools have become more self-reliant

operationally, however, most still need financial assistance to undertake capital improvements. That can be expected to continue into the future. The challenge for us today is to find the ways to fund this need and, at the same time, to fund the many new ministries that God is calling the Edmund Rice Family into."

Back to their roots...

In a sense the Brothers have been going back to their roots and the core philosophy of Edmund Rice not only at the spiritual level. When they first came to Australia, there was minimal government funding for Catholic education – and this soon cut out entirely in the last decades of the Nineteenth Century. The Brothers had to go out and build the schools and find the money to keep them operating through their own ingenuity and resourcefulness. In a sense, they, and their co-workers in the Edmund Rice Family, are doing that again today in these new fields of endeavour that they are moving to minister in.

Don reports that the situation faced in the different provinces differs. The half-yearly meetings of the bursars and business managers are held in conjunction with the half-yearly meetings of Province Leaders and Deputy Leaders. He says these meetings enable the leadership teams to share their experiences. The meetings also serve the purpose of maintaining the Edmund Rice vision and focus at the national and regional level.

Keeping abreast of technology isn't cheap!

This report from Phil Bayne, Media Officer at the Catholic Education Office in Perth illustrates something of what Don Allen was referring to in the article above. The funding of this new technology centre at Trinity College was facilitated by a \$1m loan from the Christian Brothers.

THE CONTRIBUTION MADE BY BR PATRICK AMBROSE TREACY to the development of Catholic Education in Perth has been officially recognised at the blessing and opening of the \$3.4 million Treacy Technology Centre at Trinity College.

Providing students with the latest educational resources across the learning areas of design & technology, science, special education and art, the Treacy Technology Centre was opened by the Colin Barnett MLA, Minister for Education, following its blessing and dedication by Archbishop Barry Hickey.

As the co-founder of Christian Brothers' College, Perth and St Patrick's School, Irwin Street (both of which commenced operations in 1894), Br Treacy is recognised as one of the most highly respected members of the Christian Brothers Congregation.

Mr Barnett said schools needed to continually develop in order to provide their students with more opportunities.

In his address of thanks, Trinity College Principal, Tony Curtis, also paid tribute to the dedication of the Christian Brothers Congregation whom he said had been providing an educational service without wages or salaries since the establishment of Christian Brothers' College, Perth in 1894.

"The value of such service should never be underestimated or



Official Opening of the Treacy Technology Centre at Trinity College

forgotten," he said.

Meanwhile, through the new Mary Rice Education Support Centre, Mr Curtis said the College would take another step forward in the provision of inclusive education through the expansion of its educational program for students with disabilities.

Demand for Adult Education continues to grow...

Br Steve Bowman reports on the ongoing work at the Edmund Rice Centre at Mirrabooka...

Adult classes for refugees...

THE DEMAND FOR ADULT EDUCATION at the Centre continues to grow each week with approximately 118 people from a variety of refugee backgrounds accessing one or more of the twenty two class groups presently being taught by volunteer teachers and Brothers. Subjects include Conversational and General English, Computer Studies, Keyboarding, Art/Craft, Quilting, Stained Glass Work and Furniture Making.

English Classes and Computer Studies continue to be very popular choices and fortunately three new teachers have joined us recently to help keep up with the increasing demand. Ms Annette Peric, Mrs Jenny Keenan and Mrs Geraldine Byrne have joined the team of 16 volunteers and Brothers working at the Centre.

Irish connection...

WE RECENTLY WELCOMED Br Ger O'Connell (pictured at right) to the Brothers' Community at Girrawheen and to the Edmund Rice Centre. Br Ger will live and work with us for the next five months as part of his "immersion" phase of the Passover Program. In recent times Br Ger was Principal of a Christian Brothers' Primary School in Cork and has been a Christian Brother for thirty years.

Br Ger follows in the footsteps of Br John Hannon (also from Ireland) who lived and worked alongside us last year.

Youth Leisure Program...

THE LEISURE PROGRAM for recently arrived Refugee Youth continues to gain popularity with the young people and volunteers coming to the Centre every Wednesday afternoon until 6pm and Saturday 9am-1pm. Since the program began about eleven months ago some eighty-eight teenagers have participated in the program of leisure activities.

The program continues to be very ably managed by Br Jim van der Zalm, Melanie Van Hek and Steven Feehan and a team of dedicated volunteers including Melita Wilson and Br Phil O'Lughlen.

The program aims to build important networks and relationships for recently arrived Refugee and Indigenous youth. Each month a new list of activities is published and includes instructions for the youth to access local leisure facilities in their own time. Currently, we are applying for funding to continue this very worthwhile program beyond the present one year funding period.

Passover Program

Br Ger with three other recent arrivals in Perth who are learning English at the Edmund Rice Centre



BR GER O'CONNELL is one of two Brothers currently with communities in the Holy Spirit Province as part of their 12-month Passover Program. The Passover Program is an initiative of the Brothers internationally that enables the Brothers in mid life to take a year to reflect on their personal mission and discern if they would like to move into a new field of work. Br Ger has spent five months in South Africa in the first phase of the program and is now in Perth for the "immersion" phase for three months. He told *ERF News* he is considering moving into overseas mission work in the next phase of his ministry with the Brothers. The other Brother on Passover is Phillip Ryan at Huntfield Heights (see FAME story on page 7).



Old Pots and Pans, Furniture, Household Items: Can you help!



The Edmund Rice Centre continues to provide assistance to newly arrived refugee families through the provision of donated household items – crockery, cutlery, cooking utensils, linen and furniture. Mrs Betty O'Neill does a wonderful job sorting and packing donated goods for distribution to families. We are always struggling to meet the constant demand and so donations are always appreciated. We can also arrange to collect larger items. Phone: 9440 0625 or (a/h) 9247 3656 or email: sbowman@start.com.au

World Youth Day Report...



There is plenty of feedback coming in from the pilgrims who went to Rome for World Youth Day. One suspects there is plenty of food for discussion right across the Church regarding the importance of events like this for reaching young people to bring them to a better appreciation of the numenous in their lives. Richard Mavros (Edmund Rice Camps, Perth) was in Rome with ERC leaders from around Australia. He sent an email back to friends in Perth, part of which we republish because it captures the spirit of what was happening. Richard wrote this from an email centre in Florence a day or so after the official celebration ended.



Richard didn't take the above photo of Tor Vergato from the Pope's helicopter (we borrowed it from L'Osservatore Romano) but he did take the one on the ground below of a section of the 2 million young people in attendance.

ONCE AGAIN I have just spent some time reading awesome e-mails from friends and family – thanks to all, it is great to hear from loved ones. Sounds like there is heaps going on at little old Perth – speaking of which: We were



The fourteen Australian members of the Edmund Rice Leadership Pilgrimage who travelled to Ireland and Rome for the World Youth Day. This photo was taken during their visit to the original "Westcourt".

walking across the Ponte Vecchio last night when someone called my name – it was one of our ERCWA Leaders, Dario Dalla Costa!!! Then, in the train station today we bumped into two fairly lost looking girls who didn't know where they were staying or how to get there, just a name and a

booking sheet. Turns out they are from Perth!!! They are booked into the same hostel as us so we set them straight and delivered them to the right bus. Small world hey!!

Did you guys get the world youth stuff on TV? Did you hear about the millions of people who attended the University night thing with the Pope? I call it a thing cause I don't quite know what to call it!

Technically we were all there for a Mass on the Sunday morning. But because it takes soooooo long to assemble millions of people in one place we had to spend all day Saturday walking there and getting into position and then await our turn to disperse over the course of Sunday.

We were told the Pope would visit on the Saturday night to



welcome us. He came for over three hours. There were concerts, dancing, readings, fireworks, etc., etc. I have never seen anything like it. The sheer volume of people stretched as far as the eye could see. I must admit that I would often stand with my back to the stage/altar (well the big screens that showed what the little ants on the stage were doing) so that I could watch with complete awe the masses upon masses of people – singing, chanting, waving flags, sharing meals, talking all sorts of languages, dreaming together, laughing, jostling for position, holding each other, explaining to young ones etc...

By this stage the physical demands of the journey from Ireland, through Taize and the days in Rome had reduced our numbers to 10. So we became a very close bunch of people, half through necessity and half because we felt so comfortable with each other.

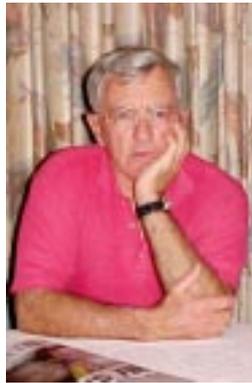
We were all well past our best even before we began the journey from Ostia to the ceremony, which took over 6 hours and included at least 14 kms on foot, carrying everything we needed for the next 24 hours (incl food) in sweltering heat. Random people on the side of the road with hoses became our instant "companions on the journey" and our best chance of surviving. By the time we got there we had nothing left but each other and Shazza's sense of humour.

When the official festivities ended for the night, songs and War cries could be heard. Our group even got stuck on imitations of Br Sean's rendition of "King of the Road". A guest appearance from Garbage Bag Man capped off a truly inspiring night.

Cheers, Mav!

The photo at left is of the 98 international pilgrims at the Emmaus Retreat Centre in Swords, County Dublin. The World Youth Day provided a magnificent opportunity to gather such a large group of younger members of the Edmund Rice Family in Dublin for a week to mark the Great Jubilee

ERF National Formation...



Br Gerry Faulkner (pictured at right) reports on the meeting held at Westcourt in the third week of November

THE NATIONAL FORMATION BOARD for the Edmund Rice Family comprises two representatives from each Province. We meet four times a year for two days. Mr Peter Nicholson is Coordinator and is based at Treacy Centre in Melbourne.

The Board met at Westcourt in the third week of November. The main topic was the beginning of an Australia-wide formation program for 20-30 ERF people in 2001.

What is this 'program'?

Firstly, participants will be chosen carefully via application and interview.

Secondly, they will be able to continue their normal lives and areas of work. However, they will be required to commit themselves to various formative experiences. These activities and experiences will be mostly in the local areas of Adelaide and Perth for our Province.



The Edmund Rice National Formation Team:

L-R: Kevin Ryan, Gerry Faulkner, Andy Kuppe, Jeanne Haster, Peter Nicholson, Madeline Duckett, Michael Dyer, Peter Clinche, Paul Corkeron, Damian Price. Absent: Tony Shanahan.

Individual programs will be decided in dialogue with each participant, and will include experiences such as:

- ◆ Some involvement with disadvantaged people, with proper preparation and follow-up
- ◆ Spiritual guidance
- ◆ Religious reading and study courses.

From time to time, participants in HSP will come together to share their formation experiences.

Three times in the next fifteen months (April and October 2001 and April 2002) all 20-30 participants Australia wide will come together for a 5 day workshop.

This plan is part of the National Formation Plan for ERF drawn up in 1999, and adopted by the Australia Provinces. Much has yet to be worked out, but the program outlined above is a major initiative. It will greatly assist participants to live the Edmund Spirit in the context of ordinary daily life. Who knows where the experience might lead?

FAME on the move...



Br Reg Whitely (pictured at right) reports from Adelaide

THE BROTHERS FROM HUNTFIELD HEIGHTS are once more into the Real Estate business. If anyone wants advice on anything in this line they might contact us – we are very experienced at moving. We also have shares in the local chiropractic centre. This time the new address is 21 Ivy St Huntfield Heights SA 5163.

The five bedroom house was bought for \$118,000; while the Bramley Ct one was \$85,000. We are blessed that the prices are so low in the area. Of course, the Honeypot Rd house is now to be used by the staff and young people. So where is FAME up to?

As we approach the end of the year it is a hive of activity. Mark Sweeney continues to guide the ship but is also taking time to look at a different role for himself next year and will concentrate on Outdoor Education as his major thrust. Naturally, it will be mainly outside FAME. The new Coordinator position will soon be advertised.

Fame has just started its fifth year of operation, with a total of 50 young people attending over that time. The programme has been very successful in helping these young people get their lives back on track. With youth unemployment between 30-40%, those who have attended have almost all either gone into employment, to TAFE or back to school. They have all liked attending and sometimes became too attached to the programme, so that they don't like leaving. Attendance must be voluntary.

The essential thrust of the programme is geared to entering TAFE, with whom we have accreditation. To keep this accreditation the programme must be presented in line with TAFE's demands such as, the young people must be treated as adults, even to having a Grievance Policy. Although the Certificate in Preparatory Education is the main course, some students have recently completed this Certificate and are now undertaking the Introductory Vocational Education Certificate before entering TAFE.

Success, as the staff see it, is more in the relational field, where a young person may return home to live; or just become more regular at attending in contrast to their former habit of sleeping in each morning.

POSTSCRIPT: Reg Whitely's view is backed by Br Phillip Ryan whom *ERF News* also spoke to about the program. Phillip has recently joined (it would probably be preferable to say he is observing rather than joining) the FAME team as part of the Passover Program with the Christian Brothers in Ireland. He is familiar with a number of similar initiatives in Ireland where he has been working in a school for the disadvantaged. He has come to Adelaide to exchange ideas and outlook. He described the FAME initiative to *ERF News* as "an excellent program. It is well structured and has great potential to be applied elsewhere."

CBC Freo teacher's 33 years honoured

THIRTY-THREE YEARS of dedicated service at Christian Brothers' College, Fremantle have been officially recognised in the naming of the College's new Bob Rosé Meyer Physical Education Centre.

Blessed by Auxiliary Bishop Robert Healy of Perth, and officially opened by Br Kevin Ryan, Deputy Province Leader for the Christian Brothers, the new facility is testament to Mr Rosé Meyer's contribution to the development of the College.

In his introductory address, College Head Boy, John Giovannetti said it was a monumental task knowing where to begin in describing Mr Rosé Meyer and the positive impact he has had on the College.

"In his 33-year career at CBC, Mr Rosé Meyer has had an incredible number of significant achievements," he said.

"Apart from assisting in the production of so many well-adjusted young men, Mr Rosé Meyer has also initiated many productive changes. In my opinion it would be impossible to find a more dedicated and committed man."

In response Mr Rosé Meyer said he and his family were rejoicing in the honour.

As a student of the Christian Brothers in his native Pakistan, Mr Rose Meyer said he often recalled the school motto: *Certa Bonum Certamen – Fight the Good Fight.*

"In all of my connections with sport here at CBC I have endeavoured to instil the same values in my students," he said. For the new physical education centre, he hoped that that motto together with the values of punctuality, goodness, courage, effort, ability and the positive development of one's talents would be fostered by all those who made use of it.

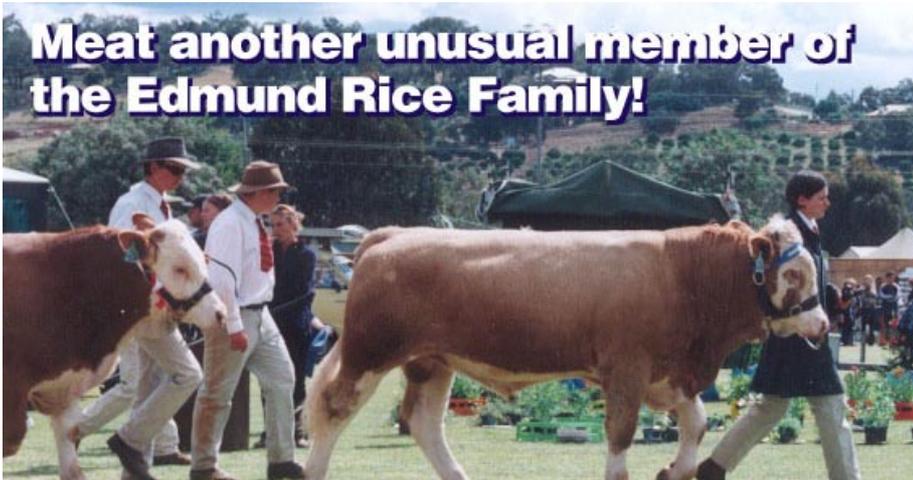
Mr Rosé Meyer also used the opportunity to pay tribute to his family and the support they provided him. Born in Peshawar (Pakistan) as the second youngest of 13 children, Bob Rosé Meyer was educated by the Christian Brothers at St Joseph's boarding school in Naini-Tal in the Himalayas. Later in life he trained with the Jesuits before moving on to teach with the Christian Brothers in St Columba's College in New Delhi.

He commenced his teaching career at CBC Fremantle in 1967.

Article courtesy: Phil Bayne, CEO Media



Bob Rosé Meyer and his wife, Joan (r), with the Director of Catholic Education at the naming of the new Gymnasium (see below) in his honour at CBC Fremantle. In the distance in the photo below is the original CBC Fremantle building which was built in 1882.



Meet another unusual member of the Edmund Rice Family!

FORGIVE THE TYPO but "Jenny" does represent a lot of meat and she's a member of the Catholic Agricultural College success story...

Hot on the heels of Catholic Agricultural College Bindoon's success at the Perth Royal Show, students and staff achieved outstanding results at the Bindoon Show.

The College was awarded the Patron's Trophy for most points in the farming section along with the trophy for most points in vegetable section. Individual section prizes were awarded to student entries in leatherwork, art and craft, while staff had some success with entries in photography, art and craft. The Cattle Club was active again, preparing and parading several Simmental cattle, including "Jenny", from the College. The College's pony club took part in the equine events including hacking and showjumping. Unfortunately the staff tug-of-war team proved that they are not heavyweights.

A highlight of the show was Year 9 student Calvin Victor, of Wyndham, who performed two songs for the Governor. He was accompanied by Adrian Shaw, of Morley. The CAC Bindoon Aboriginal Dance Group followed Calvin and danced to Christine Anu's latest release.

The College organised the Animal Nursery this year which was highly successful. The day-old chicks and cuddly rabbits won over everyone – babies, children, teenagers and adults alike. George "I'm a person—not a gosling" Cooper was one of the stars along with Lady Nimaway, the three-week-old miniature pony.

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Camps for Kids

Helpers Wanted

The Camps for Kids are gearing up for another hectic summer with 130 kids and 130 volunteers leaders across five camps – this year they hope to include young adult leaders from Bindoon, Broome and Clontarf. Filling the crucial roles of Camp Coaches and other helpers are several staff from schools, Christian Brothers and Donella Brown from Clontarf joining us for a camp also.

More help is always appreciated though. Anyone looking to help out in kitchens or driving buses should contact Paul in the office on 9365 2812.

The winner of the 2001 Bindoon & Districts Agricultural Society Education Scholarship is Year 8 student Candice Van Herk, of Bindoon. She was presented with a scholarship certificate by His Excellency the Governor of WA, Lieutenant General John Sanderson AC, during the Bindoon Show.