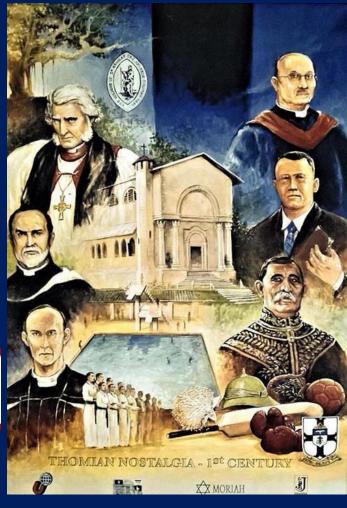


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## **EDITOR'S NOTE**

It seems to be a while since we've had some "real" political leaders - people with the intelligence to know when it's the right time to support or resist public opinion, the courage to do the right thing by the nation and not just key marginal seats, and the ability to convincingly explain why a decision was the right choice to make. Granted, this combination of capabilities is a big ask and many politicians simply don't make the cut, yet it is the responsibility of political parties to ensure potential leaders with these skills are recruited into the Parliament and promoted.

Be it politicians of the country or politics at your doorstep, just because things are hard doesn't mean that we shouldn't engage. It would make a bigger difference if individuals took more responsibility and engage rather than blaming some system, party or politicians.

We learn from our experiences. Whether you are younger or older, here is some wisdom that you might find interesting.

- 1. **Nothing comes easy** but hard work pays off, big time! Outcome is depended on how much effort you put in, and you would not have it any other way.
- 2. **Experience is everything** don't fuss over a puny salary.
- 3. **Plans don't go as planned** be spontaneous. If something doesn't go as planned, no point spending days crying over it crying won't make a difference. Take that as an opportunity to make the best of the situation because... (see 7)
- 4. Everything happens for a reason.
- 5. Say sorry and mean it never do that mistake again. Don't abuse the word sorry; use it only when you mean it. There is a limit to which a person would forgive.
- 6. **Surround yourself with people who are equally driven**. This is a true motivation for me, and I want to be a similar inspiration to people around me.
- 7. **Spend less on materialistic things** and spend more on adventures and experiences. The happiness from materialistic things last a short time.

- 8. Best way to make your dreams come true is by WAKING UP and actually doing something.
- Health is wealth. I have many great years ahead of me, and the last thing I want is being unable to live my life because I am unwell or spending half of my earnings on medication. Make wise choices on your diet and fitness.
- 10. **Don't be afraid to say NO**. (Sri Lankan's generally don't say NO) Even now, saying NO is the most difficult thing to do, but it is sometimes okay because you have your own priorities and responsibilities to deal with.
- 11. **If something bad happens, tell yourself "it could have been worse"**. There is always a worse possible situation to what you are going through. Karma was kind on you J
- 12. **Don't compare yourself to others** each person has a unique path. Just because Facebook says everyone else is happy, doesn't mean they really are.
- 13. **Patience is a virtue**. If you are like me, patience is not your strong suit, but something to consciously work on. It results in peace at mind and helps to take control of your negative emotions.
- 14. **Appreciate little things in life.** Learn to appreciate even little things someone does for you. Don't take it for granted. Someday you will look back and realize it was a big thing.
- 15. Never stop learning. I still have a lot to learn

Reflecting on incidents that made an impact on one's life is an inspiring exercise.

#### Rajindra Bibile Editor

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Vote with your feet...

The recently concluded elections in Sri Lanka were impossible to ignore, given the contest and the final result. Unlike in Australia, where we are legally obliged to vote, the Sri Lankan voter has a choice. Sri Lankans are famous for complaining about their government but Sri Lankan voters also line up to cast their ballot, because they want to have a say in the outcome. The presidential and parliamentary elections in Sri Lanka, this year, made it clear that if given half a chance, the masses will speak their mind through the ballot. These people brave sun and



rain and potential violence to send a message to parliament. In contrast, in America, only a third of the electorate bothers to participate. In my opinion, if they don't participate, they abdicate their right to complain. That sentiment must also apply to the Thomian fraternity in Melbourne.

The Thomian OBA calendar this year is chock-full and member participation, thus far, has been mixed. The Stag Nite and the Thomian Ball were well patronized as was the Senior's Lunch but the attendance at the AGM, the Royal-Thomian Cricket Match, the Rugby Triangular and the Transfiguration Service was pathetic, not unlike in previous years. Do we have to be cajoled and persuaded to participate at OBA events? Are we voting with our feet and wallets by not attending some events?

Thomians are big on traditions but we often forget that participation is also a tradition. Year after year, the volunteers in the Ex-Co take on the challenge of executing a calendar of events, some for fundraising purposes and the others purely for the benefit of the membership. If participation is an indicator of popularity, then our membership is telling us to reconsider events such as this year's Transfiguration Service with less than ten old Thomians (not counting the Ex-Co members present).

Coming up we have the 90s Night, the Spring Carnival Dance (annual small dance), the Carol Service and the Open-Mic Night (talent show) in January. OBA member participation in these events will give us food for thought, as we plan next year's calendar.

On a positive note, the 2015 Thomian Ball was a success. The dance was well patronized by guests, sponsors and advertisers and the event was back to the glitz and glamour of Thomian Dances of previous years. The OBA flew down Aubrey Weiman and HEAT from Sri Lanka and the investment was vindicated by the number

of people on the dance floor. For 2016, the Pullman Hotel has offered the OBA an upgrade to the Grand Ballroom with a larger dancefloor and an assurance of improved service levels. Next year's dance will be bigger and better than this year and it is scheduled to be held on Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of July 2016. The tickets will be in circulation by January 2016 at the latest and they are expected to sell fast. Don't wait for the tickets to be released - to avoid disappointment, please get in touch with an Ex-co member to reserve your tickets.

So, vote with your feet... participate, engage and have your say on what goes into the Thomian Calendar. We look forward to your participation!

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Yours sincerely,

Vaseeharan Nesiah President

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#### 01 Oct 2015 - 90's NIGHT (Music and Dancing to the 90s tunes)

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- -- For details contact Peneeth on <u>0404 213 166</u> | <u>peneeth@gmail.com</u>

#### 14 Nov 2015 - SPRING CARNIVAL DANCE (Thomian Small Dance)

- @ Hungarian Hall, Boronia -- starting @ 7:00pm
- -- For details contact Mahes on <u>0407 369 717</u> | <u>maheenet@gmail.com</u>

#### 12 Dec 2015 - THOMIAN CAROL SERVICE

- @ St Mark's Anglican Church, 1 Canterbury Road, Camberwell -- starting @ 6:00pm
- -- For details contact Rajindra on 0420 767 077 | rajindrabibile@yahoo.com

#### 25 Jan 2016 - Open Mic Night (An opportunity to share your musical talents)

- @ Mechanics Hall, Oakleigh (Venue TBC) -- starting @ 7:00pm
- -- For details contact Vasee on 0403 471 642 | vasee.nesiah@gmail.com

#### 26 Feb 2016 - Royal-Thomian Stag Night

- @ 99 Receptions, Oakleigh (Date & Venue TBC) -- starting @ 7:00pm
- -- For details contact Peneeth on <u>0404 213 166</u> | <u>peneeth@gmail.com</u>

#### 27 Feb 2016 - STC OBA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- @ MOUNT WAVERLEY YOUTH CENTRE (Date & Venue TBC) -- starting @ 7:00pm
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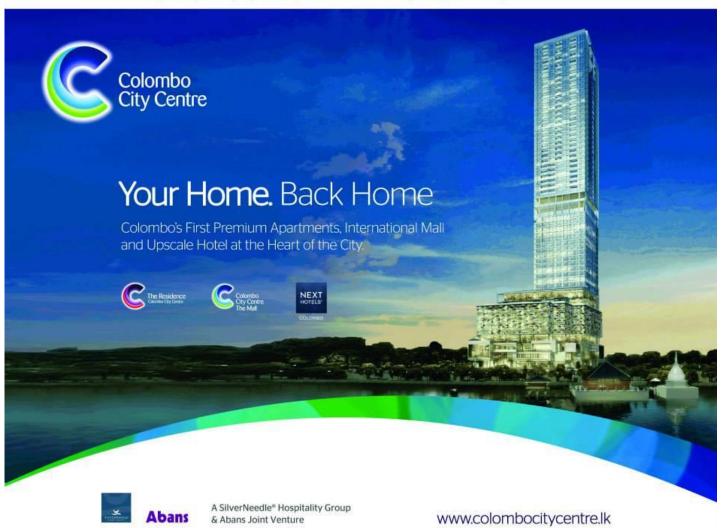
#### 28 Feb 2016 - Royal-Thomian Cricket Match

- @ Mulgrave Reserve (Date & Venue TBC) -- starting @ 10:30am
- -- For details contact Neomal on 0402 852 987 | njasinghe@hotmail.com

#### 23 July 2016 - Thomian Ball 2016

- @ Grand Ballroom, Pullman Albert Park -- starting @ 7:00pm
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By M. Shamil Amit

Under-15 Division I Cricket Final

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S. Thomas' College clinched the Schools Under-15 Division I cricket championship title after a lapse of three

decades defeating St. Sebastian's College by 6 wickets in the final played at the MCA ground yesterday. The

foundation for the Thomian win was laid by skipper Dellon Peiris, Dineth Wanniarachchi and Shehan

Kannangara. Wanniarachchi and Kannangara shared eight wickets between them to bundle out St. Sebastian's to

a low score.

St. Sebastian's taking first lease of the wicket was given a sedate start by openers Praveen Cooray and Nishitha

Abilash who together added 34 runs. But from there on they lost wickets at regular intervals and slid to 59 for 5

in the 28th over. The Sebs were on the verge of being bowled out for a score of under 100 but useful knocks in

the latter stages helped them reach the three figure mark of 103 runs.

S. Thomas' in their run chase underwent some anxious moments after losing three early wickets by the fourth

over. The list included S. Thomas' top batsman Mohamed Ishaq. Even though they were bogged down by the St.

Sebastian's bowlers Yohan Perera and Dineth Wanniarachchi settled down and frustrated the opponents.

The pair posted a stand of 50 runs in 96 balls and then went on to add a further 21 runs for a valuable partnership

of 71 runs for the fourth wicket before being separated. Yohan made a dogged knock of 60 in 78 balls comprising

of ten boundaries.

The Thomians at this stage were 91 for 4 and they went on to reach the required target with ease in the 36th over.

Yohan for his match-winning knock was adjudged the man of the match. The Thomians last won the title in 1985

when the side was led by Sunil Abeynayake.

St. Sebastian's 103 in 45.5 overs

Praveen Cooray 20, Nishitha Abilash 20, Mahela Fernando 15

Dellon Peiris 3 for 10, Dineth Wanniarachchi 3 for 18, Shehan Kannangara 2 for 7

S. Thomas' 104 for 4 in 35.2 overs

Yohan Perera 60, Dineth Wanniarachchi 15 n.o

Sasika Perera 2 for 25

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## **Aerial View of STC Mount**



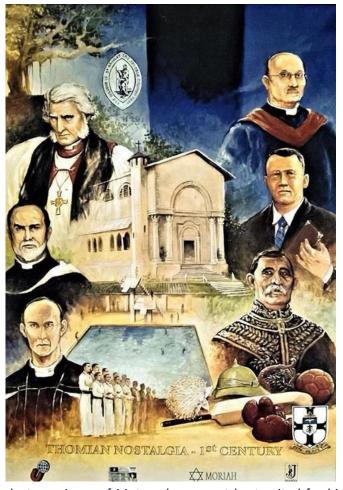
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## St.Thomas'Preparatory School - Kollupitiya



### The School by the sea with royal history



S. Thomas' College, Mount Lavinia is an Anglican Church School, which was founded by the first Bishop of Colombo, the Rt. Rev. James Chapman, D. D. It was his foremost vision to build a College & Cathedral for the new Diocese of Colombo of the Church of Ceylon. Thus on the 3rd of February 1851 the College of St. Thomas the Apostle, Colombo was opened withthe objective of training a Christian Clergy and to make Children good citizens under the discipline & supervision of Christianity.

Christian values were the corner stone on which the school was founded. Students of all races and religions studied in harmony. The School grew from strength to strength at the place of its origin, Mutuwal, for over a three score of years, carefully nurtured by Wardens such as Revs. Wood, Miller, Read & Buck. Warden Stone in 1918, found that the

dusty environs of Mutuwal were not best suited for his pupils and so shifted the College to the picturesque campus at Mount Lavinia. Since then 8 loyal caring Warden including the Canon R.S. de Saram have ensured that the well preserved traditions and values are handed down from generation to generations. In 1951 it became a private fee levying school and is today one of the foremost educational institutions in Sri Lanka. In fact it could, addition, of the in lay claim to be one very best.

The College which is under the Church of Ceylon is run by a Board of Governors which is chaired by the Anglican Bishop of Colombo who is also known as the 'Visitor of the College'. The administration of the College itself is headed by a Warden assisted by a Sub Warden. There is also a Chaplaincy connected with the College and the famous College Chapel of the Transfiguration. The College consists of 3 schools, namely Upper, Middle & Lower Schools and is further divided into six main sections under Headmaster, Deputy Headmaster and Sectional heads viz. (The Upper School – Arts and Commerce, the Upper School – Science, the Upper School – London A Levels, the Upper School, the Middle School, and the Lower School.)

- S. Thomas' College, or 'STC' as it is commonly known, is widely reputed to have the most beautiful campus in Sri Lanka, approximately half an hour's drive from the southern limits of the City of Colombo. The entrance to the school is marked by the awe-inspiring Chapel of the Transfiguration, which towers over the rest of the campus. The Chapel is a vital element in the education of STC and is the centre of the spiritual life of the College, where many generations of Thomians have been bred and most importantly experienced God over the years. Dear to the hearts of all Thomians of diverse faiths & races, the Chapel serves as a reminder to us of our heritage, which is a gift of God. Beyond, is the blue green grass of the famous Quadrangle, the Main school buildings, the College Hall, the Dormitories and Library. The vast campus, modeled on the traditional English public school, stretches down to the famous golden beaches of Mount Lavinia, reaching the deep blue Indian Ocean.
- S. Thomas' provides a sound education in both Local (G.C.E. A/L & O/L) & London Examination systems. Instructions are given in all three mediums (English, Sinhala & Tamil) from Kindergarten to College Form classes (A/L). The School is one of the best equipped in the island, being blessed with a dedicated staff of qualified experienced teachers who over the years have become more than mere teachers to their young charges, which is a result of the special attachment that can only develop through years of association with College. STC has produced many Thomians who have over the years done a great service to their Church as well as the Nation.

The biggest asset possessed by the school is the student body which comprises of more than 2500 members. Although the majority is composed of Christians, students of other faiths & diverse races takes place in it. It is a well disciplined community and excels in both academic and extra-curricular activities.

Materially too, STC has many facilities for sports and extra-curricular activities. S. Thomas' was the first School in Sri Lanka to have a swimming pool, gifted by Dr. R. L. Hayman in 1933. Two of the best playing fields viz. The Big Club and the Small Club – probably the finest school grounds in the island – afford Thomians the facilities for sports, namely cricket, rugby, soccer, athletics and hockey. There are also well laid courts for tennis, basketball and volleyball. In 1994 the indoor cricket nets were added and the pinnacle of all facilities the Indoor Sports Complex in 3 phases was completed in 1996. The sports complex which houses Table Tennis facilities, Badminton Courts, 3 glass back squash courts and a basketball court – all of an international standard, together with one of the most modern and well equipped gymnasiums. The Annual Cricket Encounter between us & Royal College Colombo 7 (The Battle of the Blues or the popular 'Roy-Tho') is one of the oldest cricket matches, which is being held without interruption even during the World Wars. Rowing also takes a high place in the field of sports.

S. Thomas' also boasts in more than 50 societies of diverse interest. The Student Christian Movement with the

other 3 religious societies takes a high place in fostering religious education on the Thomian youth. The College choir, ably trained, by the Precentor, still continues to maintain the highest standards in Anglican Choral music. The Annual Service of Nine lessons and carols is a much eagerly awaited event as it reveals the grandeur & capability of Thomian voices and as it is an event to worship & honour Christ, the Son of God. The carol service styled according to that of Kings College Cambridge. The Guild of All Souls also takes a vital place in the Chapel. The Servers Guild as it is better known assists the College Chaplain at Chapel Services. The other clubs and societies range from different fields from educational to social welfare. The Society for the Preservation of Thomian Traditions, English Literary Society, Drama society, Thomian Chamber Orchestra, the Science Associations, Commerce Society, Interact Club, Computer Club, !6th Colombo Scout Troupe, The Cadets Battalion & Culinary Arts Society are some of them.

S. Thomas' also has modern laboratory facilities in the New Science Laboratory. The up to date Computer Center is also housed here and has a fine collection of computers. The newly built Information Technology Room (IT Center) provides IT facilities to students at a nominal rate. The School also runs a Boarding – Hostel, which since the inception of the College has provided many Thomians from distant regions of Sri Lanka.

The achievements of STC and its products are far too numerous to be mentioned here. But it must be said that it is one of the foremost educational institutions in Sri Lanka, which has made a significant contribution to the nations progress over its 150 years of existence. Among its proud products stand a host of Christian Clergymen, Prime Ministers (Rt. Hon. D.S. Senanayake, Hon. Dudley Senanayake, Hon. S.W.R.D Bandaranaike, Hon. W. Dahanayaka) Cabinet Ministers, Members of the Judiciary, Scholars, Scientists, Diplomats, Doctors, Engineers, Accountants, Musicians, Artists, Dramatists etc. All Thomians in diverse walks of life have not only learnt of Books & Men & how to play the game but also to be Gentlemen.

S. Thomas' College is therefore much more than just a school. It is an institution rich in tradition, characterized by nearly one and a half centuries of hard work, dedication and achievement, all imbibed with the legendary Thomian Spirit. A pioneering institution which has understood and nurtured the very best in youth; where mere boys went in and great men came out to be "men and gentlemen always" men who beat the odds with the legendary "Thomian grit" and gentlemen who up held the motto of the school

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# www.STCOBAAust.org.au THOMIANA In Memory of George Ponniah - S. Thomas' College Cricket Coach 1970-1972.

A group of Thomian cricketers from the 1970-1972 era came up with a suggestion in late 2014 that a function should be organised to honour our late cricket coach George Ponniah. It was decided that the best option was to have a dinner a week before the Royal – Thomian match in 2015. The venue chosen was to be at the SSC in Colombo in the visitor's guest room. The guest of Honour was to be Mrs Caryll Ponniah the wife of the late George Ponniah and the family which included their children.

Initial preparations for the function were undertaken from Colombo by Trevor Rajaratnam. Invitation's for the dinner was sent out by e-mail to all who played in the above era by Trevor as some were residing in SL and to others who were residing in various parts of the world confirming their availability for the function. The initial response to the idea was favourable but when it came to a final confirmation to those who would be available it was about a fifty per cent attendance. It was decided by the organisers after much deliberation that the function should go ahead and not be postponed for another year as circumstances could change for a later date.

The final attendance was about eleven members out of about twenty five cricketers who represented the school during the above era. So the cricketers and their wives met at the SSC on the 7<sup>th</sup> March 2015 for dinner at 7.30pm. It was very humbling and to a certain extent exciting to have met my colleagues and bring back happy memories of our school boy days. The dinner and venue preparations were undertaken by Hemanath Samaranayake who is a committee member of the club. The club put on a fantastic buffet compromising an Eastern and Western cuisine. Light music was provided by a duet. Not everyone from the Ponniah family was able to attend but it was very pleasing to see Caryll meet so many of the cricketer's spanning more than fourty years.

P.L.D.Kariyawasam captain of the 1970 team spoke on behalf of the cricketer's and brought back memories of the cricketing era with the late George at the helm who instilled team work and comradeship with each other as values on and off the field. A minutes silence was observed for two cricketers that had passed away namely Ranil Abeynaike and Piyal De Silva. Prabodha also mentioned the invitation's given by George to his home at Hotel Road for team dinners which consisted of a string hopper diet with delicious curries and the famous pol sambol. I must mention that Caryll was mainly responsible for those delicious dinners. G.D.V. Perera was next on the podium and was given the task of entertaining the guests by recreating various incidents that took place during that era. Caryll also spoke a few words and appreciated the invitation given to her and the family in remembering her late husband George who was a coach and mentor to many of the cricketers. As the evening drew to a close the college song was sung and the event concluded with a hand shake and hug hoping that we could meet again.

Mrs Caryll Ponniah lives in Melbourne and recently on the 19<sup>th</sup> of July celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Congratulations and may good health follow you in to the future years.

Photo below of those who attended the function.

Arasu Saravanamuttu.



Standing- L to R- F.J. De Saram, A.Saravanamuttu, T.Rajaratnam, R.Saravanamuttu, A.Abeygunawardena, H.D.K. Silva.

Seated - L to R- G.D.V. Perera, S.P.F.Wijeratne, Mrs Caryll Ponniah, P.L.D.Kariyawasam, A.D.H. Samaranayake, K.H. Samarasinghe.

## The Art of Giving

#### - Vasee Nesiah

"There was this poor couple who were my parishioners in Nugegoda and they had a son who was a good student but due to their limited financial circumstances they couldn't afford anything more than to send him to a government school in Nugegoda. They were desperate to give their child a better chance in life and they appealed to me for help to admit him to Prep. Even though I didn't have the funds to award him a scholarship, I couldn't turn them away and so I gave him admission. That was yesterday... and today, God has answered my prayers with this contribution from the Melbourne STC OBA. I didn't know you were bringing us this cheque but it is most welcome and timely." — Fr Dushantha, Headmaster, St Thomas' Prepartory School, Kollupitiya



In previous years, the Thomian OBA in Melbourne has raised funds and made contributions, mostly to STC Mount, for bowling machines and cricket balls for the first eleven cricket team, dining hall renovations, the water-polo team, for rugby and for a range of other applications. In recent years, however, even those occasional and meager contributions had dried up, even though the OBA had made provision for the funds. This year, the Ex-Co has decided to get our fundraising back on track and to focus our efforts on raising funds for scholarships. Scholarships not only for deserving students at STC Mount but also to the other schools in the Thomian family, in Kollupitiya, Banadarawela and Gurutalawa.

A term's school fees at STC Mt Lavinia is over Rs 32,000 (AUD 320) and at STC Prep it is over Rs 25,000 (AUD 250). Each year, the unpaid school fees at STC Mount is in excess of Rs 5 million (AUD 50,000).

The rationale behind the Ex-Co's decision was that the schools in Sri Lanka can always raise funds for 'sexy causes' like Cricket, Rugby and Bricks and Mortar. Last year, the

Old Thomians in the UK built a state of the art electronic scoreboard for STC Mount's Big Club Grounds at a cost of over \$80,000 and the Class of '79 built a new cafeteria and pavilion for parents and teachers at a cost of over \$60,000 and the Gnanam Foundation donated over \$300,000 to build the first stage of a new block of classrooms. Clearly fundraising isn't a problem in Sri Lanka.

Given the publicity associated with sports and extra-curricular activities, we tend to forget that the purpose, of the Thomian family of schools, is to provide Sri Lanka and the World with citizens whose actions lives core Thomian values. A few regrettable exceptions aside, Thomians consistently distinguish themselves with their actions and perspectives on life. Thomians rise above the rest, not because we come from a superior genepool but because of the values imparted on us by the Thomian family of schools. We can dine with kings and paupers alike, we're taught the merits of being humble, tolerant and inclusive, we're gracious in victory and defeat and we understand that there is no alternative to Thomian Grit. Every Thomian knows that that if we're to be the best school of all then we must not just sing about it but prove our value in how we live our lives. Whilst sports trophies will fade and buildings will crumble with the ravages of time and nature, the enduring legacies of the Thomian family of schools are the Thomians themselves. With this in mind, the OBA in Melbourne has decided to help the four schools offer a Thomian education to as many kids as possible. If we can help produce more Thomians, we've done well, by the schools, by the community, by Sri Lanka and the World.

"With our changing economic times, everyone is asking for help in some form. There are as many reasons to give as there are ways to give.

Some people give for recognition. They want their names in programs, on park benches and in hospital lobbies. Others give expecting to be paid back or thanked, they give to get. Some people want a hands-on-experience and are generous with their time. Some like to give anonymously and don't want any recognition at all.

People who truly master the art of giving give out of the goodness of their hearts with no self-serving motives. Giving becomes a blessing for the giver and receiver.

It's human nature to believe, "When I have more I'll give more." If you come from this mentality you never have enough of anything to give.

Generosity is a choice that feels right and joyful. Generosity comes from believing you have enough to share."

- Tess Marshall from <u>The Bold Life</u>



Whilst the Thomian Melbourne OBA had established a small scholarship fund at STC Mount almost 8 years ago, we have not made any further contributions to that fund or made any contributions to any of the other schools. This year, the Thomian OBA in Melbourne has made a donation of AUD 3,000 to STC Mount and AUD 2,000 to STC Prep School, to kickstart our efforts to help provide a Thomian education to as many kids as possible. These funds have been given to Warden Marc and Headmaster Dushantha to top up the OBA's scholarship fund at Mount and to establish a new scholarship at Prep. We intend to continue to raise as much funds as possible in 2015/2016 to also help Gurutalawa and Bandarawela.

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"Give others all that is alive in us—our interest, understanding, our knowledge, our humor, everything in us that's good. In doing so, we enhance the sense of aliveness in others while enhancing our own. When we give, we get a 'heightened vitality' of what it means to be human."—Erich Fromm

## STC OBA Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols – SATURDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2015

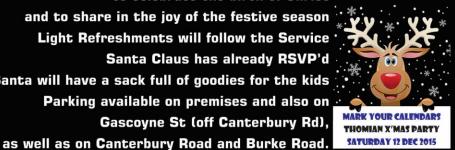


S. Thomas' College OBA presents

# An extraordinary Festival of Nine Lessons

## & Carols

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#### STC stun St Peters to take Under 19 Tennis Title

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Defending champions St. Peter's College were given a rude shock by the boys from S. Thomas' who clinched victory in the Under 19 Schools Nationals Tennis championship final that was worked off at the Sri Lanka Tennis Association courts.

The lads from Bambalapitiya who had already won the national age group title a few months ago, were looking to complete a double but the resilient Thomians avenged their defeat in the semifinals at the age group nationals. The Thomians were a stronger, experienced outfit in comparison to the earlier tournaments but the St. Peter's was definitely the team favoured to win.

S. Thomas' chose the newly crowned national champion, Avindra Perera for the opening act in the first singles game. Avindra met Chehan Fernando of St. Peter's reviving the good old rivalry between them. Avindra had beated Chehan in the semifinals of the under 18 singles on his path to the national title and it was nothing different this time around as well. Avindra was on the backfoot when Fernando won the first set 2-6 but the calm Perera fought back in the next two sets to win them 6-2, 6-2.

Avindra's start gave the Thomians the early indications of victory as the Peterite skipper Davishke Ranasinghe was matched up with STC's Viranka Fernando. Fernando eased away in the first set to reach the win defeating Ranasinghe 6-3. With only a single set between S. Thomas' College and victory, Viranka Fernando raced to 6 points showing no mercy to the Peterite captain who was unable to score a single point in the second set.



S. Thomas' truly deserved the title marking an end to the national run in the racket sport for the year 2015. St. Peter's College was unlucky this time around and had to pave the way to a new title holder.

The defending champions in the girls' division, Visakha Vidyalaya, held on to their silverware making it a double crown this year in tennis. Facing Ladies College, it was an easy encounter for the Visakhian super duo Nethmi Waduge and Thisuri Molligoda. The under 18 national champion Nethmi Waduge found herself matched up with Medhira Samarasinghe in the first single. Although Medhira put in a top-notch performance, it was not sufficient to counter the top seed as she won the game 6-3, 6-4. With Sri Lanka's national title holder Thisuri Molligoda walking on to the court for the second single, it was an obvious call on the victor. Thisuri defeated Serena Madanayaka of Ladies College 6-0, 6-1 showcasing her supremacy and thereby taking Visakha to the title.

Royal College defeated Ananda College 2 games to none to take the third place in the Boys category while Holy Family Convent defeated Bishop's College to finish third in the girls' category.

The S. Thomas' will rejoice at this victory, treating it as another milestone in their success story in tennis and it may be a bitter sweet occasion since for many of St. Peter's it was their final appearance in their college jerseys



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