



# Collegiate Life Annual Report 2022



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# Foreword

2022 was certainly a year of turbulence and adaptation. The same day that the bulk of the 4,250 college and Uniflats residents arrived the Covid Traffic Light system changed to red and we saw our first actual covid case among the staff and residents. Within a week there were hundreds of residents in isolation and scores of staff off sick, this peaked at 1,160 residents in isolation at one point. The University mobilized a small army of staff volunteers who ensured that meals were delivered to 1,160 bedrooms three times per day.

The college experience usually starts with mass attendance at the Orientation events organised by the Otago University Students Association (OUSA) and the much anticipated College Sports Day. However these series of events fell victim to the lockdown regulations and were missed this year. This coupled with on-line learning for the majority of papers meant things were off to an unfamiliar start for not only our residents, but our staff as well.

They say that adversity and challenges reveal quality. And this would be my own assessment of how the staff coped with this unusual beginning to the year. This despite anxieties about their own health risks and that of their families. The College Catering team, and indeed the whole of the University Union Catering and Service teams were rock solid in the delivery of their usually excellent food services.

Sitting mostly unseen by the students was a change in how we produce the Student ID Card; moving from a long standing contracted service supplier to in-house with UniPrint at very short notice. The UniPrint team took on that challenge and provided a seamless transition to this service in what was really a marvellous effort of planning and team work.



From a Divisional perspective we saw the retirement and departure of four long standing, and key collegiate, leaders. While greatly missed it provided the opportunity for some advance in the Division and the development of other leaders who stepped in to pick up the slack.

From a historical perspective it was a massive year. The new Te Rangihiroa College came out of the ground and by the end of the year was almost fully enveloped in preparation for its fitout and commissioning in the new year.

The original Te Rangi Hiroa College on Castle Street had its name, and the Taonga gifted from Ngāti Mutunga, blessed and retired in preparation for transfer to the new college. It has been renamed 192 Castle College while its final disposition is contemplated.

The new wing at Aquinas College also came out of the ground and construction is well on its way.

2022 also saw the repatriation of our good friends Recreation Services and Student Health Services back to the re-imagined Student Services Division, having been with Campus and Collegiate Life Services for three and a half years. Of course we continue to work very closely with these two services and very much enjoyed having them as part of our Divisional Whanau.

Having endured the challenges of 2022 the Division is in good heart and is optimistic for the return to some sort of normality for 2023; particularly with the anticipated return of our international students.

James Lindsay JP  
Director Campus and Collegiate Life Services

# Collegiate Communities



## Aquinas College | *Te Kāreti o Akuinahi* Rosemary Tarbotton - Warden/Tautiaki

This year began with a fairly new staff team, and we were all on the ground running as Covid hit at the end of O week. At its highest point we had 82 cases in the College and boy were we busy! Running three meals a day up several flights of stairs kept us all fit and active. However, we managed, with the help of some kind university staff, and the amazing efforts of the kitchen team. As the students came out of isolation they settled into the routine of uni work, and we drew breath.

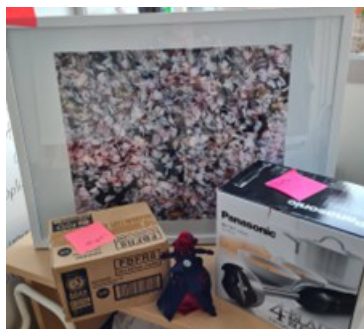


We kept going though and the Sub Wardens and Senior Staff did all they could to foster a feeling of home for the residents. The kitchen team, led by Claire, produced food of the highest quality and the residents really appreciated how proactive the team was around putting on and taking off items that were popular/not popular.

We had parties, and theme dinners, a successful ball, and a few wins in the intercollege sport.

Those who took part really enjoyed themselves and did the College proud. The Sub Wardens in particular got to know their residents well and were good at stepping up and leading events. They also enjoyed taking

Our volunteering efforts started off well with several students heading out to plant trees, but unfortunately this did not set the tone for the rest of the year, and we found it nigh impossible to gain traction on anything outside the College.



After we got over the worst of Covid we decided to hold a fund raising auction for Ukraine – we had a student from there and we wanted to support her, her family, and friends, and this was a very tangible way of doing so. We got the community involved and had some wonderful donations from businesses and individuals, and on the night we raised around \$8500! A mighty effort.

The students (and some staff) were really pleased to experience 2 snow days this year. The second one especially was very unseasonal (in October), but both provided challenges for us getting residents down to Uni and back up to the College. However a lot of fun was had by all in the snow!!



The final hurrah for the year was the annual Aquinas Gut Buster – where students (and some staff) ran from Bank St all the way up to the top of the College drive. Sadly for Aquinas the top three place getters were all from Cumberland (in just over 2 minutes) but a lot of fun was had, and a lot of exhausted people enjoyed a much needed ice block at the finishing line.





Despite all the setbacks (or perhaps because of) the students have formed close bonds with their peers – some relationships have developed and many flatting groups have emerged from the cohort. There are still lifelong friendships made and we hope the residents will look back on their year with a smile, and a shrug about what was, and perhaps what could have been.

The construction of the new wing got underway at the beginning of the year, but was hampered by bad weather and Covid, and it is only now that we are seeing the beginnings of what is going to be an amazing new building – something to really look forward to in 2024. The noise from the site has not really been an issue and we hope this continues for 2023.

We are now looking forward to 2023, to a full and fully engaged College, with staff who are well settled and students who are pleased to be here and at Otago University.

Rosemary Tarbotton  
Warden  
Aquinas College

## Resident of the Year: *Kyoka Hayakawa Summerhayes*

Kyoka came to us from Dunedin! She studied a Bachelor of Commerce, majoring in marketing and minoring in Japanese and management. Kyoka put her hand up to be student president and was elected by the 2022 cohort at the beginning of the year. She did a good job, becoming involved in the various events and activities, and being a steady head for the rest of the students. She also contributed towards some of the aspects involved in the new construction, particularly around the name to be chosen for the new wing.

Kyoka wrote this for the Aquinas yearbook:

“Wow! This is definitely not what I expected being in a hall would be like, however after experiencing this year I wouldn't want to be anywhere else. Although the majority of us caught COVID in the very first few weeks, we all somehow still managed to create an incredibly strong community and built powerful friendships which I will be forever grateful for.

As similar to the rest of us, I was terrified of moving (although my house was only a 2 minute drive away) into a hall filled with faces I didn't recognise, however within the first week I wouldn't want to have called anywhere else home other than Aquinas.

I just want to say, thank you Aquinas for giving me the best experience of my life, and also thank you to the residents who made this year as it is. Without any one of you guys this year would not have been as fun as it is today. I would especially like to thank Rosemary, Tim, Helen, Murray, Claire, and Pip (thank you for always unlocking my door), the beautiful SW's (you're awesome), and last but not least the amazing exec team who have put in so much effort and thought into making this year as enjoyable as it was.”





## Arana College | *Te Whare o Hato Rāwiri*

### Ruben Katigbak - Warden/Tautiaki

2022 marked another outstanding year at Arana College, filled with challenges, laughter and collegiate spirit. Move-in day meant that students landed on our doorstep bright-eyed and rearing to go, belongings in hand. The energy and curiosity that was brought to us on this day gave us an instant insight into what 2022 had in store for our community. We knew we were ready to for an incredible year with a strong community.



Our first challenge began in our Orientation Week which was affected by the rapid spread of COVID-19 in the wider Dunedin community. As a result, the university made further changes to its' Orientation Week. To ensure that students could make the most of the friendship-making and connection-building that usually happens during this Orientation Week period, Arana College continued to support in-house activities for our students. This was greatly appreciated for those who could attend and meant that, in true Arana College fashion, we made the very best out of the situation at hand.

Thankfully, COVID-19 did not affect our entire year and the spread of infection was short-lived. Arana College was lucky enough to continue life as usual relatively quickly and our students went from strength to strength. They dove into their studies, experiencing what it was like to be back face-to-face with education again, attending their tutorials and developing strong foundational academic skills. 2022 marked another year of great academic success for our students which was well-balanced with their involvement in the various activities offered at the college, at the inter-college level across all disciplines and at the wider university level.

The friendships that develop at Arana College continue to amaze me. Our students are always incredibly accepting, passionate and thoughtful - the 2022 cohort no exception to this. Despite the rocky start that we may have had, this year's cohort exhibited great resilience and determination to persevere through, which brought our community closer, solidifying these connections and relationships along the way.





Throughout 2022, Arana College took part in many inter-college sporting, cultural and gaming events, walking away with over 20 top-three competition placings. One of the College's sporting highlights was our Women's Touch Team walking away with the Inter-College Touch Festival Trophy for the second year in a row.

With respect to Cultural Events, the Inter-College Cultural Performance was definitely the highlight of 2022. This year our Cultural Performance celebrated the various islands and iwi's our students hail from, and this, when combined with some trending music and dance moves, produced a beautiful piece that was so fulfilling and enjoyable to watch. It was a true representation and celebration of our diverse culture at Arana College. 2022 was also an awesome year to watch Arana College succeed in the Inter-College Gaming Competition.

Our students definitely tried many new things and achieved fantastic results. We were able to take first place in the Scrabble Competition and achieve top 3 places for both our Men's and Women's table tennis teams. As for our events at the College, we enjoyed the engagement and attitude of our 2022 cohort. They attended, celebrated and brought the energy every week to our Tuesday Night Sport Competition, they dressed to the nine's for our annual ball and socked hard throughout our Sock-Tag Competition. As someone who has the privilege of overseeing student's welfare at Arana College, it was incredible to watch the growth, participation and enjoyment of these students across these larger events but also to experience their passion throughout everyday life whilst at our college. Thank you to the 2022 cohort for continuing to demonstrate resilience, curiosity, exhibit great energy and engage with our college. We are beyond proud of you and all that we were able to achieve. Go well.



## Student Profile: *Teo Stohler (BSc)*

The Arana community is truly amazing, and I couldn't think of a better place to have been. Despite a COVID-filled introduction packed with changing plans, online lectures, and new friends that suddenly disappear into isolation only to be met again after their time had been served, our launch into the University lifestyle was a smooth one. We were well nurtured by the sub-warden team, and they became a vital part of our daily hall life. Even with restrictions, the College offered so many pandemic-friendly opportunities and activities to bring us together as a family. Whether it was board game nights in the dining hall, sports events, sushi making, or open mic nights, there was something for everyone and anyone. I think I can speak for my peers when I say we made some of the best friends we have ever had this year and I wouldn't be surprised if these connections last long into the future. The environment of the hall is rich with diversity and had us all waiting eagerly for the next language week and host of performances and lessons celebrating others' countries and cultures. Or events in which our talented colleagues would DJ, dance, or sing for us. Above all else, Arana was welcoming, friendly, and always offered something exciting. It was so hard to say goodbye to this beautiful home.







## Carrington College | *Te Kāreti o Carrington*

### Ali Norton - Warden/Tautiaki

Carrington College opened its 77th year on a rainy Saturday in February, under much different circumstances than in previous years. With COVID restrictions at their peak, it was surreal to see everyone masked up and accompanied by only a single friend or whānau member of their choosing. With town closed and OUSA's official O-Week cancelled, we put our thinking hats on and created Carrington Orientation "Red" (Jacinda's Version). We held our own socially distanced intra-college Sports Day, dual Toga Parties (DnB @ Stuart with DJ Court and Old School Hits on the tennis court), Amazing Race, Carry-oke, volunteering, and the first gig of The AudioVisual DropKicks ("The Kicks").

After nearly two years of anticipation and preparation, COVID finally found its way into our corridors as O-Week came to a close. With roughly a third of the College in isolation for the mandated 10 days, we took advantage of our spacious grounds and the stunning weather by providing meals, rubbish collection and linen exchange on our tennis court. Like clockwork, the start of each meal period saw hordes of residents emerge from our 12 buildings, gloved and masked in N95s, ready for some kai and in-person contact. With each day that passed, residents recovered and re-joined the rest of the College, whilst new faces took their place. With each new person's arrival on the tennis court, shouts of welcome and scattered applause would erupt from those already there – the opportunity to connect with new people was never missed. As time went on, small groups would play pick up basketball, badminton, tennis and soccer, whilst others walked around the perimeter of the court or stood chatting in small groups.

To help ease the boredom of isolation, our amazing team of Kaiāwhina Whare came up with some brilliant ways to support our residents, including 'Corona-cation' packs with tissues, Netflix suggestions, wordsearches, colouring in pages, chocolates, barley sugars, and playdough. In the evenings, the KW team also delivered hot beverages – lemon and honey or hot chocolate – to isolating residents who were keen. These little touches helped to let the residents know we were thinking of them while they recovered.

Whilst COVID isolation management was in full swing, we dove headfirst into the Inter College Competition, coming out on top across various Sports, Gaming and Cultural comps. Carrington came 1st in Men's Competitive Futsal, Battle of the Bands, 48 Hour Film Festival, Hip Hop Dance, Mixed Doubles Pool; 2nd in Recreational Volleyball, Debating, Overall Dance Comp; and 3rd in Recreational Volleyball, Scrabble, Open Singles Pool, Children's Story Comp, and Contemporary Dance. Our residents particularly embraced the Cultural Competition this year, spending heaps of time learning and practicing dances and songs, with most of them dancing on stage for the first time ever. This give-it-a-go spirit led to Carrington taking out first overall in the Cultural Comp – the first time we've won an overall category!





To continue our winning streak, Carrington also took out the King Cup (debating) and Stuart Shield (sports) against our sister college, Arana. The King Cup debate was held in the Arana Main Common Room and our residents debated fiercely about products that promote unequal beauty standards. It was a close and thoroughly entertaining debate. The Stuart Shield had been in Arana's hands since 2002, but on a rainy Sunday in September, the unexpected happened. Prior to Stuart Shield Sunday the two colleges were tied 2 -2, Carrington having won the Men's Futsal and Pool, and Arana beating us at Women's Touch and Dodgeball. In the first match of the day – mixed volleyball – Arana beat us 2 sets to 1. The final matches of table tennis, foosball and chess all happened simultaneously, with Carry taking out all three! The triumphant return of the Stuart Shield to the Carrington dining hall was a triumph for all, and we hope to retain it for the next 20 years!



Some of the highlights of 2022 include our residents' band "The Kicks" forming and performing gigs at our college, the ICC Battle of the Bands, and venues around Ōtepoti. Four of the boys were already playing together before arriving at Carry, but the missing piece was a drummer. An hour after moving in, they put the call out via the rezzie group chat and by dinnertime the band was complete! Look out Six60!

CarryVision (our version of the EuroVision Song Contest) rounded off Semester 1 nicely, with some classic roasting of other Flouses, fun costumes and a tribute to the college staff's pets. In Semester 2, almost all Covid-19 restrictions came to an end for the first time since March 2020. This meant we had nothing stopping us holding our College Ball. Our Ball Committee really committed to theme, "007 Casino Royale" putting up fake Ball posters with the least voted theme, and then dropping the real Ball invites off to each resident at midnight inviting them to the secret mission to stop the badly themed ball. Our residents danced the night away in the Cube and our catering team created some incredible food for us to nibble on!



Towards the end of Sem 2 we surprised our residents with Carnival Day! We battled each other on the blow-up jousting set, ate way too much candy floss and ended the day with our fourth and final Carry Rave of the year, featuring one of our resident DJ's on the Tennis Court. Semester 2 ended with our Wine & Cheese on the last day of lectures, where we said our formal farewell and good luck to our residents. Thank you to each and every one of our wonderful 2022 cohort!

## Resident Profile: *Baileigh Greaves*

Baileigh came down to Otago from Tāmaki Makaurau to study Law and Psychology. Baileigh is a champion hip-hop dancer (which came in handy for the Inter College Dance Comp where her choreographed dance won us first in the Hip Hop category!). Baileigh also helped choreograph part of our "Around the World" Cultural Performance.

The highlights of Baileigh's year included dressing up for our Carry Raves (Euphoria, 80s and ABC). She loved the supportive environment at Carrington, where residents would show up to sports and performances to cheer on their fellow Carringtonians. This is part of the reason why Baileigh wanted to come back in 2023 as part of the Kaiāwhina Whare team! (The fact that the College also gained another furry resident helped too). We look forward to welcoming Baileigh back and can't wait to see the amazing things she will do to support our 2023 residents!





## Caroline Freeman College | *Te Kāreti o Caroline Freeman* Chris Addington - Warden/Tautiaki

2022 was quite a year for Caroline Freeman College. Despite challenges with COVID-19, isolation, testing, cleaning, sanitising, mask wearing and social distancing our cohort showed amazing resilience and we had a fantastic year of social, cultural, sporting and academic engagement.

The changes of 2021, with the addition of CFC East, are now firmly embedded into the fabric of CFC. While residents may still identify as an "Eastie" or a "Westie" we are seamlessly one college and residents continuously flow back and forth between our two adjacent sites. Our college continues to be incredibly diverse, friendly, welcoming and highly engaged.

After six years, Deputy Warden Amber Robertson finished her time at CFC and moved to the Warden's position at Hayward College, a well-deserved promotion. We wish her all the best in her new role. We appreciated the input of Floating Assistant Warden, Mhairi Elliot, who filled in for four months at the college until our new Deputy Warden, Eric Nabalagi arrived. We are very excited about Eric's appointment and know he will bring his pastoral care skills, years of experience at the University of Otago and Pacific flair to all future collegians.

Our ten sub-wardens were a fantastic team. They did an amazing job managing COVID challenges while still keeping up their duties of event management, pastoral care and college interaction. Other key staff positions were unchanged for the year and we were very well-served by our management, administration, maintenance, catering and domestic services teams. Assistant Warden, Kieran Duncan, acquired Kodak, our in-house Dalmatian, much-loved by all and a fitting contrast to resident feline, Kinko.



Activities, events and competitions are the heart and soul of CFC and 2022 was no different. Of particular note this year were the two one-act plays performed, one in each semester. These were student acted and directed with input and oversight from members of the sub-warden team. Both shows brought the house down and have set the standard for future performances. We also had our first CFC Drag Night which was wonderfully entertaining. The college continued with its long-standing tradition of dress-up events which included such favourites as County-Western, Pink, Halloween, Pyjamarama and many more. Our ball was fantastic and our in-house sporting, gaming and cultural events and competitions were all fully subscribed. Art continues to be a staple of CFC life with numerous competitions and a positive vibe in the art and music room. "Rock painting" was a runaway success and will be firmly established as a CFC tradition. We had a fantastic weekend ski trip to Lake Tekapo, several excursions to Quarantine Island and numerous volunteer outings to the Otago Peninsula helping make our corner of the world a better place.

The Flamingos are always staunch participants in the Inter-Collegiate competitions and our teams were out in force throughout the year. Netball, touch, rugby, basketball, debating, music, art and more . . . CFC takes part with skill and enthusiasm. We finished solidly in the middle of the field in the sporting and cultural competitions. However, for the second year in a row, we are the Inter-Collegiate Gaming champions. All that foosball, jigsaw, Scrabble, Mario Kart, table tennis and other in-house competitions really pays off when we go head-to-head against the other colleges. We are hoping for a "3-peat" in 2023. "Fear the Flamingo!"



Despite the challenges of on-line and disrupted learning, 2022 saw the most outstanding overall academic results in Caroline Freeman College history.

Team Caroline produced scores of residents who had outstanding grades for the year. We are incredibly proud of their academic achievements



All-in-all, Team Freeman, 2022, embraced the “CFC Way” and made the college vibrant, engaging, supportive and fun. We can't ask for more than that. Well done to all!



*As we look to the future we can confidently say “CFC, the place to be in ‘23”.*



## Collegians of the Year: *Will Morris and Kristina Hames*

Each year Caroline Freeman College recognises two residents as the Collegians of the Year (COTY). These residents, through their engagement, attitude and enthusiasm, typify the spirit and personality of CFC.

Will Morris attended King's High School in Dunedin and is studying for a Bachelor of Entrepreneurship with a major in English. His possible future career plans include entrepreneur, voice actor, game designer, writer or teacher. He enjoys gaming, futsal, writing and being with friends. He has been involved this year in so many activities but highlights have been foosball, starring in the college play “Genre”, the Amazing Race, winning the Inter-Collegiate MarioKart competition and wearing the inflatable flamingo mascot suit.

Kristina Hames attended Wellington Girls' College and is studying towards a Bachelor of Biomedical Sciences. She loves sport and has had national recognition and representative status in handball and beach handball. Her future career plans are a bit undecided but she would love to come back to CFC in the future as a sub-warden. As well as her college sporting involvement, Kristina starred in the 48-hour film-making challenge, has participated in volunteering trips to Quarantine Island and loves hanging out in the CFC Library.



Both these young people have been exceptional collegians and enhanced the Freeman community this year in so many ways. We congratulate them on being the 2022 Caroline Freeman College “Collegians of the Year”.





## Cumberland College | *Te Kāreti o Cumberland*

### Luke Morrison - Warden/Tautiaki

2022 at Cumberland began with the retirement of Warden Ziggy Lesa and appointment of new Warden Luke Morrison. During arrivals weekend, Dunedin was still under covid-related restrictions relating particularly to gathering sizes, which meant many of the activities usually associated with the beginning of the year, designed to foster connections, were unable to happen. Furthermore, a few days later the covid pandemic hit Cumberland causing massive disruption over the next three to four weeks.



However, a few weeks later, with covid less rampant and gathering restrictions eased, we were able to enter a more typical phase, starting with Cumberland's own toga party. We then continued to offer events throughout the remainder of the year, which were well attended and appreciated by our residents. As always, a highlight was the Cumberland Ball.



As always, Cumberland was a strong participant in inter-college activities, particularly sport. Football was especially successful, with Cumberland winning the Men's competitive division, the Women's recreational division, and placing second in the Men's recreational division. Netball was also successful, with Cumberland winning the Women's competitive division, second in Women's recreational division and third in Mixed recreational division. We also had teams receive placings in rugby 7s, ultimate Frisbee, cricket, foosball and ki o rahi.





Cumberland also entered a range of cultural events, winning the Contemporary Dance competition and placing in Colleges got Talent.

Of course our residents are primarily here to study, and we are proud of our students, many of whom performed exceedingly well academically, in a very challenging year where much of the first semester was taught on-line. The gathering limits in the first part of semester one also severely limited our ability to offer in person tutorials.

While covid shaped the beginning of the year, it is a tribute to our residents that despite this, Cumberland maintained its reputation in 2022 for being home to friendly, achieving students.



## Resident Highlight: *Elyas McGuire*

Coming from Gisborne, Elyas McGuire wholly embodied the Cumberland Spirit before he even finished moving in. Elyas immediately made friends on his floor, and became a very well-known face amongst the residents of the college in a very short amount of time. Elyas was known as a “mover and shaker” – he had an innate ability to motivate and invigorate other residents, a particularly hard task considering the poor start the year had gotten off to with COVID.

Elyas could reliably drum up supporters for anything, whether it be an impromptu game of spotlight, volunteering, or an intercollege event. Throughout the year, he managed to keep morale and engagement high despite the circumstances, all while thriving in his Health Sciences First Year Programme. Elyas' efforts earned him the Ryan Adamson Resident of the Year Award, given to a single resident every year in order to recognise their contribution to the college and its residents.

Cumberland College was very lucky to have been part of Elyas' journey, and we can only hope for more residents like him throughout the coming years.







## Hayward College | *Te Kāreti o Hayward* Amber Robertson - Warden/Tautiaki

Aue! he aha te tau i Hayward

2022 started with a 'same, same but different' flex in more ways than one!

### STAFF

Long-standing Warden Pauline Donovan took up the reins at Unicol and our trusty Deputy Luke Lovegrove was appointed Acting Warden until mid-August. Amber Robertson then flew the coop of CFC (RIP flamingos) and landed on the roof of Hayward, committed to finding the meaning of life after pink birds. Quickly acclimatising to the helicopters, Amber was handed a well-oiled machine in Hayward – that was a product of the staff team who are all amazing in their own rights.

Liesl, our administrator also took up the reins at Unicol in October and we welcomed Jess in her place.

Hayward Assistant Warden Emma Kane left Hayward in December after seeing out a busy (and highly organised) year with our '22 cohort. We thank all our staff, past and present – and we are happy that ex- Hayward talent is contributing to other parts of the University.

Lynley Gillies, our larger-than-life Front of House Supervisor was awarded the Operations Staff Excellence Award, in recognition of her passion and dedication to Hayward, its residents and staff. Stephen Willis reacted well to Lynley's quick grab and hug style.



### RESIDENT HIGHLIGHTS

A wave of unwell residents early on in Semester 1 provided an opportunity for staff to get creative, leading to unique alternatives to traditional Hayward events. Outdoor volleyball time and meal delivery became the centre of budding friendships for both isolating and non-isolating residents.

The Hayward Green Your Scene Team was awarded the Kōwhai and Te Kōwhiringa o Papatūānuku awards for their project, which aimed to encourage more use of Hayward greenspace. Student co-leads, Mikayla Robson and Matthew Yarndley were also named as recipients of the Student Champion award for their contribution to the Hayward project.

Hayward residents continued to support the wider community by volunteering time and resources to organisations such as Save The Otago Peninsula, Cancer Society, Life Matters Suicide Trust and Presbyterian Support Otago. Te Wiki o te Reo Māori was celebrated with some exceptional kai. We had a hangi, fry bread, a boil up. The fry bread took off and became a regular late-night offering for hungry residents. It is now a Hayward staple.

In changing times, our aim has been to increase our bang for our buck. We successfully trialled more traditionally off-site events at home. This saw our annual ball, a HOP and formal dinners held onsite. It's testament to our resident and staff innovations that they were an all-round success.







The Hayward Student Committee (HAYSCO) went over and above to organise a Spring Festival, with friends from neighbouring colleges; Te Rangi Hiroa and Cumberland. Residents spent the afternoon listening to live music and relaxing with friends, before heading into a busy exam period.

#### HAYWARD TURNED 30!

Given our history of accommodating all things young, we celebrated Hayward's 30th with a kid's birthday party (as you do). Pass the parcel and pin the tail on the donkey came a close second to spinning the wheel of fortune to win spot prizes.



#### EMBRACING CHANGE

It's fair to say that change is the only constant and that can be a good thing. The Hayward residents of 2022 were an exceptional bunch of young minds who adapted quickly and cohesively despite the curveballs of the past few years. Thank you to our residents and the wider university supports that all contribute to such a dynamic and lively community at Hayward. Hurihia to aroaro ki te ra tukuna to atarangi kia taka ki muri a koe. (Turn your face to the sun and the shadows fall behind you).



## Hayward Prize Winners: *John Nguyen and Jack Evans*

John Nguyen and Jack Evans were the Hayward Prize winners for 2022. Both residents were recognised for being active members of the community, pastoral stars, and consistent, high academic achievers.

John quickly became a known figure of Hayward, after assisting staff to show residents to their rooms on arrival; and continued to be a friendly face around the College. John was involved in Hayward's Got Talent, Inter-College Battle of the Bands, Football, Basketball, Dodgeball, Touch, Staff vs. Residents and more.

Jack was elected as Hayward's Student President and demonstrated awesome leadership skills, guiding his peers through an exciting, but challenging year. Jack took part in several Hayward and Inter-College and Hayward events including S.T.O.P volunteering, Hayward's Got Talent, Staff vs. Residents, Hayward-Aquinas shield, Inter-College debating, futsal, football, basketball and dodgeball.







## Knox College | *Te Kāreti o Knox*

### Caroline Hepburn-Doole - Head of College/Tautiaki

Not quite a 'year of two halves' but with some time to reflect, it does feel as if 2022 had almost two different lived realities... the pre-COVID-surge... and the post-COVID surge. And although very different experiences, both showed just how important it is to focus on building the best college community you can, regardless of the circumstances.

Without the ability to run events in our opening week and with large numbers of Knoxies in self-isolation, our focus was on providing the best care possible regardless of whether you were unwell or out and about. Our Welfare Team and wider staff were supported by an amazing group of volunteers from our exie community and the University (a HUGE thank you to these amazing folk) and so 'normal life' trucked along and self-isolators re-joined as soon as they were able. Our staff teams showed stunning adaptability and gave selflessly to make sure that everyone's experience was as good as it could be in trying circumstances.

As soon as we were able to, whilst navigating the shifting academic landscape, we moved to providing opportunities to make connections with others. An Open Mic night brought some stunning talent out of the woodwork, and the enthusiasm of both the participants and the crowd really set the tone for great things to come. And despite everything, that's how I see 2022- a great year!



With a growing presence in the Intercollege competition, it was good to see Knoxies giving new things a go or keeping up with passions they already had. Our rivalry with Selwyn College continued to be strong, with a lot of talent and skill shown in both sports and culture. And as always, the support from spectators was strong and full of College spirit. This has culminated in Knox having great pride in holding the Nevill Cup, Cameron Shield and Somerville Shield, which is especially significant for a number of reasons...it is the first time since 2005 that we have the Cameron Shield and the Nevill Cup together! The Cameron Shield is celebrating its 90th year! And the Nevill Cup is 25!

There were plenty of other opportunities to get involved, with some particular highlights being: Karaoke in the Jace, including staff being strong-armed into enthusiastic renditions; the Larnach Ball on an atmospheric wintry night; TeaTime in the Buttery; making cheese rolls and soup for the Presbyterian Support foodbank; Harry Potter Night; a celebration of Matariki, a tetra pack wallet-making workshop, Welfare Day to blow off steam prior to exams; being entertained by our Chapel Choir or Chamber Music group; a vigil to reflect on the events unfolding in Ukraine... really just too many to list.



As the year drew to an end, we said farewell to our College Chaplain, exie and former Ross Fellow, Rev. Dr Jordan Redding; who took such time and care to provide a unique spiritual space within our walls. And also to our Deputy Head, George Connolly; we wished him well with his career in leadership development, cultural change and capability building in individuals and teams- an opportunity that was too good to pass up, given where George's strengths and passions lie!





And as per 'tradition' as exams approached, we came together to celebrate our time as a community and to acknowledge some of the amazing achievements made by Knoxies during the year. A chance to give thanks for each Knoxies contribution to the Knox community, no matter how great or small.

To recognize that despite the disrupted start, we've finished strong, and this has been a vibrant place to live and develop connection with others. Fittingly, Zara Aydon was awarded the KCSC Cup 'To the student who, by his or her example of kindness, cheerfulness, courage and loyalty to ideals, most worthily upholds the spirit of Knox College'. No small feat when our College looks back to such a rich and complex history, and forwards to a changing world.

From our 1909 foundations:

Gratia et Veritas; Grace and Truth

Grace: a gift given freely because of love and compassion for the recipient. Kindness, mercy, compassion. Truth: an accurate perception of reality. Honesty, integrity, faithfulness.

And gifted to us late in 2020, the College's whakataukī is 'Ko te toa i a tini, i a mano o te takata'. This translates to 'it is the bravery of a multitude, of thousands of people'.

This Ngāi Tahu whakataukī (attributed to Tū Whakauika and Te Oreorehua) refers to the strength of collectivity and testifies to the vibrancy of the living tradition which Knox represents, stretching back over 110 years, but also reaching into the future as each cohort of students contributes to the Knox story and legacy.







## Salmond College | *Te Kāreti o Salmond*

### Nick Bates - Head of College

Salmond, affectionately known as The 'Mond was privileged to have a fantastic college community in 2022, with many humble and compassionate young people learning about community and caring for each other.

The year began with a Covid wave during the first two months of the academic year, a particularly challenging time for many residents. However, a highlight was the extraordinary work of the staff including our kitchen staff, cleaners and Residential Leaders who went above and beyond to serve the residents. Feedback from the College surveys regarding the pastoral support received during this Covid-19 Wave was testament to the outstanding work by staff.

Innovation was required during Orientation Week to enable college social activities to take place. A large marquee on the lawn enabled many events to take place outside, as safely as possible. Residents were able to have a toga party, a fluro party and other events which made for a fun week despite the hovering pandemic.

In early March, the first chapel service was conducted in the marquee rather than the Waddell Chapel, to install the 2022 Residential Leaders and commit staff to their task for the year ahead. The Special Character of Salmond was woven into the fabric of college life, and several further special character events were held through the year, including the College's first formal Matariki reflection event. A highlight of the year was the talanoa sessions, led by friend of Salmond and newly appointed Director of Te Tumu Professor Patrick Vakaoti. These spaces intentionally cultivated an attentiveness to life during which residents experienced Pacific culture and reflected on community and relationships away from the trappings of technology and everyday life – all whilst enjoying kava!



For many residents, lectures were unable to be undertaken in-person during first semester. The challenges of online learning cannot be underestimated, particularly given the previous two years which had disrupted the senior years at high school for many students. However, extra support from both the College and the University ensured most residents were able to successfully make the transition to tertiary study.

Some highlight events during first semester included the Intercollege "Battle of the Bands" where "Kate and the Freshers" received a special commendation, and the Annual Ball on the 21st of the May at Otago Museum. The college's volunteering group participated in beach clean-ups, tree plantings and occasional help in local op shops.

Daffodil day was again well supported by 30 residents who volunteered their time, and a group of 16 residents spent a weekend volunteering on Quarantine Island, in what is now an annual event. Second Semester started with the anticipation of the return to face-to-face learning for almost all residents, and plenty of interest in social activities, and intercollegiate competition.





Salmond achieved first in the competitive volleyball, first in 'The Amazing Race'; first in Children's story writing; first in recreational Basketball. Sammy the Salmon, the College mascot, worked so hard he was awarded 'Mascot of the Year' at the annual awards. Salmond was also awarded 'Most reliable college' for registering the least number of defaults. Salmond's entry in the International Performance Evening was stunning.

The College ski trip late August, and the Garden Party in September were real successes, rated by many residents as highlights of the year. Second place in the intercollege Pool Competition was a good result and a fantastic Birthday Party event saw magician Jonathan Usher perform at Salmond for the 19th time in the past 20 years.

The community was able to celebrate its farewell formal dinner mid-October, with music, great food, reflective speeches, some awards decided on-the-spot through an online Kahoot made by presidents Harry and Ondrea signify the ending of a special year and closing of the 51st chapter in the Salmond's history.



Salmond finished the year on a high, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the college. Although the reunion was a year late due to the pandemic, it was a significant occasion to reflect on the purpose and meaning of college life, and the vision of Salmond. The weekend celebration reflected the whakataukī gifted to the College in 2020: "Ko te toa i a tini, i a mano o te takata - It is the bravery of a multitude, of thousands of people", and the feedback from attendees was overwhelmingly positive. The inauguration of the Salmond 'Wall of Fame' and the Gala Dinner attended by four previous Heads of Salmond, were two of highlights of a special weekend marked by rekindling of old friendships and lots of banter. It was great to have inaugural Salmond College Students Association President Marilyn Mackinder cut the cake at the conclusion of the Gala Dinner.

## Resident Profile: *Salmond Residential Leaders*

There are many Salmond residents who stood out in 2022, but the leading stars were the ten Residential Leaders. This was a fantastic crew of young people, juggling full time study with their live-in leadership role, all during a pandemic!

The team served the college community throughout, cared for one another and led with energy, commitment, and compassion. Salmond residents were fortunate to have such a caring group to guide and nurture them, and feedback indicates this was indeed a great team, who played a special role in Salmond's history.

Sushanth Yadhav, Jackson Banks, Lei Lani Hosking, Dani Guiney, Richie Brown, Lam Tran, Alex Fenwick, Char McManus, Jesse Mulqueen and Kate Caradus – we salute you!





## Selwyn College | *Te Maru Pūmanawa* Luke McClelland - Warden/Tautiaki

2022 has once again been a great year at the College with 201 residents originating from 96 different high schools, 18 of these returned to Selwyn for a second year in residency. This cohort continued to have diverse interests with residents undertaking studies across Performing Arts, Sciences, Humanities, Commerce, Health Science, Medicine, Surveying, and Law. Our 2022 Sub-Warden team was comprised of an enthusiastic and committed group of young leaders who stepped up to the challenges provided and often went above and beyond in an effort to provide the best experience for our young people. They once again proved why Sub-Wardens are such an essential part of the College community as they supported our residents in their transition to university life, a transition that immediately faced some challenges for the outset of the academic year.



For the first time since the beginning of the COVID pandemic we found ourselves managing active COVID-19 cases within our community. With positive cases quickly increasing in number throughout the Orientation week period we were unsure as to what effect this may have on our College community particularly given the important role 'O Week' events have in facilitating our Residents making connections with each other and the College. It was encouraging to see how our residents overcame the barrier of isolation, adapted to the quickly changing circumstances and still managed to have a great time and make new friends.



The Selwyn College Students' Association (SCSA) along with the Sub-Warden and senior staff teams collated an engaging and enriching programme of events for the 2022 year, often having to quickly adapt to a changing environment. Our annual 'Ori Ball' was one such case, becoming the 'Re-Ori Ball' and taking place in July. The famous Selwyn Ballet, performed as part of the OUSA Capping Show, was another, being delayed until October instead of the usual May. This year's ballet was well received and was a very impressive display for our amateur troupe who performed a take on Cinderella which the Royal New Zealand Ballet also performed in 2022.

Our longstanding sporting and cultural competition with Knox College is an integral part of college life at Selwyn and 2022 was no different with the Cameron Shield and Nevill Cup fixtures occurring on an almost weekly basis. Both competitions were fiercely competitive this year with some very impressive showings by both College. Of particular note was the Women's Rugby match where an impressive skill level was on display by a group of players who had limited experience in the game. The lead was traded back and forth multiple times before Selwyn came out on top with a very impressive final try to end the match. Unfortunately, both the Cameron Shield and the Nevill Cup were won by Knox College in 2022, congratulations to Knox for a very impressive showing and a great competition. Selwyn will be back and ready in 2023!





Our annual sporting and cultural exchange with College House (Canterbury) continues to be a highlight of the year. This year Selwyn hosted College House for the Cultural Exchange and College House returned the favour a fortnight later hosting Selwyn in Christchurch. This year the Colleges exchanged the trophies with College House coming out on top in the cultural and Selwyn in the sporting competition. With great participation and enthusiasm on both sides and great friends made across the two weekends, we now look towards 2023 and the continuation of the competition.

Another highlight of the year was an early October Snowfall. It has been a number of years since residents have been able to enjoy a proper snowfall at the College and a good number more since Dunedin had one so late in the year. While our Quad was blanketed in snow in the early hours of the morning it didn't take long for residents to make their way out of bed and commence snowball fights. The snow was largely gone by midday bar a few lone snowmen but it was an experience for a good number of residents whose interaction with snow has been limited to the ski fields.



2022 was a great year despite the early challenges faced. We now look forward to welcoming the 2023 cohort, continuing to nurture the College's special character, and making the most of the coming year.

## Resident Profile: *Hoani Parata Scholars*

In 2022 Selwyn College welcomed the inaugural recipients of the Rev'd Canon Hoani Parata Scholarship. Hoani Parata was schooled at Te Aute College between 1893-1999, studied at the University of Otago and was the first Māori resident of Selwyn College from 1904-1907. This scholarship was established for tauira from Te Aute College and Hukarere Girls' College as endorsed by Te Pihopa o Aotearoa (The Bishop of Aotearoa).

The 2022 recipients of the scholarship were Taraia Butler, Zachary Coradine and Maria Reti. All three residents made the most of their experience at Te Maru Pūmanawa getting involved in a wide variety of activities and contributing more broadly to college life. We look forward to their continued involvement with the Selwyn College community as 'Exies' in 2023, particularly as leaders within n Ngā Maikuku o Māhuika, our own tauira-led rūpu for Māori and Pasifika residents.





## St Margaret's College | *Te Kāreti o Makere Tapu*

### Dr. Charles Tustin - Master

2022 was a year like no other. With Covid-restrictions galore, the start of the year was an exercise in quick thinking and continual changing of plans. St Margaret's was fortunate to have a marvellous Executive Committee of nine elected returners who came up with a fantastic O'Week programme that got first-year students meeting and making friends – at an appropriate physical distance! Luckily, St Margaret's normally runs a very full schedule of O'Week activities (including our own Toga Party with gladiator competitions) so the cancellation of OUSA's events wasn't too much of an issue.

Once restrictions started to loosen the year's programme really started to get underway. In April, the College boarded buses for a trip to Brighton Beach. We were blessed with perfect weather and there were plenty of hardy souls getting into the water. Relay for Life was held, in a new Covid-compliant format, and our Members ran, competed, played, soaked each other in paint (and raised money), all through the night.

Always a highlight, the St Margaret's Theme Dinners didn't disappoint in 2022. This year there was a Casino Night, complete with roulette cupcakes, a Disney Night which saw Dr Tustin completely unrecognisable as Simba, and the Mid-Winter Christmas with incredible Christmas-y food. The International Dinner was another taste and visual sensation with food from around the world, and many Members donning their traditional dress for the evening.

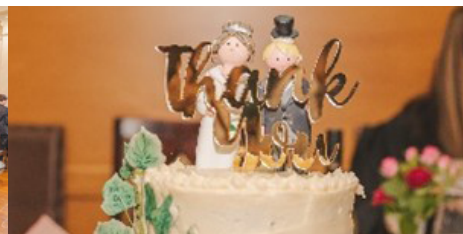


Throughout the year there was fantastic participation in the Inter-College Competition. The Badminton Cup was brought home yet again, with Lauren Phang (see the Profile below) and her little brother Steven proving to be an unbeatable duo followed closely by Yvonne Ting and Flora Yip in second place. We gained first place in the Mixed Cricket Competition and Chess, and placed in Futsal, Gaming, Debating, and the Art Competition. Much fun was had in the Amazing Race, Basketball, Football, Wild Card Series, Laser Tag, the Cultural Performance. It was fantastic to see our Members having fun and getting competitive with all the other Colleges.





Semester Two was packed with events: the annual College Art Competition, concert for Friend-Link, Communication Cup, as well as the usual Formal Dinners and Expert Breakfasts. Speed-eating, arm wrestling, a Mystery Bus Trip and an ice-skating trip were just the things to lift everyone's spirits when the study grind got too much. A close second in terms of smiling-faces was the unplanned Snow Day, the perfect gift from Mother Nature. Topping off the year in terms of wholesome fun was the Best Day Ever, on the final weekend of classes. College Members played hard (and competitively) on the inflatable obstacle course and jousting pit.



St Margaret's annual end-of-year Valedictory Celebration is a glamorous, glitzy event. There are speeches, trophy awards, 'the year in retrospect' videos, and especially delicious food. This year was bittersweet as the College farewelled Dr Tustin. There were tributes from former College Leaders and Exec, gifts, a thank you cake and even an all-College song to express our appreciation for the years of good humour, direction and full-on commitment from Dr Tustin and his wife Brenda. They will be sorely missed.

## Resident Profile: *Hoani Parata Scholars*



Marg's was my home for 4 years - 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2022. The first time I stepped through the front doors I was warmly greeted by staff who already knew my name! I felt a sense of belonging, love, and care immediately - so much so that I became social representative in 2019. In that role I had the privilege of organising O-week activities and the annual ball to help members form special connections.

In 2020, I completed my Bachelor of Biomedical Science degree and received the 3rd-Year scholarship for Biomedical Science. I was nominated for the top undergraduate university prize and that would not have been possible without the incredible support from staff at Marg's - through tutorials and caring words of encouragement.

In 2021, I left Marg's to flat, and it was no surprise that my flatmates were ex-Marg's members. I loved my flatmates and the flat experience but somehow, it didn't compare to the sense of camaraderie and kindness that Marg's provided. So, despite many humorous comments about me being a 'Marg's veteran', I returned to Marg's in 2022 as a College Leader (i.e., sub-warden).

My College Leader experience was absolutely amazing. My colleagues who I now call my brothers and sisters, the compassion I received from staff, and the lessons I learnt about myself were invaluable.

Besides the academic, professional, and social life, I had the opportunity to participate in the University Badminton Intercollege Tournament which Marg's has won 4 times - 3 times of which I had the privilege of being in the team. In 2023, I will be in Wellington to finish off my Medicine degree. Despite living in a different city, I know that somehow, I will be drawn back to St Margaret's College because it truly is a home away from home.





## Studholme College | *Te Kāreti o Studholme* Johnny Nu'u - Warden/Tautiaki

As another fantastic year comes to a close here at Studholme College, it would be simple enough to say that we made it. But there is more to our 2022 story. Studholme College welcomed in our 186 members on February 19. We were all full of hope and big dreams; meeting parents and loved ones is always a special occasion where we settle nerves and create excitement with our college members.

Prior to move-in weekend our team had worked hard on planning out what we hoped would be a great (and safe) start to our year. We had our set up outside on our beautiful front lawn ready for our O-week events. Our first few events set a great atmosphere of warmth and vibrancy. Before we could really take a foothold, evasive actions were taken as Omicron made its way into our college.

It was an eventful and much needed 10 days of isolation where half the college were kind enough to oblige. This equated to approximately 3,300 meals served, regular welfare checks on all those isolating, daily sanitising of common spaces in the college and front lawn, 'outside time' to help stretch the legs, and countless announcements by the College Warden. There were some highlights from isolation such as the rugby boys trying it on to get exercise equipment in their rooms, the zooms with parents and with a particular floor who shall remain unnamed. Speaking of which these were early signs of how fun the year was going to be filled with happy hijinks as our members matured and learnt more about themselves.



A special mention goes out to those who were not in isolation. They did well, considering the circumstances. Some were worried, some were just 'meh'. But all of our members cared enough to exercise restraint and patience while we navigated our way through Omicron. As quickly as the traffic light and isolations arrived, they were gone. We finally had our 'welcome dinner' six weeks after move-in weekend, and then we just got on with it. Our attention quickly turned to in-person lectures and meeting new people. Some expressed a bit of nerves, others rather honestly telling us they prefer zoom lectures. Before you knew it, exams arrived, maybe too soon for some of you but nevertheless great efforts were taken to give their best. A constant that remained throughout were our members committing themselves to make the most

of their year, even with a challenging start. This carried through to semester two.

Semester Two saw the makings of a 'normal' university semester at the college with our in-house activities and our participation in inter-college competitions. From cross dressing to first time marathon runners and facemasks and questionable dance moves; our social events were a hit from the Retro Party to the Ball to the Garden Party. It has made for a memorable year that will always be etched into the memories of our 2022 college members. Once again we proved strong across our inter-college competitions placing across all three divisions. First in sports and third in cultural and gaming respectively. We retained both men's and women's rugby shields despite some tough competition. We also won the award for the most runners up in finals across most sports. For the first time we took out the literary and visual arts category of cultural. This was special moment for all our members involved as they really gave it a lot of thought and intention into their work producing some wonderful pieces of writing and art.



While education may have been overshadowed by other big moments, it did not make our members efforts any less valuable. They really trucked through from zoom tutorials then transitioning to in-person to examinations. The biggest learning for all of us was no matter the challenge our members can overcome, and they can do it! Studholme College had a fantastic year. While it may have been bumpy along the way, I am thankful for the achievements of our college members. Above all, I am humbled by their will to succeed. It is truly inspiring, and I look forward to their many future achievements.

Ka rawe Studholme!



## Resident Profile:

### *Emma Halliday*

When the applications for university halls of residence first opened, I knew exactly which one to apply for as my first choice, there was no question about it. I consider myself an all-rounder who loves sport, music and socialising with friends and family, whilst maintaining a balance between those more social aspects of my life and my academics. The first hall of residence I therefore went to look at was Studholme College, and although I went and viewed others, my choice had already been made. Studholme's friendly, family-like atmosphere convinced me that this was the place where I was meant to spend my first year at university. My older cousin had also told me that of all her friends who went to Otago University, the ones who went to Studholme made the nicest friends who have remained close to each other over the years.

However, things did not quite go as planned. Initially, I wasn't accepted into Studholme, which I was absolutely gutted about. Instead, I was given the option of one of the other halls which was not one of my preferences. This meant that if I chose to stay on the waiting list for Studholme, I could potentially miss out on the opportunity to be in any hall, since all accommodation was in high demand. Conversely, if I accepted the other hall's offer, I wouldn't get to be a part of the community that I had been looking forward to from the get-go.



But for me, it was all or nothing. Studholme was one of the main reasons I wanted to go to Otago University, so I only had one option: staying on the waiting list. A few weeks later, I received another email, this one confirming my acceptance into Studholme College, and proving that my decision to stick to my guns and stay on the waiting list was worth it.

Studholme College has definitely lived up to my expectations. I could not imagine myself living in any other hall. Being a boarding student in high school, I know exactly what it is like to live with people outside of your family, and how difficult it can be living away from home. This is why I chose to be in a hall that would be like a second family, one that cares for its residents, and residents that look out for one another. And that is exactly what I have found here at Studholme. I have met many amazing people, forged some great friendships, and as a result, made a lot of fond memories. The diversity that Studholme offers in terms of sports, academics, culture, etc. is a really refreshing addition to university life, and the staff here are wonderful, always checking up on the residents to make sure they are doing okay and that they are enjoying their experience. Aside from the memories we made, the friends I have met here have also helped me decide on the direction I want to take in my life. I came into my first year with the idea of tackling Health Science First Year and then seeing where it would take me, with little thought further than that. Now, however, I am wrapping up my first year at university with a solid plan in mind and a goal that I want to reach. Honestly, I could not ask for anything more.

When I first arrived at Studholme I was concerned that I had been put in a flat. I was worried that it would mean I wouldn't get the same socialisation or get as close to as many people as I would in a dormitory situation. I was surprised – in a good way – to discover that being in a flat is in fact not as isolating as I initially thought. You still get to hang out with everyone else, just as much as they would with each other, at dinner times, during events, etc. As well as this, there are always heaps of ways to meet other people, as I found, by participating in inter-college events such as basketball, Battle of The Bands and Big Sing, plus floor outings, Studholme events and so much more. The main thing I grew to like about living in a flat was the fact that after a long day you have somewhere to go back to and recharge without still being right in the middle of it all. Like any place, it has its pros and cons, but for me, flat life has been an unexpected bonus.

This experience has made me appreciate just how much effort, thought and consideration Studholme College puts into selecting each and every one of its like-minded future residents and has shown how much they care for each individual. Although no place or person is ever perfect, I can say without a doubt that Studholme does its absolute best to ensure that everyone is taken care of, no one feels alone, and each person feels at home. Scientia Et Amor Domum Illuminant.

Emma Halliday





## Te Rangi Hiroa College - *Te Kāreti o Te Rangi Hiroa* Luke Morrison - Warden/Tautiaki

The year at Te Rangi Hiroa began with a change of management, with Te Rangi Hiroa entering a new phase of joint management with Cumberland College. As part of this change, the College said farewell to Warden Rosemary Tarbotton, and Luke Morrison took over as the new Warden.

The beginning of 2022 was challenging, with New Zealand under covid-related gathering restrictions, and then a large proportion of our residents contracting covid shortly after arrival. Nevertheless, Te Rangi Hiroa was able to ride this successfully, partly due to the advantage of being the University's smallest College and having large common spaces – this combination meaning that gathering restrictions did not impact Te Rangi Hiroa as much as other Colleges.

Te Rangi Hiroa continued its strong involvement in the Intercollege cultural and games competitions, in 2022 winning Colleges Got Talent, the Inter-College Quiz (as well as gaining second place also!), and the winner of the Caption section of the Literary Arts competition. We also placed in battle of the bands and 24 Hour film festival, and our Maori and Pasifika students performed memorably in the Cultural Performance Evening.

There were also a range of successful intra-College activities, and our subwardens ran many successful floor events including multiple gelato evenings.

In 2023, the University will be opening a new Te Rangihiroa College, so in the latter part of 2022, we hosted representatives of Ngati Mutunga to put the name to rest until the opening of the new College. From 1st December 2022, we are now operating under the temporary name of 192 Castle College, Te Kareti o Castle.







## Resident of the Year: *Cameron Prince*

Cameron Prince was a shining light in Te Rangi Hiroa throughout the entire year. Cam had a commanding presence within the college, he was a leader, a supporter, and a friend to all those around him, whether he intended to be or not.

Heavily involved in organising college events, Cam was often the first person to put their hand up when help was needed, as well as often being the first person to arrive and the last person to leave.

Whilst completing his Bachelor of Applied Science, Cam managed to dedicate significant periods of time to helping other residents, and was a well-known sympathetic ear amongst the rest of the cohort.

Cam strived and succeeded to make Te Rangi Hiroa a warm and welcoming place, and as a result, earned the Te Rangi Hiroa Resident of the Year award. The Resident of the Year award is given to a resident that encapsulates the ethos of Te Rangi Hiroa, and makes the college a better place through giving their time and effort to others.







## Toroa College - *Te Whare o Te Toroa* Christina Watson-Mills - Warden/Tautiaki

The year definitely came with challenges and after being impacted through lockdowns and restrictions for the previous two years we knew this year would be both exciting and challenging.

With the more transmissible Delta variant on our shores, from the day after we opened, we had an increasingly large number of residents isolating either with symptoms of Covid, or due to positive test results. To their credit, our residents demonstrated excellent compliance with isolation requirements and the mandated Covid restrictions, which combined with excellent management by our staff, numbers dwindled back to more manageable sizes and we were able to resume more usual college life.

Although many of the social, cultural, sporting and intercollege events due to be held at the start of were postponed, we were still able to either use online forums or smaller groups to get together and enjoy some fun. As time went on, we made our way back to the event spaces, sports fields and courts with no less enthusiasm than ever before. We again enjoyed the intercollege competition programme where we placed first in gaming; second in writing; first in pool and third in puzzlemania. History was made when we won the intercollege debating competition - making us arguably the best.



Our ball was another epic evening; we enjoyed an amazing dj night; helped the community through volunteering and beach clean ups; played laser tag; enjoyed movie nights; roasted marshmallows; went swimming; took part in cultural performances; showed our team spirit in football, rugby, touch, netball, volleyball, basketball, badminton, chess and pool; relaxed with paint and sip and pamper nights; learnt about how to stay motivated in fireside chats with Sol Wyatt (Black Sale House) Fabian Holland (Highlanders) Christian Lio-Willie (Crusaders.). And we really enjoyed this winter, as we experienced an amazing amount of snow - a first for many. As always we were delighted to welcome back alum who joined us for sports, events and meals.

Throughout all of the challenges and changes they encountered during the year, our staff remained incredibly engaged and committed to the Toroa community. Along with our pastoral staff, much credit must go to our catering team and our housekeeping team. New ways of serving and delivering food, along with a drive to maintain a hygiene regime helped ensure we were well cared for. At the end of the year, we farewelled our dear colleague and friend Richard Latu. Richard was a big presence around Toroa and while he will be missed, we sent him off with aroha and best wishes for his next adventure.



### Resident Spotlight: *Boudewijn Keenan*

Boudewijn, who is studying music and French, is our 2022 Resident of the Year. A member of the National Youth Orchestra and principal cellist of the ensemble in 2020 he is a talented musician. Fully immersed in college life, Boudewijn represented Toroa at a number of sports and events and held a key role in our debating team. We are delighted Bou is joining the 2023 Kāiawahina team and we are very much looking forward to working with him.



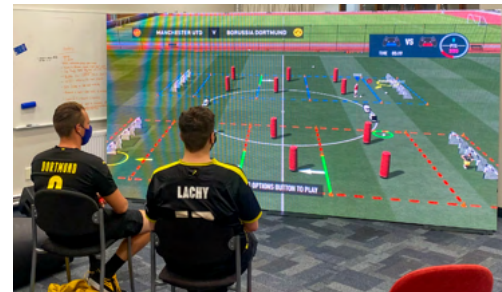


## University College - *Te Kāreti o Te Whare Wānaka* Pauline Donovan - Warden/Tautiaki

2022 had to be one of most challenging years for University College with Covid-19 playing a major role. We farewelled Warden Andy Walne, Deputy Warden Christine Eason, Assistant Wardens Hannah Morgan and Duncan Lindsay, as well as Food Services Manager Colin Lang. A lot of new faces joined the team for 2022 including our new Warden, Pauline Donovan; a new Deputy Warden, Ange Spears; two new Assistant Wardens, Eric Nabalagi and Jess Young; a new Food Services Manager, Ben Henry; and a new administrator, Liesl de Jager.

UniCol is proud of the diverse composition of its community. It is a place where everyone can find their people. Our cohort hails from all over the country, representing 170 high schools, studying a variety of majors from sciences, health science, law, commerce, arts, humanities, surveying and education. UniCol continues to embrace traditional collegiate structures with live-in management supported by a large and diverse team of Sub-Wardens.

The College's Orientation Programme focused on both social and academic orientation, encouraging students to make vital social connections as well as understand the increased academic demands of studying at tertiary level. With the majority of O-week events cancelled due to Covid, UniCol put together an events programme to fill in the gaps. We had an enormous gaming screen put into the MPSR, we took students on walking tours of the city, had a photobooth in the main common room, and we had socially distanced movie nights. Residents were eager to socialize and our Sub-Warden team put together an amazing schedule of events to keep them entertained.



*O-Week Fifa on the Jumbotron*

The first Covid wave hit us hard. At the height, we had nearly 200 residents in isolation who required three meals a day and pastoral care. The UniCol team stepped up, and with the help of some amazing volunteers, we were able to weather the storm and make it out the other side.

Sub-Wardens continued to be an essential part of the fabric of the UniCol community. The team shared their lives and experiences with the new students. Their role in supporting the first year students cannot be understated. All members of the team experienced personal growth and development in their roles as collegiate leaders.



The UniCol Ball is always a hit and in April, the residents enjoyed a night of great food, dancing and memories. Sock Tag was wildly popular as well, with over 300 participants. The UniCol in house rave was a massive success, featuring the college's very own Sub-Warden, Joseph Gray, AKA DJ Grade. The UniCol 48 hour team won the "Incredibly Strange" award in Dunedin for their film, "PolyFutures Inc." which was also featured in an article in the ODT. Ten residents put on the "Unicol Bachelor" murder mystery play which sold out three shows in the second semester, providing a much needed respite from study for nearly 200 residents.

It was a great year for Community Service and Volunteering. We set out with the goal to raise \$3,000 by the end of the year through donations and hours. We raised \$1,000 on pink shirt day through a range of events including a bake sale, a boba tea night, a nail night to coincide with the UniCol ball, and selling iced coffees. We also staffed a collection site for the day easily raising more than \$1,000 for the NZ Cancer Society. We had volunteers working with Life Matters and collected over 50 cans for Octacan, which supports Presbyterian Support Otago. We then had the much beloved Cuddle Fix which brought in over a dozen dogs for students to pet and play with during exam time. This helped raise funds for Puketai School. To finish the year, we partnered with the Halo project to join their amazing cause to increase the biodiversity outside of the Orokonui Ecosanctuary. We took a over thirty students there who spent the day planting nearly 1,000 plants.

*Residents collecting on Daffodil Day*





UniCol students participated enthusiastically in the whole range of Inter-College Competitions during the year. While not as successful as in previous years, residents had a great time participating in the huge range of sport, cultural, and gaming opportunities throughout the year. We managed to do very well in the following competitions including first place in the first ever Ki O Rahi competition!!

### Inter-College Competition

- 1st place Women's Basketball
- 3rd place Women's Futsal
- 3rd place Men's Basketball
- 1st place Ki O Rahi
- 2nd place Amazing Race
- 3rd place Art Competition
- 1st place Dance Competition
- 2nd place College's Got Talent



*The UniCol Ki O Rahi team with their Trophy!*



*The UniCol Men's Rugby team*



*The UniCol Women's Basketball team*

In addition to representing the college in events, by their actions and support for each other, the students made UniCol a great place at which to live and study in 2022. It is immensely heartening to see the care they show for each other, despite the challenges they all faced in the year. Our end of year dinner was a fabulous celebration of the year and the residents who made it special.

The Felis Leo Awards for Outstanding Contributions to the UniCol Community were awarded to

Oahu Davey-Phillips - Sport, Culture, and Spirit

Georgina Houston - Arts

Manaia Beach - Sport

Tamara Teua - Sport

Catherine Portelli - Community Service

Ben Sidon - Community Service

Nicola Finney - Community Service

Stella McCurdy - Community Service

Tom Walsh - Arts

Luke Smith - Spirit

Carlos Lancaster-Bartlett - Sport

Rhiannon Henderson - Sport

Sidney Baker - Sport

James Tucker - Sport

Alex Teulon - Community Service

Sneha Sathish - 3 years long service as a SW



*Georgina Houston with her stunning artwork that she painted over the course of the 2022 year and donated to the College*

## *The Felis Leo Awards* *for Outstanding Contributions to the College*





# Collegian of the Year: *Angus Broatch*

Angus Broatch hails from Christchurch and was a HSFY student in 2022 residing in the Unicol Houses. Throughout his time at Unicol he consistently embodied the values of the College. Angus is a student you could always call upon to help or join in with anything at short notice, or just to give something a go and support the culture of the College.

He demonstrated courage and strength in all of the sporting endeavours he put his hand up for and gladly volunteered for other cultural and volunteering opportunities – working for the good of the UniCol extended whānau. Not only did Angus participate in most sporting activities including Volleyball, Basketball, Cricket, Wildcard Series and Netball.

He represented UniCol in Lasertag, the Amazing Race, Fusbai, and other gaming competitions.

Even within the College he demonstrated leadership and collegiality by taking on a prominent role in the Unicol play: The Bachelorette, and contributing to the UniCol team entry for the 48 hour Film Festival. During exam time, Angus still found time to volunteer to help in the community.

He joined in with the Halo team to plant trees at Long Beach to help regenerate native bush in the area. Angus is an all-round great resident. From participating on the field to cheering on the sidelines, Angus embodied the values we admire and look for in Collegian of the Year. Angus hopes to become a Physiotherapist and we wish him all the very best for the rest of his tertiary journey and life beyond. We're sure he will be a much-loved member of any community he joins!







# University Flats

## *Ngā Whare Rīti o te Whare Wānanga o Otāgo*

### Tracy de Woeps - Warden/Tautiaki

2022 was another awesome year for Uni Flats, as we opened our doors to a domestic cohort for the second year running, due to COVID-19 still halting international students from being able to come and study in Aotearoa. Much like 2021, our students rose to the multitude of challenges that COVID presented and still had a great year. Varying alert levels meant that our cohort spent a bit more time in their flats than usual and Uni Flats staff were sad to not be able to see a lot of students for a while, due to the presence of COVID in the Uni Flats community.

With the cancellation of O-Week this year, we missed out on the opportunity to show the other residential colleges how dangerous Uni Flats was on the sports field, however we made up for that later in the year with the Inter-College Competition - but more on that later! With no O-Week and the threat of COVID-19 becoming active within the Uni Flats community, events and interactions were cancelled, but we hoped that we would be out of the woods soon enough and be able to get back to some exciting events!

Online learning for the duration of semester one had its challenges, but the transition back to in person teaching for semester two had everyone seeing light at the end of a challenging academic period! Uni Flats staff kept busy during the first half of semester one by dropping off COVID-19 goodie bags to the community, which put smiles on resident's faces and made isolation a bit better for everyone!



Staff and students had to get creative with events and ideas around what could be achieved whilst battling against varying alert levels. Uni Flats staff did pop up events around the community, which included the delivery of donuts, soup and cheese rolls, ice creams, croissants, bagels and pizzas to name a few! It was great to be able to get out and see our residents and check in on how everyone was doing!



The arrival of semester two promised exciting times, as the University was back to in-person teaching! This also meant that Uni Flats could have in-house events, which we made the most of! Residents came to events such as Leap Trampoline Park, Ten-Pin Bowling, Quiz Nights at the Union, more pop-up events both in the community and at the Uni Flats office, as well as a new addition to our events calendar, a Jeopardy quiz night! It was great to be able to get everyone together and enjoy some fun times and kai.



2022 will always provide awesome memories to look back on, but the staff and community were extra proud of our results in the Inter-College Competition this year. We had amazing involvement in our sports teams, entering in Netball, Volleyball and Basketball to name a few, as well as the cultural and games competitions! We were very proud of our Men's recreational and competitive basketball teams, both coming away with a win in their division and resulting in the first sporting banner for Uni Flats since 2017! Other notable mentions were a 3rd place overall in the arts competition and a 1st place in poetry.

Uni Flats would like to thank all of our residents in 2022 for making what was a very challenging year, so enjoyable! We hope that everyone walks away with amazing memories and maybe even some new flatting skills that can be used in 2023!



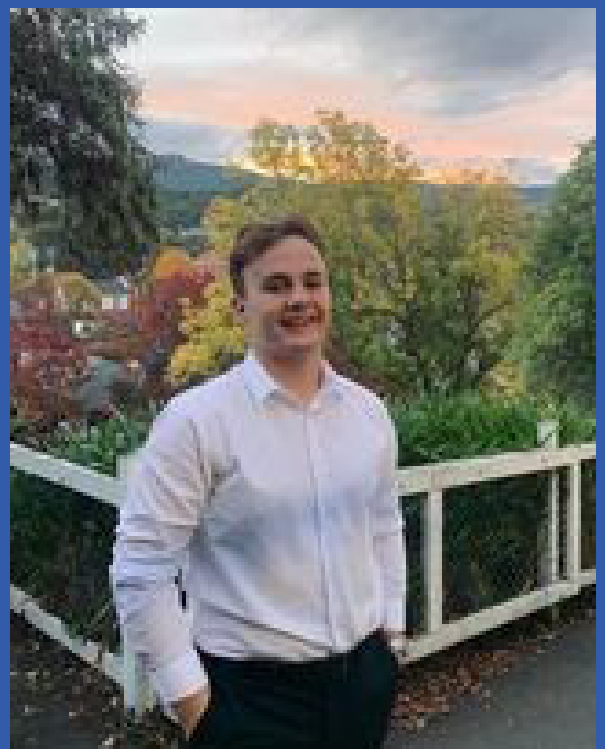
## Resident Spotlight: Shaun Bennett

I have truly found it an honour to be part of the Uni-Flats community. As we all know, this year has been filled with many challenges and hurdles that we have all had to climb over. The support that the team at Uni-Flats offered students truly helped ease the issues that came with the large-scale coronavirus outbreak during February and March this year.

The support that Uni-Flats offered residents was incredible. After hearing the countless horror stories that people have with their private landlords I knew that Uni-Flats was going to be the best option for me. Whenever there was an issue, the team at Uni-Flats was efficient and provided the best support to fix any issues that may have popped up. They aided the transition into flatting and learning all the responsibilities that come with it. I am very thankful for that.

Being a part of the Uni-Flats community truly allowed me to meet new like-minded people. The various events that Uni-Flats offered such as leap world, bowling, laser tag, and quiz nights were a great way to be competitive yet make new friendships with people that I wouldn't have had the opportunity to do so.

This year, Uni-Flats has truly shaped my experience at the University of Otago. The team has been an amazing support system for myself and my flatmates. The support offered in stressful times was incredible. The pop-up food, donut, and ice cream stalls throughout the year were a hit and a treat whilst also being a great reminder to take some time out for yourself.





# College Catering

The University College Catering operation had another successful year catering more than two million meals across nine production kitchens to over 3500 students.

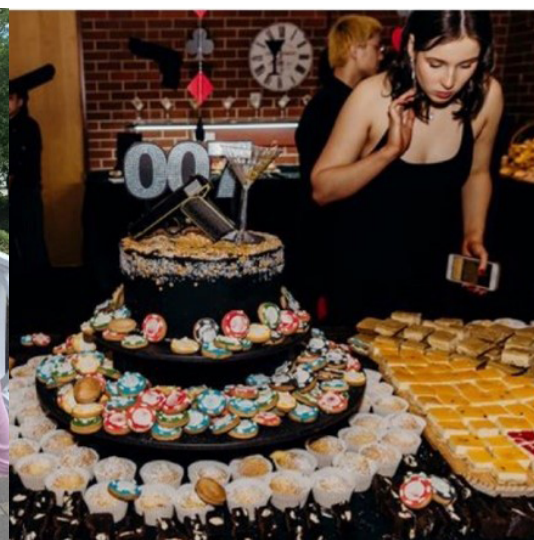
However, it was not without its challenges, the first quarter was particularly challenging with more than half our students contracting Covid and needing to have meals delivered to their rooms. At the same time our catering team was also being affected by Covid, particularly our 200+ student employees who were almost all affected directly by Covid or by being a household contact in their student flats.

It was literally all hands-on deck at one point with University senior management, campus hospitality, café and retail staff being shifted into colleges and a group of volunteers from the wider university also helping. Our Food Service Heads and their team did a tremendous job in managing their operations and maintaining a quality food service with a skeleton staff and significant food supply restrictions.

We had two senior members of staff retire during the year; long-time University College Food Service Manager Colin Lang retired after serving 23 years with the University. And Gary McNeil who was the founding manager of College Catering retired after 25 years of service. That was a fantastic effort by both, and we wish them all the best for their retirements.

We look forward to 2023 and the return of some normality and the ability to cater to our students with a full brigade of staff and with minimal supply restrictions. We are also excited about the commissioning of the new kitchen at the 450-bed Te Rangihiroa College in the second semester next year. And finally, we would like to take the opportunity to thank the College Wardens and their team for all their support during 2022.

Stephen Baughan  
General Manager, University Union



# Uniprint

Uniprint is a business unit inside the Campus and Collegiate Life Services Division. Uniprint's primary function is to support students and staff printing requirements on any of the University of Otago's campuses.

## Uniprint

The University uniFLOW "follow me" print solution has 20,934 active print users across all campuses and has printed 8,660,311 million mono prints and 3,861,767 million colour prints for the 2022 period.

In the 2022 period, Uniprint has seen volumes across the entire university print fleet reduce by 32%. The reduced volumes can be contributed to students isolating during the Covid outbreak in February 2022, and a larger number of staff working from home for longer periods.



## ID Card Office

In December 2021, Uniprint took over the printing operation of producing ID Cards for the University for 2022. This service was previously supplied by an external provider and Uniprint, alongside other teams from ITS Development, Proctor's Office, Student Services, Health and Safety and Marketing & Communications ensured that all internal systems were fed to the ID Card operation to ensure a successful start to this service.

From January to the end of March 2022, the team in the ID Card Office processed and handled 18,000 ID Cards predominately for students for the coming year.

As students arrived in residential colleges, staff at the ID Card Office went out to the colleges to help students get their cards quicker, and this also helped with queue management in the ISB Link area as an outbreak of Covid was setting in. This reduced the need for around 1700 students to directly visit the ID Card Office.

To date in 2022 the ID Card Office has processed more than 24,000 cards for students, staff and contractors.

