



CAREERS INSIGHT EVENING

Monday 27 February 2023

PROGRAM OF EVENTS



- 6pm: Welcome by Scott James, Headmaster WSA Seniors' Hall
- 6.03pm: Introduction to the OKGA by Rob Johnson (OKG78), OKGA President WSA Seniors' Hall
- 6.05pm: Keynote Address by Mark Truskett (OKG08) WSA Seniors' Hall

6.40pm – 8.30pm: Career Insight Sessions Various Classrooms

 3 x 30 minute time blocks:
6.40pm to 7.10pm 7.20pm to 7.50pm 8pm to 8.30pm

Each career industry will run repeating sessions as per the following schedule. Each session will run for 30 minutes, plus 10 minutes in between the start of each session to enable travel time to the next session.

Use this planner to write down your sessions:

Time	Subject/presentation	Location
6.40pm to 7.10pm		
7.20pm to 7.50pm		
8pm to 8.30pm		

The Boater Café is open for light snacks and drinks until 7pm.

Please enter the Weeks Academy through the hallway at the Southern end of the WSA. Signage will be displayed to show the way to the various venues.

COVID Safety Requirement

The school is committed in keeping our community COVID-safe and will follow the guidelines as set by NSW Health at the time of the event.

Please do not attend this event if you are experiencing any COVID or flu-like symptoms or you are feeling unwell.

Please be aware of the COVID-safe measures which apply. These are outlined in the Condition of Entry notices placed at entry points into the school grounds.

Thank you

Special thanks to Linda Gomez (Director of Career Education and Development), Sarah Gregory (Director of Alumni Relations), Juliet Chandler (OKGA Membership Engagement Manager) and all of our guest presenters.

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SESSION LOCATIONS

Industry	Room	Industry	Room
Agriculture	MO 403	Emergency Services	M0 406
Allied Health	KCC 102	Engineering	KCC 301 - 305
Architecture	KCC 207	Environmental and Sustainability	M0 307
Aviation	KCC 211	Information and Technology	M0 408
Business, Accounting and Finance	KCC 201-205	Law	MO 318
Business - Entrepreneurial	WSA Seniors' Hall	Medicine	WSA Lecture Theatre
Business - Management Consultancy	KCC 213	Politics and Policy	M0 404
Creative and Design	KCC 103	Psychology	M0 407
Cyber and International Security	KCC 104	Real Estate and Property	KCC 308
Defence Force	KCC 307	Sports Management and Coaching	MO 409
Education	KCC 310	Technical and Trades	KCC 311

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Location – WSA Seniors' Hall

Mark Truskett (OKG08) - APAC People and Performance Manager, Salt

Mark is passionate about helping people and businesses to be the best they can be. Mark works in a multifaceted role at Salt, a global, award-winning digital recruitment agency, connecting people and businesses within Creative, Marketing, Sales, and Technology. Mark heads up all things HR and internal recruitment for the APAC region (Hong Kong/Singapore/ Kuala Lumpur/Sydney/Auckland/Wellington), working closely with the leadership team to engineer their success through a robust onboarding and induction process and supporting in further development to ensure peak performance of their consultants.

Mark has been at Salt for nearly 10 years, moving through the business and gaining invaluable insight into the world of recruitment, which has given him an intricate knowledge of "what good looks like" when it comes to entering the workforce and building your career.

Mark has a Bachelor of Marketing, Human Resource Management from Macquarie University.

AGRICULTURE AND PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

Rob Kaan MBA (OKG92) Managing Director, Corteva Agriscience

Currently based in Sydney, Rob is responsible for strategic leadership and commercial activities for the Australian, New Zealand, Japan and Korean business units of Corteva.

Rob has worked in Agricultural businesses since 1998. He spent the first part of his career in commercial roles in Sydney, Perth and in regional locations such as Tamworth and Moree, before relocating to the US in 2007 to lead global product portfolios. In 2009, Rob relocated to Malaysia to lead the South East Asian business units before returning to the US again in 2011 to lead global portfolios for crop protection across corn and soybean markets until 2016.

In 2016, Rob returned to Australia to lead local businesses through the DowDuPont merger and integration through to the final formation of Corteva Agriscience on 1 June 2019.

Rob completed his Master of Business Administration at the University of Western Australia. He also holds a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture from the University of Sydney.

Married and a father of two, Rob's hobbies include surfing, skiing, golf, running, reading and guitar.

Andrew Jones (OKG91) Commodity Manager, GrainCorp

After graduating from Knox, Andrew started his career as a jackaroo on a 3,000acre cattle property in the Megalong Valley. Two years later, Andrew started a Farm Management Advanced Diploma at Sydney University (Orange Campus). On completion, he took up another jackaroo position in Northern NSW on an 80,000-acre corporate property with mixed farming, and while working there, started a Bachelor of Business also at the University of Sydney however studying externally.

Andrew moved to the Southwest Slopes of NSW as an assistant manager on another corporate property (35,000 acres of mixed farming), while continuing his studies. With his degree complete, Andrew moved two years later to managing a 4,000 acre property, where he mainly conducted cropping and beef cattle farming.

In 2000, having decided he would like to pursue grain trading, Andrew asked the manager of a trading company in Sydney if there were any opportunities. He was soon employed as a logistics coordinator, and worked his way up to a grain trader position.

Seeking a change, Andrew moved onto another company, headquartered in Canada, where he looked after the trading of canola seed. In 2006, he accepted a procurement position with Goodman Fielder looking after the various vegetable oils which are used in the company's processing plants; this provided a wonderful opportunity for international exposure. In 2011 the Goodman Fielder Manufacturing business was bought by Graincorp, and Andrew was encouraged to use his trading skills in a role looking after Vegetable Oil trading for Graincorp Oils.

Andrew believes the opportunities in Agriculture have increased with technology developments and as farmers and consumers have sought greater knowledge about food origins.

ALLIED HEALTH – CHIROPRACTIC AND PHYSIOTHERAPY

Brett Grant (OKG87) Owner and Principal Chiropractor, Family Chiropractic

Dr Brett Grant started his chiropractic journey as a teenager. A keen sportsperson, Brett competed at a national level in swimming, surf lifesaving and rugby union. As the rigours of sport started to catch up, Brett started to 'slow down'. He was after help that would not only help 'fix' the injury but would also prevent any injury from reoccurring and not lose any competitive edge.

After undertaking his Bachelor of Science at UNSW, he then completed his Master of Chiropractic at Macquarie University in 1995. His first year of private practice was spent specialising in the care of children with learning and behavioural disorders. The results and changes seen in these children as they progressed through care totally changed his concept of the role Chiropractic plays in enhancing the health and wellbeing of people and has shaped his role as a chiropractor to this day.

Over the past 26 years in practice, Brett has also served on the board of the Australian Spinal Research Foundation heading the portfolio of Chiropractic Students and Emerging Chiropractors. He is an instructor in Activator Methods Chiropractic Technique having taught at both Macquarie University, and in professional development seminars and has been a mentor and coach to fellow chiropractors. He runs an award-winning practice, having previously won the Local Business Award for a Specialised Business, and the inaugural Excellence in Business Ethics Award from the Rotary Club of Chatswood.

Bruce Anderson (OKG85) MHIthSc; BAppSc(Phty); Sports Physiotherapist; MAPA

Current Non-Executive COO Optimo Healthcare Pty Ltd

Recent past Practice Principal, Northern Sports Physiotherapy Clinic - St Leonards

Physiotherapist to Australian Men's U17 Basketball, Sydney Kings NBL, Northern Suburbs Basketball Association, Gordon Rugby Union Club, NSW Schools Rugby Union, Knox Grammar School (Rugby, Athletics, Swimming).

Consultant Physiotherapist to the Australian Navy

Injury Management Advisor - Allianz Workers Compensation

NSW Sports Physiotherapy Australia - Committee Member

Bruce graduated from Cumberland College in 1989, and has 33 years of experience as a clinical physiotherapist. He also has 18 years' experience managing a physiotherapy practice within medium to large allied health corporations. In this role, he has successfully developed and led a team of physiotherapists and allied health professionals within a multi-disciplinary injury management clinic, helping many prominent physiotherapists to develop and springboard their careers through clinical, cultural and business guidance.

He has also supported professional and amateur sporting teams at local, state, and national levels in the sports of Basketball, Rugby and Athletics. He is passionate about the provision of evidence-based musculoskeletal physiotherapy and exercise prescription and is well regarded for his knowledge of orthopaedic rehabilitation, sports injury management and clinical education.

ARCHITECTURE

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Dino Raftopulos (OKG06) Development Project Manager, Lendlease

Dino is a development project manager at Lendlease, a multinational construction, property and infrastructure company. In his current role, Dino is responsible for Design and Project Management, including the full project management lifecycle of commercial and retail fit-out projects, from the engagement and appointment of design and engineering consultants and subcontractors, to contract management, procurement and site safety management.

Prior to joining Lendlease, Dino worked for CPB (Leighton Contractors) – Civil Construction, JLL (Jones Lang LaSalle) – Consulting and MacroPlan Dimasi – Planning, Development and Consulting.

He holds a Bachelor of Design in Architecture (B.Arch) (Allied Arts and Urban Design and Planning) from the University of Sydney and a Master of Construction Project Management (M.CPM) from UNSW. Dino believes in driving your own career opportunities, taking educated risks to further and broaden your career, exploring the many pathways in the design and construction industry, listening to your gut, and investing in finding a mentor.

Jake Dowse (OKG77) Principal Architect, Jake Dowse Architects and Landscape Design

Jake studied a Bachelor of Science (Architecture) 1980 and Bachelor of Architecture 1983 at the University of Sydney. In 1983 following completion of his degree, he started work as a recent graduate for Devine Erby Mazlin (now DEM), a large multidisciplinary firm. In 1986 Jake travelled and worked in the USA, 6 months in Atlanta and 4 months in Hawaii, both in large architectural firms.

Jake returned to Australia and after again working for DEM for a period, went out on his own in 1989 and established Jake Dowse Architects in 1997, which is still operating today. In 2010 Jake spent a year in Italy working on a project on Lake Maggiore. An amazing experience.

Jake also has a real passion for property development and construction and has carried out many of his own works from start to finish. He held a building license for 10 years (1999- 2010) as he built a number of his own projects - both developments and his own homes. He has a development company which undertakes these projects. The effort required to achieve this is enormous however, the rewards are equally great.

AVIATION

James Dale (OKG03) First Officer, Qantas

James is currently a Boeing 737-800 First Officer for Qantas. After graduating from Knox in 2003, he attained a Bachelor of Aviation Management at UNSW while completing his Commercial Pilots License.

James started his flying career as a skydiving pilot on the Sunshine Coast, progressing to work for a major charter company flying Beechcraft Baron and Cessna 402 out of Alice Springs. This included working with the Royal Flying Doctor Service's noncritical aero medical services, servicing over 100 remote destinations. After building up his experience, he was able to take a position with his first airline - Airnorth, based in Darwin. There he became a Captain on the 30-seater EMB120 Brasilia and worked in the Flight Operations Management Team. After 6 years in the Territory, James progressed to flying his first Jet aircraft (737-800) for Virgin Australia based in Auckland, NZ, until finally realising his dream and being accepted into Qantas in 2018. He has progressed from a Second Officer on the Airbus A330 to First Officer on the Boeing 737-800 based in Sydney, where he flies domestic and international operations. James is also involved in the pilot recruitment process for Qantas.

He loves the professionalism of the aviation industry and feels lucky his job has taken him to so many amazing places around the world and Australia. Living the dream!

Mark Wardrop (OKG91) Executive Director, Aviation Logistics

Mark has more than 25 years of business ownership and professional experience, starting out initially in the tourism sector. This involved overseeing business strategies, global marketing, operations, growth and customer service.

Mark is an executive director for Aviation Logistics, the parent company of AirMed/ GroundMed/Macquarie Transport. They are a specialist aeromedical transportation company with a number of State Government patient transport contracts. Aviation Logistics also own Air Link Airlines which operate scheduled services along with domestic and international charter flights.

In 2015 Mark was one of the investors to purchase Chartair in the Northern Territory, a company where he now has a seat on the board. Chartair has been operating in the Northern Territory since 1974 and it holds a number of long-term State and Federal Government contracts.

Mark holds a commercial pilot's license, Flight Instructor rating and is Head of Flight Operations for Air Link Airlines. He is also a volunteer pilot for Little Wings, assisting children with life threatening illnesses to access medical treatment.

Mark is the Vice Chair and Technical Working Group (TWG) Chairman of the Regional Aviation Association of Australia. He is also involved in a number of Civil Aviation Safety Authority working groups.

BUSINESS, ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

Nicholas Delaney (OKG06) Partner, GHR

Nicholas has a Bachelor of Business from the University of Technology, Sydney where he majored in Accounting, Finance and Banking. He is a Certified Practicing Accountant and Financial Planner who holds a Public Practice Certificate. Nicholas joined GHR Accounting Group in 2009 before pursuing a career with the Commonwealth Bank in various analytics and financial control roles. Nicholas returned to GHR in 2016 before being admitted as Partner in 2017.

Nicholas' work at GHR covers a variety of business services including, taxation and structuring, advisory, financial planning, insurance and mortgage broking for individuals, companies, trusts and self-managed super funds. These services are offered to a wide variety of clients across numerous industries including construction, digital/financial trading, hospitality, marine, medical, retail and technology.

Andrew Doherty (OKG85) Director, AssureInvest

Andrew is the Director of AssureInvest which provides outsourced investment management and investment consulting services to advisers, stockbrokers, accountants and high-net worth individuals.

Andrew is an experienced investment professional and innovative business solutions practitioner with more than two decades of experience in financial services. Prior to establishing AssureInvest, Andrew spent 14 years at Morningstar Australasia where, as Head of Equities, he led the equities and credit securities research team in Australia and New Zealand. Andrew was responsible for Morningstar's outperforming equities portfolio management, investment strategy and investment consulting services along with development of research processes.

He has previously worked at investment banks JP Morgan and Deutsche Bank in London and as a fixed income investment manager for Credit Suisse Asset Management in Sydney.

Presently, Andrew also tutors as part of the Master of Applied Finance course at Kaplan Professional Education. Andrew's qualifications include a Master of Business Administration from the Australian Graduate School of Management, and Bachelor and Master of Economics from Macquarie University.

BUSINESS – ENTREPRENEURIAL

Sam Clarke (OKG15) Co-Founder and Head of Growth, Clipboard

Sam Clarke is the Co-Founder and Head of Growth at Clipboard, a software start-up which helps schools manage their extracurricular programs. Clipboard is currently in use in more than 100 schools, located in Australia, including Knox Grammar, as well as in Asia and New Zealand.

Sam started the business with fellow OKG Ed Colyer after both working as basketball coaches at the School. In his role, Sam is responsible for overseeing sales and marketing. Sam holds a Bachelor of Communications (Public Communication) from UTS. He believes that entrepreneurship is the best way to make a significant impact on society and the world at large.

Ed Colyer (OKG13) Co-Founder and Head of Product, Clipboard

Ed Colyer is Head of Product at Clipboard, a system which helps schools run their extracurricular programs. In this role, Ed is responsible for the whole process of designing, planning and building features for the app.

Prior to founding Clipboard with fellow OKG, Sam Clarke, Ed coached basketball at Knox, worked in sales at a software company called rhipe, and he worked for Chadwick Real Estate.

He holds a Bachelor of Commerce (Marketing) and Bachelor of Science (Computer Science) from the University of Sydney.

Ed is passionate about technology and its potential to solve big problems.

BUSINESS – MANAGEMENT CONSULTANCY

Alex Shaw (OKG10) Associate Director - Management Consulting (Financial Services), KPMG

Alex joined KPMG as an Intern on China Business in 2016, after graduating from the University of Sydney, where his studies included a 12-month intensive language program at Zhejiang University in Hangzhou, China.

He moved into Digital Communications at KPMG in his first year with the firm, then into Management Consulting from 2018. In his current role, Alex consults to Australian financial services businesses (banks, insurance companies and other financial institutions), assisting their planning and execution of major business transformations (such as regulatory response programs, digital transformations, technology implementations, offices of mergers, demergers and acquisitions and agile consulting).

Alex also works on the engagement and financial management of consulting work (client engagements) for KPMG and develops thought leadership and client engagement throughout the financial services industry. He also leads junior team members.

James Geldens (OKG13) Manager, PWC Government and Public Sector Consulting

James is a Manager in PwC Australia's Government, Health and Infrastructure consulting practice. He primarily works in the skills and education space, collaborating with Government and Public Sector clients to drive large-scale transformation and workforce development initiatives which help to equip Australians and Australian businesses with the skills they'll need for the future of work. He studied a Bachelor of Business at UTS.

CREATIVE AND DESIGN

Stephen Ryan (OKG78) Principal, Freeman Ryan Design (FRD)

Graduating in Architecture, Stephen has over 35 years working in the development of museums and cultural tourism around the world.

FRD is a museum expert company delivering outstanding service to museums and cultural enterprises globally. Stephen's extensive experience includes master planning, curatorial development, strategic marketing, institutional guidance, conservation planning, museum programming, visitor experience design and project management.

The team at FRD comprises highly qualified and experienced creative/production professionals including architects, exhibition designers, industrial and graphic designers, writers, curators, researchers, conservators, multimedia producers and interactive developers. The result provides their clients with sustainable heritage outcomes by creating complete visitor experiences that integrate effective communication and engaging storytelling.

Stephen's reputation is for a creative, integrated approach to interpretative communication using a wide range of digital and traditional media. His approach is built on an in-depth understanding of the needs of visitors, and on using the content and collection to drive sustainable heritage and cultural tourism solutions.

Cameron Spencer (OKG95) Chief Photographer, Getty Images Australia

Cameron is a Walkley award-winning Chief Photographer at Getty Images in Sydney, Australia.

In 1999 Cameron attained a Bachelor of 'Visual Communication' majoring in photography, and his career began working as an assistant and freelance photographer. In 2002 Cameron started working at Getty Images in Sydney as a Picture Desk editor, then Assignments Editor and, after many weekends being mentored by several senior Getty Images photographers and industry leaders, in 2004 the self-confessed sports fanatic became a staff photographer specialising in photographing sport and portraiture.

Over the past two decades, Cameron has covered major events including eight Olympic Games, four Commonwealth Games, four Rugby World Cups, two Asian Beach Games, two New Zealand Winter Games, two IAAF World Athletics Championships, the FIFA World Cup in South Africa and Brazil and International Cricket including the ICC One Day World Cup and multiple Ashes test series.

Cameron's work is regularly published in newspapers, magazines and online around the world. Publications include *The Sydney Morning Herald, The Australian, The Daily Telegraph, The Independent, The Times, The Washington Post, The New York Times, Inside Sport and Sports Illustrated.*

CYBER AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

Peter Bokor (OKG09) Operational Resilience and Cyber Assurance, Synergy Group

Peter is currently a Senior Manager at Synergy Group within their Assurance team, performing Operational Resilience and Cyber Assurance functions. He works with clients to support the growth and development of their technology capabilities and especially enjoys supporting Government National Security clients.

Previously, Peter was the ACT Regional Manager for Security at ASG Group. He specialised in providing tailored cyber and technology risk services to support Federal departments, private businesses and critical infrastructure. Peter has previously worked with the Big 4 consulting firms and specialised boutique companies. As a member of the Security Branch, Peter has worked with clients around the country in different industries, including the Department of Defence, the Department of Home Affairs, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, private enterprise and international technology companies.

Peter holds two Masters Degrees from Macquarie University - a Master of Policing, Intelligence and Counter Terrorism and a Master of International Security Studies (Specialising in Counter Terrorism). Peter has a Bachelor of Arts (in Military History) from UNSW, a Certificate in Military Leadership from Canberra Institute of Technology, and a Certificate in Government Investigations.

Before joining the consulting industry, Peter was a member of the Australian Defence Force in the Australian Army. It was here Peter developed skills in self-discipline, time management, attention to detail and a 'team-before-me' attitude. The lessons learnt and experiences gained at Knox have built a task-oriented mentality to work which Peter believes is critical in any workplace, regardless of industry. Peter's career interests are in the Department of Defence, National Security, Counter Terrorism and Intelligence.

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Ben Macoun (OKG04) Executive Manager, Data Breach and Supplier Security, CBA

Ben is an experienced cyber security professional specialising in supplier security, data privacy and incident response. Ben has worked in Commonwealth Bank's Cyber Security function for the last eight years. Currently, he has the role of Executive Manager, leading a team of approximately 20 cyber experts tasked with strengthening the security posture of the Bank's suppliers and responding to data breaches and supplier security incidents.

Before moving into the emerging field of Cyber Security, Ben practiced as a solicitor at law firm Henry Davis York (which has since merged with Norton Rose) specialising in Banking and Insolvency Litigation and Advisory. Ben continues to hold a legal practising certificate and he still uses the skills he learnt while working in the legal profession every day.

Ben is passionate about protecting Australia's critical infrastructure from cyber threats and creating an environment as a leader where his team feels supported and love what they do.

DEFENCE FORCE

Lieutenant Commander (LCDR) Matthew Stobo Royal Australian Navy (RAN)

LCDR Stobo joined the RAN in 2010, where he attended the Royal Australian Naval College. He then conducted training on HMA Ships Kanimbla, Stuart, Glenelg and Maryborough prior to completing his Junior Warfare Application Course in 2012 and being awarded his Bridge Warfare Certificate in HMAS Newcastle. During his time in Newcastle, LCDR Stobo was deployed to operations SLIPPER and RESOLUTE, as well as a number of multinational exercises. He was then posted as an instructor to the School of Navigation Warfare at HMAS Watson conducting course co-ordination and instructing navigation to junior warfare officers. LCDR Stobo was then a member of the commissioning crew of HMAS Hobart where he was involved with test and trials, introduction into service and the establishment of class-wide procedures for the RAN's Guided Missile Destroyers.

During 2019, LCDR Stobo completed the RAN Principle Warfare Officer's Course at Watson and on graduation was awarded the CEA Prize for Dux of Systems Technology and Combat System Training. He then posted to HMAS Brisbane as the Air Defence Officer and Operations Officer participating in both domestic and international exercises, as well as regional presence deployment to the Indo-Pacific. In January 2022, LCDR Stobo assumed his current role as the Fleet Gunnery Officer with Sea Training Group where he is responsible for fleet training and assessment of Air Warfare, Naval Gunnery, Maritime Interdiction Operations and Force Protection.

COL Stuart Cree, CSC (Current Parent) Army Officer, Australian Army

COL Cree joined the Army in 1994 and subsequently graduated from the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) and then the Royal Military College – Duntroon (RMC).

COL Cree is an armoured cavalry officer with experience across tank, cavalry, aviation, engineer and headquarters units. His time as a junior officer was focused on tank commanding, while his time as a senior officer has been focused on training delivery, including postings as the Commanding Officer of the School of Armour and later as the Director, Training Systems.

He has had operational deployments to East Timor, Afghanistan and Iraq; and, has also served in the United Kingdom and the United States.

COL Cree was awarded a Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC) in the 2022 Queen's Birthday Honours List for his efforts to modernise Army Training and Education.

He holds a Bachelor of Science, a Graduate Diploma in Military Technology and Masters degrees in Strategy and Policy, as well as International Relations.

EDUCATION

Sam White (OKG04) Head of Junior Academy and History Teacher, Knox Grammar School

Having graduated from Knox in 2004, Sam completed a Bachelor of Social Science, majoring in Anthropology, in 2007. Following this, he travelled extensively around the world for six months before deciding that his passions and skill set were well suited to a career in education and teaching.

Sam then completed a Master of Arts, majoring in History, followed by a Graduate Diploma in Education. Having been involved as a Rugby (1st XV Assistant Coach in 2011) and Basketball Coach, Cadet Officer and Assistant Housemaster in Stage 6 Boarding at Knox in his final years of study, Sam was successful in securing a job as a full-time teacher at Knox in 2012.

Sam has gone on to teach History, including Ancient and Extension History for Years 11 and 12, care for students as a Mentor, serve as the Officer Commanding Alpha Company in the Cadet Unit and operate as the MIC of Debating, Public Speaking, Mock Trial and Mooting. Sam has also had the opportunity to lead the inaugural Knox Kokoda Trip in 2014 and attend two History Tours to Europe.

From an educational leadership perspective, Sam has had the opportunity to contribute and develop Knox students through the positions of Assistant Team Leader and Team Leader of the Class of 2019, Head of Student Leadership (Years 7-12), Director of Student Development for Stage 6 and now is the Head of Junior Academy (Stage 4). In his current role, Sam leads, and has oversight of, the Junior Academy together with the associated staff and 700+ Year 7 and Year 8 students. In this role Sam still teaches one senior Ancient History class.

Sam loves that education provides the opportunity to let research inform practice, plan with a future-focused lens, work with and develop young people to meet the everchanging needs and challenges of our society and world, teach about your passion and experience so many different leadership and interest opportunities with a continually changing clientele.

Hugo Engele (OKG04) Director of Co-Curricula, St Aloysius' College

Hugo Engele is the Director of Co-Curricula and a College Executive member at St Aloysius' College, Milsons Point. Hugo leads the strategic development and implementation of learning experiences which are extensions of the classroom, such as Drama, Music, Cadets, Duke of Edinburgh, Debating, Public Speaking, Da Vinci Decathlon, Tournament of Minds, Engineering and Sport across the College's Junior and Senior Schools.

Prior to joining St Aloysius' College, Hugo held several operational, sport and pastoral leadership roles at Shore School, Waverley College and Trinity Grammar School. Passionate about student character development which transcends all areas of the educational experience, Hugo currently chairs the Companions in Learning Program. This program fosters opportunities for the formation of deep respectful relationships between girls and boys through co-educational experiences in a single-sex school setting.

Hugo completed a Bachelor of Education (Secondary) (Human Movement and Health Education) at the University of Sydney, a Master of Educational Leadership from UNSW, the Senior Executive Program at the Association of Independent Schools (AIS), the National Flagship Program from the Association of Independent School's Leadership Centre (the Centre) and he is also a panellist for the Centre. A proud Knox Old Boy, Hugo graduated in the Class of 2004.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Walter (Wally) Howard (OKG80) Senior Analyst/Instructor, Australian Federal Police (AFP), School of Criminal Intelligence

Wally commenced with the Australian Customs Service (ACS) in 1983, working as an enforcement officer in the maritime, patrol and airport environments. He joined the Intelligence Branch in 1991, qualifying in intelligence craft, surveillance and human source handling.

Wally joined the AFP in 2007. He has worked as an analyst within General Operations, as well as in the areas of fraud, drug laboratories, counter-terrorism investigations and money laundering. While working with the National Anti-Gang Squad (NAGS), Wally has investigated outlaw motorcycle gangs with the NSW Police Strike Force Raptor.

Wally has travelled extensively, representing the AFP at various domestic and international conferences as a subject matter expert in South-East Asian Organised Crime and synthetic drugs.

Wally is also currently a senior instructor with the AFP's School of Criminal Intelligence, training Australian and overseas law enforcement intelligence officers and developing various training programs.

Superintendent Robert Toynton (OKG95) Commander of Traffic for South West NSW

Superintendent Robert Toynton is a Commander of Traffic for South-West NSW. Having commenced training at the NSW Police Academy in 1999, Superintendent Toynton has been a member of the NSW Police Force for more than 23 years and a Commissioned Officer for more than 10 years. During this time, he has worked across a variety of areas including investigations, event operations management, but his main responsibilities have been in Road Policing.

In February 2016 Superintendent Toynton took on the role of Operations Manager for the Traffic Support Group at the Traffic and Highway Patrol Command, where he focused on improving compliance standards in the Heavy Vehicle Industry as well as managing traffic flows on Sydney's Orbital network through high visibility enforcement and encouragement. His current responsibilities span four geographical commands, and he has more than 280 members of the NSW Police Force reporting to him.

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Superintendent Toynton holds a Bachelor of Policing from Charles Sturt University and Graduate Certificate, Applied Management (Police and Emergency Services) from the Australian Institute of Police Management.

Lachlan Bell (OKG05) Qualified Paramedic and Clinical Training Officer, NSW Ambulance

Lachlan is a qualified Paramedic at Blacktown Superstation and Clinical Training Officer (CTO) for Western Sydney, Nepean and Blue Mountains with NSW Ambulance. His career in health began after studying Nursing at Western Sydney University, completing his Honours through University of Tasmania and then gaining experience as a Critical Care Nurse in Emergency at Royal North Shore Hospital. From here, Lachlan completed Post Graduate studies in Paramedic Practice and Prehospital Medicine at Charles Sturt University. After completing his studies, he gained employment as a Paramedic Intern at Castle Hill station.

After completing his Paramedic Internship, Lachlan gained permanent employment as a Qualified Paramedic at Blacktown Superstation where he coordinated support programs for new staff, became involved in station management and assisted in learning programs for paramedics. Lachlan completed his Certificate IV in Training and Assessment and was employed as a CTO where he would further develop paramedics in the field, whilst also doing some formal education at the NSW Ambulance State Headquarters.

Lachlan is a clinical leader, educator and first responder providing front-line, highquality out-of-hospital care, medical retrieval and health-related transport for the sick and injured in both emergency and non-emergency settings. Lachlan responded to the evolving COVID pandemic whilst in the areas of highest concern and assisted in developing programs to further assist those with varying levels of illness/injury. In his daily work, he is required to assess and document patients' health and medical needs to determine and provide a provisional diagnosis and implement appropriate pre-hospital care, identify broader health care and social needs of the patient and liaise with other emergency services, health professionals and mental health workers. With the world now largely accepting COVID is here to stay, paramedics have evolved rapidly to provide higher levels of primary health care, thus easing some of the strain on the health system.

ENGINEERING

Scott Connor (OKG99) Construction Manager / Main Projects and Tunnelling, CPB Contractors

Scott left Knox in 1999 and before starting university, was selected for a 12-month Rotary Youth Exchange scholarship in Germany. On return, he commenced a Bachelor of Engineering (Civil) and Bachelor of Arts (Business German) degree at University of Sydney. During his studies, Scott joined the Leighton Group (now CIMIC) working within the Hochtief-led delivery team of the Epping-Chatswood Rail Line (ECRL) project. This pivotal opportunity propelled his career in tunnelling and management of complex infrastructure projects.

Since completion of the ECRL project in 2006, Scott has worked around Australia and abroad delivering major infrastructure projects ranging from hydro, rail, oil and gas and road transport infrastructure. Over this time, he has refined his skills working in teams of diverse cultural backgrounds and with clients, both private and public. Through this spectrum of projects, he has become familiar with various contractual and risk-transfer frameworks from traditional contracting to PPP to alliance models.

Scott has recently achieved a career highpoint, leading his project team to successfully deliver 8.1km twin TBM tunnels from Marrickville to Barangaroo through Sydney's CBD as part of the \$2.96B Sydney Metro City and Southwest Tunnels and Stations Excavation (TSE) contract. In this role, Scott led a multiple-site-based team of over 300 staff and workforce delivering underground and surface construction works operating twenty-four hours a day.

Scott continues to work with CIMIC's CPB Contractor's Major Projects and Tunnelling Business and is involved in pre-contracts bidding for the Sydney Metro West Eastern Tunnel Package project.

Justin Tzannes (OKG07) Structural Engineer, Richard + Ross Pty Ltd

Justin is a Structural Engineer with Richard + Ross Pty Ltd. He has more than 5 years' experience in structural design, where he has collaborated with architects to coordinate the complete structural design drawings for a variety of residential buildings, including low-rise and high density projects.

Justin has conducted more than 600 structural inspections of the reinforced concrete elements of projects, and over 1,100 formwork inspections, and been involved in an extremely wide array of formwork design and certification checks, including of unique design solutions used to overcome building obstacles.

Individually, Justin has also certified concrete slabs at more than 50 different construction sites. He has experience with the modelling and design of concrete slabs on the software AUTOCAD. Prior to taking on his first role as a Structural Engineer, Justin was employed as a graduate Engineer at Moree Shire Council. He holds a Bachelor of Civil Engineering from the University of Sydney.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABILITY

Mark Avery (OKG83) CEO, Bell Resources

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Mark Avery is the Founder, Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of Bell Resources – a clean energy company focused on developing energy and resources for the electric vehicle market. A graduate of Bond University, Mark worked as a corporate advisor before founding Bell Resources in 2017.

Mark is an experienced business leader, with extensive experience across a range of diversified industries, including property, childcare and legal. He has a strong background in business aggregation where he has been directly involved in the development, restructure, merger and/or acquisition of various companies across a number of industries. Mark has previously served as an Executive Director of an ASX listed company, which he co-founded. He also brings to Bell Resources skills and experience in multi-site corporate integration of small businesses.

Mark is a non-practising solicitor and currently holds an Australian practising certificate, having graduated with a Bachelor of Laws and a Master of Business Administration from Bond University. Mark Avery was awarded with a Law Scholarship from Bond University in 1997. He is also member of the NSW Law Society.

Mark Adams (OKG90) Ecologist and Executive Director

Mark Adams is an ecologist with a Masters in Environmental Law, who specialises in environmental planning and natural resource management. He has over 25 years' experience as a professional environmental practitioner across Australia operating at Federal, State and Local Government levels and within private industry.

Mark has managed several environmental consulting practices including Eco Logical Australia, the largest ecological consulting group in Australia. This has led to broader experiences in developing, empowering, and managing people and growing and selling professional service firms and businesses.

Mark's technical expertise has seen him design and navigate complex regulatory environments as a proponent, regulator and consultant. He has been involved in the development of government policy, executing conservation strategies and major infrastructure project delivery. This industry exposure extends to most sectors in the economy from urban development, rail infrastructure, wind farm developments, hydroelectric power generation, large integrated water savings projects, gas-fired power stations, landfills, and commercial and industrial developments.

Previously working for conservation agencies, Mark was responsible for developing management plans for iconic protected areas across Australia, including the Kosciuszko National Park, the NSW Ski Resorts State Environmental Planning Policy (DoP), Uluru, Keep River National Park (NT), Sydney Catchment Special Areas (Drinking Water Supply) together with numerous vegetation and rehabilitation plans for offsetting and conservation sites across NSW.

Mark possesses strong technical skills in ecology, restoration and environmental planning and policy which are complemented by a pragmatic, down to earth approach, and a strong ethical drive. Mark is currently an executive director of a private trust whose purpose is to restore endangered ecological communities.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Paul Gladigau (OKG85) Chief Technology Officer, Aus/NZ, Equifax

Paul Gladigau is a senior technology executive with more than 33 years' experience delivering value-based services. Recently appointed as Chief Technology Officer at Equifax, a consumer credit reporting agency, Paul is responsible for the region's technology strategy and execution in line with regional and global strategies. He leads a team of technology employees, contractors and partners, who will deliver Equifax's Transformation roadmap and drive operational excellence. Paul works at the forefront of technologies and techniques including agile, cloud, cyber defence, artificial intelligence and machine learning.

Prior to joining Equifax, Paul was General Manager of Technology Service Management at CBA and he has previously held executive technology roles at JPMorgan, BlackRock, Barclays and IBM. Paul holds a Bachelor of Applied Science (Comp Science) from UTS and an Executive MBA from AGSM.

Dr Tom Porter (OKG08) Senior Data Scientist, Boston Consulting Group

Dr Tom Porter is a data scientist passionate about Artificial Intelligence (Al). Tom holds a PhD in Statistics and has extensive experience in the field, with a background which includes work in academia, insurance, and now as a Senior Data Scientist at Boston Consulting Group. With almost 10 years of experience, Tom has a unique data analysis and modelling perspective, and a deep understanding of how Al can be leveraged to drive impactful solutions.

Tom will share his journey to becoming a successful data scientist, offering valuable insights and advice for those interested in pursuing a career in this exciting field.

LAW

Bill Spain (OKG78) Partner and Chairman, Gilbert + Tobin

Bill is the chairman of national corporate law firm Gilbert+Tobin. He has been a partner of Gilbert + Tobin since shortly after its founding in 1988. During that time it has grown from 20 or so people to approaching 1000 people today, located in Sydney, Melbourne and Perth. G+T (as it is known) is regarded as one of the elite transactional law firms in Australia and the most successful law firm to have been established in the last 35 years.

In his leadership role at G+T Bill is focused on the future state of the legal industry, including attracting the best talent and providing them with every opportunity in which to grow and maximise their potential in a rapidly changing business and social environment. Apart from his leadership role at G+T, Bill specialises in corporate and M&A work, especially in the communication, media and technology sectors. He works extensively for Telstra, media companies such as Fox and Warner Bros and also with both the NSW Government and the Commonwealth Government.

Edward Gregory (OKG08) Legal Counsel, AirTree

Ed currently works as a Legal Counsel at AirTree, where he is responsible for advising on the various funds' investments and exits, providing ongoing support to portfolio investments, assisting with fund raising and administration, and providing ad hoc general commercial legal assistance.

Prior to joining AirTree, Ed was a Senior Lawyer in LegalVision's corporate and capital raising team, specialising in business structuring, capital raising, M&A, and general corporate advice. Ed advised a range of clients, including founders, startups, SMEs, investors, incubators, and international corporations. Before LegalVision, Ed also worked at the engineering firm Arup, joining its in-house legal team. It was at Arup Ed became interested in tech and the startup space.

Ed studied at Macquarie University, where he received a Bachelor of International Studies with a Bachelor of Laws (hons.). He started his legal career working at Dentons, first as a paralegal, then as a graduate in the Litigation and Real Estate teams, and finally settling as a lawyer in the Corporate team. While at Dentons, Ed undertook a number of secondments, working at Westpac, Amazon Web Services and TNT.

MEDICINE

Dr Andrew Wines (OKG87) Orthopaedic Surgeon

Dr Andrew Wines is an Orthopaedic Surgeon subspecialising in the treatment of foot and ankle disorders. He left Knox in 1987 when he was School Captain, SUO and Captain of Rugby. He attended the University of Sydney where he was Senior Student of St Andrews College, and a member of the Boards of the Student Union and the Sports Union. He obtained his Fellowship from the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons in 2003, and did post fellowship training in Dublin, Bristol and Oxford. He is a partner at the North Sydney Orthopaedic and Sports Medicine Clinic, and holds appointments at Royal North Shore, Ryde, Dubbo, Northern Beaches, North Shore Private, the SAN, the Mater, Castlecrag Private and Dubbo Private Hospitals.

Dr Wines has been a member of the council of the Medical Benevolent Association of New South Wales for 25 years, is Chair of the New South Wales Branch of the Australian Orthopaedic Association and is a Churchill Fellow.

Dr Greg Roger (OKG78) Founder of Allegra Orthopaedics and Vestech Medical

Dr Greg Roger, after completing his medical degree at the University of Sydney, undertook a Master of Engineering and went on to acquire a history of medical device innovation culminating in co-designing and developing the highly successful Active Knee Prosthesis (first implanted in 1992 and now with more than 30 years of safe clinical use in Australia, USA, UK, Europe and Asia) and the RCI Screw for ACL Reconstruction, still in use world-wide. Dr Roger was appointed Adjunct A/Prof at the University of Sydney's Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies and has received numerous awards, including the 2004 Clunies Ross Award.

Dr Roger continues to work on medical device design innovations and commercialisation, including founding the now listed firm, Allegra Orthopaedics, and has since founded Vestech Medical, a company helping inventors and start-ups in the field of medical device innovation.

In addition to serving on the Department of Industry's committee for awarding R&D Grants, Dr Roger was appointed by the Federal Government as Advocate for Medical Devices in 2013. Dr Roger holds numerous patents and has published widely in peer reviewed literature.

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POLITICS AND POLICY

Doug Wyllie (OKG08) Manager of Public Affairs, Federal Chamber of Automotive Industries

Doug is Manager of Public Affairs at the Federal Chamber of Automotive Industries (FCAI). The FCAI represents all car, motorcycle and scooter manufacturers selling in the Australian marketplace and links these organisations with policy decision makers. As Manager of Public Affairs, Doug handles all public facing elements of this work.

Prior to joining the FCAI Doug was Assistant Adviser and then Adviser to The Hon. David Littleproud MP when he was Minister for Agriculture and Emergency Management. Doug worked in a team of two Advisers on the Emergency Management Portfolio. He held this role throughout the 2019-20 Black Summer, 2020 NSW/QLD floods and the Royal Commission into Government Responses to Natural Disasters.

Before the Minister's office, Doug worked in the not-for-profit sector. He was Duty Manager at a homeless men's shelter and then became a case manager for a prison rehabilitation program called 'Throughcare.' He then joined batyr, a youth mental health organisation where he managed partnerships with universities around Australia.

Doug graduated from the Australian National University in 2013 with a Bachelor of Arts.

Justin McLean (OKG05) Principal Policy Officer, NSW Police

Justin is a Principal Policy Officer in the Legislation and Policy Branch, Office of the Commissioner, NSW Police Force. His team leads and advises on a range of policy and legislative projects impacting the NSW Police Force and community safety.

He has over 10 years' experience in policy roles in NSW Government departments including Transport for NSW, the Department of Justice and the NSW Police Force. Justin has worked on legislative reform projects in key policy areas of road safety, serious and organised crime, firearms licensing, child protection, illicit drugs and domestic and family violence. Prior to his public service career, Justin completed a Bachelor of Laws and a Bachelor of Social Science at UNSW.

PSYCHOLOGY

Simon Turmanis (OKG95) Principal Psychologist + Clinical Director, ST&A Psychology

Simon Turmanis is a Clinical Psychologist who has 18 years' experience working with adults, adolescents, and children with various psychological problems/issues. Passionate about helping others, Simon currently works in his private practice ST&A Psychology, with people who are struggling, to help them understand their suffering. Issues for which Simon has and continues to provide therapeutic treatments include: anxiety, depression, stress, drug and alcohol, grief and loss, PTSD, adjustment, anger, ADHD and many more.

Prior to founding his private practice, Simon worked with inpatients and outpatients in a private psychiatric hospital, and within the public health system, including Royal North Shore's Unit of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Queenscliff Mental Health Centre's Adolescent Service.

Simon completed a Master of Clinical Psychology at Macquarie University in 2004, after a year working as a psychologist in occupational rehabilitation, and graduating with Honours in Psychology and becoming a member of the Australian Psychological Society (APS) in 2001. Simon is also a member of the Australian Clinical Psychology Association (ACPA), and registered with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) as a Clinical Psychologist and Supervisor. He is also a member of the Association of Contextual Behavioural Science (ACBS).

Steve Bennetts (Current Parent) Head of Growth and Strategy Employee Experience for Qualtrics in Asia-Pacific and Japan (APJ)

Steve Bennetts is a registered psychologist and board approved supervisor with a Master of Organisational Psychology (UQ) and Master of Criminology (Bond University).

Steve is the Head of Growth and Strategy, Employee Experience for Qualtrics in Asia-Pacific and Japan (APJ), leading a team of specialists in guiding organisations to optimise the experience of employees at every point in the employee journey. He is one of the region's most experienced Employee Experience specialists having played a crucial role in launching and developing the Experience Management category in APJ.

Steve is an international speaker who specialises in employee experience and human-centred technologies. He has been featured in many media outlets, including Forbes, BBC Asia, AFR, HRD, Inside HR, and Money FM. Steve is widely regarded by businesses and governments as the go-to source in helping organisations design and improve their employee experiences in the post-pandemic world of work.

REAL ESTATE AND PROPERTY

James Rendall (OKG97) Director, Development Management, CapitaLand Australia

Over more than 20 years, James' career has spanned varied and interesting property sectors, including: property development, investment management, capital transactions, project management and consulting, corporate real estate and property management. He has worked for Australian listed property companies, ANZ Banking Group, the University of Sydney, property advisory and major international property companies. Through these roles, James has gained in-depth market knowledge and exposure to a wide range of asset classes including: industrial and logistics, commercial office, educational, residential (social housing, student accommodation, 'develop to sell' and 'build to rent' apartments, broad acre land and housing) and life sciences.

His core strengths and skills include negotiation and structuring, asset valuation, planning and development management, business development and government relations, portfolio planning and acquisition management.

James will speak about the role of property professionals in strategic decision-making, and the opportunities for personal and professional growth which emerge from the constant evolution of the market. A career in property involves building relationships and networking with a variety of people, from clients to industry professionals, and offers opportunity to work either in teams or independently.

Will Jackson (OKG08) Office Leasing Manager, Cushman and Wakefield

Will currently works as an Office Leasing Manager at Cushman and Wakefield, where he is responsible for the letting-up of commercial office assets focusing on the North Shore.

He provides professional property advice to both private and institutional landlords on how best to position their assets and fill their vacancies. He also assists tenants source new premises through thorough market advice and negotiating market terms.

Will joined Cushman and Wakefield after graduating from UTS with a Bachelor of Property Economics. He has been at the company for over 7 years, working in the Investment Sales team, then the Industrial Leasing team (prior to his current role).

Will is actively involved in the wider commercial property industry organising many events, including founding PropertySki - a 250+ attendee commercial property industry snow weekend in Thredbo, raising money for White Ribbon in their fight against domestic violence.

SPORTS MANAGEMENT AND COACHING

David Gregory (OKG06) Head of Strategy APAC, Octagon

David has over 10 years' experience in the sports marketing industry, with a unique mix of project management, events, content production and sponsorship strategy experience.

Octagon is a global creative marketing agency specialising in sport, entertainment and culture. They help brands reach their audiences through passion-based sponsorships and marketing campaigns. David is the head of Strategy in APAC, leading the development of sponsorship strategies, partnership selection and negotiation, fan research and analytics, and partnership measurement.

In his time, he has worked for and with a variety of local and global blue chip brands, sports organisations and entertainment groups, brokering and executing effective brand partnerships.

Chris Abbott (OKG10) Head of Strength and Conditioning - NPL, Western Sydney Wanderers

Chris who recently joined the Wanderers, is also the owner of Amplitude Performance – a strength and conditioning service working with a range of athletes but specialising with football, swimming and golf athletes and he is currently studying a Masters in Exercise Science (Strength and Conditioning).

Chris was first enrolled in a Bachelor of Marketing at ACU before having to leave due to a medical episode. Whilst recovering, Chris applied for, and received, a scholarship at ICMS in Business and Sport Management and has since completed internships at Football Australia, The Australian Olympic Committee and more recently with Athletes Authority and Rugby Australia with the Women's 7's Program. Chris played golf at State Amateur Championship level and coached Football at NPL 1 club Manly United with the U18's and also S&C with Women's First Grade.

The experiences Chris has had within his degree(s), playing, training and recovering from injuries, lit the fire in him to start his own business - Amplitude Performance. First starting as a PT at Fitness First and now with elite athletes from a range of sports. Coaching and improving athletes is his life but it took a while for him to work out this is what he truly loved.

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TECHNICAL AND TRADES

Alastair Koenig (OKG10) Managing Director, Eltrix

Since becoming a licensed electrician in 2009, Alastair has developed a strong rapport with clients and suppliers. He is known as a knowledgeable professional with a strong work ethic and a hands-on approach. By focusing on his clients' requirements, Alastair has developed a reputation for his reliability and commitment to completing jobs to an excellent standard. He oversees the procurement of new business and project management, ensuring projects stay within budget and the assigned time frame.

Alastair is proactively involved in projects, often seen on-site, providing support and help for team members. He enjoys a challenge, seeing it as an opportunity to find a new, fresh solution rather than rely on outdated methods.

Alastair's dedication to his clients, partners, and contractors has established Eltrix as a reputable leader in the industry with a view toward growth and future expansion.

James Morton (OKG04) Builder/Director, Bid Projects

James is a builder, carpenter and the co-director of Bid Projects, a high-end building company based on Sydney's Lower North Shore. James brings a unique approach to the building game with a previous career in Industrial Design which complements his offering as a builder.

Graduating in 2009 with a Bachelor of Industrial Design, he began his career at Ideal Industrial as a Junior Designer. He progressed on to work at Breville in 2015 as a Senior Designer. During his design career, James worked on a wide variety of successful and multi- award-winning products, with his experience extending across consumer electronics, home appliances, heavy hardware, low-tech medical devices, fast moving consumer goods, retail, packaging, banking payments and transport.

James decided to shift his career focus back to his first passion of carpentry. As a mature aged student, James fast tracked his apprenticeship, completing his Certificate III in Carpentry in 2019. He continued working on a variety of building sites and achieved his Certificate IV in Building and Construction in 2021.

James is dedicated to building well-designed projects with a high degree of care, consideration and attention to detail, all the while being at the forefront of emerging technologies and building approaches.

