

ST URSULA'S COLLEGE, YEPPPOON

Decades on Display during College Open Day

St Ursula's College, Yeppoon, opened its campus to the Community on Saturday 5 May, as part of its Centenary Celebrations.

Doors to the Decades, a unique memorabilia display that showcased the College's history throughout each decade, was one of the star attractions of Open Day.

Over 1000 people walked through the College's Queen Street gates and enjoyed music ensembles, a flash mob dance performance, Devonshire Tea, refreshments, and multiple workshops.

St Ursula's College, Principal, Mrs Catherine Dunbar, said Open Day was as much for current students, as it was for past students.

"A dedicated group of students volunteered their lunchtimes to organise many areas of the entertainment and workshops, and spent time during Open Day, actively engaged with past pupils," Mrs Dunbar said.

"Intense planning for the Centenary was undertaken by a dedicated committee over the past two years."

"The College wanted as many people as possible to come together, 'reconnect', and celebrate 100 years of providing secondary education to young women," said Mrs Dunbar.

"Past students travelled from Japan, New Zealand, and the United States to celebrate this occasion with us."

Past pupils kindly donated and lent their cherished memorabilia to the College's vast archives collection in the lead up to the Centenary, and Sr Marion Kingston, past Principal, spent many hours archiving and arranging items in order.

"Our Major Sponsors, Bold Architecture and Interior Design, Rockhampton Business Machines, Yeppoon Betta Home Living, JM Handley Builders, and Bidfood Rockhampton, were integral to the success of our Centenary," Mrs Dunbar said.

"We are grateful for the sponsorship received from many local businesses and organisations: Keily's Electrical, Jacques Coastal Meats, Rides N Slides, Yeppoon Family Practice, Nextra Yeppoon, Signs at Yeppoon, Baker Moller Moran Tailored Bar Services, Morrison CQ Agencies, Livingstone Shire Council, Keppel Bay Sailing Club, St Ursula's College P&F Association, The Men's Shed, Captain Nemo's, Woolworths Yeppoon, MotherLove, Coffee of Capricorn, Surfside Motel, and Norm Graff Engraving."

Open Day concluded at 2.30pm, with the College Campus transformed into a starry wonderland in time for Saturday evening's gala event, *Centenary Under the Stars*.

Memories Dinner, a two-course seated Centenary function, was held on Saturday evening, at the Yeppoon Town Hall.