

**OLD PAULIANS' ASSOCIATION  
SEREMBAN**

**ANNUAL REPORT 2016**

**1 Annual General Meeting**

The Old Paulians' Association ("The Association") held its 90th Annual General Meeting ("AGM") on 29th March 2016 at 11.00 a.m. at St. Paul's Institution (Primary), Jalan Sungai Ujong, 70200 Seremban ("SPI Primary") with a turnout of 33 members. The quorum required as per rule 9.5 of OPA's constitution was 20.

**2 Management Committee Meetings**

Thirteen Management Committee Meetings were held ("Meetings") since the AGM. The details of the attendance of each Committee member are as follows:

Name/Date	12/1	18/2	28/4	19/5	16/6	4/7	21/7	4/8	11/8	24/8	15/9	13/10	29/12	%
Mr David Wee	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%
Mr Ng Yee Tim	1	1	1	1	1	1	@	1	@	1	1	1	1	85%
Dr. Ganakumaran S	@	1	@	1	1	1	1	1	@	@	@	1	1	62%
Mr. Steven Chan	@	@	1	1	1	1	1	1	@	@	@	@	1	54%
Mr Lee Kok Keong	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%
Dato' Lai See Ming	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%
Mr R. Sawarimutthu	1	1	1	1	@	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	92%
Mr. Yam Kait Wah	1	@	@	1	1	1	1	1	1	@	1	@	1	69%
Mr. Tan Kok Chin	@	1	@	@	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	77%
Daniel Chow	@	1	@	@	1	@	@	@	@	1	@	@	1	31%
Capt Adrian Abraham	@	@	@	@	0	1	@	@	@	1	@	1	@	23%
1 = present      0 = absent      @ = Absent with apologies														

Tan Sri Dato' Chan Choong Tak is the Patron cum Advisor to the Association.

The Association is updated on the activities, developments and affairs of St Paul's Institution, Primary ("SPI Primary") and SPI Secondary by their respective Heads, Mr Santhanasamy Amaladas ("Mr Santhana") and Ms Lucy Magaret Ratnam ("Ms Lucy") during the Meetings.

2.1 The Sub Committees are as follow:

**A. Mr Ng Yee Tim (Lasallian Liaison & Recreation)**

During the year, the following 4 trips were organised for the Association's members and their spouses/ friends.

Date	Days	Destination	Participants
16th – 27th April	12	Spain & Portugal	32
16th – 18th September	3	Betong (Thailand)	30
2nd – 6th November	5	Chiangmai & Chiangrai	20
29th – 30th November	2	Kukup (Johore)	27

The expenses for the trips detailed above were borne by the members.

Bro. Gustavo Ramez, a Councillor to Malaysia visited both the primary and secondary schools. This visit was followed by a lunch appointment with the OPA Management Committee and both the Heads of our alma mater.

**B. Mr Steven Chan Weng Choy (Sports Committee)**

The Association is affiliated to the Negeri Sembilan Badminton Association, Persatuan Badminton Daerah Seremban (represented by Mr Lee Kok Keong) and the Negeri Sembilan Hockey Association (represented by Mr Subramaniam Rathnam).

### **Paulians' Sports Fund:**

A fund that began with an anonymous donation from a benefactor in the Class of 1985, the Paulian Sports Fund caters for the badminton, hockey and basketball training programmes that are organised with the purpose of providing a higher level of training for both schools.

Through this fund, both schools were able to hire qualified and experienced coaches. The fund was also used for the payment of:

- the rental costs of venues,
- transportation for the players who have been selected to participate in competitions, and
- sports equipment i.e. shuttlecocks and hockey pads for the goalkeeper.

Both schools were represented in competitions for hockey and badminton.

In hockey (SPI Primary):

- 12 U12 players participated in the MSSNS tournament (Champions).
- 6 of these players were selected to represent Negeri Sembilan in the MSSM U12 tournament held in Ipoh.
- The team also participated in the NSHA U14 Tournament and qualified for the Quarter Finals.

In hockey (SPI Secondary):

- The U18 players participated in the MSSMNS tournament (Second Runner-up).
- 8 of the players were selected to play for the Negeri Sembilan SUKIM Team (Runner-up)
- 3 SPI players were selected to represent Negeri Sembilan for the national level '1 MAS' U13 tournament.
- The school team also participated in the SPTS State level tournament (Runner-up).

In badminton (SPI Primary):

5 SPI Primary players participated in the MSSD Tournament.

Singles:

- Bavesh Rao lost in the Semi-finals
- Mirza Nazran lost in the 3rd round.
- Doubles:
- Mirza Nazran and Mirza Nazhan lost in the Semi-finals
- Adam Fikri and Muhd Hafizi lost in the 2nd round.

In badminton (SPI Secondary):

the players participated in the MSSD U15 and U18 Individual Championship.

- For the U15 category, 2 Singles and 2 Doubles pairs lost in the early rounds.
- For the U18 category, Aiman Mustaqim emerged as the Singles Champion while Calven Tan and Aiman Mustaqim lost in the Semi-finals.

In the NSBA Age group tournaments, most of them lost in the early rounds.

In the NSBA President's Cup, some of the Elite Squad Trainees represented OPA in the U16 inter-team event.

Due to the difficulty of recruiting qualified basketball coaches, both the schools were unable to consistently conduct training or coaching. For the primary school, the basketball coach would come to the school irregularly. As for the secondary school, the boys would train or play on their own during their P.E. session in the school. Despite this, they would actively participate in inter-school games and our OPA Annual games i.e. the OPA vs SPI game. In this annual game, they lost to OPA by a narrow margin with the score of 52 to SPI's 45 points.

### **Annual Games (OPA vs Present Paulians):**

The former trophies were replaced with new ones.

### **Games Trophy Donors**

Golf (Gross)	Mr Steven Chan Weng Choy
Golf (Nett)	Dato' Lai See Ming, DBNS, KMN, ANS, PJK, KStJ
Badminton	Mr David Wee Toh Kiong, ANS, PMC, PJK

Football	Dato' M. Ramalingam, DSNS , AMN, PPT, PJK
Basketball	Dato' Edwin Sebastian Abraham, DBNS, KMN. PJK
Table Tennis	Mr Lim Lek Yan
Volleyball	Mr John Chia
Hockey	The late Dato' Joseph R. Menezes, DSTM, KMN, AMN, PPM, ANS, PMC, PJK, OSTJ, MJF
Tennis	The late Mr Wong Yuen Ching, PJK
Billiards	Dr Peter Yeow
Cricket	Tan Sri Dato' Chan Choong Tak, PSM, DSNS

The OPA vs SPI games results as follows:

<b>Games</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Winners</b>	<b>Venue</b>
Badminton	5 – 2	OPA	Ma Hwa Hall
Football	3 – 2	OPA	SPI Secondary
Squash	4 – 1	OPA	Royal Sungai Ujong Club
Basketball	52-45	OPA	SPI Secondary
Table Tennis	4 – 1	SPI	SPI Secondary
Volleyball	2 – 0	SPI	SPI Secondary

OPA 4 - SPI 2. OPA was declared the overall Champions.

This year saw a record number of Old Paulians participating in the games as compared to the previous years. Please visit the Association's website [www.paulians.my](http://www.paulians.my) or Facebook [www.facebook.com/opaseremban](http://www.facebook.com/opaseremban) for the coming games in 2017.

The Annual OPA Golf Tournament 2016 was held on 27th August 2016 at the Seremban International Golf Club.

There were 42 participants this year with competitors coming from as far as Hong Kong, Singapore, Australia and New Zealand.

The winners were:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Winners</b>	<b>Score</b>
Low Seng Koon	Gross Winner	78
Edmund Soon	Gross Runner-up	81
Henry Foo	Nett Winner	65
Tom Tan Yu Jian	Nett Runner-up	68
Mike Yan Wee Fong	Senior Winner	72
Nicky Wong Ming Wei	Guest Winner	65
Johnson Gan	Guest Runner-up	74
Chong Yoon Chin	Nearest to the Pin 1	
Henry Foo	Nearest to the Pin 2	
Nicky Wong Ming Wei	Nearest to the Line	
Wong Wee Chon	Longest Drive	

### **C. Prof. Dr Ganakumaran Subramaniam (School Support Committee)**

The Committee serves the following purposes:

- Acts as liaison for generous Old Paulians who wish to make contributions to the schools. This includes contributions to the BJM fund, the BFD fund and school development projects for both schools.
- Looks for and offers both schools opportunities for staff and student development activities.
- Provides feedback to the school management regarding matters related to stakeholders' perceptions and needs.
- Provides support and advice to both schools regarding issues related to the school ethos, cultures and iconic practices.
- Monitors and supports on matters related to the school management, staffing and student related matters.
- Assists the Board of Governors and Board of Managers in identifying suitable candidates to replace retiring or outgoing heads for both schools.

- g) Initiated the Paulian Homecoming Breakfast at SPI Primary in conjunction with the OPA Annual Reunion Dinner a few years ago.
- h) Helps to monitor the sports development programme funded by an Old Paulian for hockey, badminton and basketball in both SPI Primary and Secondary.

SPI Primary is governed by the Board of Managers consisting of:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Representing</b>
Prof. Dr Ganakumaran Subramaniam	(Chairman)
Bro. Felix Donohue	La Salle Brothers
Bro. Ambrose Loke	La Salle Brothers
Bro. Andrew Loke	La Salle Brothers
Ir. Thomas Thamboe	Ministry of Education
Dato Jayadhevi Subramaniam	Ministry of Education
Mr Michael Yan Wai Pin	Ministry of Education
Mr David Wee Toh Kiong	OPA
Mr Ng Yee Tim	OPA
Mr Lee Kok Keong	OPA
Mr Santhanasamy Amaladas (Secretary)	SPI Primary
Mr Prasath K. Sivaganam (Treasurer)	SPI Primary

SPI Secondary is governed by the Board of Governors consisting of:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Representing</b>
Dr Bob D. Samuel	(Chairman)
Bro. Felix Donohue	La Salle Brothers
Bro. Ambrose Loke	La Salle Brothers
Bro. Andrew Loke	La Salle Brothers
Tan Sri Dato' Chan Choong Tak	Ministry of Education
Ir. Thomas Thamboe	Ministry of Education
Prof. Dr Ganakumaran Subramaniam	Ministry of Education
Mr Devasagayam Ayakkanu	PTA
Mr Madhavan Simmasaiam	PTA
Mr Stephen Francis	PTA
Mr David Wee Toh Kiong	OPA
Dato' Lai See Ming	OPA
Mr Lee Kok Keong	OPA
Ms Lucy Magaret Ratnam (Secretary)	SPI (Secondary)
Ms Helen Paul (Asst. Secretary)	SPI (Secondary)
Mdm. Wee Seok Cheng (Treasurer)	SPI (Secondary)

#### **Contribution to the Schools**

1. Secured 55" TV from Samsung for each school
2. Supported SPI primary in hosting a fund raising play, The Arabian Nights produced by the University of Nottingham Malaysia
3. Secured 30 teachers tables for SPI primary from the University of Nottingham
4. Secured approx. RM80,000 worth of furniture for SPI primary from Samsung
5. Helped establish The University of Nottingham – SPI Primary Young Researchers Programme
6. Helped establish The University of Nottingham – SPI Primary Royal Microscopy Society UK science project
7. Supported the SPI secondary BoG in identifying potential candidates to take on the Principal's position in the school
8. Supported the Scout's development project in SPI primary in collaboration with the Third's Own Scouts Alumni members.

#### **D. Mr Yam Kait Wah (Financial Sustainability Programme) He presented the 2016 Year Budget to the committee.**

**E. Capt. Adrian Abraham (Technologies & Multimedia)**

Dato' Lai See Ming provided support in the updating of the website.

**F. Mr Tan Kok Chin (Archiving & Data Management)**

He organised the archiving of all OPA documents, like the Past Year Annuals, AGM Notices and Minutes, Annual Reunion Photographs etc.

**G. Mr Daniel Chow Cheng Hoh (Building & Facilities)**

Last year, there was a plan to turn the 2nd Floor with club facilities. However, it was shelved because the Association has planned to buy the bungalow building near the Primary school. He was assigned to draw up the plans for turning the bungalow building into a club house for our members.

**H. Mr Sawarimutthu Rayappan (Membership Development)**

The Association has recruited 29 (2015 : 33) new Life Members since the last AGM. The new members were mainly recruited during the Association's Annual Dinner on 27th August 2016. Membership is open to all former students of SPI Primary and SPI Secondary.

Below are the Membership Fees structure.

Membership	Fees (RM)
Entrance Fees	5.00
Ordinary Membership	30.00 per annum
Associate Membership	20.00 per annum
Life Membership	100.00

Associate Membership shall be open to serving teachers and past teachers of SPI Primary and SPI Secondary or former students of other Lasallian Schools.

**3 OPA's 90th Annual Reunion Dinner**

It was held at the Regent Hall to cater to the ever increasing demand of old Paulians in their desire to meet up with their old friends and teachers, and reminisce on their past experiences in St Paul's Institution over the years. For the 90th Annual Reunion Dinner, we reached a record of having 188 tables.

The 25th Year Group (Class of 1991) and 50th Year Group (Class of 1966) celebrated their Reunion Dinner with us.

The guests for the night included:

- Most Reverend Julian Leow Beng Kim (Archbishop of Kuala Lumpur)
- Rev. Fr. George Harrison
- Bro. Anthony Rogers (MFOLSA Advisor)
- Bro. Felix Donohue (Former Director of the alma mater)
- Bro. Andrew Loke (Country Co-ordinator)
- Bro. Ambrose Loke
- Bro. Matthew Liow
- Bro. Augustine Julian
- Mr Michael Simon (MFOLSA President)
- Representatives of other Lasallian Associations
- Present and Former Heads of SPI Primary and SPI Secondary
- Chairmen of the Board of Managers and the Board of Governors of the two schools
- Representatives of the PTAs of the two schools
- Representatives from ACS-OSA, KGV-OGA of Seremban

Plaques were presented to congratulate the following Award Recipients:

<b>Award</b>	<b>Recipients</b>
Outstanding Paulian Award State - DBNS	Most Reverend Julian Leow Beng Kim Dato' Jeyadhevi Subramaniam
Tan Sri Dato Chan Choong Tak Award (Presented to the best all-rounder student of the year)	Mas. Sagaya Raymond Innasi s/o Devasagayam

#### **OPA Scholastic Awards**

The awards were given out at our Annual Games in SPI Secondary 2016.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Parent's Name</b>
<b>SPM</b>	
Jasmine Chan Yuan Qi      7As	Mr Chan Wai Choong
Jared Chong Tze Meng      9As	Mr Edwin Chong Weng Hong
Rachael Lim Jia Chyi      8As	Mr Lim Choon Hwa
Darren Lin Yong Yew      9As	Mr Rodney Lin Kook Fah
Tess Melissa Terry      10As	Mr Terry Maykal

#### **STPM**

Justin Chan Guan Wei      CGPA 4.00      Mr Chan Wai Choong

#### **BJM Recipients (SPI-Primary)**

Muhammad Faris Daniel Bin Muhammad Hasbollah	Siddaar a/l Ragavan
Muhammad Zikri Fakrullah Bin Noor Fauzi	Suhen Balasegaran
Muhammad Alif Nazmi Bin Abdullah	Divyesh a/l Raja Kumaresan
Muhammad Danish Bin Zulkifli	John Moses a/l James Morgan
Purajitshanen a/l Kunasekaran	Thanish a/l Theva Das

#### **BFD Recipients (SPI-Secondary)**

##### **(Upper 6)**

Leong Jun Xian	Siow Tze Wei	Choo Shien Liang
Chua Ling Ling	Vivian Chin Enrou	Ooi Qi Wen
Yong Ting En`	Tee Han Shen	Hazel Cheah Kam Ying
Tan Yao Bin		

##### **(Lower 6)**

Aw Jhing Yip	Kong Yue Hin	Lim Mei Xin
Goh Yee Sam	Khoh Kia Hing	Rachael Lin Jia Chyi
Chin Yi Yun	Hiew Jia Hui	Lim Wai See
Siow Wei Han		

#### **4 Malaysian Federation of La Sallian Associations ("The MFOLSA")**

The Association regularly sends representatives to the annual dinners of other Malaysian Federation of Lasallian Associations ("MFOLSA") as well as MFOLSA meetings.

#### **Malaysian Federation of Lasallian Associations ("MFOLSA")**

For the information of new members, the MFOLSA was launched in 1976 by 5 Alumni Associations, which are the:

- Old Xaverians' Association Penang ("OXA"),
- Old Paulians' Association, Seremban ("OPA"),
- Old Georgians' Association, Taiping ("OGA"),
- Sacred Heart Old Students' Association, Sibul (SHOSA) and
- St. Joseph's Old Boys' Association, Kuching ("SJOBA").

Presently, there are 19 alumnus in the MFOLSA. In addition to the ones mentioned above, the others are:

- St. John's Alumni Association, Kuala Lumpur ("SJAA"),
- Old Michaelians' Association Ipoh ("OMA"),
- St. Michael's Institution Alumni Association Klang Valley (SMIAA),
- St. Francis Association, Malacca ("SFA"),

- Francians' Club – Kuala Lumpur (“FC-KL”),
- Xaverians' Club- Kuala Lumpur (“XC-KL”),
- Persatuan Alumni La Salle, Brickfields (“PAL”),
- La Salle Sentul, Kuala Lumpur (“LSSOBA”),
- St Andreans' Association, Muar (“SAA”),
- Muar Andreans' Association, Kuala Lumpur (“MAA”),
- Old Lasallians' Association, Petaling Jaya (“OLSA”), and
- Persatuan Alumni St. Anthony, Teluk Intan (“PASA”)
- La Salle Jinjang
- Old Georgians' Association, FT & Selangor

For the year 2016, the MFOLSA held its activities/meetings on the following dates and places.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Place</b>
3rd January	Meeting	FSA Club, Malacca
27th February	Workshop “The revitalisation of La Salle Icon”	Royal Lake Club, KL
14th June	Meeting with Auxiliary Bro. Visitor	La Salle Hall, PJ
23rd July	Meeting	La Salle Provincialate, PJ
5th August	Lasallian Dinner with Bro. Gustavo Ramirez, Councillor to Malaysia,	SJI, KL
6th August	MFOLSA AGM and Fellowship Dinner	La Salle Hall, PJ
28th August	Meeting	SPI Primary, Seremban
8th October	Meeting	La Salle Provincialate, PJ

At the AGM on 6th August 2016, the following alumni members were elected into the committee:

President	Mr Michael Simon – SJAA, KL
Deputy President	Mr Joseph Lau – OGA, Taiping
Hon. Secretary	Ms Josephine Tan Siang Noy – OPA, Seremban
Hon. Treasurer	Mr Lim Hock Thiam – XC-KL
Committee Members	Mr Podim Hatia – OXA Penang
	Mr Francis Mahendran Kutty – FC-KL
	Mr Don Darrell – OLSA – PJ
	Mr Lau Se Hian – MAA-KL
	Mr Francis Chong – SMIAA-KL
	Mr Paramlothy – PASA, Teluk Intan
Hon. Auditors	Mr Chan Ying Wei – OMA, Ipoh
	Mr David Foo – SMIAA-KL

#### **MFOLSA Sub Committee Heads:**

Education	Mr David Foo – SMIAA-KL
IT, Multimedia and Data Management	Ms Josephine Tan Siang Noy – OPA, Seremban
Social, Events and Communications	Mr James Sia – SFA-Malacca
Fund Raising:	Mr Joseph Lau – OGA, Taiping

## **5 Obituary**

Our sincere condolences to the families of the following ex Paulians who passed away:

- Michael Wong Choong Yin
- William Wong Yew Wee

Our sincere condolences also go to:

- Tan Kok Yang and Tan Kok Suan on the demise of their beloved mother
- Michael Chin Quek King on the demise of his beloved mother
- Christopher Wong Poh Keong on the demise of his beloved father

#### **Important Announcement**

If your child has performed well in SPM (minimum 7As) and STPM (minimum 3A), please submit your application for the OPA's Scholastic Awards to the Association. The application form can be downloaded from The Association's website, <https://paulians.my>. Closing date: 31 May 2017.