

Standard Chartered Marathon 2004

Dear all,

16 Old Boys (including myself) and 6 A grade students (sponsored by the Old Boys runners) participated in Standard Chartered Marathon 2004 in the name of LSC. 8th February, 2004 was actually one of the coldest days of the year but our La Salle Spirit made our "hearts to conquer every ill".

We would like to thank David Cheung (63), Paul Hsu (77), Peter Kam (77), Eddie Yip (80), Hermann Chu (82), Mark Huang (85), Raymond Kwan (87), Constantine Au (87), Leo Cheng (88), Andrew Wong (89), Firman Law (89), Chan King Chun (94), Peter Kwok (95), Clement Tang (96) and T.K. Lau (96) for their participation and contribution. Over HK\$2,800 has been generated and all will be donated to La Salle College Athletics Club. Moreover, we would like to thank Mr. K.K. Ma (F.7 - 1995) and Sports Master, Mr. C.M. Chan for their support of our uniform. Last but not least, we sincerely thank Bro. Thomas who woke up so early on an 8 degree Celsius morning to cheer for us.

Here are the highlights of each category:

- Men Junior 10Km: Ricco Chan (F.5) - 35:14 Position: 1st*
- Men Junior 10Km: Lon Foon Hang (F.6) - 45:54 Position: 39th
- Men Open 10Km: Chan King Chun (94) - 41:57 Position: 41st
- Men Veteran 10Km: Eddie Yip (80) - 50:58 Position: 82nd
- Men Open Half-Marathon: Leo Cheng (88) - 1:46:01 Position: 215th
- Men Veteran Half-Marathon: Peter Kam (77) - 2:24:46 Position: 1119th
- Men Open Marathon: Peter Kwok (95) - 4:05:19 Position: 290th

*Ricco ran for his own club due to sponsorship.

Congratulations to all La Salle runners especially David Cheung (63) who was the most senior member of our team. He finished 10Km in just 1 hr and 5 min!!

"Be calm and do your best, that's all La Salle requests!"



The La Salle Team get together before Men 10Km start in a freezing morning.



Our 'Father of Cross Country' - Eddie Yip (80) is the best in Men Veteran 10Km.



(From left to right) Class of 96, T.K.Lau and Clement Tang run side by side in Men Open Half-Marathon.



Peter Kwok (95) is our sole representative in Men Open Marathon.

By Clement Chan (87)



Email Domain Announcement

The Communication Subcommittee is glad to announce the following new features and enhancements to our website:

- * Roll-out of email services
- * Phase 1 of website re-design
- * Migration to a different hosting location

Here is an overview of the activities.

Roll-out of email services:

We shall be designing and implementing an email service that has been much anticipated. We shall kick off this offer with Email Forwarding. Under our current plan, each participating member can apply for an email address with the LSCOBA domain, e.g. peterhkchan@lscoba.com (the exact format to be determined). Emails sent to this address will be forwarded to an email account designated by that member.

We shall provide more details on our offer very soon. Please watch our further announcements at www.lscoba.com.

Phase 1 of website re-design:

Based on the feedback we obtained from the questionnaire, we have decided to roll out all the planned features in multiple phases. The

first phase will include the following features:

- * A new look of the website - layout, typesetting, color theme, etc.
- * Two new sections - Obituary and Form 5 Photo Album

We plan on rolling out the new site sometime in April.

Migration to a new hosting location:

To accommodate the anticipated growth and the new features to be implemented in the next two years, LSCOBA has decided to purchase new hardware and migrate the website to a commercial hosting location. This new hosting solution will make our website more robust and reliable. The additional system resources will enable us to roll out more services in the future.

We shall post the migration plan on our website very soon outlining our approach for migration.

Communication Subcommittee
LSCOBA 2003/04

Convenor: Paul Wong (76)

Members: Albert Au-yeung (99),	Colin Cheung (93),
Derek Choy (93),	Gary Ng (99),
Gilbert Fung (97),	Mark Huang (85),
Philip In (89),	Simon Suen (97),
Stephen Cheung (87),	Tony Wat (96),
Willie Wong (84).	

Junior Achievement Project

The Company Program, organized by Junior Achievement Hong Kong (JAHK) - a non-profit making organization sponsored by the HSBC, is an educational program that provides an opportunity to secondary school students to form and operate a company in order to gain real life experience of the business world. Its aims are to develop the values of entrepreneurship, leadership and teamwork among young people.

This year, there were over 450 students from 25 secondary schools participating in the company program.

Our company, SinZone, a Junior Achievement Company was established in October 2003. It was run by 11 committee members from a group of Sixth Form Business students. Our company is departmentalized by functions, namely, Marketing, Production, Finance and Human Resources.

SinZone primarily manufactured personalized phone straps and bracelets with word cubes. We sold them to customers for an average price of \$25 via several distribution channels. We conducted two school sales within La Salle College and participated in a Trade Fair held in December. We also sold our products in the Christmas Ball held at our school.

During the 15-week program, we had regular weekly meetings to discuss the daily operation of our own business, promotion/marketing and sales strategies. In addition to the help offered by our teacher advisor, Ms. Mennie Tam, we operated our company under the guidance of two volunteer business advisors, Ms. Imelda Wong from HSBC and Mr. Ryan Tam from the Chinese University of Hong Kong.

All of the team members agreed that the Company Program was a great learning experience. We benefited a great deal from this program. We earned a certain amount of profit and the results were encouraging.

Apart from the profit made, the main goal of our team was to acquire experience that could not be found in textbooks through participating in the operations of a company. The experience gained would be of great use in our future when we integrate into the community. We had the invaluable opportunity in simulating the operation of a company and applied numerous theories learnt from the textbook into real practical situations. Moreover, we had acquired skills on how to deal with customers and market our products in the real market place. Through our participation in such a meaningful program, we learnt the importance of teamwork and effective manpower allocation.

At the end of the program, We invited some LSCOBA committee members, volunteer business advisors, teacher advisor and the shareholders of SinZone to attend our final board meeting. During the final board meeting we had an opportunity to present our success from this programme, in which we took much pride.

All in all, the Company Program, to us, is an unforgettable experience, which will last for a lifetime.



(Sitting, 2nd from left) Manfred Wong (F.6) and his colleagues of 'SinZone Company'.

By Manfred Wong (F.6)

Professional Network Announcement

To date, the 2003-2004 year is a strong one for the office of the current Committee and the alumni affairs and development subcommittee can attest to that. Our primary role is to engage our alumni and parents in ways that will allow LSC to become a stronger institution each year. Clearly your financial support for our school is essential. But there is more to our work than that. Dedicated Lasallians, through their collective generosity, skill, and hard work allow us to accomplish this primary role.

The framework of working towards this primary role is now installed but needs nurture and unabated support from all concerned Lasallians. This framework builds upon two main pillars, namely:

1. The Class Co-ordinator Board (CCB)
2. The Professional Networking Database (PND) Groups

Admittedly, we are still at the consolidation stage. The Committee believes this framework of alumni support will become a permanent feature of your Association. Step by step, we are strengthening this framework as more and more fellow Lasallians are willing to commit themselves, one way or the other, for the common good of our Association and LSC.

The previous issue of this Newsletter has provided you the development of our CCB. Now I would like to report to you the development of our PND Groups.

The essence of these groups is to rally mutual support among group members. The collateral benefits are enormous; all gear towards benefiting our alma mater.

Yes, mutual support means genuine support of one another in one's professional field or business. All named schools in the world exploit this type of database to benefit their members, and that's why this Committee wants to push it through as a permanent feature of our Association.

As of today, we have the following PND Groups formed, and forming soon.

1. Real Estate Group
2. Healthcare Group
3. Human Services Group
4. Discipline Services Group
5. FBI (Finance, Banking, Insurance) & Accounting Services Group
6. Engineering and Manufacturing Group
7. Academics and Education Group
8. Media and Entertainment Group
9. IT (Information Technology) Group
10. Legal Services Group
11. Mainland Liaison Group

The list is by no means exhaustive, and the Committee cannot and will not drum up something out of the blue. There are interested old boys willing to act as core members of these groups but they need encouragement from more dedicated and concerned old boys. If you are still asking that question of what you would get in joining the OBA, come and join these groups and meet fellow Lasallians for your own benefits. This is something you should consider. The mutual benefits of doing so (yourself versus other old boys; yourself versus your alma mater) are a win-win situation for all parties.

GIVE TO HARVEST is the underlying secret of its success.

Yours in DLS

Louis Law (70)
Convener, Alumni Affairs Subcommittee
LSCOPA 03/04

PostScript: Before a full-fledged website re-development to enhance connectivity is done, the OBA acts as a go-between for interested old boys and the specific groups. Just email to us. There would be cyber space dedicated to each Group in our re-developed LSCOPA web site for discussion, announcement and may be even personal advertisement of job seeking and/or hiring. We hope this service to our members is taken seriously by everybody.

LSCOPA Healthcare Professional Network - Dinner Gathering on 18th March, 2004



Dr. Choi Kin (65) talks to the 'Boys of Cure'.



(From left to right) Dr. Herman Liu (85), Dr. Louis Shih (69), Dr. Robert Yuen (71) and Dr. Herrick Lau (88).

We were exhilarated that our first gathering was warmly welcomed by an abundant number of old boys when about 50 of them joined in the function.

We started our buffet dinner at about 18:30 at a well-chosen venue, the campus of our alma mater, La Salle College. While most participants are medical doctors, the crowd also comprised old boys involved in health insurance, healthcare administration and information technology. We were also much honored that the school Principal, Rev. Brother Thomas also joined in this memorable occasion and gave us some words of encouragement.

Our invited guest speakers then led us to an interesting and vigorous discussion on the theme "Public / Private Interface". Dr. Choi Kin (65) and Dr. Louis Shih (69) are well-renowned in the medical profession to their contribution in public health development. Their opinions and insight in the current Hong Kong healthcare system certainly caught the attention of the audience.



LSCOPA Healthcare Professional Network holds its 1st meeting.

We are thankful all the old boys who participated had enjoyed the night. We also solicited opinions as to the future development of our group in order to promote fraternity among old boys. We look forward to more participation from old boys of different healthcare professions and suggestions that may enhance healthy growth of this network. Further discussions are most welcome by means of the OBACHatboard or direct contact with us or the OBACCommittee.

Conveners -
Dr. Herman Liu (85)
& Dr. Herrick Lau (88)

WHAT HAPPENED...



23 Old Boys enjoy the first ever LSCOBA Tennis Social Doubles in November 2003.



Our F.6 boys experiencing the business world by running a stall at the Lunar New Year Fair at Victoria Park.



LSC wins the unprecedented 1st place in Chinese Orchestra (15-30 persons category) at the 56th Hong Kong Music Festival. Let the rhythm fly!



1st ever Heep Yunn -LSC Exchange Program (22nd 30th March, 2004)



(The 3rd from left) Bro. Victor Franco, General Councillor of De La Salle Brothers, officiates the Opening of LSPS Football Field on 27th March, 2004



100 Fund-raising tables takes place at the LSPS Spring Carnival - 27th March, 2004

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