



# MAPUA ALUMNI AUSTRALIA

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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

*For Period April, May, June 2018*

Dear valued members of Mapua Alumni Australia and fellow alumni,

It's been 3 months since the new set of officers and board members of MAA assumed responsibility.

On behalf of the team, I would like to report what have been achieved by our organisation in the last 3 months to date.

Month	Area	Details
April	Membership	1. We welcome two new members who attended the AGM last 21 April. They were inducted during the induction ceremony: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Michael Stehmeier BSME</li> <li>• Joel Balajadia BSCE</li> </ul>
	Scholarship	2. I visited Mapua University last 27 April 2018, Friday and met for the 2nd time our current scholars, Ronnel Reyes and Beverly Ann Ramos. I also met Ms Eden Brasileno from the Center of Scholarships and Financial Assistance (CSFA) 3. Eden on behalf of CSFA presented to me their thank you gift to MAA -a bottle of red wine. We will drink this wine in our 10th anniversary celebration. 4. Beverly reported that she won inter-university documentary film competition.  Sadly I also learned that her mother passed away.
May	Board Meeting	5. The first board meeting was held on 5 May 2018 Saturday at the Manoto residence -24 Barrack Circuit Macquarie Links. The team planned the main activities for the year.
	Membership	6. We welcome our new member who was a competitor from the 3rd MAA Tennis Tournament <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Harley Almira BS Comp E</li> </ul>
	Scholarship	7. MAA awarded to scholar Beverly Ann Ramos 17,100 pesos for achieving an average grade of 1.5 from previous 2 semester  Beverly again obtained a grade of 1.5 from last semester. MAA still has to award her another 12,100 pesos.
	Project	8. The first project of MAA – the <b>3rd MAA Table Tennis Tournament</b> was held last 19 May 2018 at Penrith Table Tennis Clubhouse Woodriff Gardens Tennis

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		<p>Complex, Penrith. 36 players competed – from MAA and FilOz table tennis group.</p> <p>Our big thank you to the project Manager Jon Sierra and VP Nelia Palmer for organising this tournament.</p> <p>Thank you also to their spouses Malou Sierra and Craig Palmer for their support.</p> <p><b>9.</b> MAA runners for the <b>annual fund raising City 2Surf</b> have registered.</p> <p><b>10.</b> The venue for the <b>10<sup>th</sup> anniversary Dinner Dance</b> was secured and a deposit was paid. This will be the Grand Ballroom Mercure Hotel Liverpool. <i>Please reserve the date Saturday 24 Nov 2018.</i></p> <p><b>11.</b> The site for the <b>10<sup>th</sup> MAA Tree Planting on Sunday 29 July</b> was identified. This site is <b>Arndell Park in Reservoir Road, Blacktown.</b></p>
June	Scholarship	<p><b>12.</b> MAA scholar Beverly Ann Ramos bagged the grand jury prize for short film in the recently concluded 66<sup>th</sup> FAMAS award! Congratulations to Beverly!!</p> <p><b>13.</b> the two current scholars - MAA Beverly Ann Ramos and Ronnel Reyes successfully retained their MAA scholarship by completing their semester without failed subject and retained above passing average grade.</p>
	Community	<p><b>14.</b> The new Consul General of the Philippine Consulate, Her excellency, Ma. Teresa L. Taguiang hosted a meet and greet with FilOz community leaders and Philippine Independence Day celebration last Sunday 16 June at the Philippine Consulate office in Wentworth Ave., Sydney.</p> <p>I was invited to this event and was officially introduced to her by Consul Melanie Diano as the president of MAA. Consul General commented to me ,“Oh you are an engineer!”. She is a lovely and gentle lady. ConGen Taguiang is a lawyer and a UP graduate.</p>
	Project	<p><b>15.</b> We have started sending reminders to our members to join our <b>10<sup>th</sup> Tree Planting</b> on 29 July and also to participate and/or donate <b>to our main fund raising activity – Cuty2Surf.</b></p>

Please help keep our vision and mission alive. Let's make a difference to someone's life and to our community. Any kind of help that you can contribute will be appreciated.

Kind regards

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MAA President 2018

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