

Associate Professor Angela Evans AM Honorary Fellow of St Mark's College

Associate Professor Angela Evans AM, one of the first women students to enter St Mark's when it became coeducational in 1982, has made an outstanding contribution to St Mark's as a student leader, through the Old Collegians' Association, and especially as a much-valued member of College governance bodies for some 15 years.

Angela Margaret Evans was born in February 1963. She was educated at Keyneton and Angaston Primary Schools and Seymour College before becoming a resident student at St Mark's from 1982 to 1984 while she studied podiatry at the South Australian Institute of Technology (now the University of South Australia), from which she later earned her PhD.

In 1983 and 1984, Angela Evans served on the College Club Committee – in 1984, as Secretary (the first woman to serve in that role). *The Lion* of 1984 recorded that she 'undertook her position with great efficiency and style'. *The Lion* in 1983 had referred to 'her unsinkable optimism', a quality still evident.

Angela Evans' service as a student representative to the College's Buildings and Grounds Committee in 1983 and 1984, and her later contribution as Treasurer of the Old Collegians' Association, foreshadowed a very major contribution to the governance of the College from 2006 to 2020. She served as a member of the College Council from 2006 to 2018, and as a member of the College Board from 2007 to 2020, including as Acting Chair of the Board in 2018. Her contributions in these roles have been widely regarded as outstanding. She has also made several donations to support various College projects.

Since retiring from the College Board in 2020, Angela Evans has remained closely connected with the College, working with St Mark's students to encourage involvement with AnglicareSA (which our student Charitable Foundation has supported) and with the Cathedral. She was guest speaker at the dinner in April 2022 to mark the 40th anniversary of coeducation, and has continued to assist the Chair of the Board and Head of College on various matters.

Angela Evans' contribution to the College has been alongside outstanding professional contributions in the field of podiatry, with a focus on paediatrics and sports medicine, including as a clinician, a university lecturer (currently Adjunct Associate Professor at La Trobe University, Visiting Professor at University of Barcelona), a widely published researcher, chair, and office-holder in various professional associations and regulatory bodies, and an NGO volunteer, most particularly with Walk for Life Clubfoot in Bangladesh.

In 2019, Angela Evans was appointed as a Member of the Order of Australia, 'for significant service to community health in the field of paediatric podiatry, and to professional standards'.

As well as to the College and to healthcare, Angela Evans has also given service to the Anglican Church, including through her long-standing leadership roles at St Peter's Cathedral, including as People's Warden and Honorary Lay Canon, the Diocesan Council, and at AnglicareSA.