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Comments on Brother Moylan

The Rostrevor Annual of 1984 - Br Moylan's final year teaching at the College - describes him as "a legend – as a coach, as a teacher, as a man".

Br Moylan was 1st XVIII Football coach for 11 seasons straight between 1973 and 1984, which included three back-to-back premierships. In a five-year period under Coach Moylan, Rostrevor only lost four games.

"Many of us were convinced that he would eventually 'shuffle off this mortal soil' due to a heart attack during the Sacred Heart game. The protesting brother would be laid to rest crying out 'Not Now Lord'," The 1984 Rostrevor Annual states.

"Year in year out, Brother Moylan has produced determined, competitive teams who have represented the school with courage and pride."

Br Moylan coached under-age cricket, resurrected swimming and water polo and re-established Rostrevor as a force in the Independent Schools competition.

Colleagues said Br Moylan emphasised much more than winning, however, and set a great example of sportsmanship demonstrating "humility in victory" and an impressive demeanour in defeat.

Rostrevor Deputy Principal Frank Ranaldo, who was a student at the College during Br Moylan's second tenure, said he was a greatly respected teacher.

"As coach of the First XVIII Football side, he contributed to the passionate and enthusiastic sporting culture that remains strong at Rostrevor College today," Mr Ranaldo said.

"Br Moylan wasn't just a great leader on the sporting field, but in the classroom as well.

"He was an extremely dedicated teacher who guided his Year 12 Economics students to outstanding results, including a student topping the state in 1982."

Br Moylan also taught Accounting and Religious Education.

Those that knew him best, said his greatest contribution to Rostrevor was his personality.

"He exuded friendliness and a genuine love for his students both inside and outside the classroom," a fellow teacher states in the 1984 Annual.

"His care for his boarders was characterised by a keen desire to see them grow as strong, healthy Catholic men ready to take their place in various communities and exercise leadership."

Mr Ranaldo said Br Moylan had a strong focus on helping every individual become the best person they could be in all aspects of their life and maintained that concern for his students long after they had left school.