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THE HEADMASTER COMMENTS

After three years as headmaster and on the eve of our centenary, I feel disposed to take stock of the school I have the honour to manage and where I now feel totally at home. Since 1979 there has been endless activity to upgrade our buildings and grounds and there will be little let up in the next two years - but no-one believes - no matter how valuable, plant and equipment is - that material things make a school great - and we must look elsewhere for the real substance of New Plymouth Boys' High.

Where better than to begin than with the boys themselves. There is a lot to rejoice over. Last year's Form 7 set standards of academic success that will arouse the envy of most schools, but better, the seniors demonstrated sober work habits and a determination to prove academic fitness. Andrew Harvey, Alex Messenger and Brett Vickers won Junior University Scholarships and twelve boys won A Bursaries and Taranaki Scholarships. Of the twelve, two only just failed to win University Scholarships and thirteen other boys won B Bursaries. In the face of fierce competition, Derek Farrelly, a bursary winner, gained entry to Duntroon Military College, Australia, a signal honour.

At University Entrance, fifty three boys were accredited and nine passed by examination. At School Certificate the performance at the top was excellent, but there are still too many boys who fail to pass even a single subject.

Overall, we can be well pleased, and I find considerable satisfaction, as do many parents, in the significantly improved achievement of the boarders. Eight of them won bursaries, most of the Form 6 entrants gained University Entrance, and all but a few succeeded at School Certificate. It was all deserved, as the boys settled down voluntarily to extra tuition and 'prep' four weeks before examinations began!

This year, I detect greater pride in the wearing of uniform. The new jersey, with the gold monogram, is eagerly sought and next year's third formers will add more colour to our dress. But it is others, especially visitors, with a wider perspective, whose opinions may be of greatest interest. In July the school was inspected by a large team of officers from the Department of Education, Wellington and everyone of them was unanimously enthusiastic about the boys' courtesy, cheerfulness, responsiveness in class and obvious



pride in and care for the physical school.

Two other episodes demand comment. It was with delight late last year, that we learned we had won our case for a new gymnasium and by Easter next year, the building will be beginning to rise. When I put it to the boys in assembly, that a gymnasium without a spectator gallery was like a rugby field without a terrace and that to make the thing complete, they had to find at least \$15,000.00 or \$20.00 each, I will be the first to admit living largely in hope. I had not reckoned with their enormous spirit and as recorded elsewhere in the Taranakian, the task was accomplished with steady purpose and great relish.

Then during term one, it seemed a good idea to have an Open Day for Boarding Parents. I asked Mr Boyd whether we couldn't organise with little or no notice, a concert of mixed entertainment, primarily music spiced with drama, Samoan song and dance and such other items as the boys could manage. How they all responded!! A packed hall revelled in the concert band, the solists, the skits, the exuberant Samoans and above all perhaps a spoof on 'The Modernaires', which had the audience 'rolling in the aisles'.

I have not quite finished. We have concentrated this year on working closely with our Group Leaders to encourage leadership and service to the school. The seniors have been splendidly led by Head Boy, John Bone, and of all their achievements, I suspect none will surpass the revival of the Senior Ball. The first dancing lesson conducted so generously by Mr and Mrs Ward, attracted one hundred young folk; the second lesson, two hundred! Suits were found, beautiful dresses were purchased, and a most wholesome and glittering occasion graced our hall.

The girls from Girls' High proved a great support, as did my colleague, Mrs Bruning and to think that such a social climax preceded by a mere week the outstanding success of Oklahama, speaks volumes for the resilience, talent and sheer vitality of the school.

While it is true that occasionally a school has good fortune, most good things do not come about by chance and it is the quality of the staff that ensures the quality of the school. In this critically-important respect, the boys are fortunate. Of all people, the headmaster is better placed than most to see at work, the men and women, who give so generously of their time, energy and talent, and when those things are given with enthusiasm and quiet good humour, there is little that young men can't achieve.

The participation by teachers in the life of the school beyond the classroom, is well above average and in many cases is quite outstanding. Last year I paid a special tribute to the senior staff and this year, I would like to specify the Deans of each form level. All of them carry a major administrative load in addition to their subject responsibilities and we are all the better for their services. I would like to acknowledge the extra work done by many of our younger staff. Music, debating and sport, especially soccer and athletics, have all lifted considerably with massive injections of youthful energy and nothing is more infectious than disciplined enthusiasm. Having stressed that, it is with regret that I acknowledge the resignation of Mr Garth Wilson. Mr Wilson is a man of enormous energy and drive and while many adults and boys may be chafed under his directness and single-mindedness, none would deny the enormous contribution he made to athletics, cross-country and especially this publication: The Taranakian. He not only dedicated himself to lifting pupil involvement and standards, he also organised with great efficiency, the English Department and found time as well to coach rugby and cricket. Mr Wilson will be missed. Regrettably, too, Mrs Haskell is resigning at the end of the year. Mrs Haskell is a fine history teacher, a conscientious teacher-librarian and a charming lady. She too, will be missed.

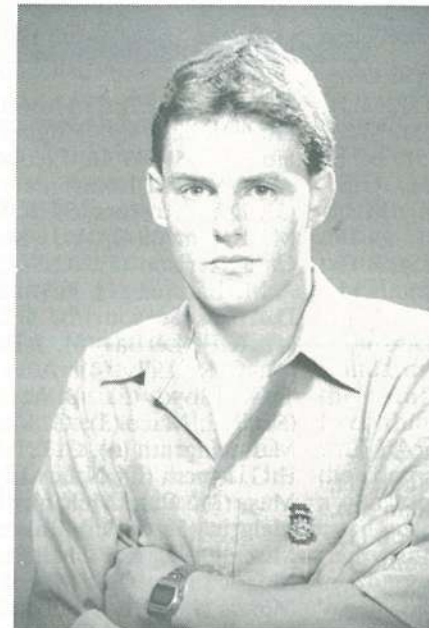
When a school goes well, it takes on the character of a well-knit and balanced family. Parents take a keen interest in affairs. They are supportive, open in their remarks, appreciative and willing to forgive!

The P.T.A. becomes energetic - ideas bubble, suggestions flow. How well our P.T.A. serves us. When I attend their meetings, I come away buoyed up. Nor can I say too much in praise of the Board of Governors. They relish the progress, even if they chafe at delays to building programmes, and more and more, the members feel less and less remote from the school's operations.

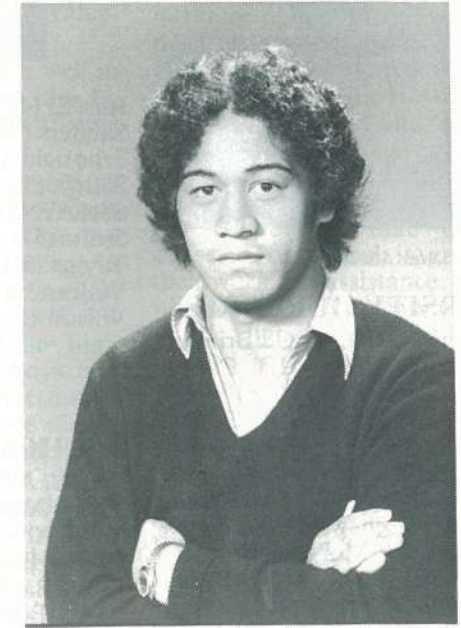
I learn something daily at N.P.B.H.S. and in the best sense, I trust I remain a keen student all of my working life here. When I walk about the magnificent grounds and talk with boys, I move on feeling stronger - stronger in understanding. And when I listen to Old Boys, and how generously responsive they are to appeals for aid, I feel proud to be part of the continuing tradition that is New Plymouth Boys' High School. I have written with

pride about our achievements, but while teachers properly find deep satisfaction in the academic and sporting attainments of their students and their talents in music and drama and debating, let none of us forget that it is finally in the quality of our relationships and the worth of our individual dealings that we shall be judged when the memory of the glittering prizes has well and truly faded from view.

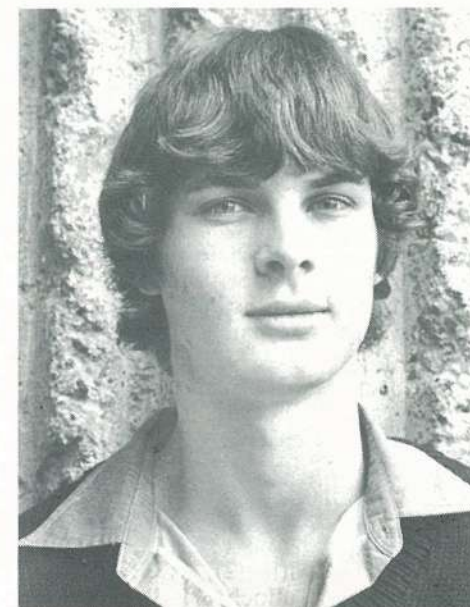
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ACADEMIC RESULTS 1980

1980 was an outstanding year as three students gained Junior Scholarships. The school congratulates Andrew Harvey, Alex Messenger and Brett Vickers on their success.



Alex Messenger

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Andrew Harvey & Brett Vickers

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STAFF NOTES

At the end of 1980 Mrs V. Duncan completed a year's relieving and took a permanent position at Inglewood High School, and Mrs M. Nixon, who had taught for two years in the English Department, returned to Stratford.

Two new staff members arrived at the beginning of this year: Miss C. Lyon and Mr G. Clarke. Both in their first year of teaching, they quickly established themselves and have taken a wide interest in school activities. Miss Lyon, a teacher of English, assumed control of the school debating club which debated with success, winning the Regional Secondary School competition. Mr Clarke, a keen sportsman, a red belt in Karate, coached both soccer and cricket. He teaches Senior chemistry, science and mathematics.

At the end of the first term it was with sadness that the school farewelled Mr H.E. Webster (Paddy, as he was better known). He first was appointed to the staff in 1956 and taught English, French and Latin. He left in 1962, moving to Palmerston North Boys' High School. He returned in 1978 to teach English. An enthusiast for his subject, he encouraged a life-long interest in literature in many of his students. His personal interest in drama resulted in a standard of performance among the boys on stage equal to any seen at the school. Few will forget his production of "The Inspector Calls". Mr Webster was a

great conversationalist, a gentleman and a student of his fellow man. In his farewell speech he made the following observation:

"The teacher is an artist, but unlike the artist he has no-one to fawn on his accepted work. He is spared that corruption. Yet he must remain true to his vision with the understanding of a few and the indifference of many. Teachers have a creative need. For the artist needs a model for his portraiture; the novelist must have his "character". For teachers the mere presence of another is indirect inspiration; they need their oddity to be accepted, they need applause, but most they need another for their attempts to make known, that which they value, and others might miss."

All join us in wishing him well in early retirement, forced on him by ill health, resulting from a war-time accident.

Mr Garth Wilson, Head of the English Department since 1978 left during July to take up a similar position at Sacred Heart College in Auckland. A first-class organiser, Mr Wilson ran a most efficient department. He insisted on high standards from both the boys and the staff in his department. Everything he attempted, he did so with vigour and a single-mindedness that determined success. He played a considerable part in the school's extra-curricular activities coaching rugby and cricket and was Master-in-Charge of the Athletic Club. When he arrived at Boys' High

athletics was almost non-existent. He built the club, in three years, to be the leader amongst local secondary schools. He did this working closely with the local amateur athletics association which ensured the best training for our athletes, many of whom achieved success at National level. Mr Wilson also gave valuable assistance as a Housemaster in Carrington House. Few, also, will forget his precision refereeing on the rugby field. We wish him success in his new position.

The school has also been fortunate this year in the calibre of its relieving part-time staff. Mr Carnahan was present for a short time at the beginning of the year and his position was taken later by Mr P. Hill, who also has given worthwhile help as an assistant Housemaster in Carrington House and as a rugby coach. The departure of Mr Webster and later Mr Wilson saw Mr Gibson, then Mrs Brownlie and Mr Halliburton take over their classes. The school is grateful for their work and assistance. Mr Heaps who began his teaching career at Boys' High in 1973 and was appointed to a Position of Responsibility to Lytton High School in Gisborne in 1977, returned as Head of the English Department at the beginning of the third term. He brings with him wide background of experience and a keen interest in Badminton and Tennis. He is a national umpire for badminton and umpired at the Commonwealth Games in Christchurch.



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GROUP LEADERS AND COUNCIL 1981

The smooth running of the school requires a commitment and example from the senior boys, especially Group Leaders. This year, in this regard, has been a good one.

Able led by the Head Boy, John Bone, most of the Heads of Houses and Group Leaders have carried out their allocated tasks well. Consequently the tidiness of grounds and dress of boys has been of a high standard.

Senior boys' actions also encourage involvement and this has been stimulated by a lively seventh form at Girls' High School.

On April Fools' Day the two groups swapped roles and uniforms. At morning assembly the girls entertained the whole school with their version of assembly discipline, notices and advice. Initially the Head Girl had difficulty convincing the boys that she was indeed serious in taking the Head Boy's role in calling the assembly to order. It was reported that John Bone, vivacious in Girls' High uniform, had similar difficulties, at Girls' High. But all soon accepted the spirit of the prank and enjoyed it immensely.

Later the girls visited the boys for lunch and ended with the reading of poetry and stories written by some of the boys when they were at primary school: embarrassing for some but a humorous occasion for most.

Other social events arranged with Girls' High School included basketball and soccer matches. All have added to the ethos of the senior

school and led to a group organising a Senior Ball. It was a gala event with everyone working hard to ensure its success. Few will forget the decorations master-minded by Martin Burns, with assistance from many others including the girls; the formal dress suits complete with tails hired at "moderate" expense by entrepreneur, Tony Hill; and of course the smartly dressed girls. Financially a tight rein was kept on the organisation by David Walker and a profit of over \$377 was paid into Council funds. When the idea of the Ball was mooted strained silence first followed the realisation that few could dance. This hurdle was cleared by inviting Mr and Mrs Ward to run ballroom dancing classes. They came for the five Tuesdays preceding the Ball and encouraged a steadily increasing crowd of senior girls and boys each week through at first wooden waltzes and foxtrots. By the night of the Ball most couples were quite proficient and obviously enjoyed the "old time" dance routine. Even holding a partner was new to some of them.

Socially this year was indeed a successful one.

To encourage effective leadership from the Group Leaders two courses were held during the year in which instruction was given, queries answered and problems solved. One of the most meaningful results of these was the establishment of committees - including the discipline committee, the social committee,

the environment committee and the sports and cultural committee. Although they were formed later in the year, they made many valuable recommendations to the Council.

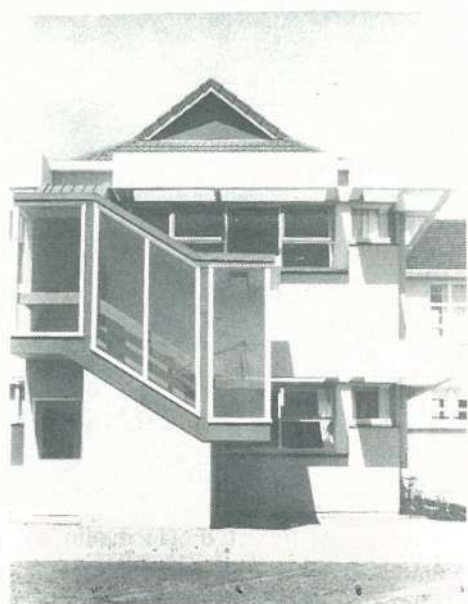
It is hoped they will again be formed next year.

The Council met on a number of occasions. The disbursement of funds to representative teams was the major business undertaken, other than, of course, the organisation of the fund-raising activities, co-ordinated by Mr Brine. Nearly \$17,000 for the Gymnasium Gallery Appeal was raised. \$800 of this money was granted to the Council.

The new House names have been well accepted by the school and photos of the Old Boys after whom the Houses were named have been placed in the foyer of the Hall. At senior inter-house matches more house spirit was evident but the old rivalry between day boys and boarders has certainly not waned. The most exciting and appealing encounters were always between these two groups. The day boys triumphed in the rugby in a close match. The school was reminded of their supremacy the next day when John Bone and Stephen Robertson arrived on the stage at the beginning of assembly with a thirty foot banner proclaiming "WE ARE THE GREATEST". The boarders, needless to say, loudly made their feeling known too.



Mr Laurensen and John Bone with \$15,000 cheque



New Biology Block

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GROUND AND BUILDING REPORT

Changes about the School

With the Centennial year almost upon us the High School Board and Department of Education have both determined to ensure that the grounds and buildings are in top order for the celebrations.

Webster Field, which since its formation has never developed a good sward, was regraded and resown last spring. The surface is now much more even and constant application of fertiliser and weed killer have ensured a good cover of grass. The Top Ground, which was last resown over twenty-five years ago was also regraded and resown and should be in excellent condition for the Easter celebrations. Constant applications of clay on the wicket had produced a mountain in the centre of the field and kikuyu planted to hold the terrace faces on the Gully had spread on to the ground, creating a slow spongy outfield. There were also more weeds than grass. Before resurfacing the whole ground was sprayed with "Round-up" to kill these species and once the new sward is established a spraying programme will be introduced in an endeavour to keep them in check.

This year has also seen the completion of the up-grading of the science labs and the construction of two new biology laboratories on the site formerly occupied by Pridham House. These labs, designed by an Old Boy, Mr J. Boon who worked closely with Mr D. Mossop, H.O.D.

Biology, are a fine acquisition to the school. The block containing the labs, prep rooms, storerooms and staff facilities were opened by the Minister of Education, Mr. M. Wellington, an Old Boy, in September. Old Lab 5, a prefab placed in the adjoining quadrangle temporarily twenty-five years ago, was removed along with the bicycle sheds allowing the development of the area which will be grassed and planted providing a sheltered place for lunching and meeting, similar to the Alexander Courtyard.

The new courtyard will be ultimately bounded on the north by the new library. Plans are being drawn up for this. The old library will be retained for other types of use still to be determined. Majestic and serene, ideal for housing a library, the building is unfortunately too small for present requirements and lacks storage and administrative work space.

Also on the drawing boards are plans for the new gymnasium. Approval has been given to begin excavating the site adjoining the new changing rooms and lying parallel to McNaught field. Construction should begin early next year. The Governor General who will be at school to open the Centennial celebrations next Easter will be asked to lay the foundation stone (or commemorative plaque) to mark the centennial of the school.

GYMNASIUM GALLERY APPEAL

When it was discovered that the new gymnasium plans made no provision for spectator seating and that the Department of Education would not provide finance for this additional item it was decided that the school would find the necessary funds for this vital extra. The architect's estimate for this was \$25,000. The challenge was put to the boys of the school to raise \$15,000 towards this project. The challenge was accepted and two days, Friday 10 and Saturday 11 April were set aside for the task. Each boy was to attempt to raise \$20.

The fundraising plan included four main activities.

1. Boys could obtain employment either directly or through the school's canvass of business firms with all wages earned being given to the appeal.

2. A variety of sponsored activities including a sponsored run and sponsored bicycle ride round Mount Egmont.
3. A monster bottle drive.
4. The sale of mystery envelopes throughout North Taranaki.

The appeal was a tremendous success and the target of \$15,000 was exceeded. As with Telethon the public support was remarkable and the school takes great heart from this extraordinary show of support. We sincerely thank everyone who contributed.

The efforts of the boys were quite outstanding with every boy in response to the Headmaster's appeal making a contribution. The school thanks the P.T.A., Board of Governors, press, radio, the many parents and the staff who gave endlessly of their time, encourage-

The new gymnasium will include a spectators' gallery, the inclusion of which is a direct result of the boys' continued involvement and regard for their school. Each boy gave a commitment to raise \$20. A fund-raising day in April was organised. Nearly every boy reached his target raising his money by entering sponsored activities, working, or collecting bottles. A total of nearly \$17,000 was raised.

A number of buildings have been painted. These include the Engineering Block and the exterior of Pridham Hall. Contracts have also been let for the painting of Crammond Wing and the Science Block. Other changes soon to be seen include new fire escapes which will be erected on the boarding houses and Pridham Hall.

The whole school should be in immaculate condition for next year's celebrations and boys and old boys alike will be justifiably proud of them.

One big problem looms. The baths built fifty years ago have sprung a considerable leak. Ministry of Works engineers are investigating the problem and hopefully will produce a solution. It might well be that the baths will have to be replaced or undergo extensive repair. Both will be a costly undertaking. The subsidy available from Government is small and once again no doubt, the school community, Old Boys, boys and parents, will be called upon to raise the necessary money.

Particular mention must be made of Mr Brine who with deft support from Mr Bublitz master-minded the organisation. Some efforts were amazing, particularly those of Justin Hyde, Grant Spedding, Craig Delves, Stephen Simons and Andrew Little who all personally raised over \$100 each.

The best Group effort was by Syme 8 who raised \$780, followed by Donnelly 8 with \$720. Barak 3, Syme 6, and Hatherly 2 all raised over \$600.

The 1981 pupils of New Plymouth Boys' High School can look back on this project with real pride and the new gymnasium will contain a plaque to commemorate their effort, an effort from which present and future generations will derive considerable benefit.

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PRIDHAM HALL TO THE GYM VIA MOUNT EGMONT

"Why are you late, boy?"

"Well, Sir it's like this....."

I actually got to school very early for once, 7 a.m. to be exact. I didn't loiter on the road frontage but went behind Pridham Hall where I bumped into a few guys riding around on bikes. So that's what these boarders do in the mornings, I thought to myself. Ah well, as I've got my bike I might as well join in. One thing though, I didn't realise it was a mufti day. Still, saves me twenty cents.

I had only just got on my bike when there was a bang and a mighty commotion. Before I knew it I was caught up in a treadmill of thrashing thighs. As we were then heading towards the new Biology block I thought, "Hell, these boarders must be hungry. Fancy having to resort to bikes to be first in the queue for breakfast." Well, just before we got to the Bio block they must have smelled what was for breakfast, because en masse they swerved to the right with CENTRI-PEDAL force, screeched to a halt for a quick left-right-left at the main road, before hurtling down the Eliot St. hill at break-neck speed. I didn't realise the meals were that bad.

Now having got to the bottom of the hill they must have decided to go to the Westown for breakfast, because they headed along the one-way system - "Why didn't I turn back, Sir? Well I was wrong on the Westown assumption because they turned right at the end and then left onto Devon Street. They must have heard about the Westown as well.

I decided I might as well ride with these guys for a while to see where they were going to have breakfast. It was obviously a place out of town. For what other reason would be heading down the Omata Road Hill? Don't these crazy boarders know what goes down must come up!

Mr Sims! Mr Sims in Omata! Mr Sims walking his dog at this hour! Why doesn't he get out of the car and walk with it?

I don't believe it! Mr Mossop has turned up with his dog as well. I didn't know he had a ute. Hey, isn't he in boarding as well? Don't tell me he has to eat the same breakfast. Mind you, that will explain why he is telling the boys to keep moving.

And now a Cut-price van is stopping behind them. Would you believe it! It's Mr Turner..... and his dog! Perhaps it's a Biology Department meeting. Odd place to meet, odd time to meet, odd cars, odd dogs, odd.....

These guys, where are they going? We've been through Oakura, Okato, Rahotu and are almost in Opunake. Perhaps they've decided to bunk school. Cripes, it's eleven o'clock. I should be in T.D. -Harry's going to skin me!

Hey, who's that in the chippy? It's Mr Sims, Mr Mossop and Mr Turner again. Fancy tying their dogs up outside. The post is looking a bit damp. Now, who's that drawing up in that flash Mitsubishi L300 -don't think much of the trailer. Why, it's Mr Cooper. I wonder where his dog is. What's he doing here anyway? He's probably working out a new run for the boys in his Phys. Ed. lessons.

Now, if anyone was going to stop in the chippy I thought it would have been these boarders, but no, they're still pedalling on. They must have decided to go around the mountain rather than go down to Wanganui, as they've just turned off the main road. Some are beginning to grumble about blisters and aching legs. No breakfast can be that bad.

What! These guys are actually stopping. Now what are they doing? Food, food, look at that delicious food. Hey, I hope Mum packed my play lunch. I'm feeling a bit hungry myself.

It's about time I asked these guys why they're bunking school.

"Bunking school! We're not bunking school. We're cycling around the mountain - (at least I was right in that they're not going down to Wanganui) - to raise money for the spectator gallery in the new gym. Old Simie over there has got \$200 promised in sponsorship. Most of us have got between \$20 and \$30 sponsorship, not counting the blisters and aching legs. How much sponsorship have you got?"



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"Yes, well.....I'm just here for the fun of it."

Here comes the staff again. Old Cooper's geared up to transport us all back home, as he reckons we will all peg out by Stratford. Mind you, he says there is no way Simons is going to get off his bicycle, even if he has him pedalling in the back of the wagon with his rear wheel raised off the floor.

Well, Sir, we carried on cycling through Stratford and Midhurst with the wind blowing hard into our faces. Then on to Tariki and Inglewood through driving rain -(Mr Cooper says this is the first time it has rained in Inglewood this year) -through Egmont Village, up the Burgess Hill and down Mangorei Road. A quick burst past Girls' High, up Hobson St. and here I am, Sir, just in time for the end of my P.E. lesson."

"Now listen here, boy, it's no good you missing your P.E. lessons. How else am I going to get you fit....."

Footnote

Thirty-seven boys completed the 150km course, five covered 130km and three made it to Stratford. It was a great effort, one that easily surpassed Mr Cooper's expectations.

Thanks must go to W.R. Phillips Motors Ltd., and Mr R. Erb, for lending and fuelling the support vehicles; to Western Bottling Company for drink containers; to the kitchen staff for providing the boarders with a **good early breakfast**; and to Messrs Cooper, Mossop, Sims and Turner for their moral support. And thank you sponsors all. The boys certainly had to work for your money.

JUNIOR SPONSORED CYCLE RACE

Whilst the seniors and club juniors were cycling around the mountain, the juniors cycled up Carrington Road, lunched at Pukeiti Rhododendron Trust, came down the Petone Road and returned via Oakura and Omata. R. Shearer and R. Smith did the trip on a tandem.

The cyclists were impressive in the way they managed the hills and rough section of the road. Indeed the trip was not long enough for them.

I would like to thank Mrs Barnes, who gave encouragement from the front, and Mr Wright and Mr Boyd, who urged on from behind. As well as donating their time they also used their own cars, trailers and fuel. Thank you very much for your assistance.

R.L. Cooper

A REAL LIVE POET COMES TO SCHOOL

On June 19th Alistair Campbell came to school and addressed Sixth and Fourth Form students in Room 25. "A poet is a person," he said, "who delights in words." His first attempts were light satirical efforts about his teachers. So he had found an audience - one important component in the communication form that is poetry.

At Otago Boys' High School he was selected for the First Fifteen in the Fifth Form. Sport gave him the chance to travel which led to the first poem he read, 'Huts Near Desolated Pines' set in Central Otago. Some other poems he read included 'The Gunfighter', an adolescent day dream, 'Kapiti' bringing back the past of Te Rauparaha, 'Empty Shoes', of whimsy and pathos, and 'The Climber', a sustained metaphor of one who eschews the easy life on the

plains and assaults the heights of high endeavour at personal sacrifice.

In answer to questions put to him, Alistair Campbell said his regular job was as editor for the New Zealand Council for Educational Research; sound was important in his poetry - he spent a great deal of time looking for the apt word, that would fit into the texture of the poem; he did not count himself a prolific poet but nevertheless had a trunk full of poems a plan presupposes an intended result - rather they grew out of the subconscious; he felt his poetry had improved over the years, even though critics disagreed; poetry reflects the tenor of his life at different stages - the good and the bad. One poem had ten hours a day spent on it for a week; one poem took over thirty years to complete.

Alistair Campbell in an hour gave fully of himself and his poetry. He was given rapt attention from his audience.



Alistair Campbell

LATE FOR A PROTEST

*Hurry on down
Five minutes to two.
The march will be starting
A protest up town.
The protest has started,
I'm five minutes late.
They march down the street,
Their placards held high,
Some low-level heckling,
As the marchers pass by.
On that day
There's a racist game,
To Stop the Tour,
Our ultimate aim.
The demonstration is in progress,
And the police are there,
To defend marchers' rights
Maintain the peace
And prevent a fight.
But to join the march I had to go
Across the stret through the blue
police row.
They thought I was causing
trouble, and then I was down,
Across the neck a deadly blow,
My head and neck bleeding, I'm
batoned to the ground.
Darryl Ward, 6*

EXAM DEFINITION

*No confidence = Pen in one hand
Twink in the
other.*

ANZAC DAY 1981

Address to the school by Mr N. Wright.

As each year passes and the 25th of April comes around again it becomes increasingly difficult to make the observance of Anzac Day hold any reality for an increasing number of people in the community. The veterans of Gallipoli are now well over eighty years old and the youngest serviceman in World War I will be eighty so this section of our population is a very small minority.

Films are still shown on TV about World War II so we can be fooled into thinking that it took place last year and yet, in fact, it ended thirty six years ago. Many of the people on the stage today were not born at that time. It's not surprising that many people feel that Anzac Day has little relevance for them.

In years gone by, mention of the word 'Anzac' stirred up special feelings, feelings of pride, patriotic feelings, feelings of comradeship, of shared dangers and for many people memories of friends and loved ones killed in action. These feelings were very strong, particularly to people who lived through two horrifying world wars in which few New Zealand families were not affected.

Today as younger generations grow up, something special about Anzac is fading because it is difficult to make youngsters such as you understand what Anzac spirit really meant.

That spirit was born in the sharing of gravest danger on the beaches at Gallipoli; was fostered in the trenches of Northern France, the deserts of North Africa, during the withdrawals from Greece and Crete, and was rekindled to some extent in Korea and Vietnam.

If we didn't experience these events and places, or live during these times, how should we observe Anzac Day or should we cut it out altogether?

To ex-servicemen or women it is reunion time with old mates, a chance to recall people and places, not gruesome details, not necessarily deeds of valour, but little amusing things and good times shared together. It is a time to remember comrades who were killed or were maimed or whose minds were permanently scarred in a battle they themselves survived.

For others who were not servicemen or women, it is a time to remember fathers, sons, brothers, sisters, friends who died overseas.

And what about you, the younger generation? What should be your part in this observance? Reports tell us that in recent years attendance at Anzac functions has increased so it obviously has some meaning for post-war generations.

I think that it is good that you can stop for a moment and give thanks for those who have fought to retain the way of life we all enjoy. Just take a minute to think that your grandfathers were prepared to leave the comfort of home to prevent the atrocities that happened in concentration camps and in Occupied Europe or in Japanese prison camps from happening here. Those of us who saw the documentary on television last month about Auschwitz concentration camp could only be appalled at the magnitude of it and thank God that the regime that promoted those horrors was defeated.

The word 'defeated' sounds so conclusive and yet we know that some similar system or regime may develop in the future plunging us into another war. What would World War III be like? That is hard to predict except to say it would be horrific. Before 1939, it was predicted that World War II would bring widespread use of poison gas. I was a schoolboy in England and the first thing I recall after hearing war being declared was being issued with a gas-mask. This I carried in a little cardboard box with a shoulder strap and whereas you now have earthquake or fire drill, we had gas-mask drill. But gas was not used in that war.

It was also predicted that for every ton of bombs dropped there would be seventy-two civilian casualties but that didn't work out either. War was very real to civilians in English cities. In London for example, they had seventy-six consecutive nights of bombing - that is eleven weeks night after night except when the weather was too bad for flying. On average two hundred tons were dropped each night which at the predicted rate would have killed fourteen thousand. In fact the casualties were three hundred, four hundred, five hundred a raid. Bad enough, of course. Imagine half of you killed tonight and the rest tomorrow night. These are just examples showing it is very difficult to say what a future war would be like.

How was I affected by World War II? Well, I was third-form age in 1939 living in a country area in England. When the air-raid warnings sounded and we heard bombers approaching, my family moved into a tiny space underneath the stairs. I have to admit that I was scared.

However when I turned fifteen I was old enough to enrol as a messenger boy in the Air Raid Precautions; today we would call it Civil Defence. When the siren sounded, I put on my tin-hat and biked off to the A.R.P. Post. It's amazing how much safer I felt under that tin-hat.

When I was seventeen years old, the age of many of the senior boys, I joined the Merchant Navy who until 1942 had probably the highest casualty rate of any branch of war service. In 1941 in the North Atlantic, 1141 ships were sunk. In 1942 P.Q. 17, an Arctic convoy of thirty-six ships, sailed from Britain to try to carry much-needed supplies to Russia. Only thirteen of those thirty-six cargo ships got through. Eighty-seven planes were delivered; 210 lost. 164 tanks were landed at Murmansk; 430 lost.

In the Mediterranean in early 1942 we were in danger of losing the use of the island of Malta.

They were so desperate for food and supplies that it was decided to send two convoys at the same time; one from the eastern end and one from the western end of the Mediterranean Sea.

Operation Harpoon consisting of five freighters and a tanker escorted by thirty-seven warships including a battleship and aircraft carriers sailed from Gibraltar. The attacks they suffered were so strong that even with such a powerful escort, only two freighters reached Malta.

Operation Vigorous started from Port Said but they reached such a battering that the survivors turned back and no ships reached Malta.

So being a merchant seaman was a fairly hazardous occupation in 1942.

With all this in mind, may I suggest that at Anzac time we all should think of a wide variety of people. Recall, of course, the origins of Anzac at Gallipoli. Remember the Mr Allisons of the army and the Mr Abrahams of the air force, for although I have tried to show World War II as affecting many civilians, it was without doubt, the armed services who bore the heaviest toll. Let us also remember the 60,500 British people killed in air-raids, specific groups such as 793 firemen killed doing their duty during those raids, doctors and nurses in all theatres of war, 30,000 Merchant Seamen and Fishermen who were killed, drowned or starved to death on life-rafts, the six million Jews who were exterminated and many others, in all wars since Anzac.



CANON JOHN OSMOS

On the 10th of June at a special afternoon assembly the school was addressed by Canon John Osmos, a New Zealander who has spent seventeen years working with the poor, migrants, in Lesotho and South Africa. He contrasted life in our country with that in South Africa, representing the two countries by ten boys on stage. All ten representing New Zealand had the chance of a good education, a say in the governing of the country, and all had a fair chance to get work when they left school. In South Africa only two of the ten had good prospects. His address was primarily factual. His visual depicting of the state of affairs in South Africa brought home to both staff and pupils the complex problems facing South Africa and New Zealand in the Springbok tour.



Canon Osmos

THREE OLD BOYS IN THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS LIST

In June three of our Old Boys received honours - they were Mr D.V. Sutherland, Mr C.W. Green and All Black Captain, Mr Graham Mourie.

Mr Sutherland was made Commander of the British Empire (CBE) for his services to the City of New Plymouth. He retired as Mayor in 1980 after twelve years in office. He had also served a three year term as city councillor.

Mr C.W. Green was appointed officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) for his services to the Taranaki Harbours Board, farming and the community. It was with regret that we learned of his death later in June.

Mr Graham Mourie was made a member of the British Empire (MBE) for his services to rugby. He captained the second All Black team against Argentina in 1976, played two home tests against the Lions in 1977 and was named captain of the side to tour France later in the year. He was not available for the Australian tour of 1980 and did not play against the Springboks this year but is now leading the All Blacks for his second tour of France.



Mr Tony Saunders

FORUM

The visit of Canon Osmos had an interesting sequel. The following Friday, the 18th June, the assembly was addressed by Mr Tony Saunders, a fourth generation white South African. Mr Saunders, a lay minister at St. Andrew's Church, New Plymouth, spoke about the complexities of the South African situation, with particular reference to education.

Then, at lunchtime, Mr Saunders returned for a forum meeting in Room 25. Questions ranged from the reasons behind apartheid, to the South African government's homelands policy. Those pupils and staff listening showed thorough interest in the proceedings. The forum was chaired by Mrs Haskell. It was unfortunate that due to lack of time Mr Saunders was unable to answer all of the questions that the audience wished to put to him, but the forum was nevertheless very interesting, and was enjoyed by all who attended.



OUT-DOOR EDUCATION

CADETS

Cadet training in 1981 took much the same pattern as for the last few years. Barrack's Week was held in the week March 2-6 and the fourth formers will receive a further four days of training from November 30 to December 3.

Training was of a high standard and it is significant that many boys volunteered for Junior and Senior N.C.O. promotional courses - far more than could be accepted into the courses. This year a record eight students qualified for the Under/Officers' course. They were U/O R. Baker, G. Keightley, M. Tume, R. Harvey, P. McNairney, S. De Grey, A. Boon and C. Candy.

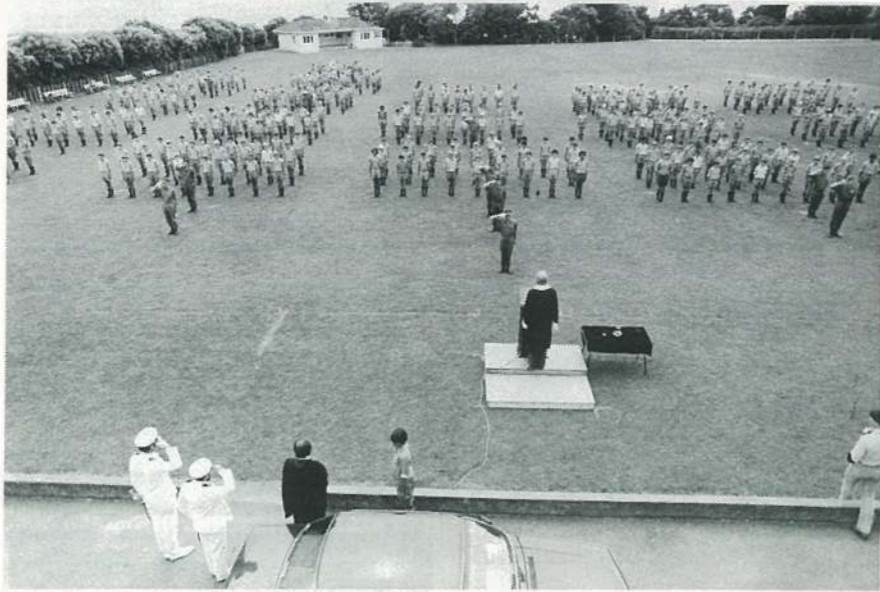
During the May holidays the following passed the Senior N.C.O.'s course. Sgts E. Kettle, R. Gedye, K. Mason, A. Boon, S. Butler, B. Keightley, P. McNairney, R. Baker, R. Harvey, S. Ross, J. Mason, S. Schou, M. Tume, J. Matheson. These boys qualified the Junior N.C.O. course - Cpls T. Crossman, J. Gray, T. Moyes, P. Broadbridge, B. O'Dowda, G. Sampson, I. Wallace, R. Burns, C. Wilson, M. Wilson, G. Baker, P. Shearer, B. Goodin, M. Gleeson.

The Riddiford Cup

The Battalion once again won this handsome trophy which is awarded to the most efficient Cadet Unit within the Central Military Districts. The Cup was presented to the Battalion by the Mayor of New Plymouth, Mr David Lean, who not so many years ago had himself held rank in the Battalion.

The Sole Cup

For the best cadet. This year awarded to Under Officer, Crispin Kerrison.



Battalion Parade

The Battalion Parade

This year's parade had a number of features of interest.

1. The parade was reviewed by the recently appointed Mayor and Old Boy of the school, Mr David Lean.
2. The H.M.N.Z.S. Taranaki was in port at the time. Protocol has the ship providing as escort for the Mayor at official functions. The Captain of H.M.N.Z.S. Taranaki detailed Old Boys Lieutenant Commander John Clark, and Lieutenants Laurence Milton and John Parr to escort the Mayor to the parade.
3. The Riddiford Cup was presented.
4. Captain D.J. Mossop was presented with the Cadet Forces medal which is awarded to officers who have given twelve years of meritorious service to the Cadet Forces.

Headquarters

Lieutenant Colonel M.C. Carroll was the Commanding Officer and Lieutenant M.E. Dobson his Adjutant. W.O. I.P. Phillips was the R.S.M. "A Company". Officer Commanding Captain D.J. Mossop, C.S.M. J. Bone.

1 Pl, Lt Wrigley, 2 Pl. 2/Lt G. Bell, 3 Pl, Mr P. Hill, 4 Pl, Mr B. Bayly, 5 Pl, Mr P. D'ath, 6 Pl, P/O Rea.

B. Company

Officer Commanding Major R.E. Brine, C.S.M. R. Thompson.

1 Pl Lt. M. Carter, Cpls, S. Ross, R. Harris.

2 Pl Mr G. Clarke, Cpls, R. Baker, B. O'Dowda, S. McKoy.

3 Pl U/O B. Wilson, Cpls, P. McNairney, S. Butler.

4 Pl U/O C. Kerrison, Cpls, J. Williams, D. Leatherby.

5 Pl U/O S. Read, Cpl B. Valentine.

C. Company

Officer Commanding Lt G.L. Clareburt.

C.S.M. W.O. II C. Boon.

1 Pl 2/Lt M.G. Watts, Cpls M. Tume, R. Shearer, G. Bayly.

2 Pl Lt D.G. Moore, Cpls P. Robertson, R. Gedye, J. Mason.

3 Pl Mr M. Rose, Cpls P. McNairney, S. Butler.

4 Pl (The Band) P.O. D.R. Boyd, Cpls D. Goodare, S. De Grey.

D. Company

Officer Commanding, Major H.P. Webster.

C.S.M. W.O. II M. Franks.

1 Pl 2 Lt G.C. Giddy, Cpls S. Schou, R. Harvey.

2 Pl U/O C. Morris, Cpls A. Boon, E. Kettle.

3 Pl U/O S. Tanner, Cpls G. Matherson, V. Borok.

THE THIRD FORM EVERETT ROAD CAMP

The camp is sited eight kilometres inland from Inglewood, beside the Manganui River and Everett Park Reserve. The facilities are first class in some ways too comfortable, with accommodation for seventy persons, an excellent kitchen and a hall/gymnasium.

Activities conducted on a more formal basis included orienteering (Mr Carahan), pottery (Mr Taberner), bush studies (Mrs Barnes), topography and geology (Mr Bennett), map work and Maori history (Mr Abraham), river studies (Mr Wilson), "English in the wild" (Miss Lyon), and initiative tests (Mr Cooper). Less formal activities included swimming, sports, eeling, glow worming, singing (Mr Boyd and family) and night exercises.

Generally the day began at 7 a.m. with a run, breakfast at 8, formal lessons from 9 a.m. till 2 p.m., sports at 3 p.m. and swimming until 4.30 p.m. Following the evening meal at 6 p.m., fun activities were organised in the hall and then some

form of night exercise until 10 p.m. The exception was Wednesday when members of staff took his or her group out for the day. Mr Bennett and Mrs Barnes bussed to Pukerangiora Bluff and walked back; Miss Lyon and Mr Taberner visited the glass works in Inglewood and walked back; Mr Wilson and Mr Abraham did more extensive river studies; and Mr Cooper and Mr Carnaham - orienteering and river crossings.

The camp was not without its problems, but overall the majority of boys enjoyed their time at the camp. And you were well fed, Oliver!

As camp organiser I would like to thank: those members of staff mentioned above for their assistance; Mesdames Perry, Bilbe, Burbidge and Gillies for helping with the evening meal; Miss Jo Curd for her assistance in preparing the menu and advising on food quantities; Jims Foodtown for the special effort Jim and his staff made; and the Everett Road Christian Camp Committee for making such an excellent facility available to schools.

R. Cooper

MANGOREI CAMP

Early morning runs followed by a cold shower or dip in the swimming pool were the order of the day at a successful camp for twenty-four third formers held during Outdoor Education Week at Mangorei Christian Camp site.

The very full programme included daily tramps on the Pouakai Ranges, identification of native plants, meteorology, bushcraft, map and compass, practical maths, scale and site drawing, and use of microscopes.

All duties were group-assigned and full diaries were kept, but the boys still found some free time to enjoy the table tennis, swimming pool, trampoline, pool table or flying fox.

The only disappointment was the low mist throughout the all-day tramp to the top of the Pouakai Ranges.



His Worship the Mayor speaks to John Edwards

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CRICKET

staff. This was a sad loss for school cricket as Mr Tuffery had been achieving excellent results with the Firsts and he will be difficult to replace. Fortunately from the coaching point of view the team did not suffer because of the engaging of Mr Peter Lewington, the Association's professional coach. His services were made available to the school through the generous support of Messrs Owen Balsom and Keith Robertson to whom the school expresses its most grateful thanks. Mr Lewington was able to assist with the coaching of a large number of boys throughout the season and we look forward to renewing this association next season.

Two teams called Gold and Black, of about equal strength were entered in the Secondary Schools competition. They competed against the First Elevens of Spotswood College and Francis Douglas College. These two teams were coached by Mr G. Bell and Mr Giddy respectively, both of whom are experienced and talented senior cricketers as well as being staff members.

The Fourth Grade Cavaliers were coached by Mr Brine, Master in Charge of Cricket, before Christmas and by a new staff member Mr G. Clarke after Christmas. The new Centurions

team was coached by Mr Bert Robson who has given such outstanding service to the school in both cricket and soccer for many years. In the Fifth Grade the two third form teams, Wanderers and Nomads have been coached by Mr Brine and Mr B. Bayly respectively.

Once again the boys are indebted to a large number of parents and friends of the school who assisted with coaching, transporting, catering, billeting, umpiring, managing and instructing. In particular we would like to thank Messrs Peter Lewington, Alistair Jordan, Ross Crowe, O. Balsom, B. O'Dowda, R.H. Brown, J. McIntyre, B. Irvine, Mr and Mrs K. Robertson and the groundstaff.

Some noteworthy events during the year were a pair of centuries to both Stephen Robertson and Andrew Brown, another old boy in Gary Robertson representing New Zealand at cricket, the top ground being reconstructed and winning the Fourth and Fifth Grade competitions.

We are looking forward to our Centennial Year with confidence knowing that we have many talented and promising players who will make full use of our upgraded facilities. The concrete pitch and synthetic cover is proving to be a great asset but our one concern is still a supply of suitable clay for the preparation of turf pitches for matches and practice.

During the 1980/81 season, the school had seven teams entered in local Saturday competitions. This was an increase of one on the previous year, the extra team being in the Fourth Grade.

The teams and grades were:

First XI — Senior Grade, Second Division.

School Gold — Secondary Schools Grade.

School Black — Secondary Schools Grade.

Cavaliers — Fourth Grade.

Centurions — Fourth Grade.

Wanderers — Fifth Grade.

Nomads — Fifth Grade.

Mr M. Tuffery coached the First XI and continued to play for them in club matches until the end of January when he resigned from the



1st CRICKET XI

Back Row: T. Irvine, D. Laurenson, I. Cox, J. Irvine, S. O'Dowda, W. Hall
Front Row: B. Johnston, S. Hill, S. Robertson (Capt), A. Brown (Vice-Capt), S. Urbahn

REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS

Central Districts Secondary Schools Team: S.P. Robertson.

North Taranaki: S.P. Robertson.

Taranaki Junior Secondary: S. Urbahn, B. Johnston, G. Hall, M. Cox, P. Armstrong, A. Boon.

Western District: S. Urbahn, A. Boon, B. Johnston, P. Armstrong.

COLLEGE SEASON

N.P.B.H.S. V HAMILTON BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

The First XI went to Hamilton with an untried team of promising young cricketers. School won the toss and sent Hamilton in to bat. With a very fast outfield runs came quickly, but school picked up wickets consistently and with the talented top order batsman out, the school bowlers soon polished off the tail enders to have Hamilton all out for 152 by 1.50 pm. Ian Cox bowled particularly well finishing with 4 for 31.

School began its innings at 2 pm and scored at a brisk rate throughout the remainder of the day to be 10 runs ahead by stumps. Robertson (71) and Laurenson (44) led the assault and were ably assisted by J. Irvine (30) and B. Johnston (24). Next morning school gathered some quick runs with the declaration coming at 211, giving a lead of 59 runs.

School found the Hamilton batsmen a different proposition in the second innings with Strawbridge foiling the school bowlers with a well compiled 85. Hamilton were not prepared to make a declaration and keep the game alive, so the match ended in a draw. Despite the lack of a result the First XI gained much credit from this match having outplayed Hamilton convincingly on the first innings.

N.P.B.H.S. V WANGANUI COLLEGIATE SCHOOL

In the final College game of the season school outplayed Wanganui but due to the excellent conditions at Collegiate a win could not be gained in the time available.

School won the toss and elected to bat on a fine pitch with a lightning fast outfield. Robertson and Brown put on 99 for the first wicket with Brown being dismissed for a patient 29 just prior to lunch. Robertson continued to dominate after lunch and went on to reach his first college century. After reaching his century he gave a tremendous display of controlled hitting, including 22 runs off one over. He was eventually out for 143, an innings that will long be remembered by those who saw it. O'Dowda (28) and T. Irvine (26) continued the attack and enabled Robertson to declare the innings closed at 275 for 6 wickets.

The Wanganui batsmen also found conditions to their liking and reached 55 without loss by stumps. They continued to bat soundly but slowly on the second day and with the tail enders also scoring well were finally dismissed for 260. The highlight of the second day was undoubtedly the marathon bowling effort of Ian Cox who bowled 43.3 overs and took 7 wickets for 105 runs. With no possibility of a result school batted out the remaining time and so the match ended in a draw.

CLUB MATCHES

NPBHS 82 and 207 (Brown 102, Robertson 59) v New Plymouth B 151 for 3 and 93 for 6.

NPBHS 209 (Robertson 76, Moffat 53) and 47 for 4 v Huatoki 140 for 5.

NPBHS 153 (Moffat 57 no) and 119 for 6 v Merrilands 174 for 7 and 56 for 5.

NPBHS 170 for 7 (Brown 108 no) and 131 v Vogeltown B 176 for 8 (Balsom 5 for 24) and 129 for 8 (Cox 5 for 44).

NPBHS 171 (Tuffery 76) and 117 for 4 v New Plymouth B 210 for 6 and 77 (O'Dowda 5 for 13).

NPBHS 54 and 124 (Balsom 50) v Ratapiko 113 and 66 for 2.

NPBHS 128 for 7 (Robertson 52) and 205 for 5 (Laurenson 52) v Merrilands 183 for 7 (O'Dowda 4 for 24) and 155 for 6 (Hill 3 for 17).

NPBHS 162 for 6 (Robertson 74) and 199 for 3 (Robertson 127 no) v Vogeltown 180 for 6 and 157 for 5.



SCHOOL GOLD

Back Row: P. Darney, H. Fairey, B. Feaver
2nd Row: P. Hamilton, A. Pepper, S. Lilley, C. Boon, P. Leach, B. Stephenson
Front Row: G. Dunnett, J. Pembroke, P. Philips (Capt), M. Cox, A. Webb

N.P.B.H.S. V WELLINGTON COLLEGE

In this game played at Pukekura Park, school faced an experienced College XI containing Tim Ritchie, a N.Z. Secondary Schools Rep. and a number of Wellington Secondary Schools' Reps.

School won the toss and elected to bat. The opening pair of Robertson and Brown began well against a good Wellington attack.

Putting on 44 for the first wicket, unfortunately both were out in quick succession. After a nervous beginning Laurenson batted extremely well for 40 and was ably assisted by T. Irvine (25) and S. Urbahn (20). This enabled school to reach a respectable score of 166.

Wellington reached 146 for 5 by stumps with Ritchie compiling a fine 66 in even time. Hill and Cox bowled well for school.

On the second day persistent rain prevented any further play. The feature of the game was the fine showing of our younger players against a very talented Wellington team.



School Black

Back Row: P. Fleming, N. Reeve, S. Brine
Middle Row: G. Hall, N. Deighton, D. Bradley, D. Cross
Front Row: P. Armstrong, A. Boon, P. Kaitoa (Capt), A. Phillips, G. Shearer

SCHOOL GOLD 1981

Team: P. Phillips (Capt.), P. Leach, M. Cox, B. Stevenson, P. Darney, A. Pepper, B. Feaver, J. Pembroke, S. Lilley, G. Dunnett, H. Fairey.

Matches: Gold 91 for 8 (M. Cox 28, Pembroke 15 n.o.) and 118 for 9 (Leach 51, Stevenson 27 n.o.) drew with Spotswood College 122 for 7 (Fairey 4 — 16).

Gold 129 for 6 (Darney 80 n.o., Leach 26) and 33 lost to Francis Douglas College 132 (Darney 6 — 45) and 31 for 3.

SCHOOL BLACK 1981

Team: P. Kaitoa (Capt.), D. Cross, G. Shearer, G. Hall, D. Bradley, D. Putt, S. Brine, A. Phillips, P. Fleming, N. Deighton, A. Boon, N. Reeve.

Matches: Francis Douglas College 129 for 5 (Kaitoa 4 — 37) and 11 for 1 defeated Black 57 (Deighton 14 n.o.) and 36.

Black 92 for 5 (Armstrong 35, Kaitoa 30) and 139 for 3 (Armstrong 55 n.o., Hall 42 n.o.) drew with Spotswood College 124 for 7 (Hall 3 — 28, Armstrong 2 — 24).

In a one day end of the season fixture N.P.B.H.S. Black 119 (Johnson 35, Cross 17, Bradley 12) defeated N.P.B.H.S. Gold 50 (Cox 12, Darney 11, Pepper 11, O'Dowda 10, Fleming 3 for 0).



Centurions

WANDERERS 1981 Competition Winners

Team: D. Burbidge, K. Brine, T. Parsons, G. McEwan (Capt.), H. Kenworthy, R. Stening, A. Moore, S. Tahere, G. Lee, G. Dodd, J. Bellringer, D. Butler, R. Lennox, D. Joyce, N. Lilly.

Matches: N.P.B.H.S. Nomads 68 (Spedding 30) defeated N.P.B.H.S. Wanderers 34 (Parsons 11).

Wanderers 73 (McEwan 14, Parsons 11, Brine 10) defeated Francis Douglas College 45 (McEwan 2 — 3, Tahere 2 — 7).

Wanderers 103 (Stening 22, Dodd 19 no) defeated Spotswood 24 (Butler 3 — 3, Dodd 2 — 2, Burbidge 2 — 1, McEwan 2 — 11).

Nomads 54 (Boon 31, McEwan 3 — 10, Dodd 2 — 6, Burbidge 2 — 5, Stening 2 — 9) lost to Wanderers 83 for 6 (McEwan 35, Parsons 12, Tahere 15, Kenworthy 10).

Wanderers 77 (Tahere 33) defeated Spotswood 50 (Stening 2 — 6, Parsons 2 — 14).



WANDERERS

REP. CRICKET TEAM v OPUNAKE

This was a close-fought game won by Boys' High on the first innings. Philip Armstrong opened the batting with a hard fought 39, while Peter Leach was the only other in double figures with 12. With 77 the target to beat, the pressure was on Boys' High but with some excellent captaining by Philip Armstrong and a fine spell of bowling by Russell Dempster taking 7 wickets for 12 runs, Boys' High was able to dismiss Opunake for 51 runs. The main feature was the high standard of fielding by both sides. We look forward to seeing Opunake at Boys' High next year.

Thanks also must go to Mrs Dempster and Mr Roberts who helped with the transport.

The team was: P. Armstrong (Capt.), P. Leach, B. Spedding, R. Dempster, T. Parsons, M. Roberts, G. Mehrtens, G. McEwan, A. Jury, C. Wilson, G. Dodd.

HOUSE CRICKET

ELIMINATION ROUND: Blue defeated Green. Maroon defeated White.

FINAL (30 overs).

Blue 85 for 7 (A. Brown 18, D. Brinsley 15, I. Cox 11, G. Dunnet 14, Moffat 3 — 9, O'Dowda 2 — 9) lost to Maroon 89 for 9 (S. Robertson 26, N. Reeve 16, S. O'Dowda 15 no).

INTER FORM

Third Form v Fourth Form

Form 3 69 (P. Armstrong 17, A. Jury 17, D. Sharman 3 — 14, S. Urbahn 2 — 4) lost to Form 4 114 for 6 wks (Urbahn 57, Hall 14, Cox 14 n.o., Wilson 2 — 4, Roberts 2 — 10).

THIRD FORM CRICKET NOMADS

A creditable second in the competition by a good all round team. The team actually led the competition after the first round, but unfortunately lost its scoring ability against the Wanderers to come out second. The team was well captained by B. Spedding who batted consistently throughout the season and gained selection into the Third and Fourth Form team.

CENTURIONS

1981 Team (Competition Winners)

T. Crossman, M. Roberts, A. Jury, R. Harvey (capt.), R. Morton, G. Mehrtens, W. Scott, L. Porteous, T. Francis, R. Harris, K. McKay, C. Boulter, O. Murphy.

Spotswood 78 (Harvey 3-12, McKay 3-13 lost to Centurions 80 (Mehrtens 10).

F.D.C. 50 (July 4-5, Harris 2-7) lost to Centurions 76 (Harvey 14, Mehrtens 13).

Centurions 123 (Roberts 52 retired, Harvey 15, Scott 16 n.o.) defeated Inglewood 94.

Waitara H.S. 27 (Harris 7-10) lost to Centurions 54 (Crossman 11, Scott 10 n.o.).

In an end of season match Centurions 82 defeated N.P.B.H.S. Wanderers 57 for 6 wks.

CAVALIERS

1981 Team (Second in Competition)

D. Sharman, R. Dempster, D. McCallum, P. Shearer, A. Vincent, B. O'Dowda, C. Wilson, G. Bailey, K. Dohig, T. Moyes, B. Snellgrove.

Matches: Cavaliers 101-4 (Hall 46, Cross 30 no) defeated F.D.C. 50 (Hall 3-9, Sharman 3-4, Fairey 2-6, Brine 2-12).

Spotswood 71-5 (Bailey 2-1, Brine 2-12) drew with Cavaliers.

Cavaliers 122-8 (Hamilton 47, Cross 22, Hall 21, Titcombe 16, Brine 13) defeated Stratford 58 (Fairey 4-6, Roberts 2-6).

Cavaliers 72-7 (Fairey 22 n.o., Hamilton 17 n.o., Brine 11) defeated Inglewood 58 (Brine 3-9).

Cavaliers 55 (Cross 10) defeated Waitara H.S. 22 (Bradley 7-3).

Cavaliers 72 (Dempster 28, Snellgrove 10) lost to Inglewood 117-5 (O'Dowda 2-13).

Spotswood 102 (O'Dowda 3-12, Dempster 2-14) defeated Cavaliers 72 (Dempster 25).

Cavaliers 115 (Wilson 26 n.o., Sharman 23, Vincent 16) defeated F.D.C. 114.

Cavaliers 114-6 (Sharman 26 n.o., Wilson 25, Snellgrove 18, O'Dowda 17) defeated Inglewood 89 (Dempster 3-19, Bailey 3-12).



Cavaliers

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ATHLETICS



The senior title at the New Plymouth Boys' High School annual athletics sports was shared this year between A. Brown and B. Feaver with 20 points, with M. Day only a point behind third. The intermediate title went to K. Le Bas and the junior to A. Kelly.

Results were:

Senior: Javelin, B. Feaver 46.15m 1, A. Louano 43.19m 2, D. Senior 37.80m 3; shot put, P. Imo 10:16.4m 1, T. Kupa 10:08.1m 2, L. Powell 9:69.4m 3; long jump, S. Schwalger 5.28m 1, A. Brown 5.16m 2, B. Feaver 5.13m 3; triple jump, B. Feaver 11.90m 1, K. Faulalo 11.67m 2, P. Imo 11.26m 3; discus, B. Feaver 28.48m 1, L. Powell 27.90m 2, B. Matalavea 23.81m 3; high jump, J. Newson 1.55m 1, J. Goodare 1.55m 2, A. Brown 1.50m 3; hammer throw (open), G. Barrack 29.97m 1, B. Shaw 25.25m 2, S. Schwalger 20.58m 3; pole vault, (open), B. Matalavea 2.42m 1, D. Detenamo 2.42m 2, P. Imo 2.42m 3.

Senior: 100 metres, A. Brown 12.25s 1, G. Pimm 12.5s 2, W. Clement 12.6s 3; 110m hurdles, P. Bryant 10.09s 1, I. Cox 19.5s 2, J. Bone 20.2s 3; 200 metres, A. Hooper 25.7s 1, T. Stevenson 25.8s 2, J. Bone 25.8s 3; 400 metres, A. Brown 57.25 1, A. Riddick 57.30 2, R. Ferguson 59.3 3; 800 metres, S. Barlow 2:12.07 1, A. Riddick 2:13 2, G. Shearer 2:15 3; 1600m walk (open), M. Day 7:27.8 (record) 1, M. Taylor 8:13.9 2, A. Graystone 8:50 3; 1500 metres, A. Graystone 4:27.92 1, T. Maxwell 4:37 2, M. Day 4:40 3; 3000 metres, G. Shearer 9:55.6 1, M. Day 10:04.3 2, T. Maxwell 10:31.5 3; 5000 metres (open), G. Shearer 17:14.7 1, M. Day 17:40.3 2, P. Kane 17:48.7 3.

Intermediate: Javelin, B. Boniface 35.95m 1, R. Thompson 34.71m 2, K. Bland 33.59m 3; shot put, G. Barrack 12.28m (record) 1, B. Boniface 10.99m 2, C. Wood 10.57m 3; long jump, K. Le Bas 5.36m 1, R. Thompson 5.30m 2, L. Huizer 4.72m 3; triple jump, K. Le Bas 11.78m 1, R. Thompson 10.70m 2, G. Ngatoa 10.50m 3; discus, G. Barrack 32.10m 1, B. Boniface 31.19m 2, A. Broughton 30.30m 3; high jump, K. Le Bas 1.6m 1, S. Mackey 1.48m 2, M. Ferry 1.44m 3.

Intermediate: 100 metres, K. Le Bas 12.39s 1, L. Mac Vey 13.00s 2, H. Maxwell 13.10s 3; 100m hurdles, D. Elgar 18.00s 1, S. Hall 19.02s 2, T. Moyes 18.9s 3; 200 metres, K. Le Bas 25.84s 1, R. Thompson 26.00s 2, L. Mac Vey 26.10s 3; 400 metres L. Mac Vey 59.50s 1, D. Elgar 60.04s 2, P. Armstrong 60.05s 3; 800 metres, A. Bayly 2:16.87s 1, D. Chilcott 2:18.40s 2, P. McNairney 2:20.80s 3; 1500m walk, S. Scott 8:49.9s 1, A. Vincent 8:54.6s 2, N. Deighton 8:56.0s 3; 1500 metres, J. Matheson 4:47.67s 1, D. Chilcott 4:49.3s 2, P. Kane 4:51.2s 3; 3000 metres, J. Matheson 10:4.29s 1, H. Maxwell 10:16.1s 2, P. McNairney 10:23.8s 3.

Junior: Javelin, G. McEwen 41.17m (record) 1, C. Mead 35.87m 2, G. Dodd 34.73m 3; shot put, G. McEwen 9.79m 1, A. Doorbar 9.39m 2, C. Mead 9.32m 3; long jump, A. Kelly 4.57m 1, S. Stephenson 4.42m 2, S. Butler 4.38m 3; tri-

ple jump, A. Kelly 9.28m 1, S. Davenport 9.13m 2, P. Porritt 8.89m 3; discus, C. Mead 29.62m 1, G. McEwen 28.94m 2, A. Fawcett 28.45m 3; high jump, A. Winch 1.40m (equals school record) 1, P. Dickson 1.36m 2, A. Kelly 1.36m 3.

Junior: 100 metres, I. Porritt 13.16s 1, A. Kelly 13.3s 2, D. Butler 14.2s 3; 100m hurdles, I. Porritt 16.99s 1, S. Tahere 18.90s 2, D. Rice 19.30s 3; 200 metres, I. Porritt 27.22s 1, A. Doorbar 32.33s 2, A. Kelly 33.5s 3; 400 metres, M. Trott 65.54 1, B. Hall 65.9 2, S. Davenport 66.2 3; 800 metres, P. MacKenzie 2.29 1, D. Larsen 2:31.6 2, B. Hall 2:31.6 3; 1500 metres, N. Lilley 9:15.9 1, R. Lennox 9:33.4 2, S. Sheehy 9:33.4 3; 1500 metres, D. Watson 4:55.3 (record) 1, K. Christoffersen 4:55.9 2, P. Oliver 5:08.5 3.

Dayboys v boarders' relay 8 x 100 metres, Boarders 1:34.50 1, Dayboys 1:39.80 2.

House relays: 4 x 100 metres: Junior, Syme 57.41 1, Donnelly 57.5 2, Barak 59.0 3, Hatherly 59.0 4; intermediate, Barak 51.78 1, Hatherly 52.5 2, Donnelly 53.0 3, Syme 55.4 4; senior, Donnelly 49.55 1, Syme 50.5 2, Hatherly 51.5 3, Barak 51.6 4.

Champions: Junior A. Kelly 29 points, I. Porritt 25, G. McEwen 17. Intermediate, K. Le Bas 30, R. Thompson 23, G. Barrack 20. Senior A. Brown and B. Feaver 21 points, M. Day 20.



SENIORS

Standing L to R: Asusage, B. Matalavea, T. Kupa, M. Day, M. Taylor, R. Tucker
Sitting L to R: D. Detenamo, K. Faulalo, P. Imo, A. Brown, S. Schwalger



INTERMEDIATES

Standing L to R: J. Matheson, L. McVey, D. Chilcott, G. Barrack, C. Todd, D. Felgar
Sitting L to R: P. Armstrong, A. Bayley, S. Scott, K. Le Bas, P. Kane



JUNIORS

Standing L to R: Kelly, Porritt, Christoffersen, D. Lilley
Sitting L to R: C. Mead, M. Trott, G. McEwen



K. Le Bas on the way to winning the Intermediate High Jump

M. Day on the way to creating a record in the 1600M Walk



P. Imo — Javelin contestant



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SWIMMING

The School swimming sports were held in fine weather. Preliminary events were held by each house so that the whole programme on Sports Day consisted of championship finals. House points were allocated on a 5 for 1st place, 3 for 2nd place, and 1 for 3rd place basis.

The final House points were:

Barak 147
Syme 107
Donnelly 97
Hatherly 90

A. Court and B. Reuben were first equal in the Junior Championship, D. Merritt was Intermediate Champion with A. Rothwell runner up, while M. Grey was Senior Champion and P. Kahukare runner up.

Junior Results

33 1/3 yds Freestyle: J. Stephenson 1; D. Jensen 2; M. Kahukare J. Dodd 3. (20s)

33 1/3 yds Breaststroke: K. Hyde 1; S. Davenport 2; B. Reuben 3. (26.7s)

33 1/3 yds Backstroke: B. Rueben 1; A. Court 2; S. Davenport 3. (23.6s)

33 1/3 yds Butterfly: T. Varga 1; M. Standing 2; M. Kahukare 3. (25.5s)

100 yds Freestyle: D. Larsen 1; A. Court 2; D. Meuli, P. McLouzie 3. (4.11.9)

Freestyle Relay: Donnelly 1; Hatherly 2; Barak 3.

Breaststroke Relay: Barak 1; Syme 2; Donnelly 3.

Backstroke Relay: Syme 1; Hatherly 2; Donnelly 3.

Intermediate Results

33 1/3 yds Freestyle: D. Merritt 1; C. Candy 2; T. Bell 3. (18s)

66 2/3 yds Breaststroke: D. Grey 1; A. Rothwell 2; B. Hepworth 3. (54.1s)

66 2/3 yds Backstroke: A. Rothwell 1; L. McVey 2; A. Bayly 3. (50.7s)

33 1/3 yds Butterfly: J. Lyall 1; G. Sanger 2; P. Cayzer 3. (22.8s)

100 yds Freestyle: D. Merritt 1; A. Van't Hof 2; J. Lyall 3. (1.55)

Freestyle Relay: Donnelly 1; Syme 2; Hatherly 3.

Breaststroke Relay: Hatherly 1; Barak 2; Donnelly 3.

Backstroke Relay: Donnelly 1; Syme 2; Hatherly 3.

Senior Results

33 1/3 yds Freestyle: M. Grey 1; M. Lockhart 2; C. Morris 3. (16.5)

66 2/3 Breaststroke: P. Kahukare 1; P. Rothwell 2; M. Mac 3. (46.5)

66 2/3 yds Backstroke: M. Grey 1; C. Morris 2; C. Boon 3. (43.2)

33 1/3 yds Butterfly: M. Curey 1; P. Kahukare 2; M. Lockhart 3. (17.1)

100 yds Freestyle: P. Kahukare 1; M. Lockhart 2; D. Mac 3. (58.3)

Freestyle Relay: Barak 1; Syme 2; Hatherly 3.

Breaststroke Relay: Barak 1; Syme 2; Donnelly 3.

Backstroke Relay: Barak 1; Syme 2; Donnelly 3.

'A' House Relay: Barak 1; Donnelly 2; Syme 3.



SWIMMING REPRESENTATIVES

B. Reuben, P. Kahukare, M. Lockhart, D. Merritt
A. Court, T. Webb, M. Grey, J. Lyall, D. Meuli

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SURFING CHAMPIONSHIPS

The fact that there were three third formers in a final of six surfers in this years' school championships shows that the school has a promising future as far as surfing goes. The conditions were slightly to their advantage though, with Back Beach providing an inconsistent 1-2ft swell held up by a light offshore breeze.

The heats got underway at high tide with everyone trying hard to make the best out of the short rides available. Early standouts were the Amor brothers, Pete and Frank, with Pete going for broke in his usual radical manner. As the tide went out the rides became longer and the surfing improved accordingly. The semi-finals got underway with an excellent nose ride from B. Street on the best wave of the contest. The little guys came on strongly, especially B. Boon and P. Amor. The final went out around 11 am.

Special thanks must go to Mr Turner, without whom there would be no surfing contest and to Wayne Arthur and Joe Niwa who helped with the judging. Most of the competitors will be back next year and everyone is looking forward to some hooting wai-wais at Fitzroy, touchwood!

Results: 1st P. Amor, 2nd P. Smith, 3rd = F. Amor, B. Boon, 5th B. Street, 6th J. Montgomery.



1981 TARANAKI INTERSECONDARY CHAMPS

These were held at Weld Road with a slight cross-shore wind and a 2-3ft swell. The school team was P. Amor, F. Amor, P. Smith, B. Boon and by default C. Boon. Right from the start it was clear that Boys' High's previous domination of this contest had come to an end. The hot young crew from Waitara blasted everyone out of the water with the result that F. Amor was the only non-Waitara surfer in the final. He surfed well into 4th place against some really radical competition. Two others from school to make it into the semi-finals were P. Amor and C. Boon. It will be a long time before anyone can match those Waitara guys, but we certainly have the goods.

Results: 1st Waitara, 2nd N.P.B.H.S., 3rd Spotswood.



The Swimming Highlight — Day Boys V Boarders

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TABLE TENNIS

Table Tennis has been rejuvenated in the school once again after a long period of inactivity. This has come about with the support of the school council in providing several tables in Pridham Hall. These tables are under heavy use at all times when classes are not in action, and seem to be used by nearly every boy in the school at some time.

Another large group of boys has elected to be coached in table tennis during the utility period. We began with fifty-three but have had to reduce that number considerably for practical reasons. This group has been most enthusiastic and attended very regularly.

I would like to thank especially Mr R. Yeates and M.C. Erb, two local representative players who came in and assisted with the coaching this year. Mr Yeates in particular, has been very helpful and the boys have been very appreciative of his time and effort. Many boys have developed to a marked degree as a result.

A simple ladder system has been instituted this year which the boys run themselves and this has been very popular too. Small school tournaments have also been run successfully.

Many boys who follow other winter sports are able to take part during lunchtimes and a great deal of enjoyment is had by all.

My main hope now is that these boys will continue their interest in table tennis and join local clubs - new blood is badly needed and clubs will welcome them.

L.V. Giddy

INDOOR BASKETBALL

General:

The basketball season for 1981 will be remembered as one of high participation and very competitive achievements. The school supported seven teams divided into the Junior League and College Grade Divisions. Although our teams failed to come up with a first placing, Boys' High School teams reached the finals in two of the four competitions.

At the Junior League level teams are divided into under 14 and under 16 categories. Boys' High fielded three "under 14" teams and one "under 16". The Meatheads, Streakers and Hot Rods made up the younger teams. The Meatheads deserve high praise for their second and their bitterly fought overtime loss to Spotswood in the finals of the competition. Both the Streakers and Hot Rods merit mentioning as they entered the season with very little experience. The Streakers, led by R. Reuben, C. Heatley and D. Hemare finished in fifth place after a very slow start. The Hot Rods achieved little statistical success but showed keen interest and sportsmanship under the captaincy of A. Simpson.

In the Under 16 Junior League Division, the boys finished third. The team was captained by Murray Cox and showed promise by winning the regular season points competition. However injury to Jeff Hall and the absence of M. Cox in the finals, cost the Banjos complete success.

College Grade:

The New Plymouth city competition is divided into two divisions: A and B. Boys' High finished third and fifth in the "B" division and placed second in the A division.

In the "B" section the school supported the Bullets and the Giants. The Bullets under Mr Lay's coaching finished third and showed a steady improvement throughout the season. Special credit goes to all members for showing a dedicated and responsible attitude. Bullets are: R. Harris, D. Peters, S. Mackey, R. Boniface, W. Garrett, A. Kenworthy and F. Meachen.

The Boys' High Giants also deserve special mention. The team, led particularly well by Antony Clement, consisted mainly of senior boarders and included: P. Kerrigan, R. Smith, C. Herbert, C. MacDonald and S. Clement. Tenacity



BASKETBALL "A" TEAM

Back Row: D. Goodare, B. Wallwork, J. Goodare, H. Fairey, B. Boniface, Mr Bodensteiner
Front Row: P. Titcombe, L. Lawson, P. Kaitoa, T. Sharland, J. Carr

and endurance best describes this team as the boys suffered through seven straight losses only to end up winning their last two and earning a respectable fifth place in the competition.

N.P.B.H.S. "A" Team

The "A" team consisted of John Goodare, Peter Kaitoa, Lane Lawson, Paul Titcombe, Brent Wallwork, Brett Boniface, Hamish Fairey, David Goodare, John Carr and Todd Sharland. The team started practice as early as March and was dedicated to a season of hard work, discipline and hopeful success. In all these areas, this young team achieved its end.

In their college matches the team split, winning by large margins over Hamilton and Wanganui Collegiate while losing 103-48 to Wellington and 73-50 to Wanganui Boys' College. However these two lessons served as strengthening points for the team. At Wellington the boys enjoyed the benefits of a successful sport visit, the opportunity to meet other students from a different environment, the chance to view the nation's capital and exposure to basketball at its best. At Wanganui, the boys played better as they held their own in the second half and lost to a top-ranked team.

In Taranaki, the season had three very important games. The team beat Francis Douglas 42-38 at Hawera in gaining first place in the North Island Secondary Schools' Regional Qualifying Tournament.

The game was high-lighted by captain Peter Kaitoa's strong defense and by the fine shooting of John Carr and John Goodare.

In the Taranaki Secondary Schools' championships at Opunake again the final pitted Boys' High against Francis Douglas. The game was extremely tense as the team lost decisively to the F.D.C. team in a New Plymouth college grade match the night before. The boys again turned out a great effort, as Brett Boniface and Lane Lawson turned in strong defensive efforts while Hamish Fairey and John Goodare took care of the scoring burden.

In the season final for the New Plymouth College Grade championship, Francis Douglas played Boys' High School. Unfortunately the last of these matches between the two schools resulted in Francis Douglas College's lone victory in a final against Boys' High School. However strong performances were recorded by Paul Titcombe, Todd Sharland and David Goodare as the boys rebounded from a twenty-five point half-time deficit to lose only by nine points in the finish.

In summary, the boys returned as Taranaki Secondary School Champions and also duplicated last year's second place finish in the college grade. However, this year's team showed more unity, more discipline and a greater determination than previous teams. High praise must go to all members and especially to Peter Kaitoa as captain and floor leader of the team.

'MEATHEADS'

A team of enthusiastic Third Form boys took to the courts in the 'B' competition of the Junior League this year. Their enthusiasm was backed up by their ability with all team members showing their skills. Unfortunately the boys were not 'hot' in all their games and so had to struggle to the final. This they did with two very classy performances.

The first was a 32-9 win over the top Francis Douglas team and the second was a win over the Knobs 19-14. Unfortunately the final against the Knobs was a very scrappy affair and after the full time whistle the score was 13-13. The final point and the match went to the Knobs after five extra minutes.

Excellent team spirit was the hallmark of this team which consisted of Greg McEwan, Brendon Boon, Arnold Fawcett, Robert Greer, Luke Worth, Andrew Laurenson, Paul McKenzie and Andrew Moore.

Coach Mr B. Bayly.

SKIING

Boys' High held its school ski championships in fine weather on East Egmont this year under the supervision of Mr Turner and the professional guidance of Mr P. Quinn. Fool-proof planning provided excellent weather and good snow for the twenty-eight participants.

Eighteen boys completed the two runs over the 400m course with excellent times being recorded. Two third formers, Karl Quinn (79.7) and Brendon Boon (80.9), finished first and second respectively, leaving behind the first senior B. Valentine (87.8). Fourth to finish was C. Kirk (88.7) with the 'hard luck' prize going to C. Boon who was clearly in the lead until the last gate where he and his skis departed. This provided a spectacular display of 'snow-eating'. Cameron was not amused. The day was enjoyed immensely by all with no injuries occurring.

As a result of the high standard it was decided to accept an invitation to attend an interschool championship with a five member team. The team competed at Turoa field on 21st and 22nd of September and comprised of the first four placegetters and C. Boon. The team was accompanied by Mr Turner, Mr Boon and Mr Quinn.

Within the school skiing has a strong and enthusiastic following and a good future can be hoped for with many aspiring juniors. The year's events were thoroughly enjoyed, with revenge having to wait until next year. (Most boys will be returning.)

Special thanks go to the headmaster for his co-operation, Mr Turner for organisation and Mr Quinn for his help with the course and team preparation. Without these people and many others this much looked forward to event would not have been possible.

B. Valentine

INTER SECONDARY

SCHOOL SKIING

The school skiing team was one of twenty teams entered in the North Island Secondary school skiing competition at Turoa skifield on September 21st and 22nd. On the first day a Giant Slalom event was held to provide seedings for the Dual Slalom event on day two. Karl Quinn finished 3.95 sec. behind the winner, Simon Wirutene, Rotorua Lakes High School and recorded eighth fastest time followed by Cameron Boon fifteenth, Brook Valentine sixteenth, Brendon Boon seventeenth and Chris Kirk twenty-fourth.

Sixth place overall was gained in the dual slalom. This event was based on a knockout system with two skiers racing side by side through identical courses. Chris Kirk, a quarter finalist and Cameron Boon were the schools' most successful skiers in this event.

The school has a young team and the junior school has a considerable depth of skiing talent so it is hoped that the school will be able to field a strong team in future events.



School Skiing Team C. Boon, C. Kirk, B. Boon, B. Valentine, K. Quinn



Cameron Boon competing in Dual Slalom

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TRAMPING CLUB

Membership of the Tramping Club has, unfortunately, continued to remain low in number. However, those boys who make the effort to become involved gain both enjoyment and experience from the organised activities.

This year relatively few tramps have taken place on Mt. Egmont. Instead the Club has moved farther afield and explored both the Whitecliffs and Mateamateonga Walkways. Although Whitecliffs provides the observer with a variety of tramping conditions and views it remains unchallenging. The Mateamateonga Walkway is, however, an ideal area to gain or further tramping experience.

During the third week of the August School holidays, a small group under the leadership of Geoff Nightingale and David Goodare completed a double traverse of the Mateamateonga Ranges, spending a most comfortable five nights in well appointed Walkway huts. Conditions for tramping were excellent even though some snow was seen at relatively low levels. The weather remained fine throughout the days while rain fell during most nights. Tracks through the ranges vary from narrow twisting gutters to wide papa benches, which earlier formed the basis of a road linking Stratford to the now deserted township of Ramanui on the banks of the Wanganui River. This wilderness area abounds with a great variety of birdlife and members of the group were fortunate enough to see parakeets, North Island robins and large wood pigeons within this region. As pleasant as the six days tramping were, the Club experiencing no real difficulties, it is essential that those people wishing to take advantage of this walkway realise that this region consists of very broken and heavily forested country which should not be treated lightly. It is not an area for the lone trumper.

Our thanks also go to the organisers of the bushcraft course held in April, which provided club members with valuable experience capable of being put to immediate use.

Also the club would like to extend its gratitude to those parents who willingly provided transport and to Mr Wrigley and Mr R. Rowlands, for the assistance they have given during the year.

B. Wrigley

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BADMINTON

The Badminton Club this year, organised by Mr Turner, met in the school gymnasium on Wednesdays at lunchtime and after school.

Early in June a team comprising L. Mace, J. Ferry, S. Hinton, A. Anderson, P. Kelly, and T. Parsons, travelled to Hamilton with various other sports teams to represent the school against Hamilton Boys' High. Hamilton Boys' High proved to be a much stronger and more experienced team, defeating N.P.B.H.S. by eight games to one, T. Parsons winning the only game for N.P.B.H.S.

The school championships were played during August and September. The senior finalists were L. Lawson and G. Hills, the title going to G. Hills after two sets. In the junior finals J. Ferry defeated S. Hinton in a very close games to take the junior championship title.

CROSS COUNTRY

Following the performance of six of the staff completing the senior course in thirty minutes a challenge was issued to the senior school to emulate that time. The challenge was duly taken up and twenty-eight boys completed in that time. Well done! Murray Day once again dominated, finishing in twenty minutes. Greg Shearer was second to Day at the half way stage, but took a wrong turning at the top of the Te Henui and continued on towards Inglewood. Craig Adams then took second place finishing three minutes behind Day.

The Intermediate and Juniors also ran well. 142 Intermediates

completed their course in thirty minutes and 165 Juniors theirs in twenty-five minutes. In the former race Peter Kane finished two seconds behind John Matheson, whilst in the Juniors Mark Harvey finished twelve seconds ahead of Kevin Christoffersen.

Results:

Juniors: M. Harvey (15.46.8) 1; K. Christoffersen 2; G. Kendall 3.

Intermediate: J. Matheson (20.47.0) 1; P. Kane 2; D. Dravitski, A. Kenworthy 3.

Senior: M. Day (24.27.9) 1; C. Adams 2; T. Maxwell, L. Lawson 3.

House Competitions: Donnelly (4814) 1; Hatherly (3673) 2; Barak (3571) 3; Syme (3132) 4.

Records: Races have to be run over the same course for three years before the best time is regarded as a record. M. Day's time of 19.41.0 for the Intermediate race of 1980 unfortunately was with a start and finish off McNaught Field. (Webster was being re-levelled). He did start off Webster in 1979 and ran 22.01. Therefore Matheson's time is the best so far. The Juniors and Seniors ran new courses this year so the winner's time will be under review in three years time. Earthworks around Girls' High School saw an alternative loop being added to the top end of the seniors course. It is now a very demanding course. The Juniors had a small loop through Aotea Reserve added to their run to make it also more of a challenge to the front runners, whilst not being too demanding for the back markers.

T.S.S. Cross Country Champs

Teams:

Junior: G. Kendall (2nd); K. Christoffersen (4th); G. Watson (38); A. Matheson (41); P. Olliver (43 and only 2 minutes behind the winner).

Intermediate: J. Matheson (3rd); P. Kane (4); G. Hills (11); D. Dravitski (16); A. Kenworthy (17); P. Hepworth (22); W. Hosking (37 and on-

ly 2½ minutes behind the winner).

Senior: G. Shearer (11); T. Maxwell (12); M. Lockhart (28); M. Taylor (29); W. Harvey (31); M. Nield (34).

The Intermediate team ran extremely well to take first place in its section.

It should be noted that all the runner were still feeling the effects of the school champs run two days earlier. Furthermore the Seniors had

just finished a week of exams, so theirs was a particularly impressive effort. The venue was the Stratford Racecourse which has a stream meandering through the middle. The runners had to negotiate several gullies fifteen metres wide and three metres deep, as well as hurdle gates and railings. It was difficult to maintain a steady rhythm.

Well done all of you!



Cross-country



John Matheson, Intermediate Cross-country winner, after the event.

CURRENT RECORDS

As from 1978 Junior defined as Under 14 on May 1st.

100 METRES:

Under 14—D.L. Jones 12.2s (1978)

Under 14½—M.G. Collins 11.7s (1975)

Intermediate—P.D. Fitzpatrick 11.4s (1973)

Senior—P.J. Hickey 11.1s (1970)

200 METRES:

Under 14/14½—L.K. Wilcoxson 25.9s (1979)

Intermediate—B.B.W. Pirikahu 23.4s (1978)

Senior—B.W.E. Binnie 22.9s (1971)

400 METRES:

Under 14—L.G. Macvey 61.8s (1979)

Under 14½—J.A. Cameron 58.8s (1970)

Intermediate—N.A. Harrison 54.2s (1972)

Senior—N.A. Harrison 52.6s (1974)

800 METRES:

Under 14/14½—D.P. Chilcott 2m.15.2s (1979)

Intermediate—S.G. Fleming 2m.6.2s (1975)

Senior—M.A. Houston 1m.59.4s (1974)

1500 METRES:

Under 14—D.C. Watson 4m.55.3s (1981)

Under 14½—I.L. Meuli 4m.49s (1974)

Intermediate—M.N. Day 4m.30.1s (1980)

Senior—B.D. Crocker 4m.18.8s (1970)

5000 METRES:

Open—M.J. Middlebrook 15m.37s (1976)

100 METRES HURDLES:

Under 14/14½—M.E. Marsh 16.9s (1971)

Intermediate—D.S. Willis 16.4s (1971)

110 METRES HURDLES:

Senior—D.S. Willis 15.8s (1973)

400 METRES HURDLES:

Open—K.G. Adlam 59.71s (1980)

LONG JUMP:

Under 14—D.L. Jones 5.17m. (1978)

Under 14½—B.W.E. Binnie 5.52m (1968)

Intermediate—L.C. Kjestrup (1937) and A. Moore (1975) 6.31m

Senior—A.G. McIntyre 6.60m (1937)

TRIPLE JUMP:

Under 14/14½—R.B. Feaver 10.10m (1978)

Intermediate—T.L. Feaver 12.49m (1978)

Senior—P.A. Johns 13.37m (1962)

HIGH JUMP:

Under 14—J.D. Newson (1978); B.D. Parker (1979); W.A. Winch (1981); D.M. Butler (1981) 1.40m

Under 14½—D.S. Willis 1.50m (1970)

Intermediate—K.D. Le Bas 1.65m (1981)

Senior—A.K. Martin 1.73m (1970)

POLE VAULT:

Open—M.R. Gregory 3.58m (1975)

SHOT PUT:

Under 14 (4 kilos)—C.J. Southern 10.35m (1974)

Under 14½ (4 kilos)—N.A. Prince 10.55m (1975)

Intermediate (5 kilos)—G.F. Barrack 12.28m (1981)

Senior (6.25 kilos)—T. Sio 11.97m (1980)

DISCUS:

Under 14/14½ (1 kilo)—G.N. McEwen 32.46m (1981)

Intermediate (1.25 kilos)—G.F. Barrack 35.88m (1981)

Senior (1.5 kilos)—N.H. Edmonds 48.17m (1968)

JAVELIN:

Under 14/14½ (600g)—G.N. McEwen 41.17m (1981)

Intermediate (700g)—R.T. Thompson 47.66m (1981)

Senior (700g)—A.N. Bartlett 54.64m (1974)

HAMMER:

Open (5 kilos)—G.F. Barrack 30.38m (1981)

TRACK WALKS:

1600 metres Open—M.N. Day 7m.27.8s (1981)

3000 metres Open—M.N. Day 14m.32.6s (1980)

4 x 100m HOUSE RELAY:

Under 14—Blue 55s (1979)

Under 14½—Pridham 52.3s (1973)

Intermediate—Moyes 48.5s (1973)

Senior—Green 46.6s (1974)

Tennis trip to P.N.B.H.S.

A team of twelve went to P.N.B.H.S.

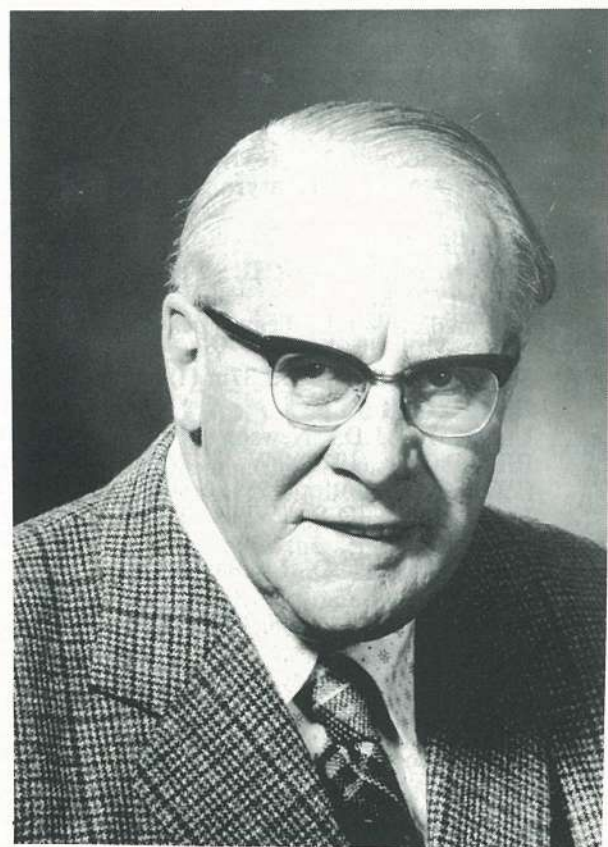
The courts at P.N.B.H.S. are of all weather standard. The surface is a porous pebble concrete which makes the ball move very quickly. The courts are the showpiece of the school. Their team trains all year round and plays as a school in outside competitions.

On the new surface our boys found it hard to adjust. Lane Lawson and Richard Waite both P.N.B.H.S. top seeds and apart from that we lost all the other games except for Mark Newland who managed a wirt in his reverse match.

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MARTIN DONNELLY



JOHN HATHERLY

SCHOOL HOUSES

This year the school houses have been renamed to commemorate some of the school's famous Old Boys. The house names, colours, and present divisions are:

DONNELLY HOUSE (Blue)	A - F
BARAK HOUSE (Green)	G - L
HATHERLY HOUSE (Maroon)	M - ROC
SYME HOUSE (White)	ROD - Z

Martin Donnelly:

Martin was Head Boy and captain of the 1st Cricket XI in 1935-36 and captain of the 1st XV in 1936. He is the school's most outstanding cricketer and became one of the greatest left hand batsmen in the world. In 1949 he scored 206 for N.Z. against England at Lords. He played County Cricket in England for many years and also represented England at rugby.

Dr. Monty Barak:

Monty was Dux and a scholarship winner in 1921. In 1926 he became the school's first Rhodes Scholar. Since then he has gained a world wide recognition for outstanding work in the field of electro-chemistry.

John Hatherly:

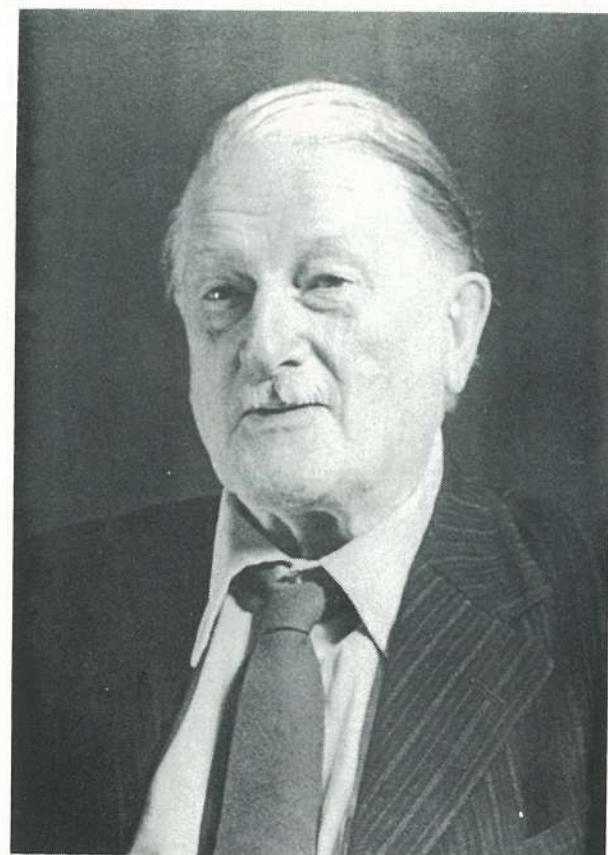
John was Head Boy in 1933 and has been a master at the school since 1940. He is a living legend among both day boys and boarders alike and is an outstanding supporter and benefactor of the school.

Sir Ronald Syme:

Ronald was Dux in 1919 and 1920 and a scholarship winner in both 1918 and 1920. He is the school's most outstanding scholar. He topped the scholarship list in 1920 being 200 marks clear of the next candidate. He became Professor of Classics at Oxford University and is one of the very few New Zealanders to be a member of the Order of Merit.



Dr MONTY BARAK



SIR RONALD SYME

SOCCER

This year has seen real progress in this sport in the school. The success of the N.Z. team has no doubt been a factor, but the growth has been steady over the last three years. The enthusiasm and support of parents and the coaches Messrs I. Wilson, D. Best, V. Hann, W. Lawson, B. Robson, G. Clarke, P. Smith, J. Sims, P. D'Arth and H. Duynhoven has ensured that the growing number of boys and teams are well catered for.

All teams are now playing in the white strip with gold and black trim. With three senior and three junior teams this strip is becoming well known throughout Taranaki and judging by the success of the First and Second XI at college games, it is being accorded the respect the school deserves.

The juniors too, have had a good season, with quite a few wins amongst the many enjoyable games. The boys did well in the seven-a-side tournaments with the 'Killers' team narrowly losing the final game.

Webster Field has recently become available after its levelling and resowing. The improved playing surface should provide en-

joyable playing and practice next year. Recently Mr Boon donated a number of shrubs which will in years to come provide shelter and some beauty to the area.

The sport began in 1939 when the First XI won the Taranaki Junior Competition. This year the First XI won the Second Division of the Senior competition while the Second XI won the Fourth Division of the same competition. Although the 1981 award of the Sheffield Plate has not yet been made, at present the First Eleven still retains this prestigious award for sportsmanship and conduct. We look forward to an even more enjoyable 1982 season.

Wanganui Collegiate v N.P.B.H.S. 1st

We won 3-1 but the whole game was erratic. The Collegiate team was not prepared until 2.10 p.m. and this of course unsettled many of our players. They had been waiting for quite a while. Collegiate scored an easy first goal from a penalty. Then Mark Newland equalised after some untidy play a metre out from Collegiate's goal mouth. This was followed up by an aggressive goal from Cameron Wilson. Our final goal came from Mark Newland who 'wrong footed' the Collegiate goalkeeper to score.

Our own goalkeeper settled and made some brilliant saves. On the whole Collegiate were let off lightly since our team had certainly put together some brilliant play in the games before this match. Much praise to the captain, Mark Lockhart, who held the team together and pushed them into a much needed win.

Wellington College vs N.P.B.H.S. SOCCER

The Wellington College team was billed as a good team. We had learnt that they had just beaten Rongatai College, N.Z.'s top team. Their coach was a Division One Player.

In the first half NPBHS played into the wind. Wellington College had twelve shots at goal; all were well covered by keeper Maurice McCartain. Their only two goals came from set pieces. Our lads fought hard and nearly scored twice. The team held well in defence.

In the second half Greg Shearer made many runs at goal, pushed off the ball by six foot tall players. Richard Foreman held his own and attacked. The final result was a loss to our team yet a game in which our team excelled themselves. The school should be proud of them!



SOCCER FIRST XI

Back Row: Coach J. Sims, C. Wilson, R. Foreman, R. Morrice, G. Spedding, M. Jones, P. Mace

Front Row: D. Haigh, M. Newland, J. Le Sueur (Vice-Capt), M. Lockhart (Capt), D. Chilcott, G. Shearer



Phillip Mace in action

HOCKEY

Master in Charge - Mr R.L. Cooper
1st XI Coach - Mr C. Tilley
2nd XI Coach - Mr Cooper

Teams 1st XI

H. Brownlie (Captain), P. Kane (Vice-Captain), S. Cayzer, W. Clement, P. Melgren, M. Salisbury, S. Modgill, A. Sangster, K. Hayward, R. Clegg, N. Smith, S. Mehrtens, M. Trott.

2nd XI

W. Hoffman (Captain), W. Scott, W. Allan, G. Coleman, D. Gordon, S. Richardson, T. Clegg, M. Billingham, W. Julian, P. Olliver, G. Shaw, S. Thompson, M. Tuck, D. Hedley.

"Who needs grounds anyway, Sir."

A. Sangster

The '81 season saw Boys' High School without its own hockey fields, a factor that was to influence the performances of the teams. N.P. Old Boys and Nashua clubs were eager to help, but their fields were committed to primary school hockey on Saturday mornings. Fortunately Apex Ladies came to the rescue and loaned us their Vogeltown Park ground for practices and matches. Our thanks go to them, as well as to Old Boys and Nashua for providing umpires for the games.

For the players the season got off to an early start with pre-season training being conducted at lunch times by Mr Cooper. Emphasis was on hitting and trapping the ball cleanly and stick control. At times

players seem to have telegraph poles in their hands rather than a light manipulative object.

The early games saw the First XI beating Spotswood 3-1 and Hawera 5-4, whilst the Seconds beat Inglewood Seconds 2-0. There followed a spate of losses, before the First XI got its act together, mainly in preparation for the College matches and beat Waitara 1-0, Hawera 3-1 and Inglewood 6-2.

College Matches

v Hamilton BHS L 1-9 4 short corners - 1 penalty - 4 field goals.

v Wanganui Collegiate L 1-4 2 short corners - 2 field goals.

v Wellington College L 0-14 9 short corners - 1 penalty - 4 field goals.

v Wanganui Boys College L 0-5 4 short corners - 1 field goal.

Short corners proved the downfall for the College team. Wellington College happened to peak when we played them. Their short corners were superbly taken. It was only after our defence realised that it had to contest possession well away from its own circle, that Wellington scored only one goal in last twenty minutes of play.

The sharpness of the Hamilton and Wellington teams was the most noticeable feature of their play. Free hits were taken quickly, sticks were handled like paint brushes and players never looked as if they weren't part of the game. Taranaki schools players tend to be slower, tend to relax if they are more than

ten yards from the ball and to hit when a push would do.

There are individual exceptions, but it needs the whole team to be "alive" to get anywhere near the standard of play of Hamilton and Wellington. Some of their play did rub off onto our players, as following each college match our team dominate play in the league games. 6-2 against Inglewood was a highlight.

Colin Tilley, an ex-Wellington rep player, must be thanked for the time he gave in not only coaching the First XI, but also in travelling to the College matches and managing the team at the August Tournament. He is really keen for the school to do well in hockey. We are also grateful to the senior hockey clubs for providing umpires on Saturday mornings; to Messrs R. Adams, A. Lane and H. Simpson for umpiring college matches, and to those parents who helped with billeting, after-match functions and transport. Thank you all.

R.L. Cooper

The 1982 Season

Pre-season training - All -boys should practise stick work from January onwards.

Easter Saturday - A special match is to be played as part of the Centennial Celebrations.

August Holidays First week - The school is to host one of the annual tournaments. Billets for two teams will be required.



FIRST HOCKEY XI

Back Row: C. Tilley (Coach), N. Smith, S. Modgill, M. Trott, A. Sangster, W. Clement, S. Cayzer
Front Row: M. Salisbury, S. Mehrtens, P. Kane (Vice-Capt), H. Brownlie (Capt), K. Hayward, R. Clegg

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RUGBY

number of years. Thanks go to all coaches who gave their time so willingly and especially those coaches not on the teaching staff:

Messrs. Bellringer, O'Dowda, Urbahn, Ashworth and Harris.

Representative honours went to Andy Brown who toured Australia with the Taranaki Under 19 team and later captained the Taranaki Secondary Schools team, John Bone, Paul Kahukare, Wayne Broughton and Ross Le Bas who also represented Taranaki Secondary Schools. Graham Sklenars, Paul Hamilton, Brian Stephenson, Carl Wood and Kim Le Bas were in the Taranaki Under 16 team and John Stephenson made the Taranaki Under 14 team.

1st XV

A highlight of the season was the trip to Invercargill to play in Southland Boys' High School's Centenary celebrations during Easter vacation. We played two games against Timaru Boys' High and Southland Boys' High respectively.

The school once again fielded thirteen teams in Saturday Competitions, by today's standards a fine feat for a school our size. A feature of the season was the evenness in the ability of players, especially in the First Group, and in the lower grades. The Second XV in particular had a most successful season, as did Sixth Grade Gold. Mention must also be made of the performance of Fifth Grade Black who performed with distinction and whose record was the best this team has had for a

v Timaru - In driving rain, hail and a strong bitter southerly wind we gained forward domination, vital in the conditions, over our opponents and with more penetration in our backs scored fifteen points in the first half. Wingers Pepper and Faulalo scored tries while Brown added two conversions and a penalty. Conditions made it impossible to get out of our half in the second spell and although we conceded a try to the opposition we were never in trouble.

v Southland - A strong and large forward pack which dominated the game made this match a thriller. Our backline, although superior to the opposition, had to exist on little ball while the forwards strove to match their opponents. The 10-0 result fails to indicate the nature of the struggle as we conceded a converted try in the closing stages of the game, running the ball from our own line in an attempt to win. The large crowd appreciated this fine game, a fitting end to the centennial celebrations.

v Hamilton - Played on a holding ground but in perfect weather conditions the annual fixture against Hamilton Boys' High became one of lost opportunities. Perhaps some team members are still wondering how we lost the game.

From the opening whistle Hamilton showed they were prepared to run the ball from any situation and although they made numerous errors behind the advantage line both our loose forwards and backs failed to exert pressure on our opponents and a number of scoring opportunities went begging. The school forwards did have the edge in the set pieces and after twenty minutes Robertson scored after a fine sideline break by Ross Le Bas.

The school forwards continued to dominate the early exchanges in the second spell and after twelve minutes Darney was on hand to crash over for the try after a superb movement in which the backs and forwards combined magnificently. Robertson added the conversion to give us a ten point lead.

To their credit Hamilton came back and after their flanker scored a fortunate try they lifted their game. Their right winger, Warren Jennings, scored a try which was converted. The teams were evenly poised. Robertson added a penalty to give us a 13-10 lead but right on full time Jennings outflanked the defence to score again for Hamilton. The conversion missed and the whistle blew for full time. Hamilton 14 - N.P.B.H.S. 13.

The team was B. Stephenson, I. Cox, P. Imo, D. Detenemo, A. Brown, G. Schouller, R. Le Bas, S. Robertson, K. Le Bas, J. Bone, M. Grey, D. Ramsay, P. Kahukare, P. Darney, C. Maihi (replaced by W. Broughton).

v St. Patrick's College, Silverstream
After a very wet week the day was fine for the St. Pat's game played on the School Gully Ground.

The game was a vigorous, interesting forward struggle with the School team dominating most facets of the play but with the backs being unable to take advantage of the good ball the forwards won.

From the kick-off our forwards drove into their St. Pat's opponents. The ball was won and the backs easily produced an overlap situation but lack of pace on the outside prevented the try from being scored. Although we continued to dominate we could not breach the St. Pat's defence and at half time the score was still nil all.

In the second spell St. Pat's endeavoured to run the ball at us but after a series of rucks close to the St. Pat's goal line the ball was fed through the school back line for winger Cox to score wide out, the conversion attempt missed.

Although it was a deserved win it should have been achieved by a greater margin. Paul Kahukare played magnificently in the forwards with Kim Le Bas doing a vast amount of work in the loose. Unfortunately, due to injury, this was his last College game for the year. In the backs Andy Brown at 1st five eighth and Brian Stephenson at fullback had good games.

The team was B. Stephenson, I. Cox, P. Imo, D. Detenemo, A. Pepper, A. Brown, R. Le Bas, W. Broughton, J. Bone, K. Le Bas, D. Ramsay, P. Kahukare, P. Darney, C. Wood, C. Maihi.

v Wanganui Collegiate - This was played on a fine day ideal for rugby. We dominated for most of the game, but as in the St. Pat's encounter we had difficulty breaking the Wanganui defence.

Collegiate scored first after their fullback running from inside his own 22 metre line found our backs well out of position and scored. The conversion attempt from an easy position failed.

From this moment our forwards took control. A penalty and two dropped goals by Brown put us in the lead and early in the second spell after some aggressive tackling by the inside backs, winger Imo picked up the loose ball to score wide out. The conversion attempt failed.

Having built up a reasonable lead the school team relaxed and allowed Collegiate to dominate the final twenty minutes. This resulted in two unconverted tries to the visitors making the final score a narrow 13-12 win.

In the forwards, Maihi, Bone, Darney and Wood had good games while Imo, Pepper and Brown were the pick of the backs.

The team was B. Stephenson, P. Imo, D. Detenemo, I. Cox, A. Pepper, A. Brown, R. Le Bas, S. Robertson, J. Bone, W. Broughton, D. Ramsay, C. Wood, P. Darney, P. Kahukare, C. Maihi.

v Palmerston North Boys' High School

As the teams ran onto the field the rain began making the conditions very slippery. We were never allowed to settle down against a big, determined Palmerston North pack and a very skilful back-line. A lack of real commitment by a number of forwards and some pitiful tackling in the backline did not make the task any easier.



1st XV

Back Row: M. Tume, I. Cox, M. Grey, D. Ramsay, S. Robertson, S. O'Dowda, K. Faulalo
Middle Row: K. Le Bas, G. Scoullar, B. Stephenson, C. Wood, P. Darney, P. Imo, A. Pepper, D. Detenemo,
Front Row: P. Phillips, P. Kahukare, C. Maihi, A. Brown (Capt), J. Bone, W. Broughton, R. Le Bas

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P. Imo making a fine break



D. Detenemo with the goal line looming, St. Pats

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Some improvement in play all round in the second spell could not stop a rampant Palmerston North side and the 29-0 defeat was a fair indication of the game. In the forwards Maihi and Darney toiled tirelessly while Imo and Pepper played well in the backline.

The team was S. O'Dowda, A. Pepper, B. Stephenson, P. Imo, A. Brown, G. Schouller, P. Phillips, S. Robertson, J. Bone, W. Broughton, D. Ramsay, P. Kahukare, C. Wood, P. Darney and C. Maihi.

v Te Aute College - After the game was nearly cancelled due to flood conditions the ground was in reasonable condition for the match. Despite the 38-0 final score we started the game quite well and won our share of ball off the much heavier Te Aute pack. Two dubious referee's decisions allowed Te Aute to score twice in quick succession before half time. In the second spell the Te Aute attack proved too strong and while once again some dubious refereeing decisions, and some bad positional play by our backs did not help our cause, the final score of 38-0 to our opponents was somewhat flattering.

R. Le Bas, Brown and Pepper played well in the backs and Darney, Grey and Robertson showed out in the pack.

The team was: S. O'Dowda, I. Cox, D. Detenemo, B. Stephenson, A. Pepper, A. Brown, R. Le Bas, S. Robertson, W. Broughton, J. Bone, P. Kahukare, M. Grey, C. Wood, P. Darney, C. Maihi.



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v Auckland Grammar School - In extremely wet conditions on the school gully ground, this game became a titanic forward struggle. Our team started strongly and forced Grammar to make errors inside their half. Two penalty attempts in the first twenty minutes failed and Grammar forced their way into the game scoring a good try late in the half to make the score 4-0 at the break.

The whole of the school team played extremely well with the forwards driving low and hard and pushing their bigger opponents around in both the set pieces and rucks and mauls. The only scoring in the second spell was a penalty to Grammar to make the final score 7-0. Both teams played the type of game necessary in the conditions which resulted in an excellent game of rugby.

The team was: B. Stephenson, P. Imo, D. Detenemo, A. Pepper, A. Brown, M. Tume, R. Le Bas, S. Robertson, W. Broughton, J. Bone, M. Grey, P. Kahukare, C. Wood, P. Darney, C. Maihi.

We again played in the Under 21 grade and from a total of twenty matches won sixteen, lost three, and drew one. Clifton the eventual grade winners were the only team to comprehensively beat us and although a number of the lower teams in the competition tended to think playing against schoolboys was a licence for thuggery, generally the matches were enjoyable. Andy Brown was the leading points scorer notching 112 points including nine tries, Detenemo scored eight tries and in the forwards Robertson topped the scoring with 35 points including six tries.

Second XV

Coached again this year by Mr G. Giddy and Mr B. O'Dowda the seconds had a very good season, playing sixteen games for six wins, nine losses, and one draw.

This year's team was a young side with plenty of potential. The forwards were small in comparison with most teams but never gave anything away and won some very good ball. The scrum was generally solid and lineouts were well competed for. In the loose we matched most teams. It was in mauling and rucking, to a lesser extent, that the forwards still need improved technique.

In the backs we had very good ball handlers and tacklers on the insides and very hard, strong, aggressive runners on the wings and at fullback. It was not until the second round of games that the backs gained the confidence in running the ball which gave our opposition some real problems.

The secondary schools competition was a very even one this year with many upsets and turn arounds in the results.

In the first round we scored two wins 9-4 against Opunake and 22-3 against Inglewood. There were close losses to Waitara 9-10, Spotswood 0-6 and an excellent performance against top team Hawera, where we led until the last ten minutes, going down 6-12.

Our only touring game was against Hamilton Boys' High School. This game was a very even encounter. It was only in the final ten minutes when we scored a drop goal by Spencer Hill, a try by Micheal Posamani, and a penalty by Brent Feaver to add to his early one that we took control for a very good win. The outstanding performances of the game came from Lane Powell and Tony Hutchings who initiated many fast long ranging moves.

The seconds played for and retained the Gordon Roper Shield by beating New Plymouth Old Boys' Under 21's 18-8. It was a very fine display in windy conditions.

The team:

Brent Feaver — (*Droop*) — very good safe fullback and attacker. Excellent goal kicker who scored 62 points this season.

Tony Hooper — very hard running wing who looked for work. Top try scorer with five tries.

Phillip Bryant — (*Russ*) — hard elusive runner and excellent crash tackler.

Spencer Hill — very quick centre who tackled and passed well.

Micheal Posamani — (*Posum*) — although unexperienced his ball skills made him a vital backline link and tackler.

Murray Tume — (*Tummy*) — excellent dictator of play in the backs with very fine skills. Played well all season and deserved his game for the First XV against Auckland Grammar.

Paul Hamilton — (*Hammy*) — very good half back with a long pass. Deserved his selection in the Taranaki Under 16 side.

Tony Webb — (*Rua*) — a sound utility back who had an early injury and unluckily broke his jaw midway during the season.

Graeme Sklenars — No. 8 showed very good early form to get into the Taranaki Under 16 side.

Lane Powell — (*Binob*) — very good loose forward going forward and backwards.

Tony Hutchings — (*Hutch*) — the outstanding forward of the team who gave everything every game.

Dene Green — (*Mean Dene*) —

often lived up to his name.

Geoff Ngatoa — played very well at lock. Showed up very well in general play.

John Pembroke — (*Rupert*) — captained the team very well often leading by example. Very useful in tight play.

John Doorbar — (*Whata*) — propped against bigger and stronger opposition most of the season but never gave in.

Richard Waite — (*Ruggard*) — never gave in against his larger opposition. Our outstanding forward in the tight. Good tackler.

Tim Crossman — (*Crossy*) — very promising young hooker with an excellent future. Very good striker of the ball and excellent thrower in lineouts. Captained the team twice -we lost both games!!!

Grant Hannaford — (*Meaty*) — good striker of the ball. Vital team man.

As many of the players will be back next year the First XV should be strengthened by them.



2nd XV

Back: R. Waite, B. Feaver, J. Doorbar, G. Sklenars, G. Ngatoa, D. Green, M. Tume
Middle: Mr B. O'Dowda (Coach), T. Hooper, P. Bryant, L. Powell, G. Hannaford, Mr G. Giddy (Coach)

Front: P. Hamilton, M. Posamani, T. Hutchings, J. Pembroke (Captain), T. Webb, T. Crossman, S. Hill

Seventh Grade Black

Seventh Grade Black played in the 'B' division where it had a record of six wins and four losses. The team struggled hard to win games early on, but as the season progressed the team found new confidence. In the last games Black produced some very effective running rugby scoring heavily against the weaker teams and losing only narrowly to the top sides.

Players to impress in the backs were Terry Duckett, Grant Wills, Bruce Hazzard and Shane Feaver

while up front Peter McCutcheon, Darin Mann and William Kingi were always in the thick of it. Special mention should be made of Tony Rawlinson, the team's captain, who led by example and Phillip Ainger who showed great improvement during the season. Other team members were:

B. O'Dowda, M. Ross, S. Feaver, T. Richards, P. Rowe, M. Herbert, G. Benton, L. Koha, D. Watson, D. Jensen, G. Hepworth, S. Robbins, B. Ellis.

Thank you also Mr Bell for your time and guidance.

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UNDER 16½ v WANGANUI COLLEGIATE

NPBHS 34 Wanganui Collegiate 0

Two evenly sized teams took about fifteen minutes to settle down with Wanganui having the territorial advantage. Boys' High then scored two very good tries, the first by Nigel Robinson after some very good work by both backs and forwards with the ball moving back and forth across the field. The second try by Tony Hutchings was scored after an excellent break by Brent Feaver who fed inside for Hutchings to score. Near the end of the first half Adam Boon scored after an individual run by Murray Tume. With two conversions by Feaver, Boys' High led 16-0 at half time.

After some loud prompting from the Collegiate coach at half time they put some pressure on Boys' High defences which held well. Graeme Sklenars then scored his two tries, one from the back of the scrum and the other finishing a good combined forwards-and-backs move. Feaver converted the second try. From the kick off the ball was fed along the back to flanker Hutchings who set off on a fifty-five metre run to score in the corner. The final try came to right winger Peter Rothwell after two very good back moves.

Outstanding performances came from Hutchings, Crossman (Captain) and Ngatoa in the forwards and Tume, Boon and Feaver in the backs.

TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS RUGBY REPRESENTATIVES

Played in the Hughes and Cossar Tournament at Whangarei the first week of the August holidays: Andrew Brown (Captain)

Ross Le Bas
Wayne Broughton
John Bone
Paul Kahukare

TARANAKI UNDER 16 RUGBY REPRESENTATIVES

Brian Stephenson
Paul Hamilton
Graham Sklenars
Carl Wood
Kim Le Bas

EIGHTH GRADE GOLD

8th Gold was one of the unsuccessful teams in its grade, but played a lot of good games.

Nigel Lilley captained the team throughout the season.

Mr M. Carroll picked up the team

half-way through the season after Mr G. Wilson moved to Auckland.

The team had a rough time with injuries and team losses.

EIGHTH GRADE WHITE

Firstly I wish to express my thanks to parents who made transport available for the boys on Saturday mornings.

The boys can be proud of their position on the points table, coming second in the competition.

We have built up a good forward pack with the backs combining well when the ball was passed out. The main power in the forwards came from Russell, McGregor, Schouler, Custers, Brotherick and others with the backs ably fed by D. Harris with Hetet, Rowe, Lennox and Hughes. Bellringer tackled very well. The captain, S. Young, played well and made this team combine and drive when needed. Thank you boys! You have done well. Good luck for next season.

G. Harris

FIFTH GRADE RUGBY

Black (Under 17)

This year brought success of a variable nature to fifth grade Black. Frequently outclassed by its opponents, the team never failed to provide stern competition in all games. Reward for a determined side came with a series of wins over closely matched teams in the morning division of the Under 17 grade.

Throughout the season fine performances were given by M. Franks, R. Fleming, C. Walmsey, D. Morgan and P. Rothwell, the latter two being named to represent the school in the under 16½ grade game against Wanganui Collegiate.

Coach: Mr Watts
Manager: Mr Wrigley

SIXTH BLACK and WHITE

At the beginning of the year there was only one team but after a rally around two teams of equal ability were created. Thanks to Mr Ashworth must be given and to the parents who helped with transport.

Both teams ended up in the middle of their competition with their final game against each other being the highlight. A draw at 18-18 was a fair indication of the teams' equal abilities.

Coach Mr B. Bayly.

EIGHTH GRADE BLACK

The team showed a great deal of enthusiasm and good spirit throughout the season. Although only two games were won, three others were drawn and in these our team had clear superiority in territory and possession but could not convert this advantage into points. On two other occasions we had by far the best of the first halves but slipped in concentration as the games progressed. Thus the team had a good measure of success in most of its ten games.

Although tries are a result of good team effort, the top try scorer was Stephen Sheehy, followed by Barry van de Water. Ian Blair played with determination and skill. The most improved player was Ian Stephens. The team was well lead by Malcolm Cottam.

Warm thanks must go to the many parents for their interest, enthusiasm and readily offered transport.

G. Clareburt

SEVENTH GRADE GOLD

Coach: Mr J. Rowlands

1981 was a year of mixed fortunes. We had everything from two nil-all draws against F.D.C., a good hiding from Spotswood College in our first meeting, and a very pleasing and convincing win over Stratford.

The team developed well over the year and probably played its best rugby in the last few games. A very open style of play was encouraged and this enabled many passing rushes up the field, often with the whole team touching the ball, at least once.

Phillip Armstrong led the team well and showed that he has lots of potential. All the other backs shone out at some stage during the season. In the forwards Cole, Fawcett and Sampson showed out as players to watch in the future, while R. Pettybridge led the way in most games with his aggressive approach.

Parent support was always strong and both the boys and their coach, Mr Rowlands, were very grateful for this.



Bone on the barge

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5th GRADE GOLD

Back Row: D. Mac, M. Cox, S. Simons, C. Boon, R. Tucker
Middle Row: Mr B. Bellringer, N. Robinson, M. Tanswell, C. Hooper, D. Merritt, G. Barrack
Front Row: S. Miln, A. Phillips, J. Irvine, P. Dennis, T. Stevenson, J. Newson



7th GRADE GOLD

Back Row: R. Pethybridge, A. Cole, A. Sampson, A. Fawcett, L. Huizer, P. McKenzie
Middle Row: D. McCullum, S. Bond, C. Todd, S. Scott, S. Page, T. Francis, Mr J. Rowlands
Front Row: S. Dally, D. Ritchie, M. Roberts, P. Armstrong, G. Clegg, D. Stockwell, O. Murphy



6th GRADE GOLD

Back Row: G. McEwen, L. Porteous, G. Sanger
Middle Row: T. Moyes, B. Axbey, D. Doorbar, M. Crane, A. Doorbar, A. Bayley
Front Row: M. Ryder, C. Brown, S. Urbahn, J. Stevenson, P. McSweeney, A. Boon



8th GRADE GOLD

Back Row: D. Mueli, P. Sampson, K. Christoffersen, R. Stening, D. Plowright
Middle Row: R. Greer, A. Kelly, I. Porritt, L. Phillips, P. Rawlins, A. Matheson
Front Row: C. Ellery, G. Newsome, K. Kalin, N. Lilley, D. Larsen, J. Gibbons, B. Hall

MUSIC

1981 has been an eventful year for music with the main musical event of the year being the combined G.H.S. - B.H.S. production of "Oklahoma".

In the first term the school was once again strongly represented at the Taranaki Secondary Schools' music festival by our choir, orchestra and band members. The concert band successfully tackled a rather difficult arrangement entitled **Billy Joel in Concert** and was later to repeat a performance of this early in term two with the assistance of a number of players from Spotswood College and Girls' High School. This was in fact a concert organised for the Friday night of Queen's Birthday weekend - just one week into the new term! It was a test of the performers' adaptability and versatility which they all displayed admirably. The items were warmly received by a large audience, among whom were boarders and prospective boarders' parents.

But the main event of term two was undoubtedly the staging of **Oklahoma**. Preparation had begun as early as the second week in March, and from this date, right through to the final performance on August 21st, both staff and pupils

worked hard together to stage probably one of the finest combined school productions that the school has ever been involved in.

This year saw the formation of the string group. This group is made up of guitars and members of the string family and has proved to be a successful combination of instruments. The group, along with the Junior orchestra, has been guided with much patience and affection

by Mrs Beryl Simpson, who continues to give of her utmost to the school.

The music department in term three began its preparation for next year's Centennial celebrations which involve a Centennial concert, and a Battalion Parade. If the quality of performances seen so far this year by the boys is anything to go by, we can expect to see more satisfying music making in 1982.



BAND

Back Row: S. Scott, K. Mitchell, D. Goodare, T. Robertson, D. Broadbridge.
 3rd Row: G. Deane, G. Watson, A. Diprose, J. Goodare, B. Gordon, J. Mitchell, E. Graves.
 2nd Row: R. Kirk, S. Chatterton, G. Nightingale, T. Pugh, C. Baldock, G. Gibson, S. De Grey, M. Mehring.
 Front Row: D. Stewart, N. Smith, L. Gordon, C. Wadsworth, P. Armstrong, J. Lyle, K. Hyde, A. Saunders.

"OKLAHOMA"

1981 has been a great year for the music department and boys. The most significant event of the year would have to be the production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's "OKLAHOMA!" The production was presented on the 18-19-20th August in the Girls' High School Hall. The response from the public was enthusiastic with each performance playing to a full house.

In staging such a production, much time and effort has to be expended, and Mrs Joy Brown (the producer), Mr Harry Brown and Mr Don Boyd (the musical directors) must be commended for doing just that. Preparation, casting, rehearsals were all under their guidance and everyone concerned respected them for their true dedication.

For the second time in five years, both the Boys' High School and Girls' High School have combined to transform the Girls' High School stage into the American West. 1977 saw the combined efforts of both schools in the rollicking musical "Calamity Jane".

"OKLAHOMA!" is set in the Indian territory of America at the turn of the century before Oklahoma became a state. The story tells of a carefree curly McLain (Darryl Prince) who tries to get Laurey Williams (Julie Chadwick) to be his bride. He is helped along by Laurey's Aunt Eller (Anna Murphy) and hindered all the way by Jud Fry

(Andrew Sangster). Comic relief is supplied through the efforts of Ado Annie Carnes (Valette Morris) who tries to sort things out between two equally desirable suitors, the slightly thick Will Parker (John Hudson) and the crafty Persian Peddler Ali Hakim (Tim Withers). Her plans are disrupted by her elderly, trigger-happy father, Judge Andrew Carnes (Chris Baldock).

Other parts of note were Ike Skidmore (Wayne Clements), Slim (Kenneth Mitchell), Gertie Cummings (Kim Noonan) and Cord Elam (Andrew Little). The boys' chorus was Nick Deighton, Timothy Deighton, Alan Diprose, Guy Gibson, Craig Haybittle, David Liggett, Terry Moyes, Tony Pugh, Andrew Saunders and Brett Wilson. All these people (plus the girls' chorus) delivered songs such as "Oh, What a Beautiful Mornin'", "Kansas

City", "The Farmer and the Cowman" and "OKLAHOMA!", with such confidence and vitality that the audience surely danced their way home.

One must not forget the loyal work put in by staff members without whom the production would not have got off the ground. Thanks must go to Mr Duynhoven, lighting; Mr Dobson, stage manager; Mr D'Arth, set construction; Mr Taberner, set painting; and also Mrs Gallon, Mrs Haskell and Miss Lyon for their handiwork at make-up. Thanks must also go to all the parents and pupils who graciously assisted.

Both schools should be proud that we have so much talent amongst us, on-stage and backstage. With this talent, next year's centennial show is going to be a sure success.



A Wedding is Arranged

The Chorus



DEBATING

1981 has been a busy year in this sphere. A number of debates were held this year against other schools. At the senior level, teams argued "That physical violence is an effective deterrent to crime"; the negative against Girls' High, the affirmative against Spotswood. A junior team enjoyed their debate against Girls' High affirming "That the age of obtaining a driving licence should be raised to eighteen". None of these debates was won, but experience of public speaking and enjoyment were gained by participants.

An important part of debating this year was the entering of a school team into the National Jaycee competition. Although this is the first time for several years that Boys' High has participated, the team of Darryl Prince, Tim Withers, Andrew Sangster and Andrew Little acquitted themselves extremely well. Their success against the teams from Girls' High, Sacred Heart and St. Marys resulted in Boys' High becoming the Taranaki Region Finalist. They were narrowly defeated by Chanel College, Masterton, winners of the Wellington region, in the next round, when they affirmed the proposition "That the fun has gone from sport". Nevertheless the team showed itself to be highly enthusiastic, under the generous and able guidance of Mr Boocock, as well as providing large-sound, frequently convincing, and always entertaining arguments for the audience.

Those involved in debating this year have gained both enjoyment and a measure of skill in speaking to an audience. Debating involves controversial and conflicting ideas; through debating, the individual can clarify his own ideas and opinions, and then convince others that his are right - always a valuable asset.

This year has been successful, with many students being involved and we look forward to continuing success and enthusiasm in 1982.



DEBATING

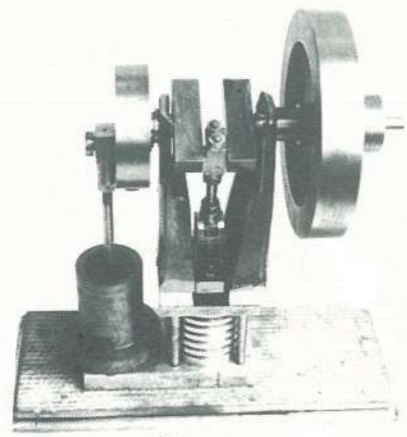
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T. Withers, Miss C. Lyon, D. Prince



Todd Nauman



The new milling machine provided by the P.T.A.



"Henrici" type Hot Air Engine built by Gareth Pimm

INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY

1980 saw the introduction of the Sixth Form certificate course into the school. The course was begun as an expansion of the School Certificate Engineering Shopwork programme. It has enjoyed good support from the pupils with around twenty boys beginning the course each year.

Although workshop based, the course work includes a substantial written component, and also one or two visits to industry as appropriate. The participants in the course each undertake one major workshop project as well as participation in the group project work.

In 1980 many of the pupils made bench grinders; in 1981 the "in" project is the portable compressor. However, the individual projects have ranged from a toaster to a hot air engine.

The group project in 1980 was a design project followed by the rebuilding of a small twin cylinder automotive engine. This year the group is helping with the restoration of a vintage motorcycle.

The Education Department has been enthusiastic about the setting up and progress of the course but appears to be unable to provide any financial resources. The Parent Teacher Association has been able to provide most of the finance to acquire a new milling machine, largely due to the work of Mrs Ethel Shaw who over a long period of time has raised funds through selling used school uniforms.

The new machine has proven to be a valuable and versatile asset to the workshop. Larger projects can now be accurately machined and it has enhanced the range of machining processes possible.

Earlier in the year the school also received one new 'Hercus' lathe to replace the very aged 'Littlejohn' machine.

Industrial Technology is a new and growing subject which is hopefully of real benefit to those boys who have attained their School Certificate in Engineering.

PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB

With the demise of Lab. 5 the school lost its former photographic darkroom. Fortunately this event coincided with the remodelling of the Technical Block basement which now houses an area for three dimensional art work, a spacious darkroom and prep room. The work and equipping were completed mid 1981.

The school now has two enlargers and three cameras at its disposal -one of these cameras being the generous gift of Mr K.W. Claydon.

The photographic club has a growing following amongst seniors but juniors should not be put off, as many excellent photographs are taken with inexpensive equipment; what is needed is a keen eye for composition and a feeling for the decisive moment. Photography is a creative and absorbing pastime which is always providing new challenges.

Most of the photographs in this magazine were processed in the school's darkroom -many by students.

R. Tabener/T. Butler

MOYES HOUSE

Moyes House has seen a number of changes this year. Mr Mossop replaced Mr Derby as senior Housemaster and in May, Mr Fletcher completed three years in Moyes. His work in the House was appreciated by the boys and staff. Mr O'Keefe joined the House and is living in the upstairs flat which has been improved.

There has been some redecoration in the House and it is hoped that facilities will continue to be improved.

Russell Smith, as Head of House, and the prefects, Tony Webb, Phillip Bryant, Michael Franks, Dane Green and Andrew Coleman have done a good job in helping to marshal house spirit.

Moyes has a number of overseas students who have made a valuable contribution to the house. One Samoan student Perefoti Tamati, has been appointed as an additional prefect in the house in recognition of his personal qualities and to represent the interests of overseas students.

There has been some fierce sporting competition with Carrington House this year, with Moyes winning a cricket and a soccer match, and conceding one cricket match.

THE SENIOR BALL

For the first time in many years, the School has held a formal Senior Ball.

When the Headmaster approached the seniors about the need for a Ball, in preparation for next years Centenary, it was with a certain amount of trepidation that we undertook the task.

However, after the committee formed, and got underway, the combined efforts of the Seventh Form and Group Leaders, culminated in a spectacular occasion.

The Hall was well decked-out with the centre-piece being a seven foot Champagne bottle, created by Martin Burns, who oversaw all the decorating.

Prior to the function, several evenings were dedicated to the mastering of ballroom dancing, under the guidance of Mrs Ward.

At eight o'clock in the evening, of August 8th, the Ball started, and continued on through till twelve o'clock. The band, supplied a high standard of musical entertainment, and it was encouraging to see couples dancing with enthusiasm, if not expertise.

On the whole, the Ball was a roaring success, and all looks well for next year, when the School hopes to put on an equally polished function.



INTER-SCHOOL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

The Inter-School Christian Fellowship was slow to get started again following the departure at the end of 1980 of Mrs Nixon. As the year progressed, a strong group of seniors developed, making a good nucleus for future activities.

Two visits from Miss Anne Fordey, regional organiser, were enjoyed as were visits from Rev. Tom Woods who spoke about Creation -Evolution and Mr Graeme Smith who showed a film and spoke about the Mission to Lepers.

One cold, winter weekend a combined camp of seniors from several schools was attended by Mr Wright and one boy.

CHESS CLUB

Chess has become very popular during the utility period on Thursday afternoon. More than fifty boys are vying for the top of the ladder.

The three top players are B. Valentine, D. Walker and A. Crawford.

The mid-week games on Wednesday during lunchtime are usually played by a small, enthusiastic group of junior boys.

40 HOUR FAMINE

In the first term thirty-three pupils and teachers took part in a forty hour famine lasting from eight o'clock on Friday evening, 27th March to noon Sunday, 29th March. Pupils undertook not to eat anything during that time, except one barley-sugar every four hours, if needed. Fruit drinks, tea or coffee, but no milk was allowed. The experience brought home to those participating just what conditions of life are like for so many in the world today. Through sponsorship \$590 was raised and sent to World Vision to assist the hungry and undernourished.

ORAL READING COMPETITION RESULTS

Form 3 — P. Anderson 1; G. Berge 2; D. Hedley 3.

Form 4 — D. Jury 1; P. Armstrong 2; M. Roberts 3.

Form 5 — D. Cross 1; R. Shaw 2; M. Mehning 3.

Form 6 & 7 combined — D. Prince 1; M. Taylor 2; D. Walker 3.

RESULTS OF PREPARED SPEECH COMPETITION

Form 3 — D. Joyce 1; S. Davenport 2; G. Deane 3 =; L. Worth 3 =.

Form 4 — B. Garrett 1; G. Thomas 2; K. Dohig 3.

Form 5 — G. Nightingale 1; D. Cross 2; C. Baldock 3.

Form 6 & 7 — M. Taylor 1; G. Cleland 2; T. Lloyd 3 =; D. Ward 3 =.

RESULTS OF ESSAY COMPETITION

Form 3 — H. Kenworthy 1; A. Matheson 2; G. Watson 3.

Form 4 — P. Armstrong 1; G. Miles 2; D. Jury 3.

Form 5: J. Edwards 1; D. Raymond 2; C. Baldock 3.

Form 6 & 7: M. Taylor 1; G. Shearer 2; N. Hanrahan 3.

FEET

Do you know what I am describing? "It's the metatarsus phalanges which is connected to the tibia and fibular by the torsi" - in a word "Foot!" Many people just don't appreciate their feet. I think that they deserve a great deal of credit, and admiration.

Feet have shaped the history of the world. Right from the earliest times, cave dwellers relied on their fleet-footedness for food. Since then, much of our history has evolved round feet, with endless examples springing to mind. Think of Hannibal, who took 90,000 foot-soldiers and fifty elephants across the Alps. Napoleon tenaciously marched his soldiers deep into Russia, and then had to retreat on a terrible journey, that ruined an army which had held Europe in servitude. The vast expanse of South Africa and America were conquered by the Trekker Boers, and the pioneers, who pressed on bravely and resolutely. Our own New Zealand heritage was shaped by men and women who travelled many weary miles on foot. In our present space-age, wider horizons are still being explored. However!!!! Despite the brilliant

technology needed to send man into outer space, his first contact with another world was with his foot.

The foot is a deeply cultural item!! The Chinese favour delicately bound feet, while the Fijian firewalker likes them really tough. The foot of the Australian aboriginal is his most important limb on a walkabout, and the fame of the Black Tracker would be non-existent without feet.

Feet can be the implements of exceptional bravery. We remember a few years ago a courageous woman; one who had no arms because she was a victim of thalidomide, and who cared for her baby solely with her feet.

Feet have brought great fame to New Zealand. When we hear the name Don Clarke, we think of the right boot he possessed. The New Zealand soccer team certainly wouldn't be where it is without its feet. Names such as Halberg, Snell, Lovelock, Dixon and Walker have brought sporting fame to New Zealand and "The Flying Kiwi" is well known.

There are many different shapes of feet. The talons of an eagle, the long curled claws of a sloth, the

webbed feet of a duck, the hooves of a horse, and the great strong paws of the bear, all developed for a meaningful purpose.

From the first patter of tiny feet, until you are six feet under, feet influence your very personality. We can put our foot in it, be swept off our feet, be foot-loose and fancy free, put our foot down, foot it with the best of them, or maybe have our feet planted firmly on the ground.

But, alas, nothing's perfect. Even the versatile little foot has its low points. It has to lend its name to such diseases as footrot, or foot and mouth. But, man has made up for this grave injustice. He has inserted the word foot into a footmuff, or footwarmers. After walking in icy water, a footwarmer is a heaven-sent salvation.

And so, let us pay due homage to the humble foot - only a small article, but one of unique beauty and value. And next time you feel yourself wanting to say "Oh! how my feet hurt," just remember how much the foot has done for you and how little it has asked for in return.

Mark Taylor



K. Darrah



M. Burns

A FLY ON THE WALL

My name is Marcus Filato. Here are the events of the last three months:

On the 16th May 1963 I was a double agent with the Mafia working in Argentina. Life was just paperwork, passports and physical training. Although the Mafia were rich I was being paid a paltry income. My greed and dis-satisfaction were beginning to wear on me, and the dreaded forbidden word "defection" was hot in my mind.

Four days later I made a pass-over of data from the Argentine government. My contact gave me a plain brown envelope. Back in my apartment, seven stories up in a cheap but clean building, I opened the letter. It read: *You will meet at the hospital grounds at 17.00.* The hospital was the interrogation room at the Mafia HQ. The note filled me with terror but Sernov - my boss - would have me terminated if I wasn't there.

My footsteps echoed as I paced down the concrete hallway. The boom lessened as I neared the iron door at the far end. It made no sound as it opened and closed. In the centre of the small well illuminated room was a round table with a brown cardboard folder. In it was a page of very detailed instructions pertaining to an assassination I was to carry out in Australia. My defection chances were becoming greater but I remained in control and didn't make any sign of pleasure or displeasure. I left the

room and made for the stores room. I picked up a gun - with a silencer - a knife and the keys to a red Ferrari Boxer.

The next day I was seated in a Viscount winging its way towards Perth. From Perth I drove to Darwin in the Boxer which was waiting at Perth for me. For the next two weeks I turned over the city for my target. On the 5th June I made contact and trailed him all week collecting data pertaining to his life. On the 15th June I lay in wait for him in the lift he always took up to his office in his building. Half way between the third and fourth floors I shot him, jammed the lift and shoved him out the escape hatch. A neat job. Now to drive to Cairns and sail to New Guinea. Until the 20th July I hid - a new home, a new person a day. Then, on the tourist boat, I went diving off the Great Barrier Reef. I swam along the coast for half an hour, then surfaced, went ashore and hitch-hiked back to Cairns. I found my car and drove to Canberra where I sought diplomatic immunity. After thorough questioning and form-filling I was taken to a room with a magnificent view. I saw a fly on the wall so I asked the bellboy to get me a fly swatter. He brought it and I approached the fly slowly. Two feet away I realised my carelessness. The fly had not moved and it shone metallically. As I thought this, it flew at me, and exploded in my face.....Sernov was too good for me.

Hamish Kenworthy 3LN



A. Kenworthy

*As the darkness engulfs the ugliness around me,
I dream of a better life;
With the safety of childhood fantasy,
A life without bitter strife.
But with deeper thought my dreams become all dead,
And trickle like unsightly dirt from the fingers in my head.
Hate and war fill my mind,
Death and destruction pillaging close behind.
Give me the safety of my soft, white, padded cell
I choose to be insane again;
Reality is hell.*

B. Fergusson

LIFE

*What is life
Is life true or is it false
Is life a dream or just a bore
Is life a living object or is it the living dead
Life is what you make of it
It isn't what you fight against.*
S. Ross

BLACK

*Black HELP
Oppressed Nation
Crying for freedom
A cry for help
A cry for political recognition
A cry for some worldly success
Many cries for many things
Who can give help?
Who gives safety?
Who gives?
Black
M. Billinghurst 3*



A. Diprose

BODIES

Now, before you sink your teeth into this essay, do not think I walk the street gawking at bodies. I am merely commenting on what I see. After all, don't we all?

You know bodies come in all shapes and sizes. Yes, you've seen them, and can immediately relate them to something else. Take the thin ones for instance - a bean pole, or, if you painted numbers on them - a thermometer. The fat ones - are you disgusted? Do obese people simply make you feel squeamish all over? The shorties, gnomes? Tree stumps? God certainly had variety in mind when he made us all.

What about body components? Take the hair: something we may admire in the mirror or tear out in anger. Frizzy, straight, curly, clean, dirty, tangled: you name it, we've got it. Yes, not only can hair be in different forms, but new colours too! Yes! We now have available: green, purple, pink, bright red or yellow.

The ears. I know what you're thinking. Great big fans that protrude from the head like albatross wings. But don't forget, where would 'Star Trek' be without Spock and his beautiful listening apparatus?

What about our sniffers? Yes, the nose. Laugh all you like, but you'd

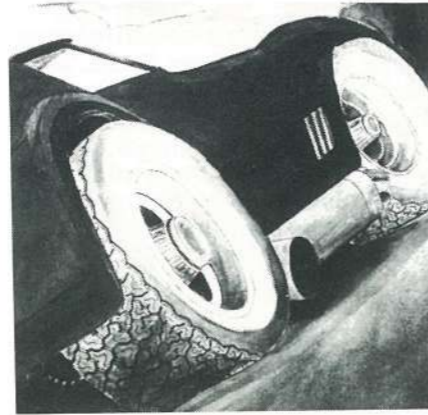
look pretty funny without one, believe me. Noses, gigantic trunks, hooters, honks, or quiet little squeakers. Pimply? Red? Run down? Leaky? Just remember your nose has granted you the pleasure of the ability to smell.

Tummies! Fat, scrawny, hairy, white or brown. The tummy button. Is yours an 'inny' or an 'outy'? Don't be shy now. What about their owners? The tummy of a politician? The sea-side holidaymaker? The alluring young bikini girls, now there's a tummy! Thank goodness our tummy is so elastic.

Legs. The beacon of a woman walking down the street. As you know, legs come in many shapes and sizes, all weird and wonderful in their own way. Firstly, take our sea-side holiday maker again. Yes, the fat one with a handkerchief over his head; a large stomach, white body; smothered in insect repellent and licking a melting ice-cream. Now the legs, do we dare look? White, with a terrific girth. Yuck! With each step they quiver relentlessly. The legs of an athlete, muscularly powerful. Hairy legs ready to be milled. Skinny legs, some looking so brittle, indeed.

Well there's some aspects of your body. Even though we're all different, we can all be proud of our individuality and remember, beauty is only skin deep.

R. Tucker 6S2 6F



THE LIFE OF MAN

*Eternal silence
Born helpless
Slowly waking, learning
Wide awake, confident
Growing weary
Listless, tired
Eternal silence.*

THE CUBE

*Is a cube player
A player or a "tube?"
Is it a measure of the mind's
intellect
Or the intellectual creation
Of a money measurer?
Who is playing with what
The player or the creator?*

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"Curious Square"

SPRINGBOK TOUR

*Alas, we'll have a Springbok Tour,
The nation's pride it will devour.
Ron and Ces they want their
game,
The trouble? HART and CARE
they'll blame,
And put their good name in the
sewer.*

*As for visas - Rob won't
withhold.
He thinks it's being a bit too
bold.*

*Gleneagles will be put to shame,
And we won't be at the
Commonwealth Games
Because, all pride, we will have
sold.*

*The South African Blacks who
die each day
Do not think the tour's okay
Thousands of protests we all
hear,
But the Rugby Union turns a
deaf ear,
And won't hear what we're all
trying to say.*

Darryl Ward 6



4th Form Heads



R. Davis

FASCINATION

*I saw a star slide down the sky,
Blinding me as it went by,
Too burning and too quick to
hold,
Too lovely to be bought or sold,
Good only to make wishes on
And then forever it is gone.*
M. Sutherland 5

DARKNESS

*When hidden by night,
Men become as sinister
Spirits; black of heart.*

BLACK

*Black is the witch
Black as pitch
Tar is black
So is the smokestack
Black is coal is carbon
Licorice le bon bon
Death and mourning
Signal fire smoke warning
Grimy rail track
Nothing is black.*
H. Kenworthy 3

BAXTER (Based on a 1973 British film)

*You can't die standing up,
I said. But the cup
Has passed from my hands,
And I still stand
Depressed, emotionally jaded
Somehow I kissed
A dream that faded away.
I had wished for things to be so
grand,
But I still stand
Resolute to the last.
My 'Achilles heel' lacked a heart,
By forgetting what was past
She was tearing me apart
Limb by limb, as if it was planned,
Yet I still stand
Teetering on the line.
What is past is past
I should have had a sign
That my lifeline had breathed her
last breath
She had faith I could,
But there I stood.
A. Sangster*

METAMORPHOSIS

*Somewhere with me,
Simplicity changes to
A complexity.*



R. Davis

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INVASION OF THE STEEL TOPS

The sweet sounds of the Bellbird filled the ears of the valley.

And the tops of the rimu trees seemed to sway in soft accompaniment, their leaves rustling from the light breeze that blew up the valley.

The trees, in their majestic cloak of green, stood tall against the deep blue of the sky.

Spring was here in its full glory, the small buds of the pohutukawa tree bursting into deep red blooms.

The scene was peaceful, with only the swaying of the trees disturbing the motionless paradise.

A deep roar shattered the silence, it continued for a few seconds then spluttered and died. There was a deathly quiet, but again the roar started, this time it continued.

Ripping trees limb from limb, razor sharp teeth bit deep into bark and the slow unending creak of breaking timber cast a shadow of fear over the whole bush. The steel topped murderers had invaded!

Jeffrey Newell



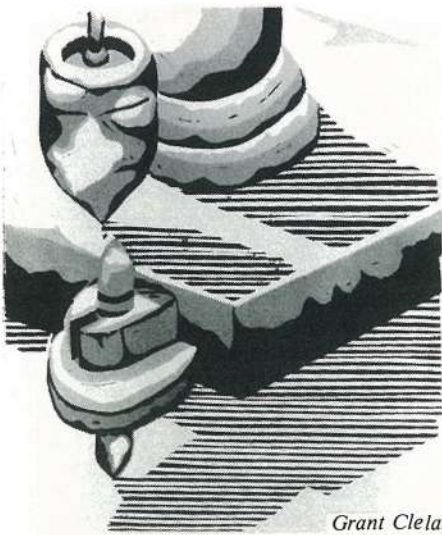
R. Davis

AUTUMN I

Today I saw a leaf fall.
Does that mean summer has fallen also?

AUTUMN II

Leaves: they fall from trees
I fall from reality
deep within myself.
A. Sangster



Grant Cleland

MULTINATIONAL VAMPIRES

Soon, a smelter, there will be,
To melt down Al_2O_3

'Twill be another Fletcher
Challenge

By those who by now almost
own

This small country called New
Zealand;

Our rivers, lakes, and soon our
homes.

"It will provide the jobs needed
by Dunedin,
So what if Aramoana's a
Garden of Eden".

But many more jobs would be
provided

If the Government wasn't by
Fletchers guided.

If we invested in textiles, or the
furniture industry,

We wouldn't destroy the
Clutha, the second
Manapouri.

Hasten, ye patriots, and save
our lands,

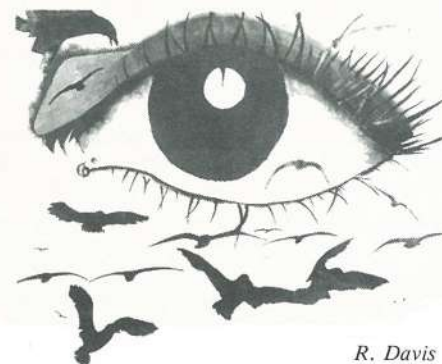
But not from cathode emis-
sions from aluminium
production,

Which will pollute the
environment and cause its
destruction,

But from the talons of multi-
national empires,

Who'll suck our economy like
greedy vampires,

And leave us the pickings
falling from their hands.



R. Davis

WRAITH - WIND

The Wind

Listen to it rip and tear

In the darkness outside

Reckless spirit, desperately clawing

At the windows

Trying to get in

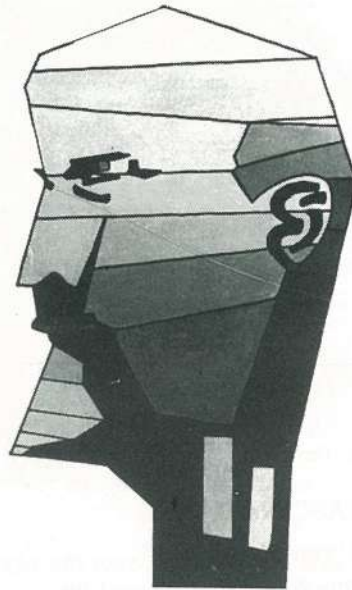
Swiftly it recedes

And then strengthens

The house shakes

But stands secure

Grant Storry



DIRGE

The peace our fathers knew
is it forever gone

Dinosaurs outgrew their world
Have not we?

Pity your children my friend
for all that is left is an imitation

A reflection on cracked glass
so rain and proud

See them fall
Watch them bleed

FREEDOM

Freedom

What is freedom?

Is it being free to vote

Or gamble at the tote?

Or to watch a racist rugby game,
Despite the suffering
and the shame,

Those wanting our individual
rights

Will go to such great pains.

But we never can be really free
while our brothers are
in chains.

Darryl Ward 6



MOYES HOUSE

S. Clements, C. Wood, F. A'Aiono, A. Sampson, K. Faulalo, P. Sarjent, G. Barrack, B. Wallwork, L. Porteous, B. Feaver, D. Morgan, N. Deighton, D. Gordon, P. Broadbridge, L. Huizer, J. Menzies, T. Withers, N. Arman, Murray Walker, B. Haszard, F. Pettigrew, D. Detenemo, G. Barkla, T. Moyes, D. Kejestrup, M. Eliot, M. Lissington, T. Hutchings, A. Cole, P. Hamilton, B. Axbey, C. Brown, S. Dunn, Michael Walker, J. Gray, T. Crossman, N. Whitehead, G. Wills, O. Murphy, M. Hone, J. Walker, F. Maea, P. Tamati, T. Webb, D. Green, Mr J. Howes, Mr D. Mossop, Miss J. Curd, Mr M. Carroll, R. Smith, P. Bryant, A. Coleman, M. Franks, S. Kupa, S. Mehrtens, I. Brown, P. Rowe, T. Rawlinson, C. Porteous, D. Warren, A. Mills, K. Hetet, R. Gleeson, G. Coleman, M. Macrury, M. Hart, N. Lilley



CARRINGTON HOUSE

Back Row: K. Mitchell, G. Busch, B. Matalevea, D. Sharma, W. Clement, M. Crane, S. Brighthouse, S. Schwalger, C. Lagatuga, A. Lauago, S. Modgill, G. Ngatoa, R. Johnson, A. Clement, K. Pratt, P. Lino
2nd Row: G. Rowe, K. Williams, T. Cresswell, J. Mitchell, M. Reid, J. Stephenson, S. Hadland, T. Newson, A. Howard, S. Milne, S. Feaver, M. Posimani, L. Morris-Jeukius, D. Watson, R. Morton, G. Herbert, D. Hedley, P. Aiuger. Seated: S. Cayzer, M. Goodson, B. Stephenson, E. Newton, G. Hannaford, M. Musgrove, S. Simons, Mr P. Hill, Mr D. Moore, Miss J. Curd, Mr M. Carroll, C. Maihi (Head Boarder), A. Sangster, J. Newson, W. Allan, S. Robbins, P. Tatham
Front Row: G. Eden, M. Cottom, M. Herbert, D. Harris, M. McGregor, M. Tatham, T. Richards, R. Lennox

MAORI CARVINGS

A gap in the school has at long last been filled.

Nowhere, until recently, has there been any tangible evidence of the Maori background of N.P.B.H.S. apart, that is, from the Maori boys who come as pupils.

But now, two strikingly-carved totara pillars frame the stage in the Main Hall and we are indebted to the following Old Boys: Messrs Neil and Maurice Cleland, who supplied and milled the totara, Mr Wally Briggs, who dried it, and Mr Mal Manu, who for two months has carved out the stong interlocking shapes in the massive six metre-tall totara beams.

Each column has three male figures, representing significant educators in the school's history and the typically Taranakian sinuous character of the carving symbolises the evolution and continuity of education at New Plymouth Boys' High.

We are certainly the richer for the addition of these fine examples of Maori craft to the fabric of the school and their arrival is timely, corresponding as it does with the school's centenary.



The totara log in the mill



Mr Mell Manu, Carver



Hands of the craftsman

REPRESENTATIVE AWARDS 1981

At the headmaster's instigation, the staff, under the chairmanship of Mr Brine, have revised the system of awards. The scope of the whole system has been broadened to include the School Council, and cultural activities which require expertise and dedication from the participants and which contribute significantly to the life of the school, such as drama, music, debating and art. The committee has also sought clearly-stated criteria, to guide nominations. Fairer comparability has been

achieved from activity to activity and sport to sport.

An awards committee comprising each teacher in charge of an activity under the chairmanship of the Senior Master considered nominations in October and duly made recommendations to the headmaster. The names of those who received awards are given below.

One very significant element of the enlarged system is the possible reintroduction of tiger jackets. These have not been manufactured

for years and the jacket survives only through a small pool operated by the school and because some seniors have managed to acquire them from generous Old Boys. It is clear from the reaction of this year's recipients that a ready market certainly exists and should a local businessman be able to furnish the cloth, it is very likely that we shall see a revival of the most striking item of the uniform. A tiger jacket was always eagerly sought and it will continue to be worn with understandable pride.

SCHOOL COUNCIL:

John Bone, Andrew Brown, John Doorbar, Paul Kakukare, Mark Lockhart, Spencer Lilley, Stephen Robertson, John Pembroke, Paul Phillips, Richard Waite, Tony Webb, Bruce H. Shaw, Robert Symon.

RUGBY:

Brian Stephenson, Poloaiga Imo, Ian Cox, Dempsey Detenemo, Stephen Robertson, John Bone, Michael Grey, Darin Ramsay, Carl Wood, Peter Darney, Ross Le Bas, Paul Phillips, Shaun O'Dowda, Kim Le Bas, Greg Scouller, Andrew Brown, Paul Kahukare, Wayne Broughton.

DEBATING:

Darryl Prince, Tim Withers, Andrew Little.

SOCCER:

Robert Morrice, Justin Lesueur, Richard Foreman, Grant Spedding, Dean Chilcott, Mark Lockhart, Mark Jones, Greg Shearer, Mark Newland, Cameron Wilson, Phillip Mace, Shane Wilson, Mark Scholfield.

HOCKEY:

Hamish Brownlie, Andrew Sangster, Karl Hayward, Milton Salisbury, Simon Mehrtens, Peter Kane, Simon Cayzer, Russell Clegg, Nigel Smith.

ATHLETICS:

Brent Feaver, Murray Day, Gerald Barrack.

BASKETBALL:

Peter Kaitoa, John Goodare, Brett Boniface, John Carr, Lane Lawson.

CRICKET:

Stephen Robertson, Andrew Brown, Ian Cox, Warren Hall, Spencer Hill, Johnathon Irvine, Tim Irvine, Brendon Johnston, David Laurenson, Shaun O'Dowda, Simon Urbahn.

TENNIS:

Lane Lawson, Richard Waite, Mark Newland, Rodney Fleming, Richard Foreman.

MUSIC:

John Goodare, Luke Gordon, Tim Robertson, Bryce Gordon, Martin Mehring.

ART:

Martin Burns

DRAMA:

Tim Withers, Darryl Prince, Andrew Sangster, Chris Baldock, Guy Wright, David Gordon.

FREE!

I listened....I watched....I waited. From the moment I had entered my inhospitable prison I felt alone and yet 'they' were there, watching with their inquisitive but somewhat sinister eyes. In their own way, they were putting me on trial, on trial for all the movements I made, all the noise I made and yet 'they' made no noise. They just sat and stared with those eyes. Oh, those eyes!

The many nights I could not sleep, the thoughtful hours I spent dreaming of freedom, made me wonder why I was a prisoner here. What had I done wrong? I had not committed any crime. Then why?

I had begun to realise that 'they' had begun to chatter, only slightly at first, and then later they never

stopped talking amongst themselves. This went on day and night, and once in a while one of 'them' would come forward, cock his head, and stare. A chill of fear flooded my body. I cried out in grief and huddled in my corner and wept.

I began to realise that my only friends were the ones that, every morning, stood outside my prison of metal and smiled in pity. One of them would smartly open the door to our condemned cell and leave our rations on the brick slab floor. I never got any, for as our provider left 'they' scavenged every last morsel.

I soon lost my longing for freedom. Instead it was replaced by revenge. Little did I realise that my dream was about to become a reality.

One morning our provider opened the prison door, stepped inside and left the food on the floor and stepped outside. Only today, not all went according to plan. He had not closed the door completely! Excitement rushed through my head! Ideas and thoughts swirled around in my brain. The others outside had gone. Quietly, as 'they' fought over the food, I ducked into the shadows and crept along the wall to the door. I silently pushed my way through the space and sat on the ground outside. Triumph!

I gayly turned my head and saw 'them' still squabbling over the remaining morsels. I rummaged my feathers in glee, spread my wings in ecstasy and flew, as free as what I was born to be - a bird of flight.

C. Baldock.

NEW PLYMOUTH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

SENIOR PRIZE-GIVING

12 November 1980

FIFTH FORM PRIZES:

English (Daily News prize) Grant Spedding; **History:** Steven Rowlinson; **Bookkeeping:** Michael Franks; **Art:** Richard Tucker, Wiremu Ratana; **Music:** Luke Gordon; **Technical Drawing:** David Strawbridge; **Engineering:** Murray Hone; **Woodwork:** (Spear & Jackson prize) Baden Brown; **Physical Education:** Colin Maihi.

5th FORM GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARDS

1st Aggregate: John Harrison: 1st English, 1st Latin, 2nd Geography, 3rd Science, 3rd Bookkeeping, 3rd Mathematics.

2nd Aggregate: Clyde Haldane: 1st Geography, 1st Science, 1st Economic Studies, 2nd Mathematics.

3rd Aggregate: Bevan Boocock: 1st Mathematics (Taranaki Maths Prize), 1st French, 2nd History, 3rd English, 2nd Economic Studies.

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT PRIZES

Public Speaking Fifth Form

T.G. Lloyd 1; K.P. Mitchell 1; D.W. Ward 3.

Essay Competition:

J.A. Harrison 1; M.N. Day 2; B.J. Valentine 3.

Oral Reading:

D.J. Prince 1; A.J. Little, D.W. Ward 2.

Original Verse:

D.J. Prince, D.G. Ramsay 1.

SIXTH FORM PRIZES:

English: Richard Foreman; **Accounting & French:** Mark Taylor; **Economics:** Michael Nield; **History:** Paul Butler; **Geography:** Stephen Robertson; **Technical Drawing:** Ian Brown; **Industrial Technology:** Brent Fougere; **Construction:** Craig Cleland.

SIXTH FORM GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

1st Aggregate: John Chivers: 1st Physics, 1st Chemistry, 1st Latin, 2nd Economics, 3rd Maths.

2nd Aggregate: Mark Jones: 1st Mathematics, 2nd Chemistry, 3rd Physics.

3rd Aggregate: Mark Newland: 1st Biology, 3rd Chemistry, 4th Maths.

SIXTH FORM OUTSTANDING EFFORT AND PROGRESS

Eric Clegg, Ian May.

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT PRIZES

Public Speaking 6th Form:

A.S. Shearer 1; M.D. Taylor 2; R.J. Symon 3.

Essay Competition:

R.J. Foreman 1; J.M. Doorbar 2; G.S. Shearer 3.

Oral Reading:

M.D. Taylor 1; T.S. Withers 2; A.J. Sangster 3.

Original Verse:

M.R. Holland 1.

SEVENTH FORM PRIZES

English Language: (John Brodie Memorial) Jeremy Harland; **Economics:** David Wilson; **Physics & Applied Mathematics Biology:** (Walter Crowley Weston Memorial) Andrew Harvey; **Practical Art:** (Patricia Steven Award) Scott Wilson; **Mathematics:** Alex Messenger.

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT PRIZES

Essay Competition:

A.L. Van Paassen 1; G.A. Whelan 2.

SPECIAL PRIZES:

Best Original Work: (Heurtley Memorial) Andrew Sangster; **Drama Award:** Brett Howell; **Special Prize for Polynesian Student:** Anthony Hill; **Excellence in Humanities:** (S. Prentice Cup) Simon George; **General Excellence:** (Dr. Fookes Cup) Chris Daly; **Head Boarder:** (Eggleton Cup & Prize) Taura Tukaroa; **Head Boy:** (Brooman Cup & Prize) Bruce Waite; **Proximo Accessit:** (MacLeod Memorial) Chris Daly; **Dux:** (Buick Cup) Simon George, Graham Harrison. **Simon George:** 1st Economics, 1st History, 1st Languages, 2nd English.

Graham Harrison: 1st Chemistry, 1st Accounting, 3rd Applied Mathematics.

MUSIC AWARDS:

Most Outstanding Brass Player: (Port Nicholson Cup) Luke Gordon.

General Excellence in Choral Work: (Faull Cup) Darryl Prince.

ATHLETICS

Senior 100m: Old Boys Cup — R. Pereria.

Senior 200m: Herbert Smith Cup — R. Pereria.

Senior 400m: Old Boys Shield — K.G. Adlam.

Senior 800m: Mason Memorial Cup — K.G. Adlam.

Senior 1500m: Fookes Cup — M.J. Harvey.

Senior High Jump: Moran Cup — R.P. Peters.

Senior Hurdles: Noakes Cup — T.S. Sio.

Intermediate 200m: Challenge Cup — A.E. Riddick.

Intermediate 400m: Bothamley Cup — A.E. Riddick.

Intermediate 800m: Gilmour Cup — Intermediate High Jump: Keller Cup — R.C. Tucker.

Intermediate Long Jump: Cartwright Cup — B.E. Boocock, G.S. Sklenars.

OPEN

Senior Cross Country Champ: 1911 Cup — M.N. Day.

Intermediate Cross Country Champ: Herbert Smith Cup — M.N. Day.

Athlete of the Year: Towler Cup — M.N. Day.

SWIMMING

Senior Champion: Sykes Memorial Cup — M.L. Grey.

Intermediate Champion: Challenge Cup — P.K. Kahukare.

Life Saving: Smith & Faston Cup — T.L. Scott, P.S. Rothwell.

BADMINTON

Senior Champion: Cook & Lister Cup — C.J. Hill.

Intermediate Champion: Issac Cup — S.M. Hill.

TENNIS

Senior Singles Champ: Candy Cup — L.C. Lawson.

Intermediate Singles Champ: McKeon Cup — R.J. Fleming.

Most Improved Player: Burgess Cup — M.C. Newland.

CRICKET

2nd XI Most Improved Player: Giddy Shield — W. Hall.

1st XI Batting: Meuli Cup — S.P. Robertson.

1st XI Bowling: Parkinson Memorial Cup — R.J. Balsom.

Contributed the most to Cricket: Alistair Jordon Cup — M.J. Sanders.

SOCCER

1st XI Most Improved Player: Burmester Trophy — P.E. Mace.

BASKETBALL

Most Improved Player: Peter Lay Trophy — P.J. Kaitoa.

HOCKEY

Most Improved Player: Simonson Cup — M.A. Salisbury.

RUGBY

1st XV Contributed the most to Rugby: Leuthart Cup — C.R. Moffat.

1st XV Supporters most Improved Player: Watts Cup — P.K. Kahukare.

Best Cadet: Sole Cup — D.L. Farrelly

MUSIC

Most Outstanding Brass Player: Port Nicholson Cup L. Gordon.

Most Improved Brass Player: Gibbs Cup T. Sharland.

Most Improved String Player: J.S. Hatherly Certificate G. Uren.

Choir General Excellence: Faull Challenge Cup D. Prince.

DAYBOYS v BOARDERS

Tennis: Beetham Cup — Dayboys

Swimming: Dempsey Shield — Dayboys

Rugby: Pease Cup — Boarders

INTERHOUSE

Swimming: Burnbank Cup — Blue

Rugby: Kerr Cup — Blue

Soccer: Holder Cup — White

Athletics: Hansard Cup — Blue

Music: John Dobson Memorial Cup — Maroon

IX AGGREGATE

Head Boarder: Eggleton Cup & Prize T. Tukaroa.

Head Boy: Brookman Cup B. Waite.

Humanties: Sheelah Prentice S. George.

General Excellence: Fookes Cup C. Daly.

Proximo Accessit: C. Daly.

Dux: Buick Challenge Cup S. George and G. Harrison.

HOUSE CHAMPION

Crammond Cup — Blue

JUNIOR PRIZE GIVING 1980

SPECIAL

Junior Essay:

Form 4: Sean Watts 4W4 (Rex Dowding Memorial Cup) 1; Warren Garrett 4G1 2; Antony Stening 4W6 3.

Form 3: Stuart Chatterton 3B3 1; Robert Graves 4G6 2; Kurt Wohler 3W3 3.

Original Verse:

Form 3: Brian Connelly

Form 4: Alistair Kenworthy

Junior Reading:

Form 4: Chris Baldock 4B8 1; Deane Cross 4B4 2; Geoffrey Busch 4B1 and Martin Mehring 4M3 3.

Form 3: Wade Scott 3W8 1; David Salisbury 3W3 2; David Jury 3G5 3.

Junior Oratory:

Form 4: Geoffrey Hall 4G9 (Moss Cup) 1; Bryce Gordon 4G8 2; Deane Cross 4B4 3.

Form 3: David S. Flay 3B9 1; Peter Buxton 3B9 2; Stuart Chatterton 3B3 3.

Form 4 Mathematics Progress: (Wattie Wilkie Memorial Prize) Gregory Woodhead 4W6.

MUSIC:

Most Improved Brass Player: Tod Sharland 3W2.

Most Improved String Player: Garth Uren 4W8.

ACADEMIC

Form 3 Subject Prizes

English: David Jury 3G5.

Science: Brett Davidson 3B7.

Mathematics: Michael Roberts 3M6.

Social Studies: Peter Cayzer 3B7.

French: Bruce Garrett 3G8.

Latin: Michael Roberts

Technical Drawing: Tom Cresswell 3B8.

Business Studies: Michael Roberts.

Woodwork: Peter Nielson 3M9.

Metalwork: John Krook 3G3.

Art: Dean Stockwell 3W6 and Gavin Ireson 3G9.

Maori: Murray Herbert

GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE FORM 3

1st Aggregate: Michael Roberts

2nd Aggregate: Peter Nielson

3rd Aggregate: Bruce Garrett

4th Aggregate: David Salisbury

5th Aggregate: Andrew Saunders

6th Aggregate: Lyall Huizer

OUTSTANDING EFFORT AND PROGRESS

Bruce Haszard and Peter Buxton.

FORM FOUR SUBJECT PRIZES

English: Alistair Kenworthy 4G2

Science: Mark Stevens 4W8.

Mathematics: Alistair Kenworthy 4G2.

Social Studies: Geoffrey Nightingale 4M3.

Latin: Ross Harvey 4G1.

Tech Drawing: John Matheson 4M1.

Business Studies: Stephen Brine 4B9.

Woodwork: Jeffery Newall 4M9.

Metalwork: Neville Judd 4G3.

Art: Alistair Kenworthy 4G2.

French: Nicholas Kriesler 4G2 and Raymond Shaw 4W5.

Music: Alan Diprose 4B2.

GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE FORM 4

1st Aggregate: Dean Cross

2nd Aggregate: Alistair Kenworthy

3rd Aggregate: Stephen Brine

4th Aggregate: Mark Dannatt

5th Aggregate Equal: Nigel Smith and Mark Stevens.

OUTSTANDING EFFORT AND PROGRESS

Dean Elgar and David Sharman.



K. Darrah

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PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The Parent-Teacher Association Executive Committee started the year with a new President, Mr. N. Phillips. Other members of the incoming Committee were Vice-President Mr. B. Fenwick, Immediate Past President Mr. C. Taylor, Secretary Mrs. V. Hulbert, Treasurer Mrs. M. May, Mesdames E. Shaw, W. Hall, M. Brownlie, M. Sharland and V. Bone, Messrs. R. Goodare, H. Busch, R. Hulbert, R. Simpson, I. Turnbull and R. Dowling, Board representative Mr. B. Irvine and two staff representatives Messrs. D. Boyd and G. Clareburt and the Headmaster. During the year two resignations were received: Mr. B. Fenwick and Mr. I. Turnbull. Mr. R. Goodare accepted the vacant position of Vice-President. The P.T.A. is essentially a support group and 1981 has seen a lot accomplished by a very enthusiastic executive.

The year commenced with assistance being given with fund-raising for the viewing gallery in the proposed new gymnasium. This highly successful venture grossed \$17,500 and was a great credit to the staff, especially the boys and the parents.

Gala Days are usually held triennially at Boys' High, but because of two major fund-raising projects, The Gallery Appeal and the Centennial Trust Fund, it was decided to defer the Gala.

During the year continued assistance and consideration has been given to improving the school uniform, and therefore the school image. A popular new windjacket was introduced and the school jersey now displays its distinctive monogram.

It is an important feature of our P.T.A. that major fund raising is a responsibility shared between boys and parents, and this year because the School's Council did not benefit directly from fund-raising, the executive made a donation of \$750.00 from its reserves to the Council.

In September the Minister of Education opened the new science block and P.T.A. members attended and supported the official function.

For the second year running, a Panel Evening was held in September, the subject being 'Discipline - Too Much or Too Little'. Speakers were the Rt. Hon. J. McLay, Superintendent R. Newman of New Plymouth Police, Miss H. Ryburn, Judge T. Ross and the Headmaster Mr. T.T. Ryder. This was a very successful, well-attended evening and followed a very successful social venture in August.

A 'Las Vegas' evening was held at the Racecourse Complex, and one hundred and eighty people attended and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The P.T.A. profited by \$500.00.

Contributions to the school have included a \$1,200.00 grant towards the purchase of a new milling machine for the Engineering Department and for the Industrial Technology course in particular.

The cricket pitch has been undergoing upgrading, and the P.T.A. has given \$300 for the purchase of clay to provide a sound playing surface.

A proposal was put forward by the Woodwork Department this year to build a playhouse for a fund-raising raffle. P.T.A. members' assistance was given for this project by obtaining donations of materials

to build the playhouse.

During the year the P.T.A. has also liaised with the Girls' High School P.T.A. over the holding of dances on a regular basis in the future. Next year should see these plans getting underway, and after a highly successful Ball this year, the enthusiasm is running high.

1981 has been a very busy and extremely satisfying year for the P.T.A. Committee. Thanks must go to parents and staff for their support of activities and attendance at the Panel Evening and the 'Las Vegas' night.



Willing hands at the clock tower.

Cricket Pavilion



K. Quinn



The P.T.A. Chairman in a sticky wicket

CENTENNIAL TRUST FUND

In February the Centennial Trust Fund was launched by the Chairman of the Centennial Fund, L.R. Bublitz, at a special function at Devon Lodge attended by a number of Old Boys and friends of the school. The occasion was marked by the publication of an attractive coloured brochure which outlined the Trust Appeal. The Trust Deed was drawn up by Mr J. Laurenson, was signed by Messrs J. West, L. Bublitz, H. Titter and I. Russell. It provides for the establishment of a fund which will be invested in perpetuity by the Trustees appointed by the Boys' High School Board. Mr H. Titter, Mr I. Russell and Mr L. Papps have agreed to be the initial Trustees. Income will be granted each year to the school to be spent by the Board after consultation with the Headmaster, to broaden or improve the standard or range of the School's function. The Trust has been established to mark the School's Centennial and has been commended by all associated with the School.

Many Old Boys have volunteered their help in an endeavour to raise the target of \$100,000. New Plymouth Old Boys are being canvassed in age groups while in other areas of New Zealand liaison representatives have been appointed to organise a regional committee to canvass their area. A central fund raising committee chaired by Mr B. Darney co-ordinated the appeal. In September \$30,000 had been donated or pledged by Old Boys. Donations have come from Old Boys from all walks of life and all parts of the globe.

NEWS OF OLD BOYS

Neil Waller — Class of '60, received his M.A. in French with 1st class honours. He is currently Charge d' Affairs in Paris.

John Murray — is Professor of Medicine, Cardiovascular Section, University of Minnesota. His work frequently takes him to Africa. At school 1934-1938.

Peter Strombom — is General Manager of Experimental Aircraft Association, Wisconsin. He administers the annual convention with an attendance of nearly 500,000 people and 12,000 aircraft.

Bruce Brown — Assistant High Commissioner in London, hopes to be at the Centennial.

OLD BOYS' NEWS



CENTENNIAL FUND TRUSTEES

Messrs L. Bublitz, I. Russell, J. West, H. Smith. Seated: H. Titter

David Lean — now Mayor of New Plymouth - no doubt New Zealand's youngest current Mayor.

D.V. Sutherland "Denny" — retired after twelve years as mayor.

Dr. Murray Blue — formerly of Te Wera, appointed to professorship at Cornell, Ithaca, New York State.

Father David Monaghan — appointed chaplain of Francis Douglas College.

Les Palmer — Head Boy 1942. Dunedin contact for Centennial Reunion information, 2A Cromwell St. Dunedin.

Michael Simock — practicing medicine at Parramatta, N.S.W.

Ivor McIvor — living at Kew, Melbourne after retiring from chartered accountants partnership in Ballarat.

Robin Fenwick — In his career in food technology has lived in India, Kenya, Korea, California and from October will be back in New Zealand with the Dairy Board, Wellington.

Brian Tinsley — is a space scientist at the Dallas, Texas University. His research takes him to high altitudes in the Peruvian Andes and Hawaii.

Tim Besley — works at the Department of Business and Consumer Affairs, Canberra.

Robert Brown — has spent a considerable amount of time overseas since 1977, some as a consultant to the Polish Academy of Sciences, on plant diseases.

Stan Chong — Mount Hagen, Papua New Guinea - Missionary - intends to be back for Centennial.

Brian Major — works with I.B.M. as an engineer - at present in Hong Kong.

Digby Bossley — in management, Fiji. Hopes to be here for Centennial - also brother Michael (Adelaide) and Bryan (Brisbane).

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS

Preparations for the Centenary, Easter 1982, are progressing well. The response to two circulars posted to Old Boys whose addresses are known has resulted in 1300 pre-enrolling for the Easter Celebrations. Tentatively these will include:

- Friday April 9 1982:** Official opening and cocktail party.
- Saturday April 10 1982:** Battalion parade
Roll call
Decade photos
Lunch
Sports features at school involving Basketball, Hockey, Rugby and Soccer
- Evening: Grand Ball**
- Sunday April 11 1982:** Special Church service
Golf match
Bus tours to places of interest
- Evening: Theatrical and/or Centennial feature to be decided**
- Monday April 12 1982:** Lunch at school
Hansard Athletic Sports (morning)
Special Rugby feature at Rugby Park (afternoon).

Auckland Branch

George Green (1954-58) was seconded from Feltex to the Prime Minister's Advisory Group for two years from February 1981.

Left behind at Feltex are, of course, **Harold Titter** (1944-48) as Managing Director and **Derek Sutcliffe** (1946-51) as General Manager - Services. Derek is also a Past President of the New Zealand Employers Federation.

At Air New Zealand in the top seat is **John Wisdom**. Not long before him was **Sir Geoffrey Roberts** now retired to a farm near Wellsford but continuing to be active in the New Zealand Institute of Directors. **John Veale** (1927-29), also retired from the airline's executive, is living in Remuera while **Craig Saxton** (1948-55) is current Public Affairs spokesman for Air New Zealand.

Growing Kiwifruit and Avacado pears at Katikati is **Geoff Furness** (1958-62). When work permits he is still an Auckland yachting.

John Bathgate (1948-52) is practising law in Hamilton. He was appointed a Judge in September and will sit in Wellington.

John McLeod (1949-50) is Manager of the Papakura Branch of the A.N.Z. Bank and very active in the cricket scene as a player, coach and administrator. In the winter he is a Rugby referee in the Counties Union.

Another one who prefers to live on a farm instead of in the city is **Bill Moore** (1952-53). Bill is a grandson of Bill Moyes.

Representing Taranaki (why not Auckland!) in the 1981 Golden Oldies Rugby tournament in the U.S.A. was **Peter Boon** (1949-53).

David Clemow (1952-56) is a senior Boeing 737 Captain with Air New Zealand. He is also building his own six seat Hovercraft and writing a book on the Nigerian (Biafran) civil war.

In May **Garry Hyde** (1952-56) raced his 11.6 metre yacht to Suva and finished fourth across the line as well as fourth on handicap. **Clyde Colson** (1951-55) was also in the race to Fiji. **Dick Still** (1948-52) skippered Garry Hyde's boat on the return trip to New Zealand. (Garry has to earn a living). In the return crew was Chief Radio Officer and Keeper of the Bar, **Graeme Brackebush** (1949-52).

Fred James (1950-52) has completed five years at the Mercury Theatre and is now Properties Master. We also see him in production and commercials on T.V.

Living in retirement at Pauanui is **Spence Anderson** (1923-28). He is always pleased to entertain any Old Boy passing that way.

Kevin James (1943-47) is an active jogger and skier and the senior partner in an Auckland architectural practise.

If you want your carpets cleaned that man to see is **Graham McGlashan** (1951-54). He will stay and talk afterwards with a little encouragement.

Paddy Morgan (1933-38), living at Bucklands Beach was elected a Fellow of the N.Z. Education Institute in 1980.

Mark Petch (1941-46) is an active exporter and recipient of an N.Z. Enterprise Award in 1980. He is a judge for the 1981 contest.

Wayne Gifford (1959-60) with a Masters Degree in Geology is now resident in Perth and active in the Australian minerals scene.

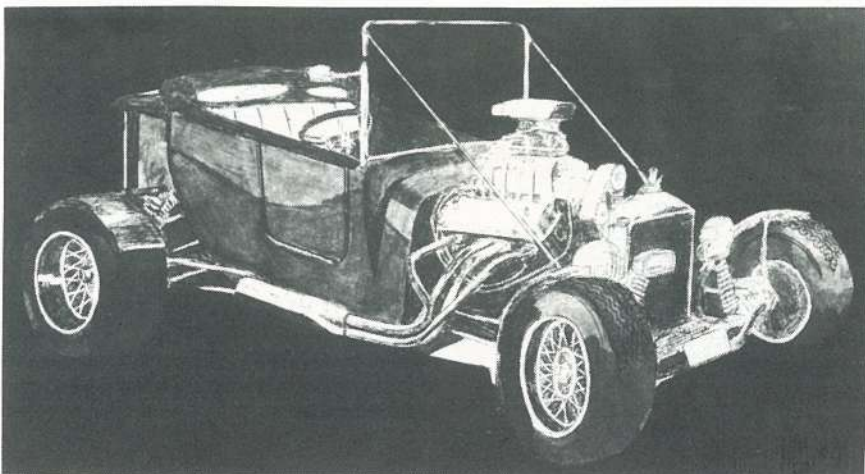
Peter Worth (1941-46) is the Immediate Past President of the N.Z. Jewellers Association and the Remuera Golf Club.

In between managing the A.N.Z. Bank at Papatoetoe **Geoff Bendall** (1948-52) found time to go to Australia as a member of the N.Z. Orienteering Team.

Stuart Wilson (1932-35) after a career in teaching is a councillor with the Mt. Wellington Borough Council and is on their Traffic and Town Planning Committees.

At the Remuera Bowling Club you will find **John Veale** (1927-29), **Gordon McDonald**, **Owen Rainger** (1920-23), **Henry Peake**, **Bill Foote** and **Bruce Grieve** (1926-29). Enough for a re-union every week.

Dusty Miller (1964-66) has been in the Navy since leaving school and is now a Lieutenant and currently Marine Engineer Officer on H.M.N.Z.S. Otago. In the Dockyard Workshops is **Peter James** (1957-59).



B. Boniface

Neil Kyle (at School 1903) will have turned ninety-two by the time this is read. He has booked in for Easter 1982 and is looking forward to the trip.

Noel Gardiner (1924-28) has written a book called "Freyberg's Circus" for publication this year. The book included two pictures of the School and promises to be good reading.

R.E. Still

GLENN DODDS

Another Old Boy of the school has made his mark on the New Zealand/International scene. Glenn Dodds attended Boys' High 1970-1973 during which he represented the school in the First XI soccer. He was a particularly successful striker scoring 42 of the teams' 81 goals in the 1972 season and also scoring four of the five goals when school beat Mt. Albert 5-2, the most convincing win during the thirty years of rivalry. The team was also particularly successful in winning the local league.

In 1973 Glenn Dodds was also a Taranaki Under 16 representative with several First XI members when the team won the North Island tournament. He scored 7 of 25 goals.

On leaving school he moved to Auckland and rapidly established himself in the Mt. Wellington squad which topped the New Zealand competition.

He is now playing as a strong attacking left fullback for Adelaide City in Australia as a semi-professional.

His major achievement is to have attained membership of the New Zealand International team, and has played all New Zealand World Cup qualifying matches to date, scoring convincingly on several occasions.

Even as a school boy he stated that he wanted to play in world class competition games and has certainly achieved his goal.

1981 GRADUANTS

N.P.B.H.S.

Massey University: Stuart Fraser Girvan, B.B.S., U.E. 1976 (Valuers Registration Board Prizewinner); Ian Derham Lightbourne, B.B.S., U.E. 1975; David William Burbidge, B.Sc., Prov. Ad.; Michael David Chivers, B.Sc., U.E. 1975; Ross Anthony Beavens, B. Tech. (Hons) (Div. I) in Biotechnology, U.E. 1975; Michael Terence Gowling, B.Agr.Sc., U.E. 1975; William Hugh Wilson B.Agr. Sc., U.E. 1975; Ian James Hamilton, Dip. Ed., U.E. 1958; Stephen Guy Harkness, B.V.Sc., U.E. 1974; Robert John McNeill Mills, B.V.Sc., U.E. 1975; Kevin Ian Burgess, B.Ed., U.E. 1975; Robert James Lewes, B.Ed., U.E. 1961; Ian Garth Bennie, B.S.W. (Hons) Second Class, Div. II, U.E. 1973; Brian Raynor Croad, B.R.P. with Second Class Hon (Div. II), U.E. 1974; John Albert Codd, Ph.D., "Cognitive Structure and Development in the Education of Poetic Appreciation", U.E. 1960; Nigel Grant Larsen, Ph.D., "Metal Coordination Studies of Sulphur Ligands", U.E. 1970; John Beresford, Ph.D., "Regulation of Glycolysis and Glucogenesis in Probiotic Acid Bacteria", U.E. 1971; Neville John Withers, Ph.D., "An Evaluation of Lupinus (Lupinus spp) for Seed Protein Production", U.E. 1958.

Victoria University of Wellington: Mark Jardine Erwin, Dip. Bus. Admin, U.E. 1959; Andrew Lloyd Fox, B.A., U.E. 1973; Christopher John Bromley, M.Sc. with Distinction in Physics, U.E. 1972; Wayne George Kibby, Dip. Ed. Studies, U.E. 1968; Cecil Rodney Anyan, B.A., U.E. 1966; Christopher David Paulin, M.Sc., in Zoology, U.E. 1974; John Mytton Green, B.C.A., U.E. 1975.

University of Otago: Andrew Benjamin Stewart, M.B., Ch.B., Dip. Obst., U.E. 1971; Roderick Ian Gordon, LL.M., with Credit, U.E. 1969; Christopher Graeme Cole, LL.B., U.E. 1972; David Norman Lethbridge, LL.B., U.E. 1975; Stephen Robert Lowrie, B.Ed., U.E. 1974; Robert John Fearon, M.B., Ch.B., Dip. Obst., U.E. 1967.

University of Canterbury: Peter John Moller, B.Comm., U.E. 1974; Philip Bruce Zaloum, B.Comm., U.E. 1976.

University of Auckland: Robert James Bluck, B.Sc., U.E. 1969; Brian Edwin Cotterill, B.E. with 1st Class Hons, U.E. 1975; Shane Alexander Hartley, B.A., U.E. 1974; Leslie John Hickling, LL.B., U.E. 1976; Anthony James Smith, B.A.,

U.E. 1976; Richard Niel Craig Gray, M.Sc. with 2nd Class Hons in Physics, U.E. 1973; Martin George Stephenson, Diploma in Local Govt & Admin., U.E. 1962.

University of Waikato: Spencer Noel Baty, B.Ed., U.E

OBITUARIES

Cave Clement Travers died 26.11.79. Clem entered the school in 1926. He proved to be a talented all-rounder and was appointed Head Boy in 1931. He graduated and qualified in Journalism at Auckland University College and joined the staff of the Taranaki Herald as Sub-editor. He served in the R.N.Z.A.F. in the Pacific during World War II and then rejoined the Herald staff as Senior Sub-editor. For many years he was News Editor, retiring for health reasons in 1977.

Moore Edward John died 9.10.80. "Toby". 1922-1926. Married eldest daughter of Bill Moyes.

Watson Keith R. died May 1980. 1926-1928. Well known Tarata farmer.

Brodie Alexander (Lex). Retired N.P. engineer, a devoted conservationist responsible for the beautification of the Waiwakaiho River and the erection of the Pukekura Park fountain. His other interests included voluntary work for the Salvation Army, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, the Plunkett Society, Rotary, Egmont National Park Board, Y.M.C.A.

Hodder Ivan Thomas Supply officer, Taranaki Hospital Board, Yacht Club, Caravan Club.

Erueti Johnnie Waaka died 4.5.81. Sergeant, Communications Flight R.N.Z.A.F. Whenuapai.

Green Claude Walter died 25.6.81. Honours List 1981. O.B.E. Champion Rifle Shoot, First XV member. Chairman of Directors, Rahotu Dairy Co., Deputy Chairman Taranaki Harbours Board for six years (on board twenty-seven years), eighteen years member of Egmont Electric Power Board.

Evans Argoyd died July 1980.

Wallis Bruce died 2.11.80. Bank Manager, Inglewood.

Healion Vincent John (Reverend Father) died 29.7.80. National Chairman of CORSO. Served in Reefton, Nelson, Taita, Titahi Bay.

Eliot Douglas Alfred died 19.7.81. Wrote gardening columns for Taranaki Herald for thirty years. Photographer.

Neville Maurice Bernard died 5.9.81. Managing Director of Nevilles Ltd., bakery and food business. Accountancy tutor Taranaki Polytech. Retired to Mt. Maunganui. Chamber of Commerce. Acclimatisation Society.

Wilson O.J. Ossie died Sept. 1981. Head Groundsman N.P.B.H.S.

Association members and the school extend sympathy to the relatives of these Old Boys and all Old Boys who died during the year.



LIBRARY NOTES

1981 has been a memorable year for the library as discussions began and plans have been drawn up for a new library building. While the present building is impressive with its interior woodwork and exterior setting, it has severe defects as a functioning modern library. The new building should overcome the present shortcomings and provide an attractive, but useful resource and recreational centre for learning.

Displays have once again been a feature of the library year and many thanks must go to Mrs Jean Van Beers for organising them. A number of staff members put on displays related to their subjects and these ranged from Mr Bublitz's horticultural display with prickly cacti keeping prying fingers away, through to Mrs Gallon's "Roman Era" and Mr Dobson's popular leather-work display. A very interesting display on Maori carving was held and a "meet the author" session with Stewart Tullett marked the launching of his new book "The Industrious Heart". Pupils too, displayed topics of interest and I am most grateful for the time and effort they spent.

No library could function smoothly without an efficient and willing staff and Mrs Van Beers, as Assistant Librarian, continues to give excellent service in her own duties and also in the organising of student help. The following boys have been Librarians this year: Chris Baldock, Andrew Bate, Robert Burroughs, John Chivers, Wayne Dowsing, Paul Dudding, Greg Eden, Michael Grey, Murray Hart, Gavin Ireson, Crispin Kerison, Nigel Lilley, Marcus MacRury, Julian Mitchell, Craig Porteous, Ricky Ross, Mark Stevens, Craig Wadsworth, Kenneth Webb and Tim Withers. Although each of the above boys has given willingly of his spare time, special mention must be made of Tim Withers, who has served as a school librarian for five years. Thank you Tim and good luck for the future.

The future looks promising for the library and I say goodbye to my job as teacher-librarian with many regrets.

Judith Haskell

A FLY ON THE WALL

The newspaper lay on the breakfast table. The fly sat on the wall. I stumbled into the kitchen, sat down at the table and sipped at my grapefruit juice. At first I did not see the fly, but when I started

reading the first page of 'The Daily News' a quick glance brought him into my line of vision.

'Violence at Springbok Game' was the first item. It was printed in large black letters. So no one could miss it. I read on. It told the story of protesters throwing bricks at the police, of a plane dropping missiles on the playing field and of nationwide disobedience. I looked up to ponder these, far-from-typical New Zealand news reports and saw the fly on the wall. "Fly," I thought to myself, "why did this happen? How is it that a whole nation has been split in two?" I felt stupid. Saturated with reports of violent protest, I turned to page two and I was greeted by the gruesome photograph of a bloody gunman, lying in a French street, obviously dead. I read on to discover that he, in fact, was an Iranian counter-revolutionary who had just made an unsuccessful assassination attempt on a diplomat, indeed, one of his own country-men. "Revolution, a pointless and violent exercise," I said aloud.

The fly flew around the room for a while and then settled on a few grains of sugar that had been spilt on the bench. The wind moved a piece of paper and the ever cautious fly once again took to the air. He landed almost on the same spot on the wall. I admired his navigation skills.

"Two British Soldiers killed in Ireland" the heading at the bottom right of the page read. It told the story of two British soldiers station-

ed in Ireland who had been lured, apparently under the pretext of companionship, into two young women's flat, where they had been gunned down by I.R.A. guerillas. I wondered if the soldiers were Catholics or Protestants, or if they even cared about why they were 'peacekeeping' in another country.

The fly was walking up the wall. He then, having reached the top, walked across the ceiling towards the light-shade. "How do they do that?" I said to myself and drank the last of my grapefruit.

Page three carried an in-depth report of the incident where the American fighter pilots had shot down the Libyan fighters. I thought it was just western propaganda and did not pay much attention to it.

The fly had returned to the same spot. I wondered what attracted him to it.

Pages four, five and six carried Court Reports and district news. I read to discover that some fool has been smoking marijuana and had been put in prison. A murder case was reported. "I hope he gets put away for life," I thought. But would that help those two he killed? 'Girl (15) killed in Auto Accident' I read. "I wonder how her family feels?" I thought.

The fly had gone. I had forgotten about him by the time I reached the classified advertisements. I brushed through 'Wanted to Buy' and 'For Sale' seeing if I could make some quick money.

I saw the fly on the window sill. I rolled up the paper, and killed him.

J. Edwards

