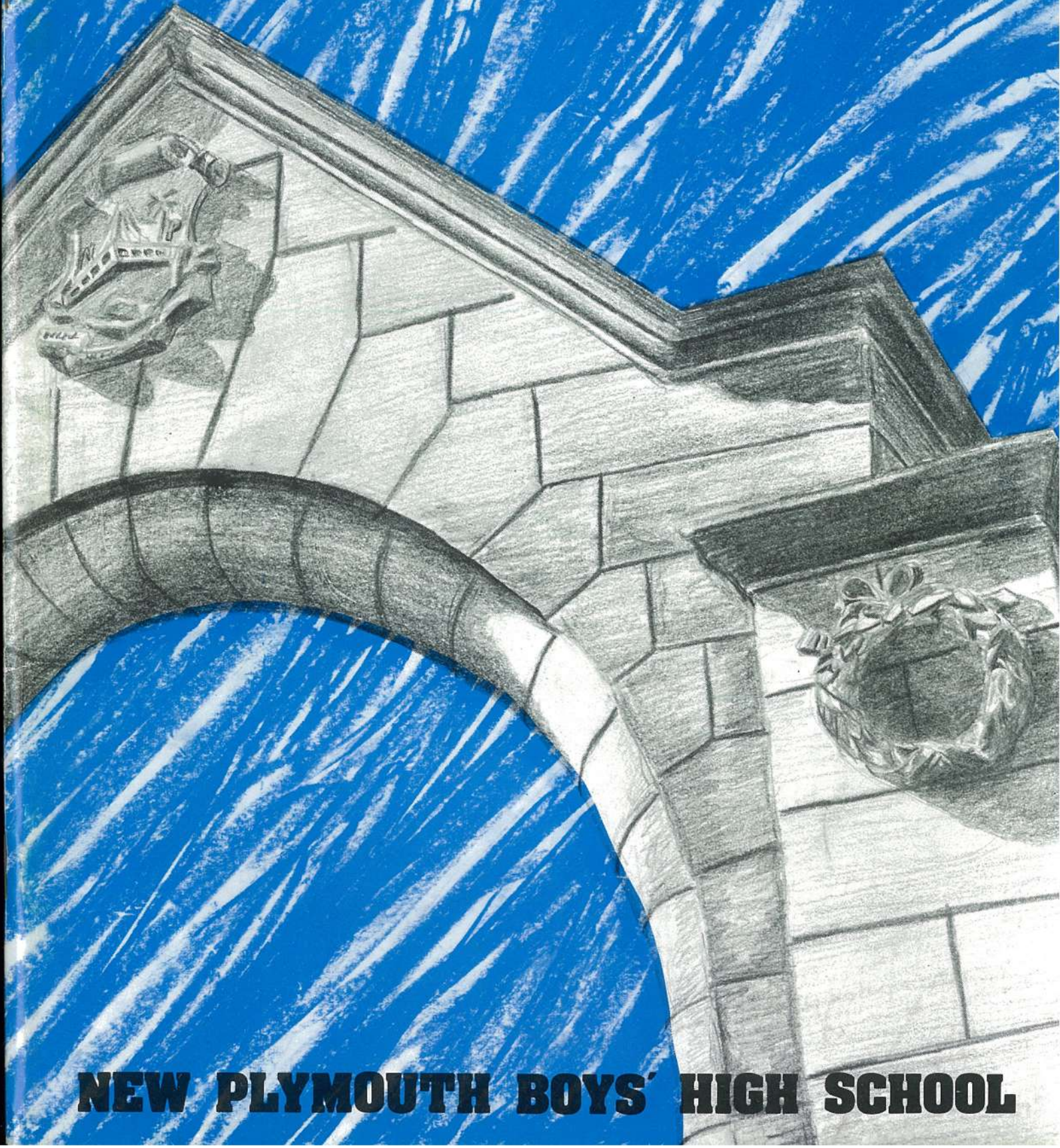


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THE HEADMASTER COMMENTS

Headmasters no less than schoolboys are irked at having to begin a new year in January - but begin we did on January 28 with the prospect of a record-breaking term of fifteen weeks before us and the biggest roll we have had in recent years to settle down.

One thousand and seventy boys is the second-highest roll in the school's history and despite being a technical teacher and a music teacher short, the staff, strengthened by three new Heads of Department, Mr Angell (Commerce), Mr Swindells (History and Social Studies) and Mr Laurenson (Geography), got quickly on with the job. In this we had the powerful stimulus of another year of excellent academic results - Brett Miller, Nikolas Haden and Peter Nielsen all won Junior University Scholarships; and thirty-one bursaries represented a fine performance from 1984 Form Seven. Five of the bursary winners were fourth year students, and again ten per cent of our University Entrance candidates passed by sitting and some forty boys at School Certificate passed in six subjects, twenty-five of those with a pass in University Entrance Mathematics. Encouraging all boys to work hard is the rule here and it is producing very pleasing results.

The demand for hostel places has never been greater and we had to close our doors with 160 boys in residence under the care of newly-appointed Senior Hostel Master, Mr Laurenson. The continuing programme of refurbishing is transforming Moyes and Carrington Houses inside and out and the leadership training programme for the prefects has paid big dividends. The resurgence of Old Boy interest in boarding is also greatly heartening. The Board and I continue to plan for the building of a new Senior Accommodation Block and negotiations with the Minister and the Department proceed.

In March the foundations were laid for the new library. It has been a long, well-worth-while wait; the new building will properly be in the centre of the school and will enclose a second courtyard. More important, it is large and has two major reading sections which can house two classes simultaneously without conflict. Progress through the year has been excellent and when the Taranakian goes to press the Library should be ready for use.

We no sooner get a major project launched than we switch our energies to another; this time the new swimming pool project needed cash. On March 27, the boys again demonstrated their ability to support a good cause and more than \$20,000 was raised to advance the new pool fund to \$100,000. All eyes then trained on the engineer's drilling of the old pool site below the pool floor. Disaster! Seven holes revealed a sub-structure of ash, peat and rotten logs to a depth of six metres; we had to find a new site.

The Baths Committee has been very patient and diligent. It seems now that a new and satisfactory site has been found adjacent to the existing pool - but costs have risen. A new dimension also has appeared in the form of a newly-announced Government Grant-in-Aid Scheme for schools building new amenities which are shared with the community. It will all take time but I hope before too long the school and our community can be given the details of the Board's specific decisions.

In the meantime the First Cricket XI had a most enjoyable inaugural match with Napier Boys' High. Grant Cross scored a fine century. The

Mayor and Old Boy, David Lean 'opened' the new practice wicket which he and Mayor Tim Shadbolt helped build last year. After careful consultation with parents - (and with teachers in attendance at classes) - we began a programme of sex education for Form Four boys. The programme was sensible and reaction was wholesome.

Stephen Venables gave an excellent performance at the National Age-Group Championships with one gold and five silver medals.

Regrettably throughout the term newspaper publicity focused on criticism engendered by P.P.T.A. branches in rural schools throughout Taranaki against the modest and accustomed meetings our board conducts in communicating with boarding parents and promoting the school's hostel. We always meet twice a year in South Taranaki either in a small hall or a private home - but this year resentment was expressed and charges made that we were enticing pupils to Boys' High from other schools. In our view the Board was conducting legitimate business in maintaining a full hostel and its communication was with parents who needed and decided to send their sons to a boarding school. Equally it is true that declining school rolls makes the pursuit of our boarding interests sensitive and the Board and I are fully aware of that fact.

One very good piece of news broke in March. Mr Bublitz was awarded a Woolf Fisher Travelling Scholarship to Japan, China and South-East Asia. Such awards go only to outstanding teachers and Mr Bublitz is a most deserving recipient.

Term Two began with a mixture of the good and the bad. Miss Mabin by herculean efforts helped mount our most successful variety concert in years. As usual there was a non-stop performance with all manner of talent on show, with the traditional dances of the Niuean and Vanuatu students being outstanding. Then came the bad news. After five years first-class and devoted service to the hostel as matron, Miss Jo Curd resigned. It is not an exaggeration to claim that Miss Curd's appointment back in 1980 was perhaps the most vital single decision affecting the steady recovery of the hostel whose future in 1979 was seriously in doubt. Miss Curd's departure has been a big wrench but Mrs Doreen Leggett, Assistant Matron, at no small personal sacrifice, ably carried on until Mrs Mary Bennett took up the Matron's duties in August. In the meantime Mr Laurenson continued to prove his mettle as a most conscientious Senior Hostel Master.

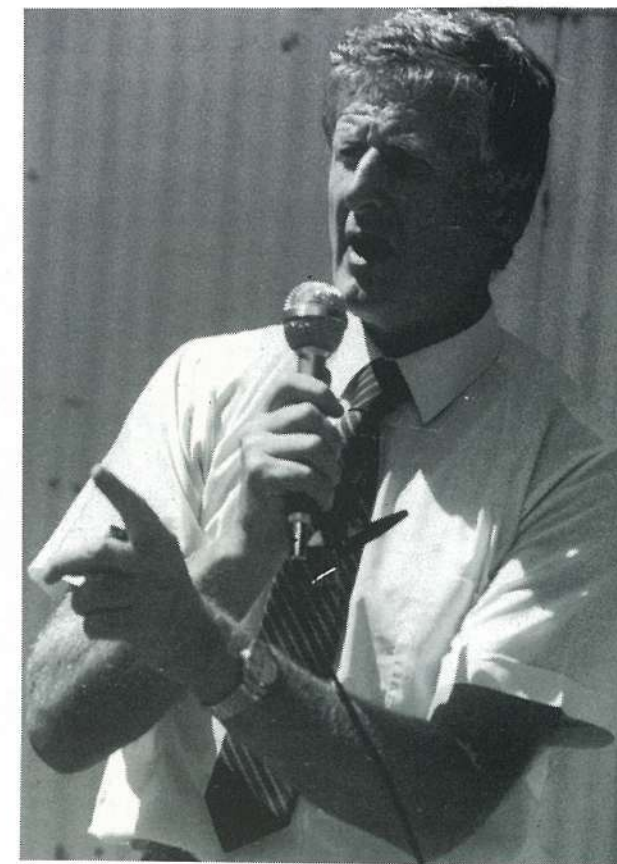
Throughout June and July lessons proceeded as usual despite a severe flu that had boys and staff reeling. Rugby had one of its best years. Junior teams won their grades, the Second XV gave every other Taranaki school's First XV a very hard time, and our First XV had wins against Collegiate and Te Aute; it drew with Hamilton and lost very narrowly to Grammar and St Pat's, Silverstream. Our golfers and badminton players won the provincial titles; the First Soccer XI again played with distinction and our cyclists were sixth in New Zealand in the Bernard Fergusson Trophy Race. Exchange students from the United States, Japan, Thailand and Tahiti all made their impact and it was a pleasure to have as our guest Mr Wada, Headmaster of Kanto High School, Tokyo.

Then came *The Importance of Being Earnest*. Mrs Gallon's production was polished, beautiful and highly entertaining. A host of people gave their all to ensure success and the players, in-

cluding three young ladies from Girls' High, played to three good audiences with a fitting climax on Thursday when a big house chuckled, laughed, and applauded enthusiastically. With an outstanding Speech Finals Night only the week before, we can at last say that the school is doing justice to much of the artistic talent that invariably exists in any school.

There remains the critical problem of recruiting staff for next year. With our roll remaining above 1,000 and with the resignations of Messrs Derby, Bell and Han, the retirements of Mr Hurlle and Mr Gush who have given 15 and 30 years teaching to the school (we thank them all for diligent service), the granting of leave to Mrs Barnes and Mr Cooper and allowing for positions we did not fill this year and the extra positions produced by the Minister, we shall need some ten new teachers next year. Our success or degree of it will be critical to the quality of school life in 1986.

Each year I pay tribute to the Board of Governors, the Parent Teacher Association, the Head Boy, Heads of Houses, and Group Leaders, and of course, my colleagues on the staff; but this year I want to pay special tribute to our many supportive parents and in particular the mothers who work tirelessly on the Catering Committee and in the Tuck Shop. Their cheerful spirit of giving is quite exceptional and we are a very fortunate school to benefit from it. Equally, unless the boys were performing well and were appreciative, I doubt if such service would be available.



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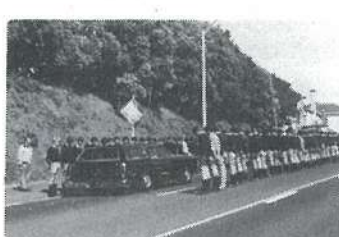
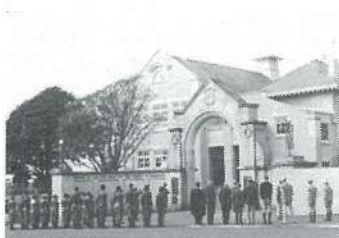
- JAN** 28 Mon—Welcome back! Order out of chaos? 5th, 6th, 7th forms (a.m.)
30 Wed—First Assembly: All is new! A fresh year ahead - how long will it last?
- FEB** 1 Fri—Leadership. Group Leaders announced. The parable of regenerating fronds.
8 Fri—Assembly: School Traditions - theme introduced.
11 Mon—Napier Cricketers and Tennis players engage here.
15 Fri—Tradition: Developing all talents.
19 Tues—Swimming Sports, a fine day. The last in these baths?
20 Wed—Assembly: A music item from Jason Maclean, David Stewart, Bryan Gascoigne. Spontaneous applause on tuning the instruments!
25 Mon—Assembly: Theme of prayer introduced.
30 Wed—Head boy Simon Davenport: Ideas for Awards Criteria.
- MAR** 5 Tues—Athletics Day on the Gully—threatening weather, but no rain.
6 Wed—Welcome to Malaysian students; presentation received.
8 Fri—Guest Mr K. Roberts, PTA Chairman: Appeal for pool support. Practice nets officially opened. News of death of Douglas Stewart in Australia. Writer, author of the School Song.
18 Mon—First issue of The Whistle. Mr Purdy Editor-in-chief. First XI Cricket vs Wanganui Collegiate.
22 Fri—Guest Group Captain Cheshire: War and Peace Building.
25 Mon—Scenes from Network, G.H.S. Centennial Production.
27 Wed—Mufti Day: Ethiopia Appeal.
29 Fri—Work Day for School Pool. Target \$20,000 (reached by 24.4.85).
- APR** 1 Mon—Easter Story: Mr Ryder, Mr Wright.
3 Wed—Easter Story: The Resurrection: Mr Wright, Mr Bublitz.
5-9 Easter Holiday
11 Thurs—First Utility Period activities of term: Sport practices etc.
12 Fri—Work theme introduced.
15 Mon—Mathematics Exhibition.
18-20 Thur—Cadet Camp, Smart Road. Rain.
19 Fri—Junior Dance/Social organised by 7th Form.
24 Wed—News of Mr & Mrs Bublitz in Hong Kong. Anzac Ceremony: Mr Bill Liley M.C. Guest speaker.
26 Fri—The Certain Sounds '85.
- MAY** 3 Fri—Naval Display - correct spelling!
10 Fri—School Band entertains: Story and effects (some musical) of Jack and the Beanstalk. Farewell to Mr Derby. A busy term ends.

TERM TWO

- MAY** 27 Mon—Term begins.
JUN 6 Thurs—7th Form luncheon at G.H.S.
24 Mon—Matthew Standing: Entertaining report on Japanese exchange visit.
26 Wed—Sporting contests in Hamilton.
27 Thurs—Mufti day for telethon.
28 Fri—Mr Bublitz: the tourist's view of China No. 1. Hostel: Open Weekend. Concert.
- JUL** 3 Wed—N.P.B.H.S. vs St Pats on Gully Ground. We lost 3-6.
5 Fri—Mr Bublitz: No. 2. China Visit - Second impressions.
8-9 Mon-Tues—Exeat Days - roster writing.
10 Wed—Mr Billingham: Polytech Courses, Wanganui Collegiate exchanges.
11 Thurs—Gregory Dwyer - Mime/Drama Presentation to junior classes.
12 Fri—Mr Bublitz: No. 3. Japan Trip - Sight and Sound.
15 Mon—Thoughts on Terrorism: Hostages - Beirut, Rainbow Warrior sinking.
17 Wed—First XV won against Wanganui Collegiate on Gully Ground.
24 Wed—Robert Johansson - U.S. Field Scholar: Life at school in Minneapolis/St Paul and N.P.B.H.S.
26 Fri—Teachers' In-Service Day.
29 Mon—Theme introduced: Sermon on the Mount.
31 Wed—Announcement of mini-bus for school from Mr Hatherly. Welcome to Japanese students: Haruaki Sudo, Masato Hiruma.
- AUG** 6 Tues—Sporting exchanges: Wanganui Boys' College.
9 Fri—Mr Wara, Headmaster of Kanto High School, Tokyo, visits school. Report of Te Aute game, won by N.P.B.H.S., 17-15.
13 Tues—Careers Evening - good response.
14 Wed—Band performs. Speech Night - Mrs Ida Gaskin, adjudicator.
15 Thurs—Certain Sounds '85.
16 Fri—Science Fair. Report on Government House visit.
19 Mon—Speech winners deliver speeches. Junior Report night.
20-22 Tues-Thurs—School Play: The Importance of Being Earnest.
21 Wed—Farewell to Japanese Students: Haruaki Sudo and Masato Hiruma.
22 Thurs—School Cross Country competition, afternoon.
23 Fri—Further Speech winner deliveries. End of another busy term.

TERM THREE

- SEP** 16 Mon—Back for the Crunch Term.
17 Tues—House Sports competitions begin.
18 Wed—Theatre Corporate: Annie's Coming Out (Senior School).
20 Fri—Assembly: The Joys of Spring.
25 Wed—Haka House Competition. Dayboys/Boarders rugby won by Boarders.
26 Thurs—Senior Exams begin.
OCT 9 Wed—Awards Dinner.
16 Wed—New House Points table in hall.
17 Thurs—Mufti Day for Raphael child, India.
21 Mon—Death of John Saynor Hatherly.
25 Fri—Niuean traditional dances in assembly.
31 Thurs—Cadet Camp begins, Oakura. Tennis vs P.N.
- NOV** 7 Thurs—Senior Prize Giving.
25 Mon—Outdoor Education - Form 3 begins.
- DEC** 3 Tues—1st XI Cricket vs Wellington College.
5 Thurs—Junior Prize Giving.
6 Fri—THE END!!



STAFF NOTES

Considerable changes to the staff were seen during the year. The school welcomed a number of new members at the beginning of the year.

Mr John Laurenson accepted the position of Head of Geography and replaced Mr Carroll as Senior Hostel Master, quickly earning the respect of the boys and staff under his control. During the winter term he coached the Second XV. Mr John Angell was appointed H.O.D. Commerce. He came with a nation-wide reputation in the field of Accounting. He is Master-in-charge of the cross country team and has travelled with them a number of times to inter-school fixtures. He also is assisting the Sixth Form Dean and will assume this role next year. The third senior staff member to be appointed was Mr Neal Swindells who is the new Head of Social Studies. His contribution has not been restricted to the classroom either as he coaches cricket and is Master-in-charge of Rugby.

During the year the school has also had assistance from a number of relieving and part-time teachers. Their help enabled all classes to be staffed and we are grateful for their support. They included Mrs Walker, Mrs Palmer, Mr Palmer, Miss Valentine, Mrs Wall, Mr Maaka and Mr Jones. Mrs Ashworth continued as a part-time teacher of music and her help was especially evident in musical performances by various groups. At the end of Term 1 Mr Derby resigned to take up a position of Deputy Principal at Tawhia Primary School in Wellington. He had given seven valuable years service to the school as its Guidance Counsellor. Many boys appreciated his advice and help during those years. His willingness to assist in many school activities, freely giving of his time and lending personal equipment, was a contribution matched by few. We all wish him well in his new appointment. He was replaced by another Old Boy, Mr John Lander, who has quickly come to grips with the demanding job of Guidance Counsellor. Farewells were also extended to Mr Michael Han and Mr Gary Bell at the end of Term 2. Mr Bell was appointed to run the P.E. Department at Tikipunga High School in Whangarei. He was the Master-in-charge of cricket and volleyball, a coach of rugby and a keen sportsman. He introduced the popular sixth form certificate P.E. course. He is to be congratulated on his promotion. Mr Han began his teaching career at the school and his assistance with developing computer education was much appreciated. We wish him well in his new appointment in Auckland.

The year concludes with the retirement of Mr

Daryl Gush and Mr Brian Hurlle. Mr Gush was appointed in 1964 and spent most of his early years at the school teaching in the Old Technical Buildings in Liardet Street. He will be remembered by his pupils because of his firm classroom discipline and his insistence on excellence. The highlight of his teaching career was his secondment to the Department to advise on the Sixth Form Technical Drawing Text. As H.O.D. Engineering he husbanded the resources of the Department well and his talents as a craftsman were demonstrated on many occasions. He oversaw the construction of a number of engineering projects at the school including the scrum machine used extensively by the senior teams over recent years.

In the extra-curricular field he has, at various times, in his twenty-two years at the school run the Radio Club, assisted with electronic and computer options, and played in the band. We hope he has a long and constructive retirement.

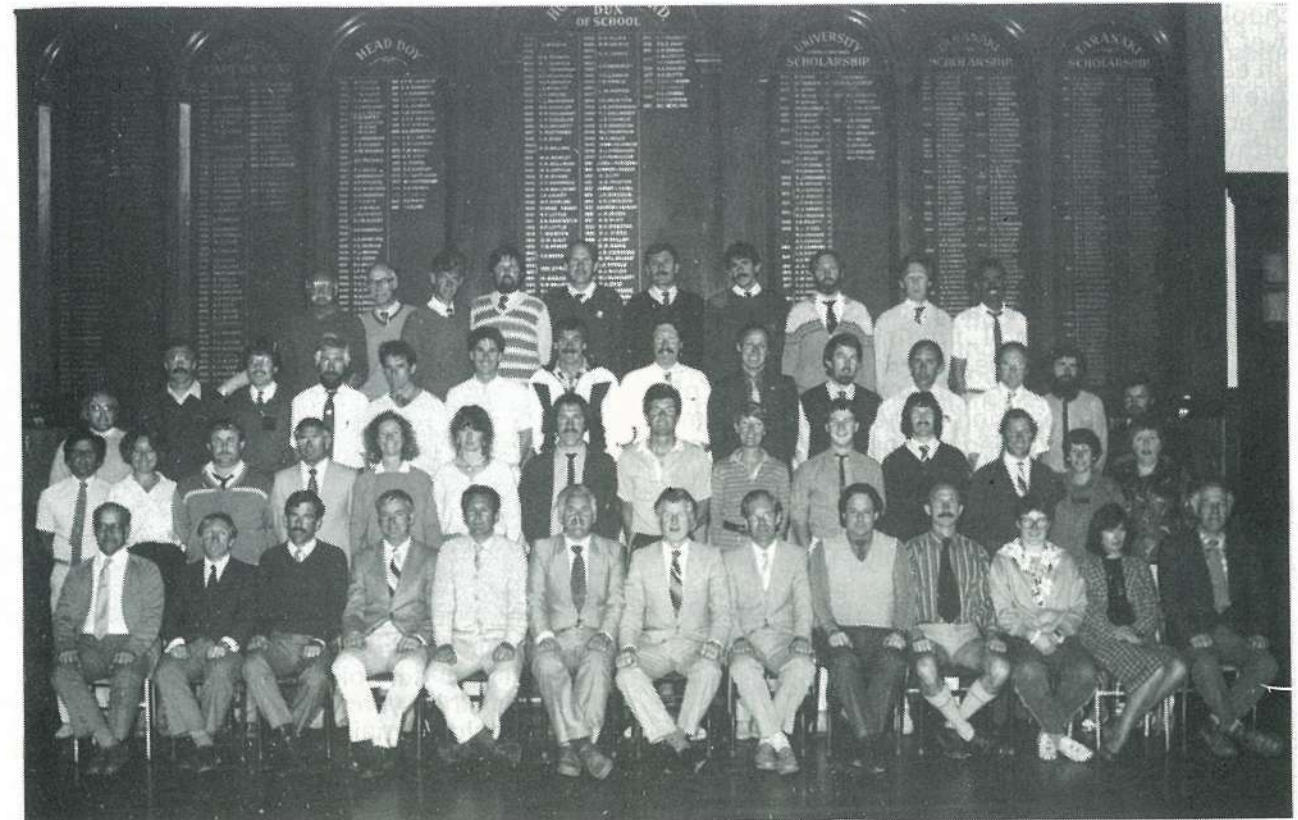
Mr Hurlle joined the staff as H.O.D. Science in 1970, a position he held until 1982 when he relinquished it but retained, until his retirement in October, his position of responsibility, as Master-in-charge of Physics. An excellent teacher of this subject, he will be remembered by many senior boys who studied this subject at a tertiary level. Mr Hurlle's personal commitment extended to his running an electronic option and for years maintaining the audio visual equipment at school. Many boys also appreciated his lunchtime club and the training they received to gain their projectionist licences. Before an accident damaged his hand Mr Hurlle's assistance as a piano accompanist was welcomed by the music staff. We wish him a long and contented retirement.

The many staff changes and the increased staffing entitlement granted by the Department in response to the PPTA's long standing objectives means that next year there will be a number of new teachers. We look forward to their arrival and to their contribution. The year ended on a sad note with the death of Mr John Hatherly who has served so well the school as a pupil, staff member and Old Boy. A tribute to him is given elsewhere in this publication.

To some staff members changes in their private lives will make 1985 a memorable year. We congratulate Mr David Armstrong on his marriage in August, and staff families on the births of Brendon D'Ath, Cameron Elgar, Edward Fletcher, Kegan Purdy, Penelope Kibby and Levi Turner.



STAFF OF '85



Back Row: A.T.V. Burnham, J. Krook, R. Harland, R.D. Green, B.L. Bayly, J.T. Lander, J. Rowlands, P.L. D'Ath, J.P. Fletcher, R.M. Turner.

Third Row: J.A. Howes, J. Jones, D.G. Bevin, H.J. Duynhoven, J.A. Sims, W.N. Purdy, M.G. Watts, D.C. Moore, M. Rose, B.M. Wrigley, M.E. Dobson, G.L. Clarke, R.D. Taberner, A.D. Butler.

Second Row: W.G. Kibby, Mrs R.M. Bublitz, G.G. Giddy, M.C. Carroll, Mrs G. Palmer, Miss J. Valentine, N.L. Swindells, R.L. Cooper, Mrs M.G. Ashworth, D.R. Armstrong, A.E. Elgar, G.L. Clareburt, Mrs J.A. Barnes, Mrs D.M. Baylee.

Front Row: B.J. Hurlle, M.R. Grimwood, J.S. Angell, D.J. Mossop, R.M. Carter, L.R. Bublitz, T.T. Ryder, R.E. Brine, T.G. Heaps, J. Laurenson, Miss R.J.V. Mabin, Mrs I.S.W. Gallon, D.F.H. Gush.



GROUP LEADERS

Back Row: A. Moore, P. Sampson, A. Mills, N. Maxwell, B. Van de Water.

Third Row: M. Newton, D. Jensen, G. McEwan, P. Hayton, K. Brine, C. Bensemam, C. Wadsworth.

Second Row: S. Broderick, D. Herbert, D. Larsen, B. Dunnet, M. Simons, B. Boon, R. McKinnon, D. Warren.

Front Row: M. Barrack, W. Crowskey, J. Bellringer, A. Laurenson, M. Standing, S. Davenport, A. Fawcett, P. McKenzie, N. Downing, K. Kaloris, J. Gibbons.

Head Boy's Report

Another year has passed - certainly not a mundane one for our school. The one thing about our school life - as a pupil or teacher - is that it is never routine, predictable or dull.

In early February I had little idea of what was in store for me as Head Boy, but, now, at the end of a rich and rewarding year, I can say it has been well worthwhile. Along with other senior boys I have enjoyed taking an active part in the running of the school, in such activities as the school council, interhouse competitions, and a variety of social events.

1985 has been a busy one for the school council. Our young sportsmen and musicians continue to benefit from council funding as does our Raphael child in India. The future of the council as a decisive governing body within the framework of the school looks promising in the light of recommendations presently being proposed by Mr Ryder.

Interhouse rivalry thrives on the annual sporting competitions. These continue to be an important facet of school life and holding them during lunch hours has certainly increased support and interest.

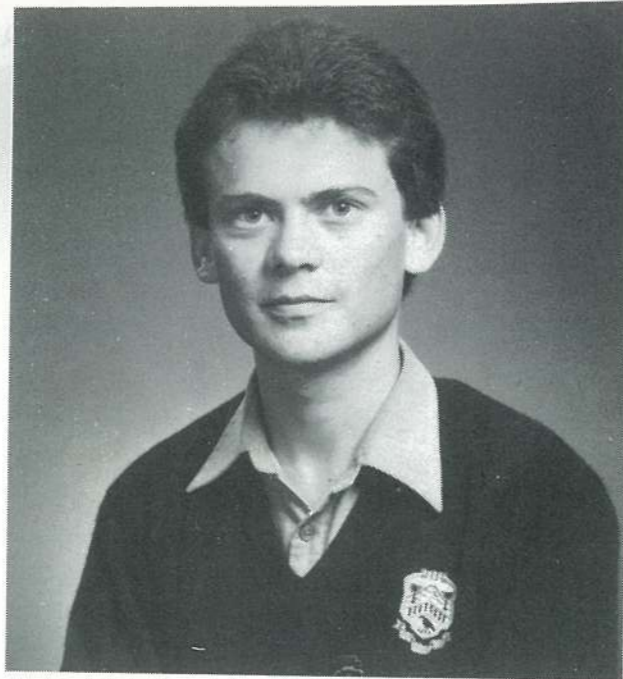
Girls! This year the dances between ourselves and Girls' High continued, and where would we be without them? They provide a welcome break from the classroom setting and are looked forward to by all. The senior ball was held at Girls' High in this, their centennial year. Our congratulations go to Girls' High on reaching this important milestone, and also to the senior girls who did a marvellous job in organising the social event of the year.

The two main projects which the school has undertaken this year are the building of a new school pool and the now nearly-completed new library. The pool fund was given a major boost in the first term by the holding of a work day which was a great success, thanks to the cheerful participation of the whole school. All in the name of progress, several trees in the science quad, made way for a lot of noise and an alarming array of concrete and steel which eventually became the new library; this obviously will be a valuable asset to the school. The old library, however, is by no means past its prime - it is a grand room with a lot of character and next year's seventh formers are very fortunate indeed to inherit it as their common room. I know they will look after it!

I believe school pride is one of NPBHS's greatest assets. While some may think it an outdated concept it is one thing which distinguishes our school. Our haka was performed in great style as the First Fifteen downed Wanganui Collegiate on the Gully Ground, and it took an inspired pre-match execution of the haka by the First Soccer Eleven before the goals came their way at their tournament in Levin.

The seventh form enjoyed many activities with our counterparts at Girls' High. These included lunches and competitive (well, sort of) sporting clashes. The all-round ability of the average seventh form student of this school was amply demonstrated as we once again humiliated the girls on their own netball courts - not once, but twice!

I would like to thank those senior boys, especially the four heads of houses, who have offered their help consistently throughout the year in organising dances and sporting competitions. They seldom received due credit but without them my job would be impossible and the school as a whole would suffer. The group leaders have also performed well in maintaining standards of dress,



conduct and tidiness about the grounds.

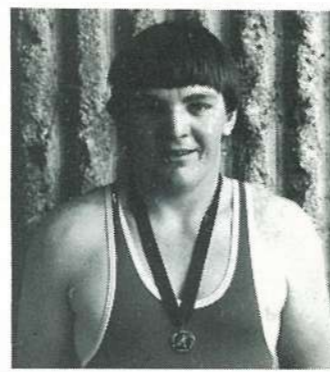
Overall the school has lived well up to its reputation this year. We have fine traditions which should be maintained. I would like to wish the school all the best for 1986, and may those of you who return keep up the high standards.

Simon Davenport

NATIONAL CHAMPIONS



Steven Venables,
one gold & five silvers at the
National Age-group
Swimming Championships.



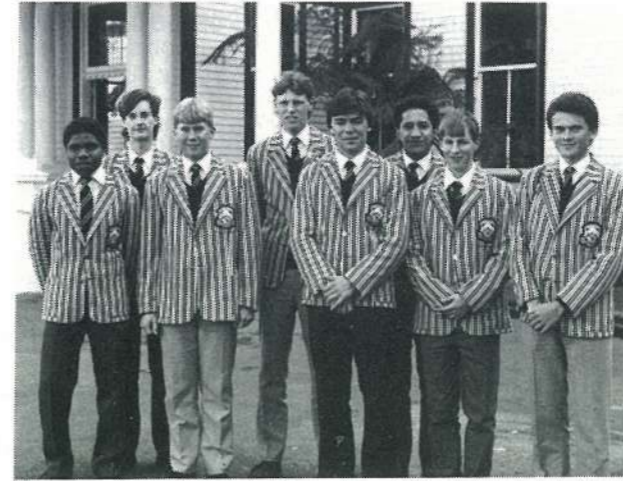
Lester Gulliver,
N.Z. Wrestling Champion.



Grant Moorhead,
Best Aggregate
N.Z. Secondary Schools
Golf Championships.



Karlo Marsden,
National Boxing
Champion, 43kg class.



Invitation to Government House.

"THE GREAT TIGER HUNT"

The Governor General and Lady Beattie had just finished watching an episode of "The Jewel in the Crown" when the Governor mused over the tiger hunt he had just viewed. There was the Viceroy of India atop a tusked elephant striding through the long grass in search of the golden beast. Behind was a stream of gun bearers, tent bearers and servants, whilst some way ahead were beaters driving the quarry towards him.

How different to his shooting expeditions as New Zealand's Vice-Regal. The closest he had come to an expedition was the time he had gone out on his bicycle to hunt possums! The bike was needed to power the light; he had to carry his own gun and the dog did not exactly bring the quarry in. In fact it was only because the dog was Lady B's favourite that it did not find itself the target. But he did succeed and there beside the kiwi (a v-necked leagus) hung one possum.

The Governor had almost resigned himself to these obviously lesser achievements when he realised that he could still hang a tiger up there. Yes, there was a certain breed of tiger wandering around the coastal regions of Taranaki. He had also heard reports of isolated cases in other parts of New Zealand but these accounts usually stated that the animal tended to be advanced in years and the coat rather worn. No, he would go for a young beast whose coat was in prime condition.

"Go" for a tiger: The Viceroy of India had beaters bring one to him. "We've progressed since then. I'll use my pen to beat the animal to me," thought Sir David.

Hence our Headmaster, as keeper of the Taranaki tigers (T.T.! Ryder), received a command to bring some of his finer specimens down to Government House. Selection proved a trifle difficult but in the end he got a fair cross-section. Some were a little dusty from chasing dead bits of cow around the fields, whilst others were followers of the spotlight and therefore rather well polished.

Having arrived at Government House the Headmaster was told the real reason for his being there. He was there for a tiger hunt and his charges were to be the prey.

The Governor now sits contentedly watching the final episodes of "The Jewel in the Crown". A sideways glance into the Trophy Room and he can see the sleek tiger coat mounted on the wall, its black stripes standing out from the glistening gold. Indeed he positively gloats as hanging beside the tiger coat is something the Governor of India never shot - a possum.

Richard L. Cooper

BATHS APPEAL - March 29

Back in 1981 the Headmaster put the proposition to the school that the Centennial Gymnasium would only be worthy of the name if it had a Spectator Gallery as an essential part of the building. The Department of Education provided the gymnasium, but without refinements, and the boys of 1981 responded to the idea of the additions with great zest. The Gallery is, of course, testimony to their success.

This year Mr Ryder put up a fresh challenge. The old swimming pool simply had to be replaced and the task would be that much more within our competence if the funds could be pushed to \$100,000. That meant adding \$20,000 to what has already been accumulated in recent years.

The tactic of 1981 was repeated. In assembly the situation was clearly spelled out - the tradition of the school has of helping itself highlighted - all climaxing in the critical challenge being put. "Should each boy be determined to raise \$20.00 or near it, we would have the money: stand if you believe in the cause and your ability to do your bit!" With a giant rumble the one thousand came to their feet and organisation began.

Mr Brine and Mr Publitz masterminded the programme and the House Masters and Group Teachers and Leaders provided the spur. The town and country were canvassed for work; sponsored activities flourished and a raffle was incorporated along with the usual giant bottle drive to round it all off.

On Friday, March 29, with massive support from parents, the business houses, Radio Taranaki and the Press, the boys went after the money. By April 4 the Parent Teacher Association, which as usual, was in the forefront of activity (after all the new baths project is its central current cause) had taken in \$16,000 and by Friday April 5 the target had been reached.

The following week in the Hall, Head Boy Simon Davenport, handed over to Mr McIntyre, Board Chairman, and Mr Roberts, President of the P.T.A., a symbolic cheque for \$20,000!

The great tradition of the boys working to see that school continues to have first-class facilities is as strong as ever. What better demonstration of School Pride can there be!

THE 1985 FORTY HOUR FAMINE

The slogan of the Forty Hour Famine this year was "Feed 'Em Fighters". About eighty boys took part. A greater number than this joined up at the start but quite a few boarders had to drop out because the last weekend in March was designated for a money-raising effort for the school. The dayboys worked on Friday but many boarders went home to work on farms and therefore could not starve themselves for forty hours.

In spite of this, the total raised was \$1423.00, over \$300.00 more than in 1984. This was even more admirable in view of the fact that there were no special events at the school to encourage people to undertake the famine. The greatest individual effort was that of Chris Franklyn of the fourth form, who raised \$204.00. However, every boy who took part and handed in even a small sum of money has the satisfaction of knowing that he helped to feed people who are starving.

My thanks to all the boys who went without food, and to their sponsors who donated the money.

J.A. Howes

The Importance of Being Earnest

On three consecutive August nights in the last week of the second term, pupils from Boys' High and Girls' High, under the direction of Mrs Sandra Gallon, presented Oscar Wilde's classic comedy, set in late nineteenth century England, "The Importance of Being Earnest".

The cast was: John Worthing, J.P. - Greg Reynolds, Algernon Moncrieff - Kitt Littlejohn, Rev. Canon Chasuble, D.D. - David Stewart, Merriman, Butler - Peter Marks, Lane, Manservant - Simon King, Lady Bracknell - Jason Maclean, Hon. Gwendolen Fairfax - Linda Ashley, Cecily Cardew - Amanda Hedley, Miss Prism, Governess - Vicki Clarke.

Oscar Wilde wrote "The Importance of Being Earnest" in 1895, and in it satirises the preoccupations and manners of the wealthy and the aristocratic in the English society of the late Victorian era. Yet this play, quite conventional apart from the constant flow of epigrammatic wit, still holds the stage tenaciously, surprising even this generation of theatre-goers with its vitality, and truly demonstrating that it is one of the masterpieces of comedy.

The play opens in the morning room of Algernon Moncrieff's flat in Half-Moon Street, London, where it is quickly established that Jack Worthing, using the guise of a younger brother named Ernest, has fallen in love with Gwendolen Fairfax, the daughter of Lady Bracknell and cousin of Algernon, and that he is also the guardian of Miss Cecily Cardew, the granddaughter of the man who adopted him, and who lives in the country under the charge of a governess, Miss Prism.

Kitt Littlejohn, playing Algernon, and Greg Reynolds, playing Jack, very clearly and with considerable poise demonstrated the differences between the two men: the former is a carefree, witty, light-hearted romantic with a mischievous nature, and the latter is slightly dour and serious with a more reserved approach to his romantic endeavours.

Jack, having proposed to Gwendolen, has nearly persuaded Lady Bracknell of his suitability, until he is forced to admit that he was, as a baby, found in a handbag in the cloakroom at Victoria

Station. Lady Bracknell, a woman of unusual ideas including a belief that nothing should interfere with natural ignorance, has no intention of letting her daughter "marry into a cloakroom and form an alliance with a parcel" so dashing Jack's hopes.

The director, Mrs Gallon, in conjunction with the set designer, Mr Roger Taberner, paid a great deal of attention to the interior set and props for this act, and with chandelier, pictures, bric-a-brac and furniture created a morning room that was authentic 1895 London. That authenticity was matched by the beautiful costumes gathered together by Mrs Viv. Bone. From the glamorous dresses of the younger ladies in the cast to the severe dress of Lady Bracknell to the formal uniforms of the servants, they were all a delight to the eye.

Just as Mr Murray Dobson, responsible for set construction, and his crew were faithful in the realisation of the first act's sets, so they were with the beautiful garden setting for Acts 2 and 3. It is the garden of Manor House, Jack's country home, and filled with flowers, trees, bushes, and an arbor - a beautiful setting for the romance that blossoms in the two acts.

We find Jack's niece, Cecily, at her lessons with Miss Prism in the garden as Act 2 opens, and after the latter has been whisked away by Canon Chasuble, Algernon, assuming the identity of Ernest, Jack's brother, arrives. Jack has however decided to kill off his mythical brother, but the plans of both of them come unstuck when Gwendolen arrives and meets Cecily, as after some initial back-chat they compare notes and find that neither man is really Ernest Worthing, a matter that the two men try to correct by being christened Ernest by Canon Chasuble.

Act 3 opens with the two girls satisfied with the two men's intentions, but unfortunately the arrival of Lady Bracknell again thwarts Jack's hopes. Nor is she particularly keen on Algernon marrying Cecily, until she hears how wealthy Jack's ward is. However, if Lady Bracknell will not consent to Jack's engagement, he will not assent to Cecily's. It appears that an impasse has been reached, un-

til Lady Bracknell sees Prism, and then the whole story unfolds, with Jack finding a family, getting Algernon as a brother, and both men getting the women they desire.

The cast is well led by the actors in the major roles - Linda Ashley realising the forthright and determined nature of Gwendolen, Amanda Hedley creating the picture of a delightful young girl of eighteen who, while needing no instruction in the art of captivating a young man, shows an inner steel needed in gaining her objective, and Kitt Littlejohn and Greg Reynolds cleverly providing the foils in this match of love and wits. Jason Maclean's Lady Bracknell was a tour-de-force, showing her 'dragon-like' demeanour, but also her

susceptibility to money, and position. The principals were very well supported by David Stewart as Canon Chasuble and Vicki Clarke as Miss Prism, and in the smaller roles, Simon King's Lane, and Peter Mark's Merriman.

The play gives great credit to all those involved. It was entertaining, the sets were beautifully done, the lighting of Mr Harry Duynhoven and his crew was excellent and the posters and programmes were realistically produced in period style by Mr Roger Taberner and his art pupils. It is marvellous to see this revival of drama, and we must hope that this is just the first of a tradition of live theatre in the years to come.

T.H.

MUSIC

No year is ever an ordinary year in the Music Department, and this one was no exception. We were still one teacher short, but thanks to a co-operative team we have come out "on top".

As always there have been festivals, concerts and school exchanges and there has been as well a cadet parade requiring the musical touch.

Without doubt the highlight of the year was our annual variety concert, held for the Boarders' parents, in Term Two. This was a real success thanks to a willing band of staff and the many boys who "performed". It was thoroughly worth all the effort and we are now \$700 nearer to buying a synthesizer.

Our instrumental tutors play a large, mostly unseen, role (not unheard though) and everyone benefits from their time and shared skill. Thank you one and all.

Musical activity has been boosted this year with a guitar group run by Mrs Ashworth which complements the popular guitar lessons.

The Band and Choir have gone from strength to strength this year, performing difficult and challenging music. The orchestra continues to develop and is making great strides with Mrs Ginevar.

As always in a year people really distinguish themselves, and this year special thanks go of course to Mrs Ashworth and to Mr Dobson. Dobby has supported magnificently and given so much extra time and brainpower.

Last but not least, I thank the musicians; without you there would be no show. So keep tootling, yodelling and bowing; there's no sound like it.

R. Mabin.



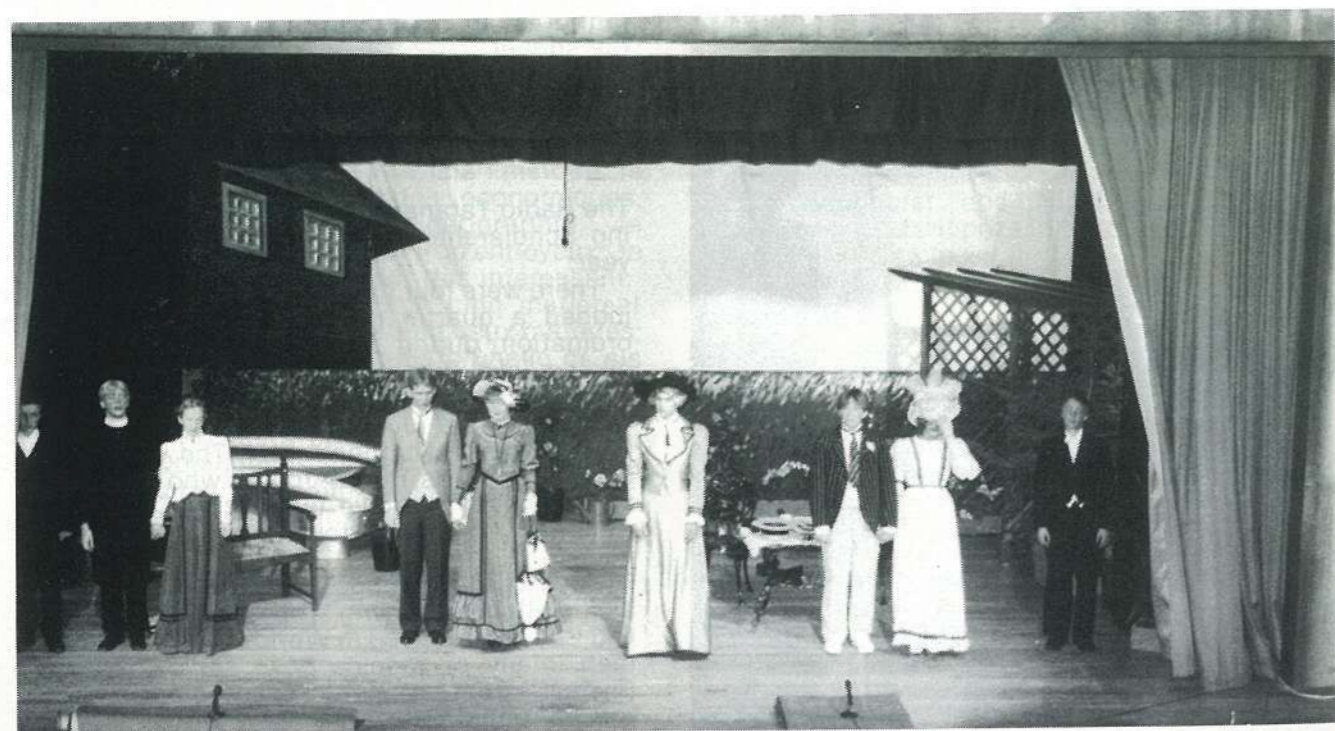
The Orchestra



The Band



The Choir



ATHLETIC S

SCHOOL

Competition was keen in most events with Neil Penno and Jeff Chapman fighting out the Junior sprints. In the Junior Hurdles there was a hundredth of a second between the first two contestants with Jason Heath winning and setting a new school record of 16.81 seconds. This was to be the only school record broken. Rodney Seu won the Junior Discus, Shot and Javelin to become the Junior Champion.

Chris Carrick won the Intermediate Hurdles, 200m, 400m and Long Jump to become the Intermediate Champion. Douglas Mace and Kelly Kahukaka also won two Intermediate events each.

Anthony Dicker surprised a lot of people by winning the Senior Hurdles, 100m, 200m, and coming second in the High Jump to become the Senior Champion. Lindsay Pilbrow won the Senior 800m and 1,500m. Shane Brown also completed a double in the Shot and Discus. Simon Davenport surprised people by coming through to win the Senior 400m.

The relays were keenly contested with some very close finishes. Syme won the Juniors, Barak the Intermediates and Donnelly easily won the Seniors. The staff comprehensively accounted for the 7th Form. In a very close contest that was not decided until the last change, the boarders triumphed over the dayboys.

At the beginning of the day it looked as if Donnelly were easily going to win the athletic sports and this proved to be the case.

TASMAN HERTZ

On a very cold night our boys competed for only one night in the inter-school meeting at Pukekura Park. Our team was not strong and we seemed to be beaten by Waitara in most events.

However, after the final count had been made we found we had beaten Waitara by four points, thus winning the Tasman Hertz Trophy for the sixth year in succession.

My thanks go to all boys who made themselves available to compete in all the meetings.

M. Watts



Douglas Mace, athlete of the year, competing in the javelin.

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ATHLETICS SQUAD

M. Watts, R. Seu, J. Douglas, A. Dicker, S. Brown, J. Heath, R. Cooper, P. Aifai, P. Egli, C. Barry, D. Mace, N. Penno, A. Bunn.

Francis Douglas College were again hosts for the competition. Whilst they had shifted their track to gain shelter from westerly winds, their plans came unstuck with a south-easterly which made running up the back straight something of a battle. Still the sun was shining, Francis Douglas's preparations were excellent and our team put in some creditable performances, gaining six third placings, nine second placings and twelve first placings, which included a clean sweep of the 4 x 100m relays each by a margin of at least ten metres.

Throwing in the fairly strong wind, blowing from left to right, Douglas Mace recorded a new school record of 44.40m, beating the previous mark of 42.15m set by himself in the Tasman Hertz earlier in the season.

The Team was:

JUNIORS: Neil Penno* (3rd hurdles), Jeff Chapman* (100m, 200m), Jason Heath (2nd hurdles), Rodney Seu (2nd shot, 2nd javelin), Campbell Thomson (3rd high jump), Aaron Wallace* (1st long jump), Charles Stewart*.

INTERMEDIATES: Chris Carrick* (1st 200m, 3rd hurdles, long jump), Andrew Bunn* (3rd 100m), Chris Barry (800m), Douglas Mace (1st shot, 1st discus, javelin), Kelly Kahukaka (triple jump, high jump), Glen Jones*, Paul Roberts*.

SENIORS: Anthony Dicker* (1st 100m, 1st 200m, 2nd hurdles), Patterson Aifai* (2nd 100m, 3rd 200m, 4th hurdles), Shane Brown* (1st shot, 2nd discus), James Douglas (1st long jump, 2nd shot), Ian Wilson (1st javelin), Keri Hohipuha (2nd javelin), Karl Kaloris (3rd triple jump), Peter Egli (2nd 3000m) Colin Deane*.

* Relay team members - three wins out of three!

R.L. Cooper

THE BIATHLON



Start of the Biathlon.

The opportunity of competing in a biathlon was offered to all students who were not competing in any of the events on Athletics Day.

Twenty-six students took up the challenge of

swimming two hundred metres and running six kilometres, or in other words seven lengths of the pool and to the Waiwakaiho River mouth and back.

First to complete the swimming leg was Jason Fisher, followed closely by Stephen Johns, Dean Larsen, Paul McKenzie, Arnold Fawcett, Jamie Strode, Conan Heatley and Bob Greer.

At the Waiwakaiho River mouth Fisher still led, but McKenzie had moved up into second place, whilst Johns faded to eighth place. On the return leg Fisher was keeping a wary eye on McKenzie only to be surprised to find Larsen making a charge in the final lap around the athletics track. However, Fisher was not to be beaten and so a fourth former not only won from his peers but also from eight seventh formers and three sixth formers.

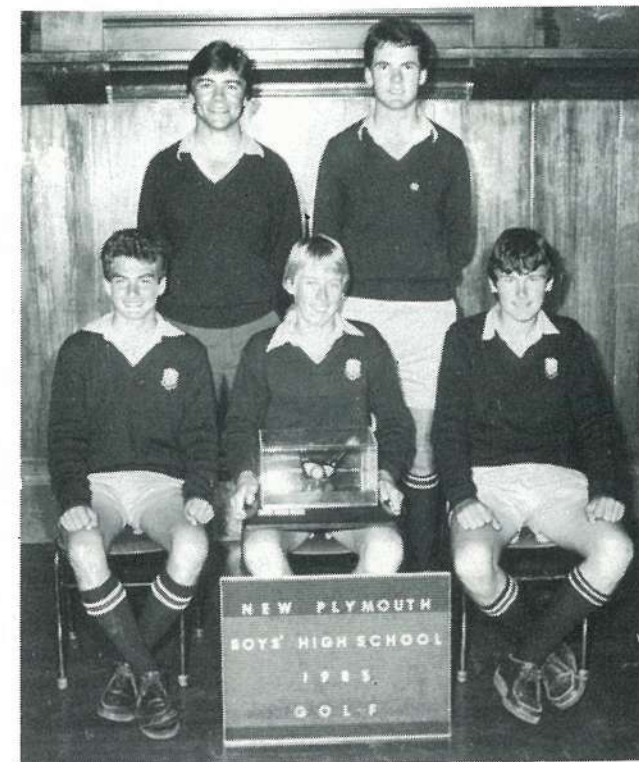
Final Placings: J. Fisher 39-17; D. Larsen 39-26; P. McKenzie 40-54.10; J. Strode 42-24.11; B. Greer 42-34.13; A. Fawcett 42-42.9.

Others who competed were: B. van de Water, C. Benseman, B. Gardner, B. Boon, A. Moore, D. Adlam, R. Watson, W. Keightley, G. Smith, C. Barkley, R. Dixon, J. Johns, B. Hughes, B. Hancock, G. Peck and A. Lambert.

R.L. Cooper

GOLF

GOLF TEAM



Matthew Standing, B. Dunnet, M. Carr, G. Moorhead, J. Court.

The school team of Grant Moorhead, Brent Dunnet, Matthew Standing and Michael Carr travelled to Hamilton and defeated Hamilton Boys' High School in their annual match play event by 2½ games to 1½.

The National Provident Fund Trophy teams match was held at the Waitara Golf Club and the school's No 1. team won the Taranaki section and qualified to contest the national final. The team scored very well in rather difficult conditions with Jason Court returning a fine 77, which was the equal best round of the day, Grant Moorhead 79 and Brent Dunnet 83. The school's total of 239 for the best three out of four scores was a fine performance and only one away from the record total.

The team of Grant Moorhead, Brent Dunnet, Jason Court and Matthew Standing with Mr Mossop as manager, in place of the injured Mr McNae, travelled to Wellington to contest the final, played over 36 holes at the Shandon Course. The conditions were very good but only Grant Moorhead performed well. despite a bad start he recovered to score 79 in the morning and then returned a superb round of 71 in the afternoon to record the best individual performance. The event was won by Southland B.H.S. by a good margin with school only three from the bottom. However, Grant and Jason will form the nucleus of a strong team in the future and there are many up-and-coming players from which the school can draw which augurs well for the future.

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BASKETBALL

THE 'A' TEAM

1985 was a season of mixed results for the School 'A' team. At the beginning of the season it looked as though the Basketball 'A' team was going to be a team that lacked height, but had a good base of experienced players with Tom Morris and Luke Worth returning for their third season with the 'A' team, Scott Boniface, Scott McEwen, Brendon Boon and Andrew Laurenson all returning from the 1984 season. This gave a good solid core and with the addition of Dean Larsen, Anthony Dicker, Grant Cross and Tony Emanuel it looked as if the 'A' team would have a good chance of reaching the Nationals. This was not to be as early on in the season the loss of Tom Morris and Scott Boniface meant that not only was the team small, but now was short on experienced players as well. Playing in the Men's 'A' Grade, which is the top regional Men's Grade competition, the 'A' team were only able to salvage one win from eight games. This was a creditable effort by such a small team playing against the Countrywide representatives and the top basketballers of Taranaki. The team was then relegated into the 'A' reserve grade, along with four other teams from the 'A' grade. School

continued to lose, but they proved to be worthy opponents, as the most they were beaten by was twelve points. But by winning two out of the last three games, this meant that their final placing was third. With the bringing in of two new players, Tony Roberts and Tony Dew, the 'A' team travelled to Wanganui for the School Boy's Regionals.

The team showed a good attitude to the tournament and showed some good execution of team moves. In the first game the 'A' team lost to Hawera 60-72, then they beat Opunake in the second game 67-54. The 'A' team was now faced with the task of playing the top team, Waiopahu. If they won this game it would mean that School would have to win one more game to make it to the Nationals. It was a close game but Waiopahu, who finally won the tournament, ended up beating School by 45-59. We could now no longer make it to the Nationals but with two more games to play it could still win the second division and be placed fifth overall. Boys' High won 62-54. Then in a tight game against Opunake the 'A' team came out on top by only two points 64-62, so they did finish fifth overall.

"A" TEAM



T. Roberts, G. Cross, A. Dicker, S. McEwen, T. Dew, Mr Bayly
T. Emanuel, A. Laurenson, L. Worth (Captain), D. Larsen, B. Boon

INTER COLLEGE FIXTURES

The first of these was against a very tall Hamilton side, but with some enterprising play from Scott Boniface, who was playing his last game for the school, and good control off the boards by Anthony Dicker and Scott McEwen, Boys' High were able to dominate the game and won by 66-49. Luke Worth top scored with 31 points whilst Scott Boniface added a further 16. The next game was to be against Wanganui Collegiate, but on the basis of previous scores between the two teams

Wanganui defaulted to the 'A' team and played the 'B' team. Wellington was next on the agenda. This team had been second in New Zealand for the last two years and this year was no exception as with the addition of their new fifteen-year-old six-foot six-inch centre they were very strong. A strong determined effort from School was not enough to stop the awesome skills of Wellington. Anthony Dicker once again showed determined rebounding, Tony Roberts and Brendon Boon

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showed a courageous effort in setting up the play, Luke Worth scored 21 points for the team with Anthony Dicker adding 12 points to the 'A' teams final score of 58.

Boys' High stopped off at Levin on the way back from Wellington to play Waiopahu. This is one of the best games that the 'A' team had; fatigued from a long weary trip to Wellington they were able to pull themselves together and gave the seventh ranked team in New Zealand a run for their money. The final score was 70-90; School may have lost, but they proved that they were capable of competing against the stronger basketball schools in the country. It was also a good game for Captain Luke Worth who scored 49 points, which included five 3 pointers.

The last inter-college match of the season was against Wanganui Boys' College. After the trip down and a long wait before the game, the 'A' team did not fire on all of its cylinders. A good offensive effort was not backed up with a solid defence and they lost the game 68-82. Good improvements from Tony Emanuel, Dean Larsen, Tony Dew, Grant Cross and Andrew Laurenson were noticeable throughout the duration of the season. Tony Roberts and Brendon Boon provided the needed ball skills that the team lacked. An-

thonny Dicker, although plagued with a knee injury, maintained the team's top rebounder throughout the season; Scott McEwen made a determined effort to return to full strength after having glandular fever early on in the season. Captain Luke Worth, although supporting a broken ankle, provided the team with a good sturdy backbone. Roberts, Boniface, McEwen and Dew all made the Under 16 Taranaki Representatives, McEwen and Emanuel made the non-travelling reserves for the New Plymouth Under 20's. Tom Morris, Scott Boniface and Luke Worth all made the New Plymouth Under 20 team to play in the regional qualifying tournament. Luke Worth made the tournament team at that competition and was selected to play for the Central Districts Under 20 Representatives to play in the Men's Junior Nationals.

Coach, Mr Bayly, encouraged the team throughout the season and provided the little extra needed in the close games. Manager of the 'A' team, Ron Worth, was a great asset to the team, not only by organising the team's schedule, but also by being the team's physiotherapist. Although it was a season of ups and downs the 'A' team always maintained a good team spirit and a keen eagerness for competition.

Luke Worth

'B' TEAM

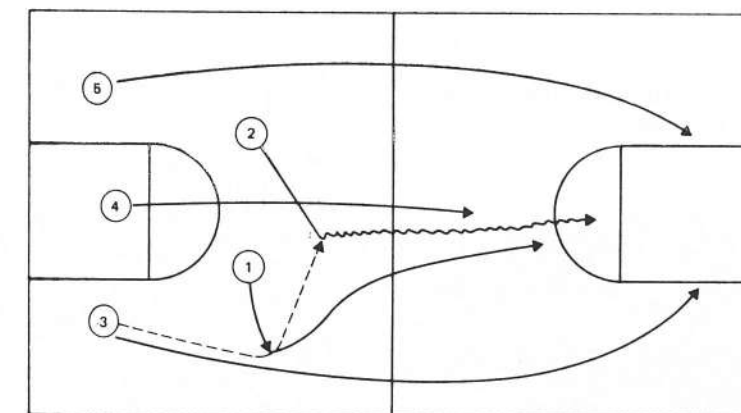
This proved to be a very successful season for the team which was entered in the New Plymouth Men's 'C' grade competition. This grade seemed to be fairly rough and since the team was a schoolboy team, it became a lot harder on the players, due to much pushing and foul play from the other teams. Despite the disadvantages the team played well. Out of eighteen games the team won sixteen and lost only two. With this result they came out on top of the table, which gave them immediate promotion to the Men's 'B' grade for next season.

In mid-July the team played against the Wanganui Collegiate 'A' team, the result being a close loss of only one point 51 to 52.

Throughout the season the team suffered many setbacks with the loss of players who had been promoted to the 'A' team.

We thank coach, Murray Roberts, who gave up a lot of his time to help us.

The Team: Maurice Gilmour, Conan Heatley, David Mandell, Andrew Wilson, Koen Groot, Robert Johanson, Patrick Lyall.



UNDER 16

Fastbreak pattern.

PIONEERS— The team came a very close third in the competition. It was a pity that two early losses in the season cost them a place in the final. By the end of the season the team was playing attractive basketball with their play centred around fast break and in set play using a lot of give-and-go passing. All players improved dramatically throughout the season with Rhys George on baseline, Dean Shorter at centre and Jason Fisher on fast break leading the way.

The Team was: Dean Shorter, Rhys George, Jason Fisher, Nicholas Wilson, Craig Richards, Kenny Rodger, Stuart Wilson, Steven Johns and Philip Chapman. Coach: B. Bayly.

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RAIDERS— The Raiders played well all year and combined team work and individual skills in some exciting and close matches. All players showed the will to win and this competitive edge took them to within a few points of most of the top teams. The team ended up a very close sixth, with only four competition points separating the top six teams. Special thanks must go to Mr Ward and other parents who closely supported this team throughout an enjoyable season.

The Team was: Brett Cronin, Michael Carr, Karl O'Dowda, Kurt Ward, Chris Hogg, Aaron Mahura, Craig Imbs, Dean Cook. Coach: Mr Ward.

CRICKET



1st XI CRICKET

Back row: Stuart Dempster, Greg McEwan, Grant Cross, Colin Downing, Mr Gordon Giddy (Coach)
 Front row: Richard Sheather, Stuart Chapman, Neil Downing, David Burbidge (Captain), Tom Parsons, Karl O'Dowda.
 Absent: Michael Carr, Rodney Bishop, Craig Hibell.

Club Season: The new practice nets proved invaluable for all teams. Rain interrupted the early part of the season which was only mediocre at best. Lack of consistent batting and little penetration in bowling resulted in very few good results.
Highlights: Tom Parsons 99 n.o. against New Plymouth. Stuart Dempster 8 for 55 against Woodleigh-Spotswood.

College Games: Including a new fixture against Napier B. H. S. Resulted in three draws and an outright loss to Hamilton B.H.S.

v Wellington College at Wellington 3rd/4th December 1984

In very hot and dry conditions School won the toss and put Wellington in to bat. Wellington declared at 201 for 8 with Neil Downing taking 4 for 76 from 33 overs - a fine effort in the very hot conditions. School replied with 134. Phil Armstrong, Tom Parsons, Greg McEwan and David Burbidge all reached the twenties but failed to carry on. Ross bowled well to take 7-31 for Wellington. Wellington declared their second innings closed at 135 for 8, Colin Downing taking 4 for 45. This left School 202 to win. The chase was always on but wickets fell as well as runs coming. At stumps School were 165 for 6 with Grant Cross 74 not out - a very good innings leading the chase.
Result: Drawn game.

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v Napier Boys' High School at New Plymouth 11th/12th February 1985

This was a welcome new game in the school programme.
 Under new captain, David Burbidge, School won the toss and put Napier in to bat. The innings was completely dominated by Dean Goodall who scored 174 of Napier's 302 for 7 declared. Stuart Dempster bowled well to take three for 57 from 22 overs.

School lost wickets steadily and was struggling at 76 for 5 when David Burbidge joined Grant Cross. The two batted sensibly in a partnership of 127 taking School past the follow-on point. Burbidge was out for 63 and Cross for 115. It was an outstanding innings. School was out for 241.
Result: Draw.

Hamilton v B.H.S. at Hamilton 18th/19th February 1985

On a rain-affected wicket School won the toss and put Hamilton to bat. Some good bowling and fielding saw Hamilton at 112 for 7 but the bowling and fielding slipped to allow Hamilton through to 187 all out. Karl O'Dowda produced an outstanding performance, taking 6 for 46 from 19 overs.

The Hamilton bowlers had more pace and used the responsive wicket well to have School 5 for 62 at stumps. On the second day the remaining 5 wickets fell for only 10 runs with School all out for 72 - a poor effort even considering the wicket and the very good bowling by Thompson and Rickerby.

The follow-on was enforced and once again the batting slumped with only three batsmen reaching double figures. School was all out for 97 giving Hamilton an outright win by an innings and 19 runs.

Wanganui Collegiate at Wanganui

18th/19th March 1985

On a typically top batting wicket School won the toss and batted. Runs came easily. Tom Parsons was out for 62, then Grant Cross and David Burbidge combined in a partnership of 146 runs. Cross was out for 78 and Burbidge for 51. The innings was declared closed at 281 for 8.

Wanganui batted slowly with Moffett and Left-

bridge adding 105 for the fourth wicket. Rodney Bishop in his first college game bowled well to take 3 for 39, Stuart Chapman took 2 for 31 from 20 overs and Stuart Dempster 2 for 54 from 26 overs. Wanganui were all out for 236.

School endeavoured to score quick runs but tight bowling and wickets falling meant at stumps they were 121 for 7.

Result: Drawn game.

SECOND XI

The 2nd XI started the season with many convincing wins, but at the end the team didn't perform very well.

Towards the end of the season the team played two inter-college matches, the first game against Napier Boys' at New Plymouth. We batted first scoring 188, and with a fine bowling and fielding effort, Napier had to "follow on". Again with tight bowling Napier were bowled out only 25 runs ahead of our first innings total. So we had an easy 10 wicket victory.

In the second college match against Hamilton we batted first and were in trouble at 2 for 6 but were relieved by fine batting from Barry van de Water and Craig Hibell who combined in a 99 run partnership for the third wicket, Barry getting a well deserved half century. We were all out for 181 and eventually on the second day Hamilton were all out for 212. On the second day we batted again but did not score well, leaving Hamilton to get 97. Despite fine fielding and very good bowling from Rodney Bishop, ending up with the figures 5-24, Hamilton won by three wickets.

The season highlights were some fine half centuries from Barry van de Water and Andrew Croad and several fine forties from our coach, Mr Armstrong.

Special thanks go to our coach for his help throughout the year and also to the parents who supported us throughout the season.



2nd XI CRICKET TEAM

Back Row: Mr D. Armstrong, M. Simons, P. Roberts, A. Croad, B. Van de Water, R. Bishop.
 Front Row: J. Burbidge, M. Carr, C. Hibbell (Captain), B. Cronin, N. Maxwell. Absent: B. Hall.

3RD XI CRICKET



3rd XI CRICKET

A. Hanre, J. Fitchew, B. Dannefaerd, S. McKenzie, C. Penberthy, R. Hazzard, R. Ghosh, J. McKillop, K. Ward, T. Little, D. Hahura.

This season the third eleven played third grade country. This was a grade we found extremely difficult to adjust to from our previous fourth grade encounters. The games were forty-five overs per innings and our opposition were mainly very big hitting farmers. Thanks to some expert coaching from our coach-captain, Lance Armstrong, we managed to learn the ropes and win one game. Despite our problems we scared many teams and sometimes lost only due to bad luck. There were many changes in the team throughout the term as players moved upwards.

Players: L. Armstrong (Captain/Coach), S. MacKenzie, R. Ghosh, K. Ward, D. Mahura, T. Little, B. Newsome, B. Flannagan, G. Turner, M. Pitts-Brown, A. Harvey, C. Richards, J. McKillop, B. Dannefaerd, Mr Ward.

Thanks go to Mr Armstrong, Mr Ward and Mr MacKenzie.

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FOURTH GRADE

WORCESTER

Team: Wade Alsweiler (Captain), Neil Cox (Vice Captain), Dylan Cleaver, Greg Clarke, Robert Gray, Willard Temata, Andrew Hocken, Phillip Chapman, Anthony Morris, Douglas Proffit, Richard Hazzard.

This team played well during the season gaining second place in the 4th grade competition.

There were six fourth form reps in the side. They are Alsweiler, Cox, Cleaver, Clarke, Hazzard and Proffit. The team won five of the six games played. Wade Alsweiler and Dylan Cleaver had some scores around the 20's and 30's with Cleaver scoring one big score of 60.

Richard Hazzard kept wicket very well during the season. Douglas Proffit and Neil Cox took a lot off the edge of opposition opening bowlers and had some respectable score also.

The team had a fairly strong bowling attack with each bowler taking his share of wickets. The bowlers were Greg Clarke, Phillip Chapman, Anthony Morris, Willard Temata, Douglas Proffit, Wade Alsweiler.

The team expresses its thanks to Mr Elgar, Mr Alsweiler and Mr Gray for umpiring, coaching and scoring.

ESSEX

After an inauspicious start the team came to life and showed a vast improvement in attitude and skill. Batting highlights were provided by T. Cross (50) and B. Thomson (38). The bowling was evenly shared between B. Thomson, J. Cleary (Capt.), A. Loft and G. Roebuck, who bowled with good line and swing.

Other team members who also participated well were, M. Dickson, K. Wipatene, D. Hillier, B. Parry, M. Gally, T. Johnson and John Fairey.

The team won three games out of seven with the final game being a real cliff-hanger. The team needed 14 runs from 4 overs, and had the last pair at the wicket. We won!

Coach, G. Clarke

FIFTH GRADE

SURREY

This fourth form cricket team performed very well this year and were very unlucky to come only third in the competition. The team played well together and they all helped each other through each game.

Karl Martin was the most impressive batsman. Other batsmen to perform well were James Stewart, John Nuku and Paul Shearer.

The best bowling performance came frequently from Justin Old. He was able to bewilder the opposition with sheer speed, often taking three or four wickets in a game. He was helped by other speedsters like McCulloch and Nuku, who has become a folk hero with the rest of the teams in the competition.

The team's skills were added to by their enthusiasm. They will be hot favourites in the next competition.

Coach: Andrew Moore

GLAMORGAN

We had a good season although without a coach. The team worked well together to record some good wins and close losses.

The Team: C. Penberthy, J. Fitchew, G. Moorhead, B. Lilley, D. Warren, P. Smale, C. Hogg, R. Walter, G. Robinson, J. Haden, S. Boshier, P. Venables, S. Coles.

C. Penberthy

YORKSHIRE

This team, playing in the fourth grade, was composed entirely of fourth formers, and invariably found itself playing against much more senior boys. In the case of Inglewood they seemed to be playing a team from the R.S.A.! Although they completed the season without a win, there were some spirited performances and several boys should be a force to be reckoned with in the future. The usual game pattern saw us dismiss the opposition for around a hundred, then, after an encouraging start, there was an inevitable failure with the bat.

Captain Rhys George had a good season with both bat and ball and Scott Honeybun also proved a useful all-rounder. Thomas Trowern and Scott Chard also had considerable success with the ball. Regrettably our most outstanding player Brendon Winder has followed Mr Bell to Whangarei. Brendon proved an accomplished batsman and was equally effective bowling either left or right handed - he never could decide which was his best!

Over all it was a frustrating season containing some fine individual performances.

A. Butler, Coach

LANCASHIRE

Lancashire started the first season well with a win against Spotswood. The players who batted well throughout the season were Tony Hopkins, Mark Sheridan and Cambell Thompson. The players who bowled well were Brendon Greig, Campbell Thompson and our spinner, Craig Strawbridge. The Fielding award probably would have gone to Craig Strawbridge who fielded in the slips. One of our crunch games was against Okato College. We had to win or draw to stay in the running for the shield. We had a draw at 57 apiece, thanks to Craig Strawbridge who took four wickets and David Bublitz who made three stumpings. Our best game was against Spotswood. We made a huge score of 152 with Tony Hopkins and Greg Pritchard making 51 for the eighth wicket. We got them out for 9 with Strawbridge getting five wickets. At the end of the season we had won the shield.

Tony Hopkins

SOMERSET

Somerset played in the first division and won the competition for Boys' High. All the team were proud to be involved and bring home one of the first trophies for 1985. Five of the six games played were won, Francis Douglas being the victor in the game we lost. The final to decide the winners was also between F.D.C. and Somerset but High School hung in and came through as winners in a nail-biting finish.

Batters to do well were the two Todds (Burbidge and Wolfe) who scored fiftes and thirties when they were needed. Consistent bowling from Todd Burbidge, Michael Hall, Rhys Dravitzki, Joseph O'Grady and Blair Hicks created some problems for the opposition while the team effort in the field was excellent. The team would like to thank Mr Swindells, our coach, and parents for their ex-

cellent support throughout the season.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

Gloucestershire had a mixed season winning a few games and losing a couple.

The team was very spirited and determined. Highlights of the season were Mark Atkinson 48, Alan Foote 48 and 52 n.o. and some very good bowling from Robert Aim and Mark Atkinson in particular.

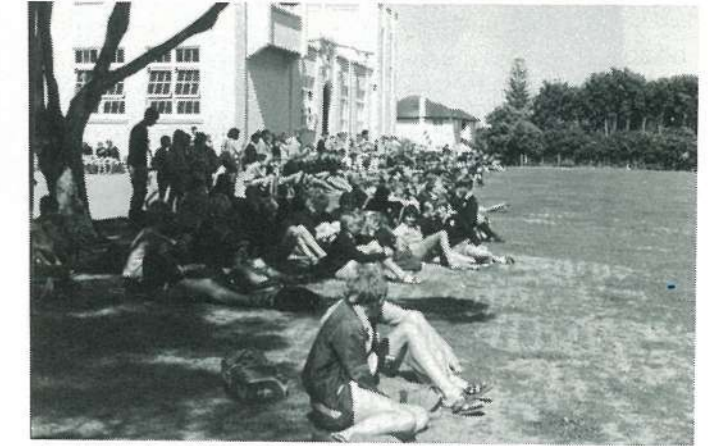
Thanks go to those players who attended regularly and to players who filled in when we were short. Also special thanks must go to Mr Bevin who gave up his time in order to help.

Alan Foster

CRICKET MATCH 12th FEBRUARY '85



School v. Napier BHS.



Spectators watching School/Napier BHS cricket.

CYCLING

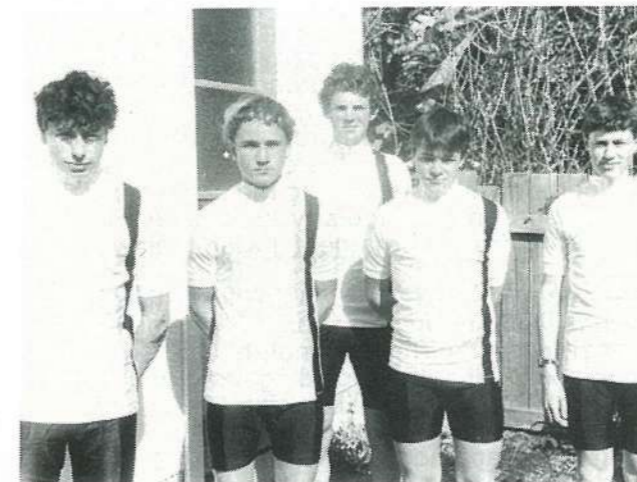
Road cycle racing has built up quite a strong tradition during the last few years. A number of boys ride competitively for the local club and many have performed impressively at local and national level in this fiercely competitive and very

demanding sport. Riders, to perform well, need a mixture of dedication, with many hours of arduous training, courage for that extra effort when all endurance seems gone, aggression and tactical skill.

The premiere events for inter-secondary school competition are held each year in August. A team event involved teams of five riders competing in the Annual Sir Bernard Fergusson Time Trial event held in Levin. Nearly thirty schools send teams. For individual competition there is a 30km road race held on the Manfield Motor racing circuit, Feilding. The event attracts so many riders from throughout New Zealand that for safety reasons alone it is now necessary to hold it in two divisions: B for those aged 14 and below and A grade 15 years and over.

Once again in 1985 the school team performed with the great distinction in the team event. Led by Michael Blair, the team of Dean Johns, Tony Cook, Steven Nightingale and Ricki Fowler finished in sixth position, a mere two seconds behind Spotswood College. A keen rivalry has developed between our schools and there is no doubt that the 1986 team will be looking to average this result.

The highlight was Tony Cook's brilliant winning ride in the B section of the Manfield Road race. Past school winners at Manfield have been New Zealand representatives, Peter McNairney and Brendon Smith so the school now has a very proud name in New Zealand schoolboy cycling.



CYCLE SQUAD

D. Johns, R. Fowler, M. Blair, T. Cook, S. Nightingale.

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HOCKEY



1st XI: J. Brownlie, B. Lilly, T. Little, G. Vickers, D. Burt, M. Billingham, J. Peacock, M. Ekdahl, A. Darke, R. Cooper, D. Cleaver, G. Murtagh, K. Groot (Vice Captain), K. Phillips (Captain), R. Watson, J. McKenzie.

The team had one of its better seasons in the Taranaki Secondary School League coming second to Stratford. The players were particularly pleased to beat Hawera High School both at home and away; likewise the local derby against Spotswood College.

The highlight of the season, however, had to be the playing on the "astroturf" against Wellington College. None of Taranaki's grass fields can match it. On these one can hit the ball towards an opponent knowing that the bounce would most likely beat him. The same hit on "astroturf" stays flat and is easily stopped. In the ten minutes it took our players to settle the team found itself two goals down. Once they heeded their coach's advice of playing the ball sideways and then through the gap the game became more even. The team had its chances, but failed to capitalise, whilst Wellington added one more to make the score 3-0 in their favour.

Earlier in the season the team had lost to Hamilton Boys' High School 1-3 and to Wanganui Collegiate 0-7. The latter played some beautiful hockey, stringing together some excellent moves. They played with such confidence that both full backs ventured into our half when they were on attack. To some the fullback is breaking all the rules if he so much as looks at crossing the half-way line. If play warrants it then let the fullbacks go up. But they must also be able to get back into defence quickly or have a half back cover for them.

The final college match was against Wanganui Boys' College and the result a 1-1 draw, much to Wanganui's relief. We missed a couple of "sitters" but there again they had short corner after short corner yet they failed to score that way. It was a well taken field goal in the last five minutes of play which salvaged them a draw. Perhaps a draw was a fair result.

For the August tournament the team travelled to Whakatane where they were billeted by girls from the High School. The players looked tired in their first game against Rodney College, losing 0-3, but then came back to beat Trident High School 6-1 and Whakatane High School 4-0. The fastest goal of tournament was scored by us against Whakatane High School, fifteen seconds into the game after four inter passes and no opponent touching the ball. The final game was played in rather wet conditions against Waitaki Boys' High School, who coming from drought-stricken Oamaru, should have found the situation rather foreign. However, they revelled in the conditions and won 4-1. That also made them tournament winners with Rodney College second and us third.

I am anticipating that the team will do well in 1986. There is a core of players who will be playing their third year for the team. Not only will they be more mature in their approach to the game but they will also be physically stronger and should match the likes of Hamilton and Wellington. I regret that I will not be there to see it happen. I have certainly enjoyed seeing the players develop this season and particularly enjoyed their company to and from tournament. I wish them well for 1986.

On behalf of the team I would like to thank: The Taranaki Hockey Association for organising the competition, the New Plymouth Old Boys and Combined Clubs for providing umpires, Harley Simpson, Fred Stones, Maurice Betts and Ray Adams for umpiring the college matches, Nigel Smith for coaching Koen Groot in goal keeping skills, the P.T.A. (particularly Mrs Larsen) for the after-match functions, Mr and Mrs McKenzie for donating two match balls, Mr and Mrs Brownlie for the first aid kit, Mr and Mrs Watson for overseeing the fund raising and all those parents who provided billets and transport. There is certainly more to it than eleven players merely running out onto the field.

SECOND XI

Once again we were able to field two teams in the second division of the school's competition. We began with a Form Three team and a composite team from the rest, but midway through the season we changed it to a Boarders XI and a Dayboys XI. The Boarders were able to hold additional practices with Andrew Darke acting as coach.

A special match was the 2nd XI Dayboys versus the 2nd XI Boarders. The latter saw their honour at stake and put up a valiant effort in only losing 0-1. Congratulations to the Dayboys' team. I would like to thank Mr R. Green and Mr G. Davies for their assistance in running these teams. I am sure that they in turn would like to thank those parents who managed the teams in their absence on Saturday mornings. My thanks also to those players and parents who assisted the first eleven and T.H.A. in billeting visiting players.

R.L. Cooper, Master-in-Charge - Hockey

TEAMS:

Dayboys: T. Little, D. Burt, T. Ainsworth, J. Petersen, J. Williams, J. Durdle, G. Oliver, P. Brown, S. Wilcox, T. Donovan, R. Dobson, M. Dingle, K. Hodge.



Wednesday 25th June School v Hamilton.

Boarders: R. Law, S. Foley, J. Darke, G. Goodson, N. Wallace-Wells, A. Cole, D. Warren, B. Eden, R. Austin, N. Andrew, J. Moreland, K. Anderson, M. Skudder.

SQUASH

1985 saw the formation of a school squash team. A friendly match against Spotswood College resulted in a 5-0 win to the School. Our Inter-college match against Wanganui Collegiate saw six of our ranked player's playing the equivalent ranked player from the Collegiate.

The scores of the games were:
 No. 1. Ross Dixon (Loss) 5/9, 0/9, 1/9
 No. 2. Dean Adlam (Loss) 9/5, 2/9, 5/9, 9/2, 2/9
 No. 3. Craig Barkley (Loss) 5/9, 5/9, 3/9
 No. 4. Colin Downing (Win) 4/9, 9/6, 9/5, 9/2
 No. 5. Karl Aldrich (Win) 9/1, 9/5, 9/8
 No. 6. Brent Larsen (Win) 9/1, 9/0, 9/1

On a game basis this resulted in an 8-7 win to N.P.B.H.S. The team members wish to extend their thanks to Mr Cooper, Mr Turner and Mr Sims for the valuable practice that they gave the team members.

Mrs J. Barnes

The United World College

The United World Colleges has the aim of promoting greater unity and co-operation between the nations of the world through education. A scholarship was available this year for four students in New Zealand to study at one of the colleges in Wales, Vancouver, Singapore or Mexico.

The process of getting to the final interview of ten candidates from all over New Zealand involved several steps. First, having been chosen by the staff of the school, a written application had to be made. Secondly, I was accepted for an interview at the regional finals in Wellington, and last was the final interview, again in Wellington.

Certainly the highlight was the final interview. The night before this my hosts took me to a very interesting social function where I met the other candidates and important Wellington citizens.

After the decision was made we travelled to Government House where we were given a 'tour' and a lunch, and then I flew home through a violent storm.

Although I was not successful I consider the experience one of great value and will be of use in future academic pursuits.

Jason Maclean



Mr T. Burnham, K. Aldridge, C. Downing, Mrs J. Barnes, C. Barkley, D. Adlam, R. Dixon. Absent: B. Larsen.

ORAL READING COMPETITION:

Form 3: T. Buchanan 1, T. Kana 2, W. Dickson 3.
Form 4: D. Haynes 1, M. Fox 2, D. Burt 3.
Form 5: B. Mitchell 1, B. Pritchard 2, C. Lilley 3.
Form 6: K. Littlejohn 1, J. Maclean 2, R. Smillie 3.
Form 7: R. Sharma 1, C. Wadsworth 2, R. Barnard 3.

ESSAY COMPETITION:

Form 3: L. McIntyre 1, C. King 2, D. Bride 3.
Form 4: H. Silby 1, D. Crane 2, P. Fenton 3.
Form 5: P. Mitchell 1, N. McKee 2, J. Bishop 3.
Form 6: J. Maclean 1, B. Gascoigne 2, K. Littlejohn 3.
Form 7: B. Van de Water 1, C. Wadsworth 2, T. Ong 3.

RUGBY



FIRST XV

Back row: Bruce Wills, Greg McEwen, Jody Brewer, Andrew Warren, James Douglas, Peter Sampson, Keri Hohipuha
 Middle row: Don Makani, Tristram Duncan, Braide Coplestone, Stuart Chapman, Bowen Tamaki, Jamie Strode, Robbie Field, Mr Moore
 Front row: Michael Penny, Neil Pennington, Boyd Gardner, Paul MacKenzie (Captain), Shayne Brown, Arnold Fawcett, Chris Benseman. Absent: Shane Young

REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS:

Taranaki Secondary Schools: Stu Chapman, Neil Pennington, Bowen Tanaki, Shayne Brown, Chris Benseman, Paul MacKenzie, Shane Young, Arnold Fawcett, Boyd Gardner, Jamie Strode.

Hughes & Cossar Tournament Team: Shayne Brown.

Northern Regions 'B' Team: Shane Young.

Taranaki Under 18s: Shane Young, Shayne Brown.

Taranaki Under 16s: Boyd Gardner (Captain), Braide Coplestone, Robbie Field, Andrew Warren, Jody Brewer, Stu Chapman.

Overall the team performed well this year. The start to the Club season proved difficult with a hard draw, having to play the top teams during the holidays, and a number of injuries which did not help the team to settle. By the time the "College Matches" arrived the team had settled better and shown a marked improvement. It is important to note that the team that lined out against Hamilton Boys' High School contained only one player from the same fixture the year before; experience was therefore lacking. Mention must be made of the fine job Paul MacKenzie did of leading the team. His efforts to keep the team fit and his enthusiasm throughout the season were appreciated by both the players and the coach. In effort and dedication he truly led by example. Shayne Brown was the leading try scorer with fourteen.

vs Hamilton Boys' High School

Played in fine conditions on a field that was a little slippery on top, the game was extremely close. School started well and Keri Hohipuha scored after a series of good back movements. Hamilton replied with two penalties and dominated the mid-

dle stages of the match except when Hohipuha, after a superb charge at the line, had the ball kicked from his hands while diving for the line. The final few minutes was all New Plymouth as the team tried desperately to break the deadlock, but the score remained 6-all.

vs St Pats, Silverstream

This was a lack-lustre game, dominated by the referee. The game tended to be played across rather than up and down the paddock. Neither team was able to win a consistent supply of ball although St Pats gained some advantage at line-outs. A penalty each made the half time score, 3-3.

In the second spell, St Pats added another penalty to make the final score a 6-3 victory to them. Tristram Duncan was the pick of the School players.

vs Wanganui Collegiate

Played on the school gully in cold wet and windy conditions, the firsts played into the strong northerly in the first half, and held Collegiate to a seven point lead, a try to the left winger and a conversion.

After half time the School forwards took control and it became a matter of how long the Collegiate defence could hold. A penalty to Stu Chapman narrowed the score line and then Shayne Brown scored, converted by Chapman to make the final score a 9-7 victory.

The forwards played particularly well in this match but unfortunately conditions made it virtually impossible for the backs to take advantage of the good ball.

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SECOND XV



Back Row: T. Wrigley, P. Jensen, N. Maxwell, A. Mills, S. Boshier, N. Webb, C. McEldowney
 Middle Row: B. Hall, S. Honeybun, G. Stafford, T. Chapman, B. Greer, B. Cama, C. Hibel, J. Laurenson (Coach)
 Front Row: M. Tasmania, P. Crofsky, D. Warren, A. Slater (Captain) J. Gibbons, K. Kaloris, L. Hayson

1985 became a strange season for the Second XV; at times they produced rugby of considerable quality; at times they struggled to rise above a low level of achievement.

On the positive side the team improved as the season went on. Initially they suffered four losses, albeit narrow losses, with dubious referee decisions often making the losses hard to bear. This was followed by four wins and two draws: This period represented the best part of the season for the team. The best game played was that against Hamilton Boys' Second XV when two excellent tries were scored by the most gifted attacking back this coach has seen for many years, left wing Kelfau Kaloris. Wins were also recorded against Spotswood First XV, twice, and Stratford High School First XV. Games that stood out, however, apart from the wins were those played against competition leaders (and undefeated in the entire season) Hawera High School First XV. The first game was a loss 9-14 (after Hawera led 14-0 at half time). The second was a 6-6 draw in which School led 6-3 until a couple of minutes from the end. The second game against Opunake was also a cliff-hanger with Opunake First XV being lucky to salvage a 3-0 defeat of School after an unsighted referee disallowed two tries scored by School early in the second half.

It would be true to say that in every game played not more than a few points separated each team. Apart from a 14-3 defeat by Opunake in the first encounter, in all other games not more than 6 points separated the winning and losing teams. The fact that the scores were so tight and that School played its regular games against First XV's speaks volumes about the strength of Boys' High Rugby in general and the Second XV in particular.

The real strength of the Second XV was in the forwards; a good front row led by Andrew Slater gave good ball-winning service and in this they were aided by Simon Boshier in the second row and Paul Jensen and Nigel Webb in the loose. The back play progressed as the season developed and by the end of the season vice captain John Gibbons at First Five was leading a competent group. The most consistent feature of back play however was the kicking; here Nick Maxwell and Daryn Warren featured prominently in every game in which they played. The kicking often compen-

vs Te Aute

This match became the highlight of the season. The team prepared well and was determined to do well. The whole team performed with distinction. The backs and forwards combined well on attack, half back Tristram Duncan and first five Keri Hohipuha varied the play well and the backs ran the ball at Te Aute whenever possible. Stu Chapman kicked a penalty early in the game which was followed by a superb try to Shayne Brown after the backs had pulled a set move from 50 metres out. This was converted by Chapman. Te Aute replied with a converted try to make the half time score 9-6.

The highlight of the second spell was the fierce determination of the School side. The backs again ran the ball well and winger Neil Pennington and centre Shayne Brown scored wide out. Te Aute replied with three penalties but were unable to cross our line. Because of the close score the final ten minutes were crucial. We kept Te Aute on defence and were close to scoring on two occasions. The final score was a deserved victory 17-15.

vs Palmerston North Boys' High School

Atrocious conditions underfoot, a cold southerly off the snow-covered ranges and rain combined to make this game an unpleasant experience. The forwards were out-driven by a superior Palmerston North pack and were never able to get a consistent supply of ball for the backs who despite the conditions appeared a superior unit to their opposites. A final defeat of 19-7 was a fair indication of the game.



vs Auckland Grammar

A closely contested match. School dominated the opening exchanges but found points difficult to get. A period of twenty-five minutes on attack produced only a penalty goal to Tristram Duncan. In injury time in the first half, Grammar scored a good try wide out that was converted making the half time score 6-3.

The forwards started the second spell strongly and after two minutes a sustained drive at the Grammar line produced a try to Captain Paul MacKenzie, Tristram Duncan's conversion attempt hit the upright. Grammar dominated most of the remainder of the game but could only score a penalty. Try as the school team did, producing some spectacular counter attack movements, they could not bridge the gap and the final score was a 9-7 victory to Auckland Grammar.

D. Moore

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sated for a lack of real speed in the three quarters. Many players in this team will leave Boys' High without reaching the First XV; this is regrettable but representing the school at Boys' High Second XV (other schools' First XV) level is an achievement in itself and one to be proud of. I can with pride state I have enjoyed coaching this group of young rugby players.

John Laurenson.

THIRD XV



T. Brimelow, S. Luke, M. Pitts-Brown, T. Thomas, A. Rump, C. Aird, S. Kalauni, A. Falepeau, C. Vosper, S. Le Bas, S. Butler, D. White, A. Saihimotu, P. Venables, Mr B. Bellringer, J. Bellringer, A. Stewart, P. Clarke, M. Newton (Captain), K. Allum, J. O'Neil, S. Wood. Absent: M. Barrack.

The members of this year's team can look back on their rugby season with a great deal of satisfaction, for both as individuals and as a team there was a marked improvement of both skills, temperament, and commitment over the winter months. In the last five matches only one try was conceded. Under near Arctic conditions on the racecourse we defeated the Inglewood High School 1st XV.

Mobility in the forward pack, especially in the ability to set up drives from maul situations was a feature of the team, as was the backline's capability in maintaining defensive pressure throughout a game. Matthew Newton lead the team well from the flanker position, always giving a whole-hearted display, and developed well as a captain during the season. Amona Falepeau proved himself to be a natural No. 8, his strong tackling being complemented by his powerful running with the ball in hand. Jon O'Neill's performance at half-back attracted favourable comment, whilst Phillip Clarke (at 2nd 5/8) and Craig Vosper (on the wing) were both strong runners who created many scoring opportunities.

BOARDERS V DAYBOYS 25 September 1985

This year the Boarders went into the match as the underdogs. However they were determined to put an end to the four year reign of the Dayboys. The weather conditions were excellent and the ground was hard.

Both teams were determined to gain the upper hand right from the start. In the opening minutes the Boarders counter attacked when the ball was fielded by D. Warren just inside the Boarder's half. The ball was fed to N. Webb, who in turn fed B. Coplestone, who passed to B. Cama, who made

ground before putting B. Tamaki in for a brilliant try in the corner. T. Duncan was unable to convert. The Dayboys came on to attack and were unlucky not to register points as S. Chapman was unsuccessful with three penalty goal attempts. Both forward packs had a fairly even struggle and in the backs the game was fairly tight. At half time the Boarders held a slender four to nil lead.

In the second half the Dayboys applied the pressure which kept the Boarders hard on defence at times. However mistakes by the Dayboys were capitalised on by the Boarders, which enabled them to clear and on two occasions D. Warren was successful with two penalty goals. The Dayboys only points came from a drop goal by K. Hohipuha.

For the Boarder's forwards R. Field had an outstanding game in the loose and the tight forwards, who were less experienced than their opponents, contained them well. In the backs T. Duncan had a very good game at half back. B. Tamaki impressed with some good running and tackling. He was ably supported by the other backs.

Teams:

Boarders: D. Warren, M. Tasmania, B. Cama (replaced by D. Makani), B. Tamaki, C. Benseman, M. Penny (replaced by G. Stafford), T. Duncan, N. Webb, T. Chapman, R. Field, A. Mills, A. Warren, S. Boshier, B. Copelstone, J. Douglas.

Dayboys: S. Chapman, C. Hibell, J. Brewer, S. Brown, G. McEwen, K. Hohipuha, B. Hall, P. Sampson, B. Wills, P. McKenzie, A. Fawcett, A. Slater, B. Gardner, J. Strode, R. Greer.

SIXTH GRADE GOLD



B. Newsone, P. Gray, C. Luke, D. Harris, V. Wood, J. Fisher, G. Rainer, M. Wood, T. Trowern, G. Robertson, Mr J. Rowlands, A. Bunn, K. O'Dowda, J. Dalmer, C. Carrick (Captain), G. Turner, C. Hogg, R. Aim.

Sixth Grade Gold started the season with high hopes of winning the North Taranaki Championship. It won its first games with ease, scoring some fine tries and playing confidently.

Unfortunately the team lost its brilliant half-back, Tristram Duncan, to the first XV halfway through the season. For the next few games it was a bit of a struggle as a flanker played half-back. Chris Hogg then joined the team and once again our game started to lift.

The strength of the team was the fine loose forwards. They could secure good ball for the backs who had superior pace and ball skills for most

other teams in the grade. The team only lost one game which was to the fired-up Okato First XV.

Many of the team will progress to the first and

BLACK

SEVENTH GRADE

WHITE

This was a very successful team, not only in terms of games played and won, but also in terms of the development of a number of the boys as rugby players. Only one game was lost, to Stratford Black, a team which was beaten by us on two occasions allowing us to finish at the top of the table. Many players stood out through the season, but special mention should be made of: Russell Candy who captained the team, leading by example; Charles Stewart, the most outstanding player of the season; Kenny Roger, who always gave one hundred percent effort and to Kevin Surrey, the most improved member of the team.

My thanks to the boys for their eagerness and consideration at practices and to the parents who turned up week after week to transport and support the boys.

A. Elgar

The team won four games and lost ten but never lost enthusiasm. Many games were close encounters and it was remarkable how many times we scored more points than the opposition in the second half of games. It would, of course, have been better to have had the same commitment and determination at the beginning. We had a good core of experienced players but we were also assisted by a number of players just beginning the game.

The team was led well by Paul Vivian. Top try-scorer with nine was Neil Penno who showed both speed and strength. Parent support and interest was very much appreciated.

G. Clareburt

EIGHTH GRADE

N.P.B.H.S. BELL BLOCK

This was a new and exciting venture for the school. The boys were all from Bell Block area and three boys are from the Bell Block primary school. The team was based at Hickford Park and had their home games there to reduce the frustration of transport particularly getting boys home after practises when all the boys catch buses.

The squad started the year short on numbers and lost two of their first three games, but the squad quickly grew to twenty-two and was a credit to the school winning all of their next games with the exception of the last game against School White which was a 4-all draw, a great conclusion to the season.

There wasn't a star in the team - just fifteen boys giving their best every Saturday. The dedication and team spirit was fantastic throughout the season and obviously the team will go from strength to strength if they stay together.

Several of the boys made the third form representative team and two from Bell Block primary made the Taranaki Primary School team.

Thanks must go to Mr Ryder and his rugby masters for the foresight shown in encouraging this team and congratulations must go to the team on winning the 8th Grade Competition.

J. Wheeler

THIRD FORM RUGBY

Trials were held in late June and the team came together periodically for practice. This year's team proved to be a strong and well balanced side, and won both its inter-school fixtures. The team was captained by Gordon Slater who played very strongly as a tight forward and led his team with commendable maturity.

Versus Wanganui Collegiate Third Form - won 26-6.

The game was played at Wanganui and out team began very well. However the Wanganui defence was resolute and it was not until late in the first half that School established a clear-cut lead. Charles Stewart, Andrew Harvey and Gordon Slater stood out in a pack where everyone played well and Damien Mahura and Shane Kelly played well in the backs. Try Scorers were: Neil Penno (2), Damien Mahura and Charles Stewart; Mahura converted three.

Versus Auckland Grammar Third Form - won 14-4.

Played on the Gully as a curtain raiser to the 1st XV. This game began in sensational style when Neil Penno scored within seconds of the kick-off. Charles Stewart also scored to make the half-time score 8-0. We maintained control of the game in the beginning of the second half and Neil Penno scored his second try which Damien Mahura converted. This sealed the victory.

M. Carroll



Back Row: B. Bellamy, L. Thomas, J. Lines, N. Penno
Middle Row: Mr M.C. Carroll, K. Crawshaw, S. Meuli, A. Harvey, J. Boshier, M. Ruapapera, C. Stewart, G. Peck.
Front Row: D. Mahura, T. Wolfe, S. Kelly, G. Slater (Captain), G. Homes, C. Pollock, S. Bregman.

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SOCCER

The 1985 season was one in which the First XI had both its ups and downs. The team again competed in the T.F.A. Division One. In the main the season was one of success with twelve wins and two draws from 18 club matches. The team again gained a reputation of being fast and fit. Webster Field also gained a notorious reputation for its length.

The team was once again coached by Mr Bill Lawson and Mr Warren Purdy who aimed to create open and attacking football. With players with the speed and skill of Henry Vira and David Burbidge this aim was a very realistic one. Vira was the highest scorer this season with no fewer than 32 goals from a team total of 66 goals. David Bur-

bidge had the next highest total with 12.

The team produced some excellent performances, the most memorable against the eventual league winners, New Plymouth United. United had already beaten us in the first round and were looking to do it again. The game was played in appalling conditions on Webster Field but this did not deter a high standard of soccer. After battling into a strong wind in the first half we held United to 0-0. In the second half it was one way traffic and Gary Livingstone soon opened the scoring from close range. Livingstone scored again soon after and further goals by David Burbidge and Jonas George finished off United. The final score 4-0 to the 1st XI.



Back row: G. Livingstone, S. Hinton, I. Wilson, M. Simons
 Middle row: Mr W. Purdy (Player/manager), A. Foster, T. Groenestein, B. Dunnett, S. Davenport, J. George, Mr W. Lawson (Coach)
 Front row: P. Aifai, D. Hine, D. Burbidge (Captain), S. Blakelock, N. Downing, H. Vira.

COLLEGE GAMES

Hamilton B.H.S.—When playing in Hamilton it is like coming off an airstrip and trying to play soccer on a postage stamp. The team knew it was in for a hard game as the school has only beaten Hamilton on one occasion and this was the first college match for many of the team.

The game started at a furious pace and we were soon a goal down after a defensive error in the box. Hamilton then gained a penalty after what seemed like a harsh decision by the referee. At halftime Hamilton led 2-0. But the second half saw the team come out fired up and after a corner Henry Vira slammed home to make it 2-1. Ten minutes later it was 2-2 when David Burbidge scored from the penalty spot. The team then relaxed and Hamilton scored the winning goal five minutes from the end. The final score 3-2.

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Wanganui Collegiate (N.P.)—Our only college game at school was played in fine conditions and in front of a large number of spectators. We controlled all but ten minutes of the second half when Collegiate scored twice. Apart from that period the team controlled all facets of play. Goals from Alan Foster, Henry Vira and a brilliant solo effort by Tim Groenestein left the score at 4-2.

Wellington College.—The game was played in atrocious conditions (again) on a pitch that had had three games and a week's rain before the game got under way. Wellington, obviously used to the conditions, scored five times in the first half leaving us a hopeless second half task. The team held together well in the second spell and scored through David Burbidge just on full-time. The final score 6-1 to Wellington.

Waiopahu.—This game was the first ever contact between the two schools and was played on the way back from Wellington. Looking to avenge the defeat of the previous day the team suffered a setback and was soon a goal down. But we soon got our act together and run out eventual winners 8-2. Scorers were: H. Vira, G. Livingstone, D. Burbidge, S. Blakelock.

Wanganui Boys' College.—Again we were faced with a small pitch but valuable lessons learnt at Hamilton paid off as we dominated play in all departments. The 4-0 win was a credit to attackers Gary Livingstone 2; Henry Vira 2 and defenders Patterson Aifai in particular having an outstanding game.

Tournament—The New Zealand Secondary Schools tournament in Levin turned out to be a disappointing trip. The team didn't show anything like the form it knew it could produce. Its only bright aspect was a draw 1-1 with the tournament winners Horowhenua College. But valuable experience and knowledge was gained by the team which can only lead to an improvement of soccer in the school.



Henry Vira taking on the defence.

Many thanks must go to Mr Purdy and Mr Lawson for another year behind the 1st XI and also to Mr Duynhoven for his work behind soccer in the school. Also thanks to Miss Mabin who filled in as coach for the Waiopahu game and thus has a 100% record as a coach, and thank you to all the valuable support from parents throughout the year.

As is the case at the end of every year team members will leave school. It is something other clubs do not have to deal with, therefore our achievements are all the more meritorious. This year boys who have built up a long association with the team are leaving. Gratitude and good wishes go with them all especially David Burbidge, co-winner of the 1985 Sportsman of the Year Trophy and Patterson Aifai, who have both been with us for three years.

Team Awards:

Most promising player: Tim Groenestein.

Most valuable player: Henry Vira.

Under 19 Taranaki Reps: Gary Livingstone, Allan Foster, Stephen Blakelock, David Burbidge.

2nd XI SOCCER



M. Rosa, R. Stewart, G. Deane, A. Dicker, G. Cross, C. Downing, S. Lewis, R. McKinnon, Mr D. Armstrong
 J. Burbidge, J. McKillop, D. Head, C. Deane, J. Wanofafia, P. Landon.

This year only one school team played in the second division of the Taranaki Football Association competition. Our team comprised a mixture of last year's players and some new ones – the combination proving to be quite successful. The team had some good wins and finished up with a satisfying and well-earned mid table placing for the competition – a good improvement on last year's results!

It was an enjoyable and successful season with great team spirit and fine coaching and leadership given on and off the field from Mr Armstrong.

Many thanks to our valuable supporters and transporters who helped us when we needed it, and to the main driving force of soccer in the school – Mr Duynhoven.

Colin Deane

17th GRADE (T.F.A. Youth Division)

The team, although possibly too young for this grade, played well together. Unfortunately we drew the three top teams in our first three games and suffered losses of 2-4, 1-2, 0-6.

The team recovered well, however, with surprising wins over Central City 1-0, and Manaia 2-1. Overall the team did well in a difficult and competitive grade with five wins, three draws and eight losses.

Many thanks must go to our player/coach Mr Sims, he certainly has an aggressive approach to training.

D. Sumpter



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15th GRADE SOCCER

This was an enthusiastic, very lively team of boys who performed quite creditably. During the season the team lost only two matches, the second to Inglewood, preventing us winning the competition. Eventually the team finished in 3rd position, and got into the semi-finals of the 7-a-side Knockout competitions.

The team was: K. Wipatene, D. Hillier, G. Smith, M. Steed, D. Harris, A. Löft, J. Quinn, M. Gally, L. McIntyre, R. Abbott, J. Wilson, C. Gregg, D. Ewart.

G. Clark

BADMINTON

The season began in late April this year when trials were held to choose the 1985 school Badminton squad. The chosen boys: Adrian Kelly, Andrew Pennefather, Craig Barkley, Willard Temata, Bryce Martin and Craig Anderson practised on Monday night in the school gymnasium, and were later joined by Wade Alsweiler.

The school club which played, under the direction of Mr Grimwood, each Wednesday after school in the gym, continued to flourish with approximately forty financial members, about the same as in 1984. Ladder matches were a popular feature of the afternoon, giving a lot of members the opportunity for singles play. A Yankee Tournament was held in the latter stages of the season with Craig Ward the winner, as was a serving competition won by Warren Mills.

The School Championships were held in late July. The results were:

Senior Singles (Cook and Lister Cup): Craig Barkley def. Willard Temata 15/1 15/11.

Senior Doubles: C. Barkley and A. Pennefather def. Willard Temata and Bryce Martin 21/12.

Junior Singles (Isaac Cup): Bryce Martin def. Willard Temata 15/2 11/15 18/16.

Junior Doubles: Bryce Martin and Willard Temata def. Rhys Alexander and Steven Zinsli 21/14.

Thanks must go to Mr Grimwood for his organisation of club play and ladder matches on Wednesday afternoons, and for the running of the Yankee Tournament and serving competition.

It was again our match against Hamilton Boys' High School, this year at Hamilton, that began the inter-college season. We were again too strong for our opponents, but we did not win all the matches. The final result was 11/1, with Adrian Kelly losing his singles to the Hamilton B.H.S. No. 1

Spotswood College again ran, very competently, The Taranaki Secondary Schools Championships, With our representatives, Craig Barkley and Andrew Pennefather in the seniors and Willard Temata and Bryce Martin in the juniors, we were hoping for another clean sweep to match that of 1984. We were successful in this goal, the results being:

Senior Singles (winner): Andrew Pennefather
(runner-up): Craig Barkley

Senior Doubles (winners): Andrew Pennefather and Craig Barkley

Junior Singles (winner): Willard Temata

Junior Doubles (winner): Willard Temata and Bryce Martin

The success of that day was not matched by our performance in the Taranaki elimination round of the New Zealand Secondary Schools' Badminton Championships at Stratford. Having reached the national final in 1984, we hoped to do

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14th GRADE BLACK

14th Grade Black enjoyed a successful season losing only four games of the thirteen played. This placed the team second in the competition behind Woodleigh. The team contained no star players and achieved its success through good team spirit.

Tremendous thanks to Mr Wrigley for the time he gave the team and for his refereeing skills. Thanks also to all parents and supporters.

Todd Burbidge



Back row: W. Alsweiler, B. Martin, W. Temata, Mr Heaps
Front row: C. Barkley, A. Pennefather, C. Anderson. Absent: A. Kelly

well again this year, but it was not to be. We played Stratford High School, but the team of Andrew Pennefather, Craig Barkley, Willard Temata and Bryce Martin, could not carry the day and we lost 5-3.

We can only hope that 1986 sees a greater resolve to get back to the level of performance we exhibited in 1984.

Many of the team performed well outside the school. Andrew Pennefather and Craig Barkley represented Taranaki at Under-18 level, while Willard Temata and Bryce Martin played in the Under-16 team, and Rhys Alexander in the Under-14 team.

In the Taranaki Age Group Championships, the team members achieved these results:

Under-16 Singles (runner-up): Willard Temata

Under-16 Doubles (winners): Willard Temata and partner

Under-16 Mixed Doubles (winners): Willard Temata and partner.

So, all in all, it was a season of mixed results. We hope that in 1986 our success is more consistent, so that we can reach the higher levels of national team competition.

SWIMMING SPORTS

Jason Fisher set three records in the Junior Championship events, while Stephen Johns set a new time in the Junior Breaststroke and Bevan Johns broke the Senior Breaststroke mark.

Barak House won the House Competition, the Seventh Form beat the Staff and the Day Boys beat the Boarders.

RESULTS—

Senior Championship:

33 1/3 yd Freestyle: P. Jensen 17.03s, 1; B. Johns 2; M. Penny 3.

100yd Freestyle: Johns 58.62s, 1; Jensen 2; J. Strode 3.

66 2/3 yd Backstroke: Johns 68.83s, 1; R. Flavell 2; M. Besseling 3.

66 2/3 yd Breaststroke: Johns 43.17s (record), 1; Jensen 2; S. Davenport 3.

33 1/3 yd Butterfly: Jensen 1; D. Larsen 2; R. McKay 3.

Senior Champion: Johns 1; Jensen 2; Larsen and Flavell 3 =.

INTERMEDIATE:

33 1/3 yd Freestyle: I. Rust 17.72, 1; K. Kahukaka 2; B. Larsen 3.

100yd Freestyle: Rust 1:02.93s, 1; P. Venables 2; M. Gilmour 3.

66 2/3 yd Backstroke: Venables 48.1s, 1; Larsen 2; S. McEwen 3.

66 2/3 yd Breaststroke: Venables 52.03, 1; B. Ransome 2; Rust 3.

33 1/3 yd Butterfly: Rust 22.1, 1; Venables 2, Larsen 3.

133 1/3 yd Medley: Venables 1:40.34, 1; Rust 2; Ransome 3.

Champion: Venables 1; Rust 2; Larsen 3.

JUNIOR—

33 1/3 yd Freestyle: J. Fisher 17.14s (record), 1; K. Wipatene 2; S. Johns 3.

100yd Freestyle: Fisher 59.74s (record), 1; R. Green 2; G. Wood 3.

33 1/3 yd Backstroke: Fisher 21.4s (record), 1; C. Luke and Johns equal 2.

33 1/3 yd Butterfly: Fisher 20.7s, 1; A. Simons 2; Green 3.

33 1/3 yd Breaststroke: Johns 22.15s (record), 1; Green 2; P. Mitchell 3.

133 1/3 yd: Fisher 1:40.74s, 1; Johns 2; Green 3.

Junior Champion: Fisher 1; Johns 2; Green 3.

Other Events: Dayboys beat Boarders; Present Pupils beat Old Boys; Form 7 beat Staff.

House Competition: Barak 1st - 1175 points
Hatherly 2nd - 1005 points
Syme 3rd - 946 points
Donnelly 4th - 910 points



House Swim. (School Dipping System).



A close finish to a race.

TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS SWIMMING

This year's Championships were held at Hawera High School's pool. The Senior Team received a setback when Nigel Webb had to withdraw after being involved in a car accident on the way down.

The teams and personal performances were:

Junior: Jason Fisher (1st 100yd Freestyle, 1st - 4x1 Individual Medley, 2nd Butterfly), Karl Wipatene (2nd 150yd Freestyle, 2nd Breaststroke), Chris Luke, Andrew Simons (1st Butterfly, 2nd Individual Medley).

Intermediate: Philip Venables (2nd Backstroke), Brett Larsen, Ian Rust, Brett Ransome.

Seniors: Dean Larsen (1st Breaststroke, 2nd 100yd Freestyle, 2nd Individual Medley), Matthew Simons (3rd Breaststroke, 2nd Butterfly, 3rd Backstroke), Ross McKay (3rd Butterfly).

The Junior Team won both the Medley and Freestyle Relays.



Old Boys Surf Club demonstrating



Senior House Relay.

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TENNIS



S. Donovan, W. Temata, A. Bunn, Mr T. Heaps
D. Kay, D. McDonald, S. McFall, R. Alexander.

Again tennis was badly hampered by the unavailability of the school's courts. The initial resurfacing was not a success, and now they must be completely redone. This has meant using other tennis clubs' courts, and we are very grateful to both Waiwaka Tennis Club, and Kawarua Tennis Club for their help during the year.

The season began with the school championships, held at Waiwaka, which were used as trials for the school teams. The results were: Senior singles (Candy Cup): Tristram Duncan. Runner-up: Lindsay Pilbrow; Intermediate singles (McKeon Cup): Andrew Pennefather. Runner-up: James Dalmer; Junior singles (Herbert Smith Cup): Sean McFall. Runner-up: Duncan McDonald.

We opened the season with a much-needed new fixture against Napier Boys' High School, played at the Kawarua Park Tennis Club courts on two beautifully fine days. The strength of the two senior teams was very even, with our team of Tristram Duncan, Lindsay Pilbrow, Tom Morris, Craig Lilley, Andrew Pennefather and Karl Aldrich only losing 5-4 on the first day. Pilbrow, Lilley and Pennefather won their singles, all in hard-fought three-setters, while Pilbrow and Morris easily won the top doubles match. A similar pattern developed on the second day with Pilbrow and Lilley winning again, as did the top doubles combination. However, time ran out, and the last two doubles were unfinished, with Napier leading 4-3 at that stage.

Our junior team was: Rhys Alexander, Sean McFall, Duncan McDonald, Willard Temata, Shaun Donovan and Andrew Bunn. However, their results were not as close as the seniors', although on both days there were some close games, especially in the doubles. We lost 9-0 on the first day, and were down 7-1, with one doubles match standing at 1 set all, when play had to finish on the second day. Our one win was a very good match in which Duncan McDonald beat the Napier No. 4.

This was a most enjoyable and well-contested fixture, and we hope it becomes a permanent part of our fixtures list.

In late February we journeyed to Hamilton to play Hamilton Boys' High School. Our senior team remained the same, but Darryn Kay replaced Sean Donovan in the junior team. We came up against very strong opposition from Hamilton with the seniors losing 6-3, but not before good singles wins to Lilley and Pennefather, and a doubles win to Lilley and Duncan. The juniors lost 9-0, but both Temata and Kay forced their singles opponents to three sets; Temata repeated the effort with Alexander in their doubles. The juniors as always tried hard and even though not successful, are gaining in match play experience.

With March came our trip to Wanganui to play Wanganui Collegiate in the first of the year's two fixtures with them. To our top six were added six more players: Tony Roberts, Brent Dunnet, Nicholas Maxwell, Ramil Sharma, David Rydon and James Dalmer. We did not strike a good day in Wanganui with the sky overcast as we began doubles play in the morning. The doubles were very even, with school winning at numbers 1, 2 and 4, to give a 3-3 result.

In the afternoon, the singles began, but play was constantly interrupted by rain, with the grass courts becoming more and more slippery. Most of the matches were completed before the rain finally drove the players from the courts. Of the completed singles Wanganui had won 6, and we had won 2; 4 matches were unfinished. So at 9-5 to Collegiate, with 4 results undecided, it was not a very successful day.

Unfortunately, because of a shortened third term, Wanganui Collegiate could not return to play us. However, in the week after Labour Weekend, at Waiwaka, we faced the senior and junior teams from Palmerston North Boys' High School we had one change in each team: Tony Roberts replaced Tom Morris who left school during term two, and Scott Bregman replaced Willard Temata in the juniors.

Palmerston North have always been tough opposition, and this year was no exception. The juniors went down 6-3, but not before Scott Bregman and Rhys Alexander had won both their singles and their doubles - an excellent effort,

and Sean McFall had only succumbed in a very close tie-breaker in the second set. There are some keen and talented juniors in our team, and that bodes well for the future.

Even though the seniors lost 7-2, that score is not a good indication of the closeness of the contest. In the doubles the top pair of Pilbrow and Duncan did not admit defeat until after three close sets, and at No.2 Lilley and Pennefather only lost 7-5 7-6. In the singles Craig Lilley was very unlucky not to win, only losing 7-6 in the third, but Tony Roberts had a good win, as did our No. 1 Lindsay Pilbrow 6-4 in the third. It must be said that Lindsay, who has been in the team since the fourth form, has a very good record in inter-school matches, and this was a fine way to end the year, especially as this same opponent had beaten him 6-1, 6-3 last year.

We had three teams entered in the local junior inter-club competition. All the teams, all comprising boarders, acquitted themselves very well, especially the team of Craig Lilley, Tristram Duncan, Andrew Pennefather, James Dalmer, Philip Clark and Roderick Walker who won their section of the 16 year-old competition. A fine effort!

This season we will again be entering teams, and because of the interest there will be two teams in the 16 year-old competition and two teams in the 14 year-old competition, giving over twenty boarders the opportunity for some competitive tennis.

Last season two groups of boarders received professional coaching from Mr Richard Palmer, a qualified coach, and it is hoped that further boys can benefit during this season.

Unfortunately, because of our lack of courts, the inter-house competition for the Stevenson Cup and the Day Boys vs Boarders match for the

BOARDER'S TENNIS TEAM



P. Clark, A. Pennefather, C. Lilley, J. Dalmer, T. Duncan.

Beetham Cup were not played. Let us hope that they can be next season on our own newly-resurfaced courts.

Honours Awards: Lindsay Pilbrow, Tristram Duncan, Craig Lilley, Andrew Pennefather, Tom Morris and Karl Aldrich.

T. Heaps

VOLLEYBALL

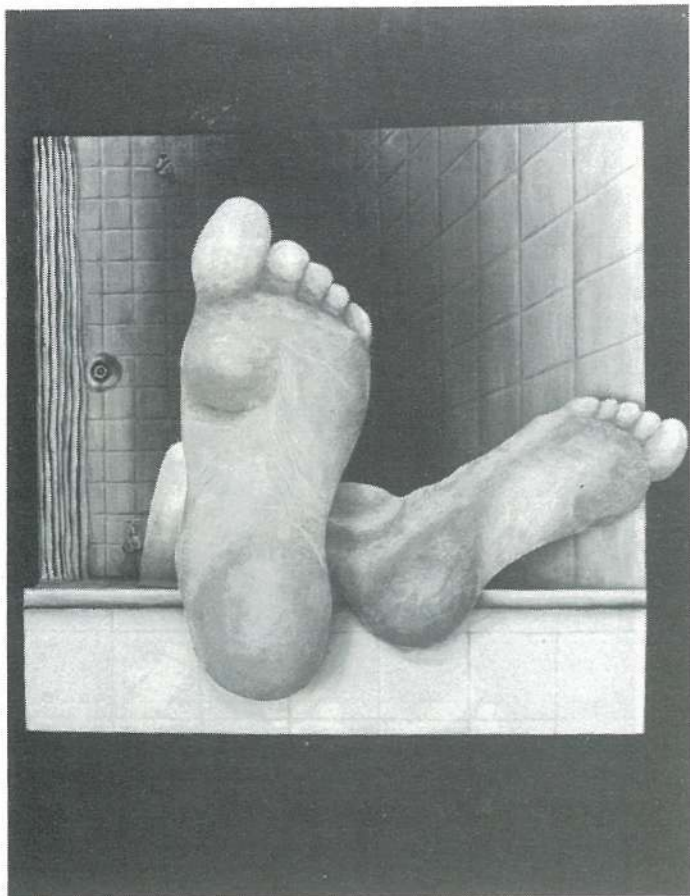


A Relaxed Senior Volleyball team

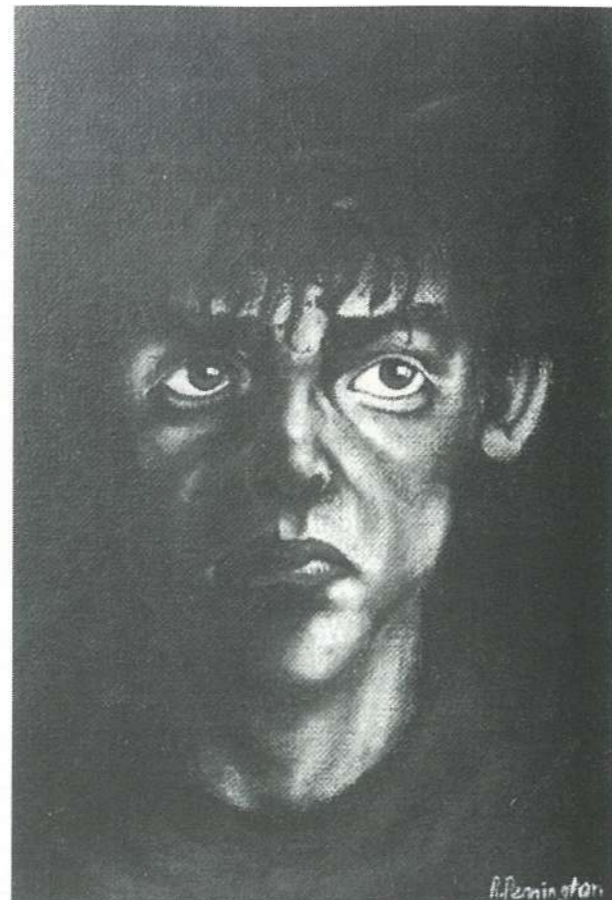
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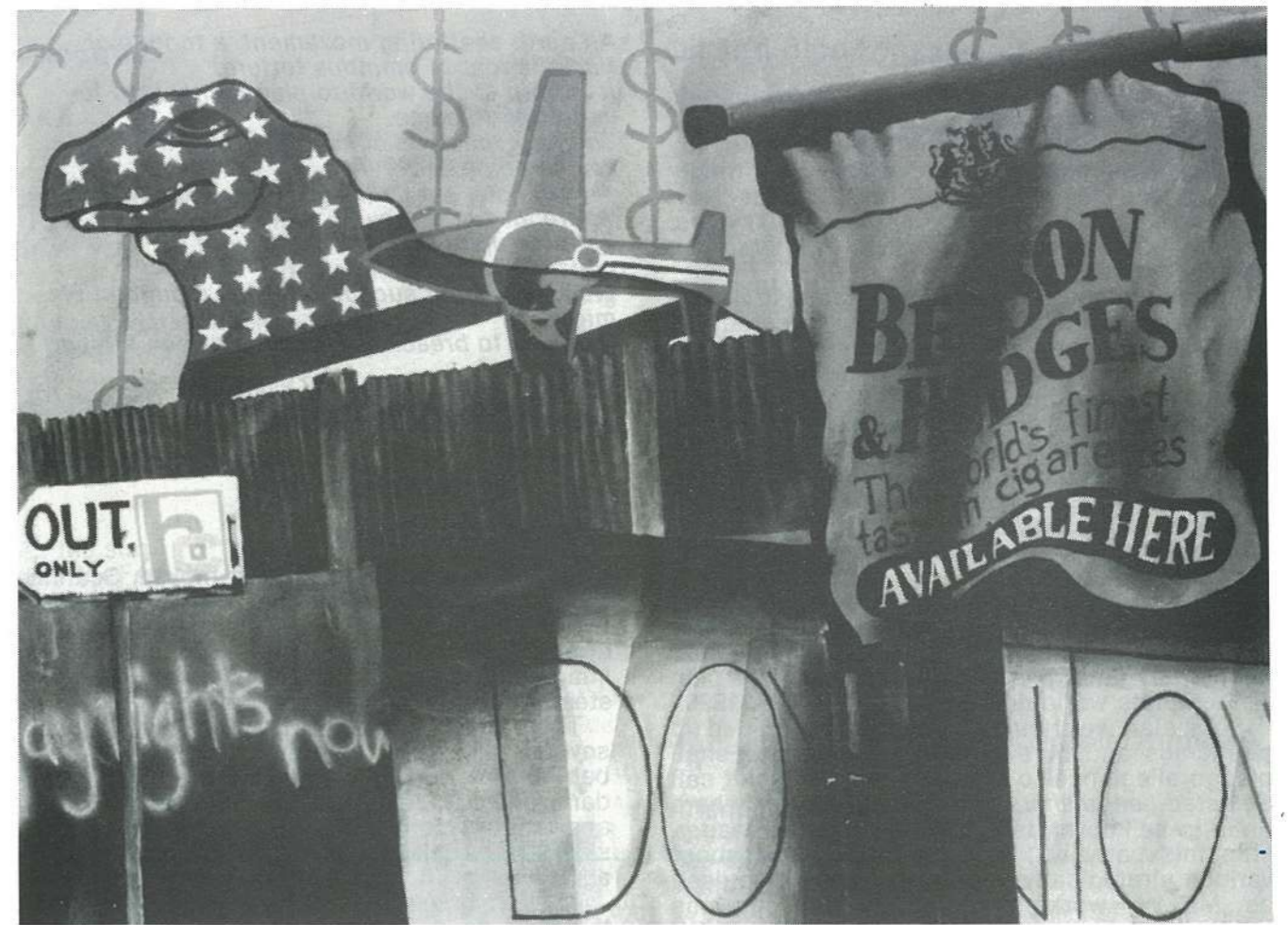
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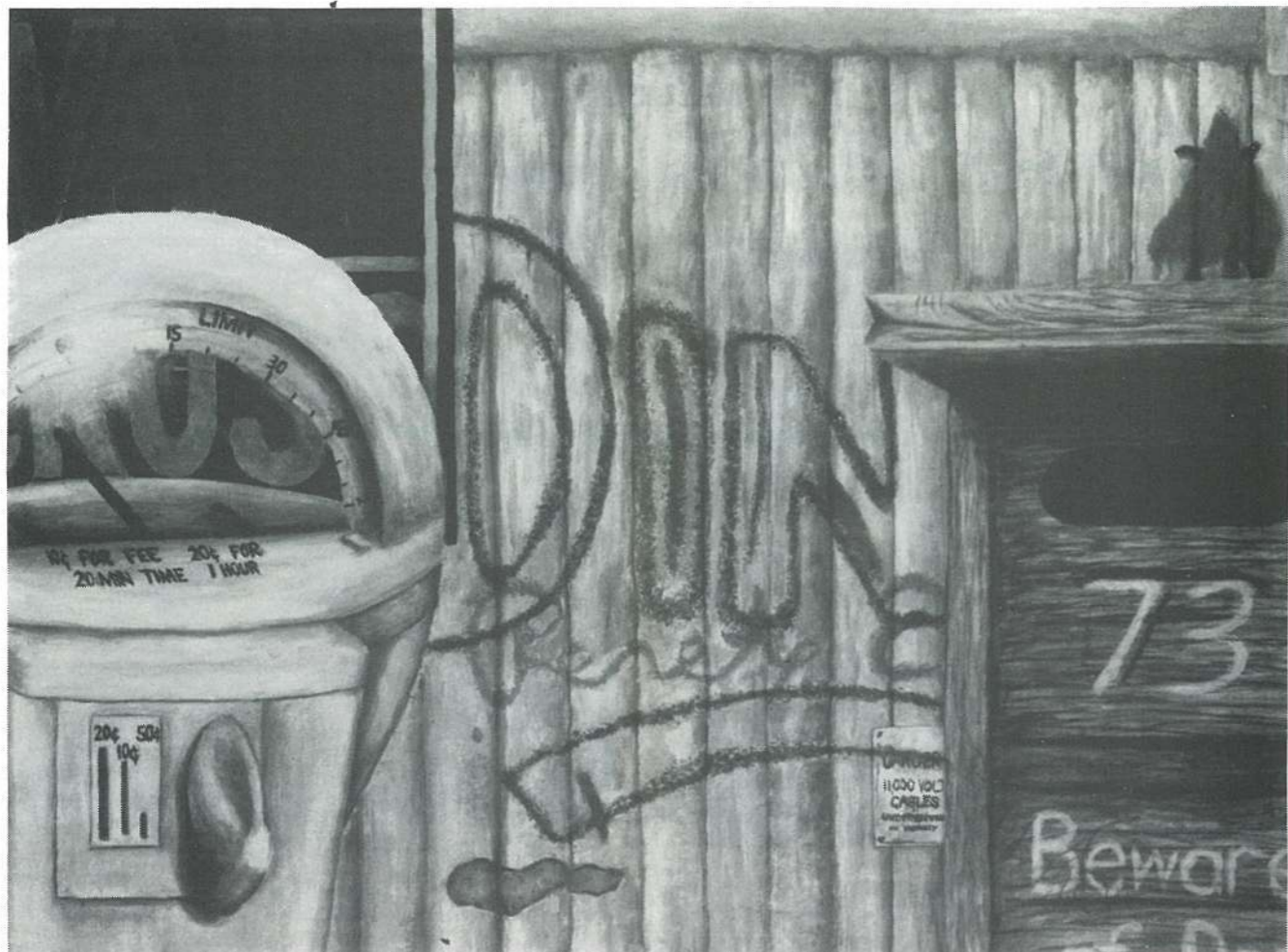
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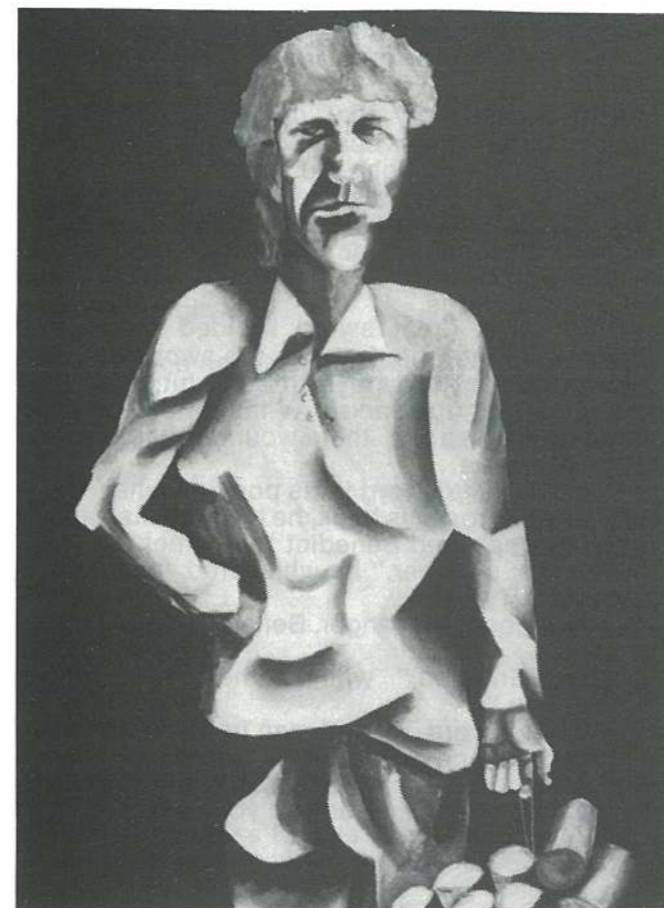
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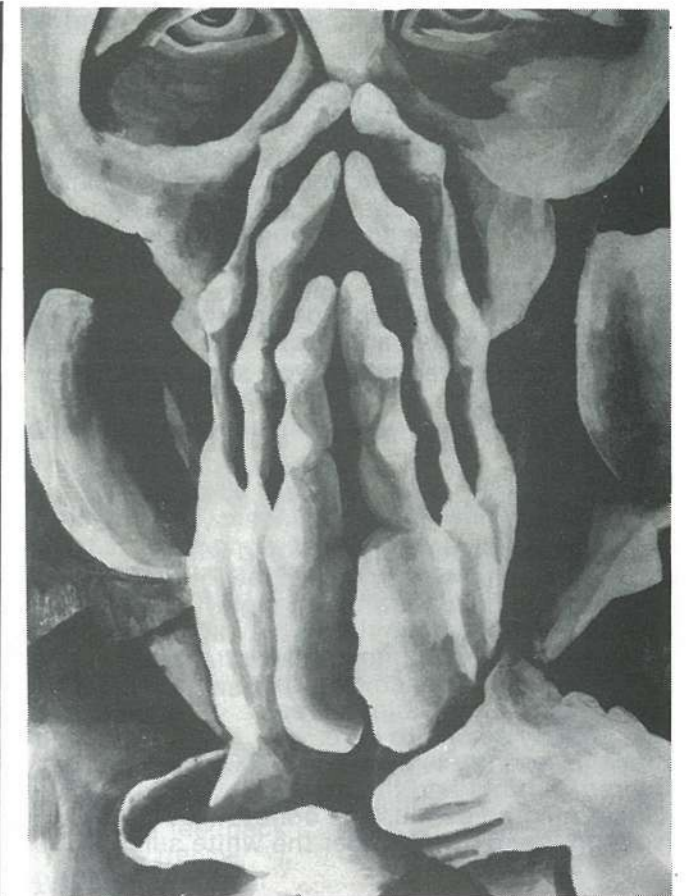
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N.Z. Defence in the '80s

During one of the one day cricket internationals between Pakistan and New Zealand some great wit sported a large banner that read "Cairn's only defence is de fence on de boundary." Unwittingly this person made a valid point about New Zealand's defence. For we, over the last 100 years, have relied on our boundary fence for protection, namely the sea.

This is undoubtedly true, for instance in the Second World War, had it not been for the great expanse of water between New Zealand and Japan we would all now be running around talking Japanese, partaking in mass exercise classes, driving second-hand Toyotas and singing we love rice. Therefore labouring under the inevitability that some other psycho will gain control of a large aggressive force and on the spur of the moment decide to attack New Zealand. I propose that we as a nation make ourselves strong and employ new defence tactics.

These changes should be phased in quickly and secretly so that it doesn't give those damn trendy lefties, bleeding heart liberals and long-haired queers any time to act against my supreme plan for complete world domination by the year 1990.

For a start we should get rid of those jumped up politicians and bureaucrats and everyone shall pledge allegiance to my party which I shall call *Selected Languishers and Oppressors Party* here on in to be known as S*L*O*P. Under my leadership this party will systematically move about various strategically important places disguised as M.O.W. workers recruiting the supreme fighting machines of New Zealand. These SLOP followers will be looking out for rugby league players, soccer hooligans (preferably Liverpool supporters), boarders and mudwrestlers. They shall then proceed to exterminate all HART supporters and culture vultures. This series of eradications shall be merciless and uncompromising.

Next our armed forces will all be taught to goose-step like John Cleese. This is part of my 'kill the enemy without firing a shot plan'. Also to be incorporated into this plan are five large catapults to be installed in Northland, Ponsonby, Stewart Island, middle of Lake Taupo and the Franz Joseph glacier and maybe a couple of other strategic locations. And if they don't die laughing at that we're all stuffed.

For those of you who desire to know more about my attack plan and about how to become a supreme being like myself, you should apply for my prospectus.

B. Van de Water

South Africa

A racial fight between black and white, guns cause havoc day and night, women and children shot on sight, for no reason, who is right? Petrol bombs, gas, guns and fear are weapons of peace over there, blood, death and violence rears yet nobody seems to care. For this country is overrun by rebels, riots and the gun. Something by us must be done to stop the murders under the white sun!

Tony Little

An earth shattering movement, a tongue of flame, a roar of ominous torture.

It is born to the world to plague mankind for centuries to come.

The dark ominous cone suggests a trait of awesome power.

A fiery hole, surely the gateway to hell from where all evil came.

To force upon our soul the weight of unparalleled fear.

We surely must succumb to this mountain of might.

It comes to breach the abyss between life and death.

For this is the volcano that will call the tune for the misty years of the future.

Geoff Taylor

Beyond the Grave

Suddenly a shadow to the left moved. Scanning the suspect area, Benedict found comfort in holding his heavy mace, which was nestling at his right side. Putting extra length into his stride, he imagined the end of the alley drawing closer, instead of always staying just out of his reach.

Then, just as the end of the alley was nigh, several tall, squat creatures moved ahead and behind him, cutting off all retreat from the dark, damp alley. Mace poised high, he stepped forward and deftly brought it down - and into a creature's skull, sending it crashing to the floor, howling in agony.

Again and again the mace fell, each time inflicting horrendous wounds, but Benedict's strength was being sapped as surely as was his lifeblood, now freely flowing in more than a dozen places. Just as his weakened body could no longer endure the pain of his wounds, he looked up despairingly, and to his amazement, a figure dressed in leathered armour, with rippling biceps and a great, glowing sword firmly grasped in both hands.

With a battle cry that chilled his spine, the figure floated down beside him, grinned as the sword flamed with light, illuminating the alley like broad day. At this, the creatures who Benedict now saw to be Ghouls, dark, leprous, humanoid figures, the undead remains of evil humans in league with demons, who had made a pact, souls for undead status.

But now a great sword wielded by a great fighter, tore the Ghouls apart, the sword was now glowing white hot, and with each hit, emitted a great shower of sparks. At last the remaining Ghouls fled, leaving their wounded victors and comrades alike.

Replacing the sword in its position when not in use, slung across his back, he lowered his hand to help the weakened Benedict to his feet.

"Thanks, stranger," he whispered, voice full of admiration.

Leaning on the stranger, Benedict limped out of the alley.

"Gee, Grandad," whined the girl, "I don't believe you."

Without a word, the old man hobbled across to a cupboard and withdrew a sword, a glowing sword. And in his eye there was a twinkle of defiance, the very same as his younger eyes held many years ago.

Neil McKee

Spectrum

Look,
The Warrior,
A spectrum of colour

Slowly submerging.
The Tasman engulfs her, drawing
From her,
The spectrum of colour,
Symbolising

A movement of intense value.
"Les Francais"
"L'affaire Green peace"
"Zut alors"

She,
The Warrior,
Like the true rainbow,
evaporates

As the sun
Like the French
Sinks into oblivion.

K. O'Dowda

Ouvea Les Yeux

The School assignment
Was a poem on Greenpeace.
He had calmly stood
and written in a flourishing style



on the board
so that even
The backrow
could never say
'I didn't see it.'
Try to avert les yeux
As the embossed figures dance
before media conditioning
But how to approach it?
Where to begin?

DEATH

(my audience needs specifics)
**A DEAD PHOTOGRAPHER
KILLED BY A BOMB
MURDERED BY THE
FRENCH
SURFACES SAFE FROM
A BORDEAUX SEA
A DEEP RED,
CLASSIC,
CHEZ NOUVELLE
ZELANDE, 1985**

(question mark.)
W. Purdy

The rumble of a 1000 boys
Walking like robot toys
Moving from class to class
Not even speaking when they pass.

G. Smith

Oil and Blood

As the inflatable zodiac speeds away
the RAINBOW WARRIOR $e_{xplodes}$

Taking one man with her
MURDERED
Accusations begin to spread
Like sump oil and blood
across the Auckland harbour
across the world.
And just like sump oil and blood
pollution has seeped into the French
But their President cannot believe
And investigation begins
A funeral begins
A coffin is buried
The facts are buried
A soul goes free
And so too

those responsible
Remain

Free.

B. King

Thoughts on a piece by Herbie Hancock

Attention grasped
And an abrupt, mechanical clamour
The culprit
standing by the door
as we sit.
The hands clasped
Our master takes the controls
The sounds continue
Like mechanical dolls.
This broken, inhuman retinue
Of rhythm dubbed on rhythm
flashes montage images
of decibel vim
comes in stages.
A cacophonous break beat
Like a robot chase scene
Needed to complete
Any laser beam
Movie, like Star Wars
Unknowingly Ominous
Like cosmic chores
the music labours continues
broken production line.

B. Van de Water

Synthesis Rock

(Thoughts on a piece by Herbie Hancock)

Thud ..., like footfalls on
a military parade ground,
jackhammers, machines, metronome timing
urgent morse code, tearing metal, sandpaper
exploding drums, round and round —
A merry-go-round.

Warfare, cat-like stealth - step by
step. Industrialisation.
All this machinery
camouflage.

High-tech, vehement
organs roar
Guitar-like screams (of passion)
emotional feedback
Timeless frenzy,
surge of adrenalin.
Synthesis.

K. Haines

LISTS
SINKS

The Carousel

See the kaleidoscope of colour!
Bright light! The music of bells!
Mirrors and shining diamonds
Clowns! Gaudy images from fantasy.
Hear the tintinnabulation!
And the happiness in the voices!
But soon the night has ended.
The air is sadly quiet.
Tecum ludere sicut ante possem
Et tristis animi levare curas!

J. Maclean

Image

Stand out in a crowd
You have to leave your mark
Fashion for the addict
It's all in how you look.
You've got to make your statement
Who cares what you're saying
As long as it looks good
Bold in black and white.
And they look at you with sympathy
They know you're just an image
A symbol to youth's bravery
A comment on the vintage.

J. Lyall,

He looked at Darth and started to say, "Well, there you go, it's done."

But he only got as far as saying "Well the..." and stopped. Darth's face had gone as white as the house he was in, and he was having trouble breathing, his asthma inhaler was having no effect. Darth collapsed and short circuited and died.

An autopsy revealed that Darth died from the fumes let off by Ron's jockey briefs. But dead Darth was now an International, Spacemotic hero, who had got rid of nuclear weapons - for a while.

J. Bishop

Sunny Day
Feelings of
nothing
While one man's everything
is fading away.

They came here for a reason
at that they succeeded
PUNISHMENT
for that,
shall be eternal unrest.

Tears of blood
shed into water
to quickly dry up
In grains of time.

All his struggles
triumphs and pain
slowly forgotten
along with his name.

Aaron Soffe

New Plymouth

It's Saturday morning and my family has decided to spend our precious time at Fitzroy Beach. At 10 o'clock, every necessary item except the kitchen sink has been loaded into our shiny new BMW 323i and we are off to the beach, taking in the glorious scenery as we go. The seagulls greet us on arrival, wheeling and swooping like demented chooks. The car stops. I jump out and fish my towel out of the boot. I run over the hill down on to the black sandy beach, squawking as the heat penetrates the soles of my feet. After throwing my towel and tee-shirt on the beach, I plunge into the water and on my heels comes my elder brother. We have a race out to a buoy about 500m out, gasping and swallowing shrimp, whitebait and other tiny creatures. We reach the buoy and have a small rest before returning to the shore. As we clamber out of the water, my brother falls flat on his face and proceeds to throw up. After I whack him in the back and kick him in the guts, he stands up, a mite blue-faced and stumbles over to his towel and collapses on it, moaning softly to himself. By this time, Mum has unpacked everything and arranged it neatly around, quite unperturbed by the events going on around her. When lunch is ready my brother comes to and ambles over to have some. After a minor dispute which escalates into a full-scale wrestling match over who is going to use the salt first, we both settle down and eat up like good little boys. The remainder of the day is spent at the Taranaki Base Hospital after I get food poisoning from the salt shaker.

Adrian Brough

Sonnet

A single red rose as a specimen
Stands propped up in bloom with green leaves
alive
It seems to whisper, imparting a plan
But stops and rethinks, still wishing to thrive.
Within hands radius - love's sweet affects;
Lying innocent, impartial, aloof
She seems to beckon into the vortex:-
A thorny embrace, asking you for proof.
The glass holds water keeping you at bay
Pregnant air pressure, water tight within.
An ornate fissure beginning to fray
It services you, suppressing your SIN.
Amputated rose is lying in state
With serrated, ribbed leaves acting as bait.

W. Purdy

Stranded

The rhythmic beat as the waves pound on nearby
shores
Lapping against the instep of your feet, lapping,
lapping
Returning, spinning to consciousness
From a distant world.
The darkness giving way to a sweltering
surround
Sand, sea and surf.

Karl Aldrich

Surfing New Zealand

Undoubtedly the best surf breaks in New Zealand are on the coasts of the North Island. North of Auckland the long indented coastline boasts numerous surf breaks. Both coasts are lapped by warm waters, the west by the Tasman Sea and the east by the Pacific Ocean. The climate is subtropical giving long warm summers. This area is not very popular with surfers because of its relative isolation and the inconsistency of its breaks. Raglan is New Zealand's premiere surf spot, with three left point breaks. Further down the west coast is New Plymouth which offers the best selection of breaks in a close proximity. On the opposite side of the island is Gisborne on the lower east coast, which features a number of good sized breaks fed by Antarctic swells. The Malibu of New Zealand is Mount Maunganui, complete with summer tourists, beach girls and a social life typical of any surf spot in the world. Nearby is the fabled Puni's Farm on Matabana Island.

About fifty kilometres out of Hamilton is New Zealand's surf Mecca, Raglan where southerly swells pump into the bays like corduroy. There are few days in the year when Raglan is flat and calm, as the Tasman Sea provides constant wave action. The swells come into indicators, a gusty reef break, then they wall up before grinding off through Whale Bay. Finally they pour into Manu Bay as reef, and left and right beach breaks. The small rural community nearby is a good place for any visiting surfer to stay. The powerful and often large waves of Raglan are typical of the conditions found on the rugged west coast.

New Plymouth is on a volcanic peninsula which picks up a wide range of swells, which combine with wind conditions so that there is nearly always a rideable wave. The climate is wet, the water cold, and the beaches rocky. Stretching

"Tree"

Oh Tree,
I watched your fickle fingers,
Like the grey veins of the dead,
Perish, as they grabbed at the silver sky.
I saw the savage wind rage
Punishing your ravaged limbs,
And weeping clouds torment you
With their tears.

Why do you suffer?
Why must you, with such ardour,
Reach out to the brilliant sun?
Your reward is death.

Such mighty valiance and futile hope,
Collapses into monstrous ruin.
The cruel axe and the vile hands of men,
Triumph over all.

J. Maclean



south from New Plymouth are a number of good surf breaks on the coast, Oakura Beach, Ahu Ahu Road, Weld Road, the Kumara Patch, Graveyards, Rocky Point and Green Meadows are just a few. In the city are Back Beach or Paritutu Beach, Eastend and The Gap, and Fitzroy Beach, all good left and right beach breaks, and Waiwakaiho, a good left and right reef break. Large swells originating in Antarctica have been known to push wave size up to ten feet.

Rolling Stones, Wainui Beach and Waikangi are just a few of the excellent surf breaks to be found in the Gisborne area. Rolling stones is in a deep horse-shoe bay, the rocky bottom can be heard rattling under the force of the right reef break. Left and right beach breaks of good size and consistency can be found on the golden sand beaches of Wainui and Waikanai. A large number of surf breaks have yet to be discovered in the many bays and beaches of the Gisborne area.

Slightly northwest of Maunganui is Matakana Island where there are world-class beach breaks to be found at Puni's Farm. Clean blue water, backed by forest-clad hills gives Puni's Farm a unique New Zealand flavour. Swells arrive in deep water, then suddenly peak on shallow sand bars to form short powerful tubes. Crowds are usually no problem because of the difficulty of access by boat. Puni's Farm is one of New Zealand's most publicised surf breaks mainly because of its location. It is a surf photographer's dream, the light is good and there are a multitude of possible camera angles, also the action all happens close to where it can be caught on film.

Surfing in New Zealand is still a relatively young sport but its popularity and numbers are increasing rapidly, most of this is due to the number of good breaks the country has to offer.

Shane Reynolds

The Vampire

In the town nobody really noticed the full moon rising behind Cemetery Hill. The bright cheery street lights and shop signs dulled the cold eerie light thrown out by the spectre rising behind them. The silhouetted forms of gravestones the only reminder of people long gone stood out on the horizon and the long bare white boney arms of the few dead trees in the cemetery seemed to come alive.

A tall, dark shadow rose from the ground and flittered through the graves with its cape billowing behind it. The figure stopped and rested on one of the slightly broken tombstones. He was rather pleased with the haunting effect it had on passers-by and even though he had done this many times before he felt that they never quite got it right in the movies, mind you, they hadn't put in as much practice as he had! Despite the practice he was having a bit of trouble tonight as there appeared to be a few new "residents". To anyone who would have seen this strange figure, whether making movies or not, he appeared to look about fifty, out of shape, and in need of a good dentist. I mean those teeth were downright dangerous, not necessarily to others, but any serious attempt at talking could slash up the guy's face pretty badly. In actual fact he had found the plastic vampire teeth outside the cemetery gates on his previous excursion to town and he liked them most because they glowed in the dark.

He lurched off in the direction of where he last remembered the cemetery gates to be and, since he hadn't tripped over anything for a while, started to run as he gained more confidence in his bat-like direction finder. Very quickly he found himself writhing on the ground rubbing his shin with the breath whistling in and out through his teeth trying not to yell about stupid stinking stones... He picked himself up and limped towards the cemetery gates. He peered around the empty streets and made his way towards the dentist's office. He opened the door and an icy cold blast of air rushed into the waiting room, this was followed by a scream by the receptionist who then collapsed on the floor in a faint. Just then the door opened and the dentist stood in the doorway, the light behind him silhouetting his face. The dentist raised his hand and pointed to the vampire who stood up and followed the dentist into the room. The vampire drew back however, as he saw sharp pointy glistening objects all around the room - they looked very much like stakes! The dentist grabbed the vampire and proceeded to strap the vampire in the dentist's chair, the vampire looked up just in time to see a mask put over his nose and mouth, he fell asleep....

After an hour the vampire woke up in time to hear ... "Now let this be a lesson to you, don't EVER GLUE vampire teeth to your mouth again!"

Paul Fenton

Eclipse of the Senses

There are many things which eclipse my senses,
Things both meek and grand,
Some may test my mind's defences,
Others are considered bland.

In this life of hours, there are many emotions
and the blessed experience them all,
Those of you with no mind in motion
Have no hope to walk, but crawl....

K. Littlejohn

Chips

Class poem begun while waiting for chips to arrive for the practical part of a food theme.

Your life begins within the ground
In the dirt so dark and round.
Dimpled here with eyes so blind
To all the glories of your kind.
The earth is soft, it's dug, it's hoed,
That is the way that you are growed!
At harvest time, up you pop
And marched off to the fish/chip shop!
Eyes right!

Succulent, juicy, dripping, chips!
Dreaming of bringing you to my lips!
Tanned, crisp, lush and steaming
Speckled with salt and gleaming.
Luscious oblongs, hear me shout
Soft inside and firm without!
Who can resist your golden sight?
Earthborn, heavenly, fried delight!
Delicimo!

3CL

From a passing teacher:

Boys who eat such fatty snacks
Will later suffer heart attacks.
Much more healthy things to eat
Are carrots, beans and silverbeet.

D.B.



Bushed

From the busy-ness of daily life
The roar of traffic, the blaring radio,
the cacophony of human strife,
The screams, the shouts, the polluted air
Go to the bush.
There it is cool
And peaceful.
Shadows flicker.
A drop from a frond
Soothes
Refreshes
And passes into the stillness of green.

G.L.C.

Memories of past invasions
have made you unsure and distrustful,
made you want your security.

We who are isolated
have never been violated
We do not understand.

But we have seen atolls perish
Islands sick and dead
A world escalation of nuclear weaponry
Many wrongs don't make a right.

J. Brownlie

The Living City

High rise buildings hang from the cloudy roof
like stalactites,
And spread their roots among the crowded
subway stations.
At night the glow worms emerge from the office
windows and infiltrate the smoggy gloom,
By day the windows reflect the hazy heat of
the industrial scene.
The people like ants race along the dirty
sidewalks of urban life,
While rubber treads on the sticky tar,
the veins of the living city.
In the dark again,
the drunken night creatures stagger under
the pulsating ray of the neon rack.
Eerie halflight cast from the street lamp
falls upon the empty bottles lying amongst
the gutters.
The city,
the cave of modern life.

Arron Kennard

The Unbelievers

The sun of the morning
Is seen best at dawn,
The sun of the evening
Is seen best at dusk,
The moon shines best at night,
And the glowing sun is best not seen....
The huge globe spins effortlessly forever
In a path unhindered by life,
The wind rustles the leaves,
And the air nourishes the breather,
People keep on living,
And the unbelievers keep on unbelieving.
For what will you do, pretty people,
When your little world falls apart.
When the crow falls off the steeple,
And your life is blown apart....

Oh, what will you do, oh, what will you do,
When the wind no longer causes waves to break,
When your cars will no longer propel you faster,
When there are no longer parties for you to
drink at
So you can forget your simple sorrows for a few
borrowed
minutes.
When society no longer produces others for you
to persecute,
To criticise, and make them resemble your own
morality,
When people will no longer play up to you
In the hope of gaining your false friendship.

Oh how immature you are
As you try to act mature....
What will you do when there are none to despise,
None to listen to you,
None to respect you,
None to love you,
None to compliment you,
None to kill you, and put us out of
our
misery....

What will you do when the merry-go won't go
round....
When black is the colour of the ground....
When no-one will answer your cries....
And when the sun will no longer rise....

K. Littlejohn

Love/Apart

Locating with language
the emotional impact
of love
the Communion, communication
hesitant now,
of "I love"
"Waiting for the (wo)men
\$26 in my hand(icap)"
Frown, brow, raised
lip, like ole Cummingham repeat
embarrass, silence, shifts, swings, sibilant
you!"
Get in touch, check it out, wait it up
Consummation Consumption Consumption
(check it out)
life and death, the destruction
that we all live for
"(she's) Waiting"
For another love?
For another time and smace
Cry like a river, laugh like a mountain dawn
But don't ever leave me.

W. Purdy

Nuclear Graffiti

Discordant colours,
Desperate entreaties,
Paint the pallid wall.
These are only words,
but they scream!
The furious voice of fire.
See them and
Know their cry!
For, it is oblivion.

J. Maclean

The Monument

Grey monument of hideous destruction.
You are the black mask of death.
The men whose names you bear,
Are victims of murderous slaughter.
They have seen the maniacal
Sacrifice of human life.
Entrails and the befouled blood
Of bitter carnage are their memories.
Insolent stone!
Where is your shame?

J. Maclean

Fetish For Freud

Fathom the abysmal mind,
And you will find,
The horrors of the pit of hell.
Hidden in the lowest depth
Is a precious seed.
It is called - humanity.
That tiny grain is dying.
We must end its struggle,
That it might live, and grow.

J. Maclean

Our Hole in the Ground

In a small trench
 Just a hole in the ground
 Explosions and gunfire
 Is all around
 Here lie
 The dead, the dying
 And in agony
 The few surviving
 Day and night
 The shooting never ceases
 Causing full grown men
 To go to pieces
 A hail of fire
 Above our heads
 Some moans and groans
 Means a few more dead
 The deadly staccato
 Of a Turk's machine gun
 Shatters men's nerves
 In our hole in the ground
 Down below
 In our hole we lie
 Like hunted animals
 Soon to die
 Heaven knows
 Why we still keep trying
 But in conditions like this
 We aren't afraid of dying
 Here we lie
 Shells exploding all around
 Alone, abandoned
 In our hole in the ground.



Poem and Illustration by Gareth Thomas

The Battles

For days on end would they wait
 Full of fear, pride and glory,
 They fought for their countries
 In blood and in pain,
 Many saw their own friends die in front
 Though their screams couldn't be heard
 Over the guns' noise.
 They fought for days on end
 In deeply dug trenches,
 The conditions were terrifying
 With bombs and guns being fired.
 They fought for their countries
 They died for their countries. *Darren Bride*

Darkness all across the land
 Soldiers waiting for their command
 The enemy hiding in their trenches
 The wounded lying on the benches.
 Silence fills the air
 Then the suddenness of a shell flares
 Soldiers scatter in all directions
 Each seeking some protection.
 The sound of rifle fire
 And mortar shells way up higher
 The cries of men as they fall
 Then silence replaces the call.
 The sarge yells out, his command "charge"
 Scrambling of feet, rifle fire looming large
 The clatter of bayonets clash
 As the young men make their dash.
 A young soldier lets out a yell
 Thinking of himself burning in hell
 He hopes soon for a rest
 Then a bayonet runs through his chest.
 Soon the battle ends
 With the silence of death.

Mark Stewart

The Death of Beauty

*Last week she went walking and stepping along,
 Bright as first flowers or the tune of a song.
 Now white as the snowdrop that lies on her breast
 As death like a dream is her bedfellow guest.
 Now her smiles are covered by tears of sorrow
 A maiden goes down to her grave tomorrow.
 Sweet yellow flowers shall drop from the pall,
 Brighter than the patterns on a woman's shawl.
 The blooms shall be strewn where the corpse lies
 hid,
 Sadder than crimson tears upon grief's eyelid,
 And with the return of another sweet May
 My respects to her memorial I'll pay.*

G. Reynolds

**Miss Taranaki Contest 1985
 at Devon Lodge.**

*It was almost as if
 She was frightened of the silence
 in pink ribbons and bows
 bobby socked dancer incarnate
 tentative, forcing a smile
 Waiting for transcendence
 Alive in the moment.
 Her hands clasped, damp, behind chiffon,
 Somehow, hopes still alive, waiting
 As blurred names and excited squeaks
 Tumble through static and dinner half eaten
 Embarrassed, and not wanting her name
 till last, clinging to crowns and roses
 Not wanting to disbelieve that
 Dreams are only dreams
 When they come true.
 Tomorrow her shop counter
 At Devon Street West, New World
 "Stocking small good and"
 Will be a constant in a small town's world
 of frozen peas and inner silence
 That moment will always live
 When, amid sudden silence,
 it could have been her name, her dream.*

W. Purdy

"The Shock of The New"

"Who is this strange man standing amongst an assorted collection of garden implements?" I saw the photograph about which my friend had asked the extraordinary question. It was true. There stood a man examining various sizes of rakes, shovels, spades, sickles, axes and buckets, all of which were suspended from an iron bar.

I looked at the article which described the art of Donald Sinclair Driver, an eminent New Zealand artist. He also happened to be a local artist, living less than five miles from my own home. With this revelation I decided immediately to go to his house in order to view some more of this rather 'different' assemblage.

"We can't go to his house," was the response to my proposal. My friend speculated upon the character of Mr Driver and decided that he must indeed have been a cracked psychopath. Then I proposed a nocturnal visit to the residence of "Count Driver".

With reluctance my friend agreed and we set out in a quest for a glimpse of the rather mystifying constructions which we expected to discover.

Finally we arrived before the gates of Driver's driveway. Overlooking our quiet entrance were three tall sickles standing like prehistoric monsters which moved in the freezing wind. Appended to the large "beaks" were skulls, bones, coloured beads and the mutated remains of dolls.

Nervously, we edged past the eerie beasts and moved towards a shed of considerable propor-

tions. Involuntarily as if hypnotised by what lay within, we opened the unlocked door and walked inside.

On every side lay tables filled with the greatest range of objects - from dolls to stuffed seagulls; from colourful garments to drab, rusty pieces of metal. One could easily have become lost amongst the maze of hanging tapestries and vast sculptures. Mutant dolls with exaggerated genitals and threatening pitchforks and skulls stared me in the face. Arms and eyes grabbed and peered from every corner.

Each invisible, dark corner and each passage between the variety of matter kept a secret. Voodoo and ritualistic black magic emanated in a sombre glow from each awesome arrangement.

Every now and again a bright happy face would shine from within a wilderness of macabre darkness. Was it all a dream? Would I possibly wake up in a few moments? In a way I hoped so.

How full of fear one suddenly feels when one's spiritual nature is being provoked. The art of Don Driver is provocative, it is powerful and it is meaningful.

The reaction which it creates is potent. I certainly would not flee in terror from the face of the Mona Lisa as I felt compelled to do as I stood, staring into the face of a white, glowing skull with gleaming red eyes.

We must see the artistic greatness of that which gives rise to emotion, expression and feeling. We must overcome the shock of the new.

J. Maclean.

An Ocean of Balance

A barren wasteland deserted by a power of unbelievable magnitude.
 A living swirling mass engulfing all
 Weaving the thread of death to a net to catch the weak
 Yet providing life in astounding quantity,
 fertilising the seed of life.
 A closet full of hidden mystery still to be unlocked by the key of time.

Geoff Taylor



Down in South Africa it's plain to see
 How minority rules majority.
 When the white man claims, the right to the top
 And black man say "Hey, when it gonna stop?
 We are paid for jobs far less than the white!"
 But boss he keep saying "Dat is awright!"
 We're told we're dumb, and a big bunch of fools
 So over our land, the white man rules.

But if white man good, and to me be kind
 Then minority rule, we prob'ly not mind
 If white would change places, if only for a day
 Then he might understand, all that we say.

This land would be better, Apartheid would end
 White man and black would become best of friend.

D. Simpson

Just One Thing

One thing terrifies me; just one thing,
 When I feel the unstoppable emotion.
 When the pumping adrenalin in my being
 Resounds,
 As I feel myself lose control.

Very few times this has happened,
 And these times are my only regrets,
 For I'd hate to be on the other end
 When I feel myself lose control.

The force begins near the feet,
 And flows, pulling body and soul -
 And my mind goes black in a blaze of heat
 Tormented,
 As I feel myself lose control.

'Tis not at all a pleasant thing,
 For I long to be in control
 Of my mind, myself and very being,
 Oh how I hate to lose my hold,

While on the road I know I'm in control
 Of the vehicle beneath my limbs,
 While loving I know I'm in control
 Of the body at my every whim.
 While speaking I know I need not worry,
 For eloquence is one I have mastered.
 While learning I know I need not hurry,
 For knowledge will never be fasted,

But times still occur, in the course of life,
 For better for worse, or for evil,
 When something stabs me like a knife,
 And I feel myself lose control....

K. Littlejohn

Extracts from a Report on the Asian Educational Tour of Mr Bublitz.

Education in Japan and China

A Fellowship awarded by the Woolf Fisher Trust Board enabled my wife Robin and me to travel to the East and observe first hand many aspects of the land, culture and education of Japan, China, Singapore and Malaysia.

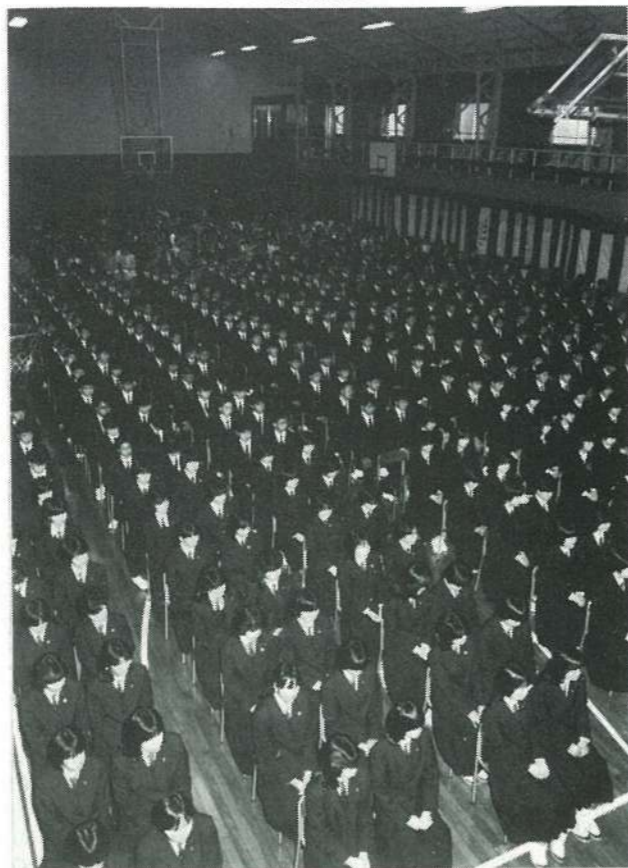
The richness of the cultures observed, the long history, the shifting fortunes, have determined an enormous diversity between and within each of the countries visited. The experience and adventure we were afforded will long be remembered. The following is a glimpse of the education systems observed.

In Japan the education system reflects the society. It is a polyglot of innovation and old traditions reflecting the country's history but is unique. The American system was used as the model, but like so many things accepted in Japan, education retained much of the inherent indigenous character. The teaching techniques used are still largely rote, a tradition inherited from the Chinese when scholars were judged on their ability to memorise large tracts. The rigid hierarchical class system in Japan, once based on a land-owning aristocracy has been replaced by a meritocracy based on academic ability measured by a series of written examinations held at intervals throughout a school career. The exams encourage memorising of large amounts of knowledge. Good passes ultimately ensure entry into university, or tertiary institutions, and subsequently a position in management in a reputable firm. Failure means little hope of a good job. The exam system is a feature of both state and private schools. The latter tend to cream off the better academic students, a trend which puts more and more pressure on the state system. Both state and private schools follow the same curriculum; both insist on uniforms but discipline is more rigidly enforced in the private system. Newspapers often carry stories about the behaviour of students in some state schools and it is becoming a real concern of the authorities.

Committees are at present examining education in an endeavour to produce creativity and more innovative thinkers, both thought to be lacking by some. It is proposed to abolish uniforms and change the emphasis from the exam orientated system which is believed to cause school violence, a problem in many schools, enormous stress and even suicides. These result from excessive competition for enrolment in prestigious schools. These schools, whether state or private, will of course resist any change for they see their disciplined schools as essential in preserving the Japanese way of life. Even within the private system, some schools have a better reputation than others. Kanto High School, with which we



Kanto students.



have established a student exchange scheme, caters for a middle group of students. The school was set up fifty years ago by the grandfather of the present Headmaster. It is a family business. It has an attached kindergarten and a primary school. All the primary entrants have an I.Q. in excess of 130.

China

Our journey through China allowed us an insight, a quick glimpse, of the huge country of 980 million square kilometres, of the importance of its imprisoning history and the respect of its vast number of people, their talents, their problems and their government's determination to build a modern society. The progress has been astounding but the journey to their goal will be indeed long.

It is littered with minefields. Education has recently changed considerably. During the Cultural Revolution academics were poorly treated, often ostracised; the education system almost collapsed. Technical and agricultural training ceased. The Government now realises that to ensure the goal of modernisation of China the education system will provide the key. While education is still not compulsory nearly all children enter primary school at six or seven for a five year course. Results determine the secondary school they attend. One of the top schools visited in Shanghai has a roll of 1,150 and a teaching staff of seventy. The curriculum is similar to all schools in China and includes History, Geography, Politics, Maths, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Music, Art and P.E. and a foreign language of which English is the most common. Russian is taught in some schools. It is surprising the number of Chinese who speak English. Many a time we were stopped in the street by a person wanting to practise English, often learned through the Voice of America programme. Education is generally free but the students at the top school pay approximately \$6.00 a term fees and can, for \$9.00 a semester, purchase their lunch from the canteen. This may seem a small sum but

not when the average wage is \$15 per week. Extra-curricula activities include volleyball, table tennis and basketball. Technical education is limited to other secondary schools - key schools. They run courses in draughting, horticulture, typing and model ship-making but not engineering or wood-work. Technical education is still poorly developed. Tradesmen generally demonstrate a low degree of skill. Buildings are poorly constructed and maintained.

Good academic records will ensure good government jobs or entry into the armed forces, but students usually do not select their occupation but are directed to a field of the state's choosing. Less able students leave school at an early age to join factories or agriculture communes as workers.

One interesting educational development is the establishment of Children's Palaces. These are often large houses of former merchants which now provide a range of out-of-school activities, such as music, art, chess and recreational facilities such as space invaders, skating, and play areas. They cater for school children up to sixteen years of age and are staffed by teachers. They provide a very useful centre for activities for children and are most popular. Most suburban areas of Shanghai have such an establishment. Attendance is not compulsory but those enrolled attend three times a week and often come to help on the other days. They are valuable amenities and would serve a useful purpose in some city areas in New Zealand.

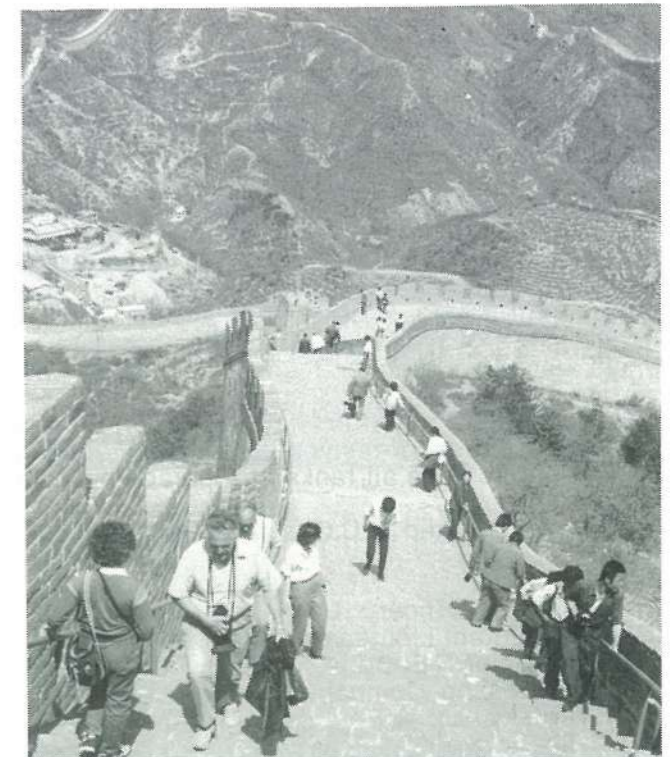
Singapore

The education system follows closely the English model, Cambridge exams are still used. The state system is bilingual - each student learning his mother tongue and English. It appears egalitarian on the surface but the inherent eastern custom of measuring progress by examination is well rooted, will not change, and as in Japan ensures a class system based on academic ability. Exams are used to determine broad-band streaming, from primary schooling to university entrance.

The top state schools such as Victoria High School in Singapore cater for the best ten percent of students. They take seven subjects at 'O' levels, equivalent to School Certificate, while five is the norm in schools for students of average ability. The expectations are high. The students are extremely well motivated and most of the discipline problems associated with schools are non-existent. The majority of the students in the top schools are Chinese. In schools catering for the less able student only one language is compulsory. While it was considered that these students would learn their native tongue they usually all opt for English which is becoming the common language of communication throughout Asia.



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Because space is at a premium in Singapore each school has two sessions. The junior classes attend in the afternoon, the seniors in the morning. While the school is served by a single administration, teachers of the morning classes rarely have classroom commitments in the afternoons, but may take extra-curricular activities, (each teacher is expected to be involved with at least one). The facilities are thus fully used. Sporting facilities are often shared with local communities and form a social centre for the occupants of high-rise apartment buildings. Surprisingly, one of the major problems associated with these is the lack of community spirit.

Families after work retreat to their cell, their privately-owned apartment, shut the door and shut out the world. Except for the pupils able enough to go to school specialising in top students, most attend the high school in their area. The schools then are becoming the centres of the community along with the recreational facilities which the government is helping to provide.

Having two sessions at schools enables some specialisation. Music classes, as in New Zealand, have only small numbers, are centred on one particular school, the student travelling across Singapore to attend. The classes are held for seniors in the afternoon. A similar arrangement occurs in Art. This system could have advantages in cities in New Zealand. The full development of this trend is seen in the establishment of Senior High Schools which take the students from a number of surrounding schools and offer pre-university education. University entrance is obtained by examination similar to the British 'A' level qualifications. Entrance into Senior High School is also by examination and often Middle Schools offer additional courses for those students who fail entry and wish a second chance. A successful education determines social status and a good position in society.

If there is one feature of the education systems of the countries visited which is common to all it is the emphasis on the maintenance of standards as measured by examination. Success in the education system means success in the adult world. There is a lesson in this for us all.

CADETS

The volunteer unit is now in its second year and a pattern is developing. Training is undertaken in blocks of two periods during terms one and three. In April the unit camped out on a three day exercise.

Despite some very heavy rain, much useful training was accomplished during this exercise and all concerned are to be complimented for the fine spirit and cheerfulness which pervaded throughout. "Anyone can enjoy, and be comfortable, in a dry camp - it takes a good man to remain uncomplaining and cheerful under inclement conditions" - C.O.'s quote.

Further items of uniform have become available during the course of the year and before too long it is hoped to have all ranks at a parade held for the purpose.

The officers and N.C.O.'s of the unit in 1985 were:

Headquarters:

Commanding Officer - Lieutenant Colonel M.C. Carroll, Adjutant Lieutenant - M.E. Dobson, Range Officer - Major R.E. Brine, Training Officer - Captain D.J. Mossop, Company Sergeant Major - W.O. II W. Crofsky.

No. 1 Platoon:

Capt. M. Carter, Under Officer R. Greer, Sgt. M. Broadbridge. Cpls. S. Buchanan, C. Imbs.

No. 2 Platoon:

2nd Lt. W.G. Kibby, A/Sgt. C. Carrick, Cpls. A. Way, A. Soffe, R. Aim.

No. 3 Platoon:

2/Lt. A.E. Elgar, U/O C. Wadsworth, Cpls. A. Batten, J. Fitchew, A. Richards.

No. 4 Platoon:

P/O A.D. Butler, U/O B. Barleyman, Cpls. J. Haden, A. De Grey, G. Cockerill.

Several cadets attended N.C.O. promotion courses at Linton and Ngaruawahia Military camps and these candidates were successful: Sergeants C. Imbs, A. De Grey, J. Haden, Corporals D. Arbuckle, A. Collis, S. Forbes, W. McCullum, S. King, G. Mills, K. Rodger.

At the time of going to print the unit will be exercising for three days in the Kirihau Road area. Under Officer Craig Wadsworth is this year's winner of the Sole Cup which is awarded to the best cadet.

All members of the unit congratulate Craig and add their congratulations to Lieutenant M.E. Dobson who, on November 6, will receive his Cadet Forces Medal. This will be presented by the mayor of New Plymouth.



THIRD FORM CAMPS 1984

Once again the third formers had the choice of a wide variety of camps. They could do snorkelling at Mayor Island, caving at Kiritehere, shooting at Uruti, cycling around Mount Egmont, canoeing at Ohakune, tramping on Ruapehu or around Mount Egmont, fishing at Oakura, farming at Okoki or surviving at Tarata. Obviously each camp had more than the one activity over the five days they were out, as some of the following accounts will show.

R.L. Cooper, Form 3 Outdoor Education



Dawn at Okoki.



Whitecliffs Walkway.

Uruti Camp

On Monday morning a cheery group of thirty-six boys ably led by Mr Bell, headed off into the wilds of Uruti. To help him keep the boys in line Mr Bell took with him Mr Bayly, Mr Elgar and a parent, Mr Kennedy. All four were suitably equipped to deal quickly with any trouble from the boys.

In brilliant weather the boys set up six camp sites and were then responsible for their own food and other facilities. Throughout the week, each group was assessed on such things as its camp site, its shooting ability, its orienteering skills and finally over a demanding confidence course which reduced staff, parents and the boys to hysteria.

An unarmed goat hunt saw Messrs Bell, Elgar and Bayly figuring in a forty-five minute chase, which included electrifying bursts of speed from Mr Elgar, some spectacular vertical ascents by Mr Bell and a good deal of encouragement for the other two by Mr Bayly.

One of the highlights of the trip was an hour-long lecture on rubbish by Mr Bayly who was able to string together words even the Concise Oxford Dictionary hadn't heard of. This was followed by the best meal on the trip for the boys, as the staff slaved to prepare a banquet in the form of a barbecue.

The boys returned much quieter and much thinner, looking forward to a shower and a change in diet. The boys and staff involved wish to thank Mr Larsen, who kindly allowed us the use of his property, Mr Kennedy who gave up a great deal of his time to instruct the boys in mountain and firearm safety, and Mr Finer, who provided everyone with fresh orange juice and the staff with fresh strawberries and cream. It was a most enjoyable experience which we hope will be repeated next year.

A. Elgar

Tarata Camp

This was a camp held for about thirty-five boys at a reserve near Tarata. It was run by Messrs. Clarke, Armstrong, and Carter, and ably assisted by Ray Hutton. The boys enjoyed a week of camping in brilliant weather, engaging in activities such as trap shooting, swimming, canoeing and hiking around hillsides. One unintended activity was an overnight stop on a ridge! Other activities included stalking goats (and roasting one on a spit) and catching and cooking eels.

The boys also were required to spend one night out of camp in their own 'bivvy', taking minimal equipment and food. (Fortunately it didn't rain.)

We were ably assisted by the police, who gave lessons on firearms safety, and bushcraft, and by Sutherland Sports who arranged the trap shooting.

By the end of the week we had a group of boys who were tired and relieved to arrive back at some home comforts.

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HOSTEL REPORT

In 1985, we welcomed Mr Laurensen as new Hostel Manager and we have been very fortunate to gain a person so motivated and so energetic. Mrs Laurensen's desire to be involved and her interest have proved invaluable. We farewelled Miss Curd, Matron for the past eight years. Miss Curd gave tremendous service to the Hostel and her absence was keenly felt. In her place, we welcomed Mrs Bennett, who has already proved an excellent addition with her energy and interest in the boys. Mr Elgar left at the end of Term Two, to be replaced by Mr Finlayson, a primary school teacher. Mr Bevin leaves at the end of the year to take up a new position in Hawke's Bay. Mr O'Keefe was married in August and we welcomed Mrs O'Keefe and Emma to the Hostel.

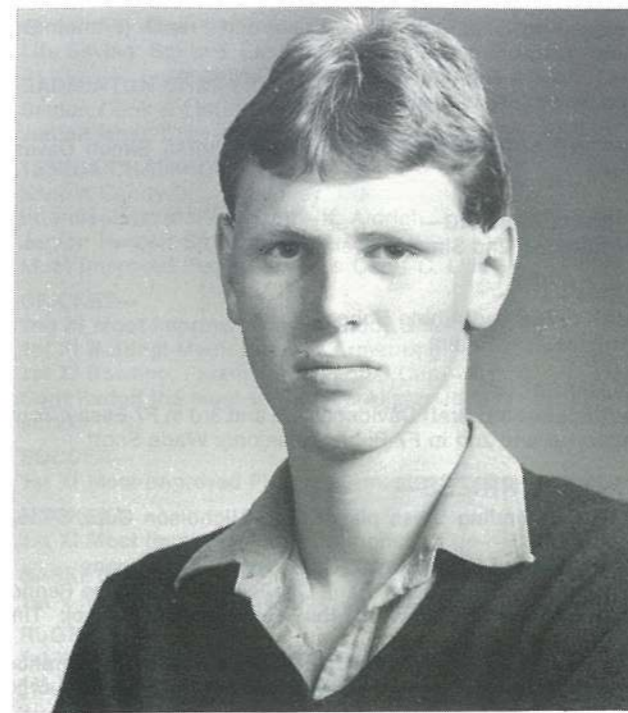
The year had several highlights. On Waitangi Day the entire Hostel had a very enjoyable day at Wai-iti Beach. We were fortunate to have a fine, hot day and the lunch and barbecue proved a real success. On Queen's Birthday weekend, the third form Rugby team travelled to Palmerston North Boys' High for the annual rugby match. NPBHS dominated for most of the game and it was only after a long injury time that Palmerston edged us out with a penalty, after an excellent NPBHS performance, worthy of a win.

Again this year, the Hostel held an Open

Weekend in late June. The Friday night concert was very well attended and very enjoyable. Special thanks must go to Miss Mabin for the many hours spent organising and practising for this event. In early July we officially farewelled Miss Curd at a Hostel Dinner and wished her all the success for her future.

Early in Term Three we celebrated our first victory for several years in the annual Day Boys vs Boarders rugby clash. The team's performance was outstanding and the win was thoroughly deserved. In November the Christmas Dinner was held and proved an enjoyable evening. As always the kitchen staff provided delicious fare, suitable to the occasion. On Guy Fawkes Day the juniors again had a barbecue and fireworks evening at Oakura Beach. This event seems to be becoming part of the Hostel Calendar and is always an enjoyable affair. And finally exams - a time when the Hostel gradually empties out as seniors finish their exams and make their way home.

1985 has been a year of comings and goings in the Hostel and a busy year. The extensive internal alterations to the buildings have led to a much better environment for boys and staff alike and have meant the Hostel is a more attractive place for parents to send their boys. As such, the 1985 Hostel roll has been near to capacity and the prospects for a full Hostel in 1986 are good.



Head Boarder Allan Mills



BOARDING PREFECTS

Back row: M. Newton, T. Wrigley, M. Pitts-Brown, I. Wilson, C. Benseman, B. Coplestone
Front row: K. Kaloris, M. Barrack, D. Warren, A. Mills (Head Boarder), N. Webb, T. Chapman.

The Rotary Exchange

Each year the Rotary Club International conducts an exchange of students from many countries around the world. The exchange runs from January to January of each successive year. All applicants must preferably be sixteen years old and not more than eighteen when they return and must be of an out-going academic nature, with the ability to speak to audiences.

While overseas students must act as "ambassadors" for their country and act accordingly. Students will also be expected to speak to clubs and organisations while overseas and this provides a great opportunity for self-motivation.

Next year (1986) I will be hosted in Ontario, Canada, on this Rotary exchange resulting from a series of intense personal interviews. Twenty-five people out of forty were chosen from each district in New Zealand and they will be travelling to Europe, Asia and South and North America.

Even though the exchange rules state "... host families are not obliged to take students on sight-seeing tours" - all applicants, I have been informed, do invariably see a great deal of the country.

Applications for this exchange close on April 15th each year, and I suggest you see the appropriate people if you are interested.

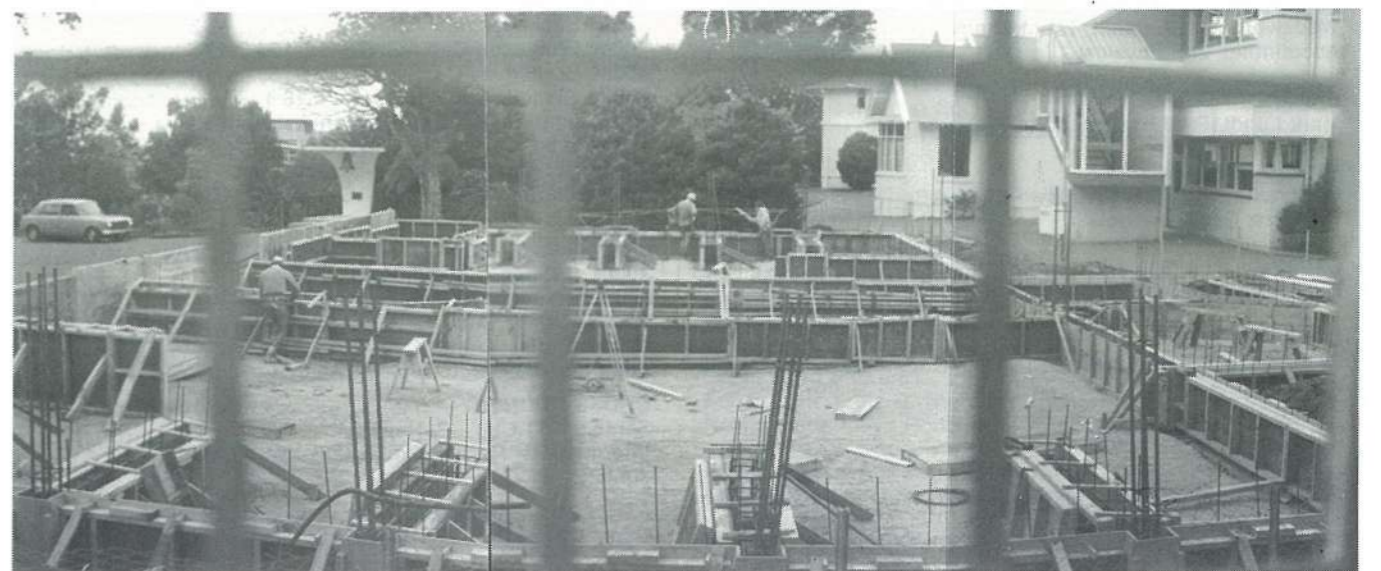
Kitt Littlejohn

LIBRARY NOTES

The most significant feature of 1985 has been the building of the new library. A number of delays has meant that the library will now be opened at the beginning of the new school year. However, a lot of preparation and planning before that time by a number of people has meant that the operation should be in full swing almost immediately.

The visit by Mr Trevor Mowbray from Wellington saw the removal of nine hundred old, outdated or inappropriate volumes from the shelves. Despite extra spending and a very generous donation of \$750 worth of new books from the Boarders' parents at open weekend, many shelves are quite bare. 1986 will be a year of trial and adjustment, with a great deal of work required to make the operation of this superb building a success.

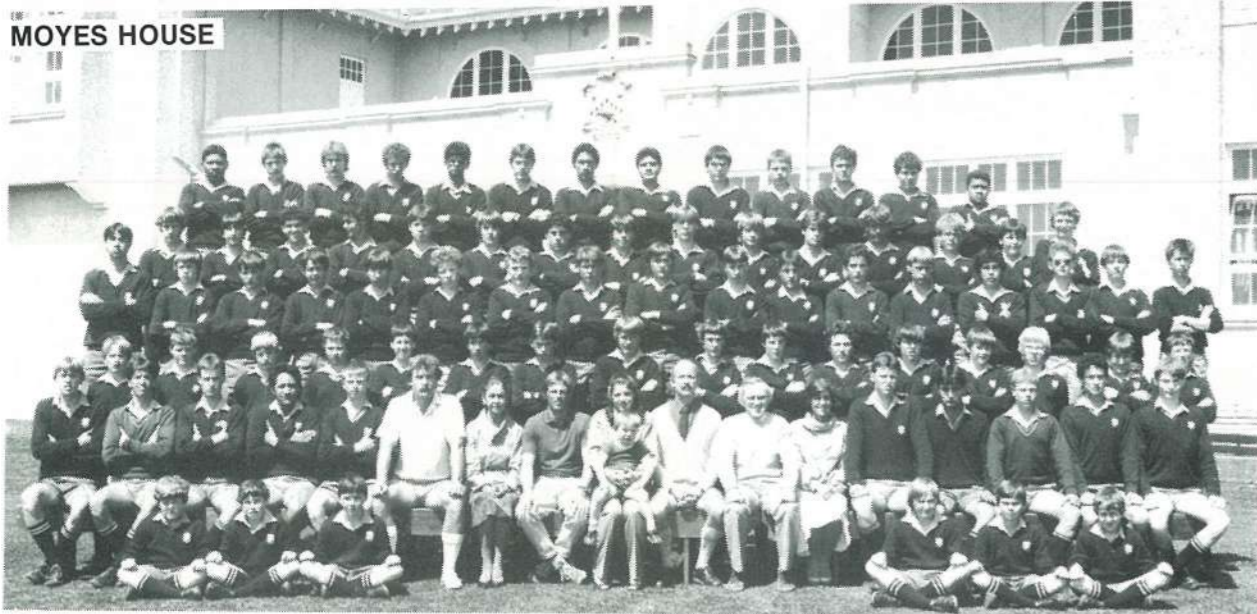
A. Elgar



New Library underway.

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MOYES HOUSE



Back row: B. Tamaki, M. Brien, R. Jeffery, D. Warren, N. Shandil, D. Whyte, G. Stafford, M. Tasmania, R. Austin, T. Johnson, M. Stewart, J. Brimelow, D. Makani
3rd row: L. Robbins, C. Hogg, T. Duncan, V. Wood, B. Marshall, C. Carrick, D. Williams, C. Lilley, A. Donald, J. Campbell, G. Kerr, A. Wilson, T. Pagett, G. Mills
2nd row: A. Warren, M. Lees, D. Reed, B. Richmond, O. Frenz, N. Wallace-Wells, C. Stewart, S. Wynyard, M. Reed, N. Young, M. Teller, J. Darke, R. Abbott, A. Bullians, J. Fields, A. Harvie, J. Quinn
1st row: A. Cook, S. Bregman, K. Hawley, A. Bryant, K. Cross, B. Simpkin, A. Loft, G. Holmes, R. Saker, C. Squire, D. Gorrie, M. Cryer, C. Ekdahl, S. Foley, A. Cole, S. Hogg
Front row: J. Abbott, N. Webb, C. Benseman, T. Chapman, M. Newton, Mr O'Keefe (Asst. Master), Mrs Legget (Asst. Matron), Mr Finlayson (Asst. Master), Mrs Laurensen, Mr Laurensen (Senior Hostel Master), Mr Howes (Senior House Master), Mrs Bennett (Matron), A. Mills (Head Boarder), D. Warren (Head of Moyes), M. Barrack, A. Darke, D. Blake
Sitting: J. Moreland, K. Anderson, M. Skudder, B. Eden, G. Meredith, D. Cole.

CARRINGTON HOUSE



P. Clark, V. Cama, D. Walters, A. Rueb, J. Boshier, R. Turner, G. Jones, B. Wallis, K. Robbins, B. Bellamy, M. Amos, J. Martin
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G. Goodson, J. Wanofafia, D. Head, R. Walker, D. Young, M. Reed, D. Wiggins, Z. Nagin, T. Ong, M. Pratt, M. Penny, R. Emett, G. Robertson, J. George, T. Kana, M. Ediriweera
S. McFall, M. Steed, T. Frew, J. Dalmer, W. Jonas, A. Aziz, A. Pennelather, D. Price, C. Liddington, K. Thompson, A. Breach, S. Davies, K. Macarthur, A. Crawshaw, R. Candy, H. Gellately, D. Kay
C. Thompson, B. Mitchell, K. Kaloris, T. Wrigley, I. Wilson, Mr D. Bevin (Housemaster), Mrs D. Leggett (Asst. Matron), Mr T. Heaps (Senior Housemaster), Mrs A. Laurensen, Mr J. Laurensen (Senior Hostel Master), Mrs M. Bennett (Matron), Mr J. Rowlands (Housemaster), A. Mills (Head Boarder), M. Pitts-Brown, B. Coplestone, S. Boshier, H. Osborne
P. Maxwell, M. Fox, C. Norris, S. Pratt, K. Crawshaw, B. Laurensen, K. Jonas, G. Hastie, S. Clarke, G. Andrews, E. Jonas.

FIFTH FORM PRIZES—

Subject Prizes:
English (Daily News Prize) and **Music:** Scott Alsweller
School Certificate Mathematics: Chris Phong
Geography: Paddy Crofskey
Accounting: James Strode
Economics: David Mandell
History: Greg Reynolds
Art: Paul Jensen
Technical Drawing: David Vickers
Woodwork (Spear and Jackson Prize): Koen Groot
Engineering Shopwork (Trade Tools Ltd Prize): Peter Williams

GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARDS—

2nd Aggregate: Ross Dixon (2nd Science, 2nd Mathematics, 2nd Horticulture); Brent Cathie (4th = Mathematics, 3rd Science, 2nd Technical Drawing); Angus Stewart (1st Latin, 1st French (French Embassy Prize))
1st Aggregate: Bruce Wills (1st Science, 1st Horticulture)

EFFORT AND PROGRESS—

Karl Phillips, Tim Groensteen, Greg Watson

PUBLIC SPEAKING—

Certificates: 3rd = James McKillop, Jason Clarke; 2nd Andrew Barnes
1st Prize: and Excellence in oratory (Wade Scott Cup): Greg Reynolds

ESSAY—

Certificates: 3rd Neil Pennington; 2nd Chris Bensemann
1st Prize: Bryan Gascoigne

ORAL READING—

Certificates: 3rd Terence Rowlinson; 2nd Jason Maclean; 1st Kitt Littlejohn

SIXTH FORM PRIZES—

Subject Prizes (Tabor Prizes)
Economics: Paul Mackenzie
History: Andrew Laurenson
Maori: Kel Hetet
Geography: Henry Vira
Art: Darryn Jensen
Music: Tim Deighton
French (French Embassy Prize): Chris Vause
Technical Drawing: Nigel Marsh
Industrial Technology (Olex Canzac Cables Prize): Ross Gillies
Construction: Dean Maxwell
Physical Education: James Foubister

GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARDS—

3rd Aggregate (Tabor Prize): Greg McEwen (1st Biology, 3rd Chemistry, 5th English, 6th Mathematics)
2nd Aggregate (Tabor Prize) and **Essay:** Nigel Rex (1st Physics, 2nd English, 2nd Mathematics, 2nd Chemistry, 3rd Biology)
1st Aggregate (Tabor Prize and Harrison Cup): Craig Wadsworth (1st English, 1st Mathematics, 1st Chemistry, 1st Accounting, 2nd Physics)

EFFORT AND PROGRESS—

Mark Lundt, Paul Hayton, John Gibbons

PUBLIC SPEAKING—

Certificates: 3rd Craig Wadsworth; 2nd Brett Barleyman
1st Prize: Gavin Deane

ESSAY—

Certificates: 3rd Gavin Clegg; 2nd Ross Gillies

ORAL READING—

Certificates: 3rd Shaun Broderick; 2nd Greg McEwen; 1st Nigel Rex

SEVENTH FORM PRIZES—

Subject Prizes:
English Literature (White Memorial Prize) and **Public Speaking:** Ross Cheyne
English Language (John Brodie Memorial Prize) and **F6 Latin:** Paul Anderson
Geography (Bennett Prize): Wade Scott
History: Rod Snodgrass

Junior: Fox Cup—R. Green
Life Saving: Smith & Easton Cup—J. Fisher and B. Johns
BADMINTON CHAMPIONS—
Senior: Cook & Lister Cup—A. Pennefather
Junior: Isaac Cup—A. Pennefather

EFFORT AND PROGRESS: Mark Billinghamurst, Simon Davenport

PUBLIC SPEAKING—

Certificates: 2nd Simon Davenport

ESSAY—

Certificates: 2nd Albino Bobogare
1st Prize: Isar Rahim

ORAL READING—

Certificates: 3rd Brett Davidson; 2nd and 3rd in F7 Essay: Tony Pugh; 1st and 2nd in F7 Public Speaking: Wade Scott

SPECIAL PRIZES—

Most outstanding brass player (Port Nicholson Cup): Simon Davenport
Most improved brass player (Gibbs Cup): Gavin Deane
Choir general excellence (Faull Challenge Cup): Bruce Penno
Best performing Artist of the Year (Colleges Cup): Tim Deighton
Maori student at Form 5 or 6 demonstrating best perseverance and school spirit (Laurie Herdman Memorial Prize): George Stafford
Best Polynesian student (Maori and Island Affairs Prize): James Panuve
Best senior original work (Heurtley Memorial Prize): Bryan Gascoigne
Best creative writing (Ward Cup): Jonathan Lyall
Best Form 6 technical drawing project (L.V. Giddy Memorial Prize): Stephen West
Best Cadet (Solo Cup): Craig Wadsworth
Best 3rd year boy working in Form 6 mathematics (Donald Mackie Memorial Prize): Herman Veluwenkamp
Head Boarder (Eggleton Cup and Prize): Tim Crossman
Head Boy (Brookman Cup and Prize) and **General Excellence** (Fookes Cup and Prize) and for loyalty, diligence, initiative and outstanding service to the school (Jack West Centennial Medallion): Phillip Armstrong
Proxime Accessit (McLeod Memorial Prize): Brett Miller, (1st Biology (Walter Crowley Weston Memorial Prize), 2nd Applied Mathematics, 2nd Chemistry, 2nd Physics, 3rd Mathematics) **Dux** (Academic Excellence Cup and N.P.O.B. Association Prize): Peter Nielsen (1st Mathematics, 1st Applied Mathematics, 1st Chemistry, 1st Physics, 2nd Economics)

SPORTS AWARDS 1984

ATHLETICS—

Senior:
100m: Old Boys' Cup—P. Aifai, 11.8
200m: Herbert Smith Cup—P. Armstrong, 23.7
400m: Old Boys' Shield—P. Armstrong, 53.9
800m: Mason Memorial Cup—P. Hepworth, 2-03.9
1500m: Fookes Cup—P. Hepworth, 4-45.2
110m Hurdles: Noakes Cup—A. Cole, 19.9

Intermediate:

100m: Beckbessinger Cup—G. Cawsey, 12.2
200m: Challenge Cup—G. Cawsey, 24.6
400m: Bothamley Cup—C. Carrick, 59.0
800m: Gilmour Cup—R. Dixon, 2-18.4
High Jump: Keller Cup—K. Kahukaka, 1.56m
Long Jump: Cartwright Cup—C. Carrick, 5.4m
Discus: Edmonds Trophy—D. Mace, 33m
100m Hurdles: Marsh Cup—G. Cawsey, 16.1

Junior:

100m: Bennett Cup—C. Marshall, 12.9
400m: Harmon Cup—A. Bunn, 1-02.4
800m: Houston Cup—S. Kendall, 2-19.8
1500m: Grieve Cup—S. Kendall, 4-58.7
100m Hurdles: Marsh Cup—J. Heath, 18.2
Field Events: Garlic Cup—A. Bunn

CROSS COUNTRY—

Senior: 1911 Cup—P. Hepworth
Intermediate: Herbert Smith Cup—W. Grady
Junior:

ATHLETE OF THE YEAR—

Garry Towler Cup—P. Hepworth

SWIMMING CHAMPIONS—

Senior: Sykes Memorial Cup—A. Rothwell
Intermediate: Challenge Cup—P. Jensen

Senior: Fox Cup—R. Green
Life Saving: Smith & Easton Cup—J. Fisher and B. Johns

BADMINTON CHAMPIONS—

Senior: Cook & Lister Cup—A. Pennefather
Junior: Isaac Cup—A. Pennefather

TENNIS CHAMPIONS—

Senior: Candy Cup—C. Lilley
Intermediate: McKeon Cup—K. Aldrich
Junior: Herbert Smith Cup—C. Lilley
Most Improved Player: Burgess Cup—C. Lilley

CRICKET—

2nd XI Most Improved Player: Giddy Shield—C. Downing
1st XI Batting: Meuli Cup—P. Armstrong
1st XI Bowling: Parkinson Memorial Cup—A. Jury
Contributed the most to Cricket: Alistar Jordan Cup—P. Armstrong

SOCCER—

1st XI Most Improved Player: Burmester Trophy—N. Downing

HOCKEY—

1st XI Most Improved Player: Simonson Cup—R. Watson

BASKETBALL—

1st V Most Improved Player: Peter Lay Trophy—B. Boon

RUGBY—

1st XV Contributed the most to Rugby: Leuthart Cup—K. le Bas
1st XV Supporters Most Improved Player: Watts Cup—S. Young

SKIING—

Senior Champion: Ohakune Old Boys' Trophy—B. Boon

BOXING—

Most Promising Boxer: B. Snodgrass
Outstanding Performance: P. Aifai

DAYBOYS V BOARDERS—

Swimming: Dempsey Shield—Dayboys
Rugby: Pease Cup—Dayboys

INTERHOUSE—

Swimming: Burnbank Cup—Barak
Rugby: Kerr Cup—Syme
Soccer: Holder Cup—Syme
Ahtletics: Handard Cup—Donnelly
Overall House Champion: Cramond Cup—Donnelly

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR: Colleges Trophy—K. Le Bas

ATHLETIC CERTIFICATES—

SENIOR:
Long Jump: A. Hekesi, 5.75
Long Jump: K. Kaloris, 5.75
Shot Put: K. Nemaia, 10.55m
Javelin: P. Aifai, 48.72m
Triple Jump: K. Le Bas, 11.94m
High Jump: P. Hepworth, 1.7m

INTERMEDIATE:

1500m: H. Radcliffe, 4-38.3
Shot Put: D. Mace, 10.52m
Javelin: B. Marr, 39.44m
Triple Jump: R. Duff, 10.41m

JUNIOR:

200m: A. Bunn, 26.6
Long Jump: A. Bunn, 4.61m
Shot: J. Brewer, 10.95m
Javelin: J. Old, 35.18m
High Jump: A. Hocken, 1.42m
Triple Jump: N. Young, 9.52m
Discus: M. Meager, 24.62m

OPEN:

3000m: S. Kendall, 10-18.7

SWIMMING CERTIFICATES—

SENIOR:
100yd Freestyle: M. Simons, 59.9
33 1/3 yd Freestyle: S. Davenport, 20.5
33 1/3 yd Butterfly: A. Rothwell, 19.07
66 2/3 yd Backstroke: A. Rothwell, 48.7
66 2/3 yd Breaststroke: M. McRury, 51.9

INTERMEDIATE:

100yd Freestyle: P. Jensen, 1-02.9
33 1/3 yd Freestyle: P. Jensen, 17.04
33 1/3 yd Butterfly: P. Jensen, 19.89
66 2/3 yd Breaststroke: P. Jensen, 51.5
66 2/3 yd Backstroke: B. Johns, 46.5

JUNIOR:

100yd Freestyle: J. Fisher, 1-04.59
33 1/3 yd Backstroke: J. Fisher, 23.3
33 1/3 yd Freestyle: R. Green, 18.6
33 1/3 yd Butterfly: R. Green, 23.47
33 1/3 yd Breaststroke: R. Green, 23.5

OPEN:

220yd Freestyle: P. Lyall
440yd Freestyle: P. Lyall

JUNIOR PRIZE LIST 1984

ACADEMIC—

Junior Essay:
Form 3 Certificates: 3rd Kevin Surrey, 2nd Murray Pugh, 1st Craig McKenzie.
Form 4 Certificates: 3rd Darren Shadbolt, 2nd Andrew Gray, 1st (Rex Dowding Memorial Cup) Peter Mitchell.

JUNIOR ORAL READING—

Form 3 Certificates: 3rd Duane Burt, 2nd Howard Silby, 1st Duncan Haynes.
Form 4 Certificates: 3rd Steven Nightingale, 2nd Ross Pennington, 1st Jason Ede.

JUNIOR ORATORY—

Form 3 Certificates: 3rd Brett Lister, Jason Peacock, 2nd Aaron Kennard, 1st Gregory Sharman.
Form 4 Certificates: 3rd Paul Roberts, 2nd Nicholas Young, 1st (Moss Cup) Andrew Slater.

MUSIC—

Most Improved Woodwind Player (Boyd Cup) Andrew Gray.
Junior Chorister (Urquhart Trophy) Murray Pugh.

FORM 3 AGGREGATE—

3rd and Most Outstanding String Player (Hatherly Prize) Murray Pugh - (1st in English, 1st in Social Studies).
2nd Mark Low (1st in Business Studies).
1st Duncan Haynes (1st in Maori, 1st in French, 1st in Music; Cameron Greig (1st in Science).

FORM 3 SUBJECT PRIZES—

Mathematics and Latin: Gregory Scrivin
Technical Drawing: Roy Abbott
Woodwork: Brian Day
Metalwork: Scott Denholm, Gary Rayner
Art: Brenden Winder

FORM 3 PROGRESS AND EFFORT—

Champak Mehta, Grant Sarten, Stuart Wilson, Karl Wipatene.

FORM 4 AGGREGATE—

3rd Blair Pritchard (1st English, 1st French)
2nd Paul Roberts (1st Social Studies)
1st and Junior Creative Writing - Andrew Gray (1st Science, 1st Music)

FORM 4 SUBJECT PRIZES—

Mathematics: Philip Hanser
Technical Drawing: Carey Clow
Business Studies: Kevin Lowther, Neil McKee
Woodwork: John Vink
Metalwork: Brett Newson
Maori: Alan Foster
Latin: Scott McKenzie
Art: Eugene Kreisler, Nicholas Young
Horticulture: Lloyd Robbins

FORM 4 PROGRESS AND EFFORT—

Scott Boniface

WATTIE WILKIE MEMORIAL PRIZE—

For progress in Form 4 Mathematics: Kevin Dodunski

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Officers elected for 1985/86:

President: Mr K. Roberts. **Immediate Past President:** Mr J. Daniel. **Secretary:** Mr K. Durrant. **Treasurer:** Mrs M. May. **Catering Convener:** Mr B. Larsen. **Clothing Convener:** Mrs E. Shaw. **Staff Representatives:** D. Bevin, J. Lander.

Committee: Mesdames: L. Emanuel, B. Fawcett, A. Jensen, J. Jolly, J. Lees, E. Mandell, J. McKenzie, H. Pennington, D. Pugh, J. Rudd, M. Wilson, L. Davenport. Messrs: B. Anderson, S. Durdle, J. Foreman, C. Lees, B. Pennington, B. Pugh, B. Richards, D. Scriven, R. Worth.

The year commenced with a setback for the new committee as the major project for the year, the reconstructed swimming baths project, could not proceed; an engineer's report determined the site was no longer satisfactory. It now seems, however, that construction will be able to commence on an alternative site with a completely new pool early in the new year. Although more funds will be required there has been sufficient raised to complete the basics thanks to the substantial efforts of the PTA and a further substantial sum contributed as a result of the mammoth effort by the boys on the work day this year.

The practice cricket wickets were completed early in the year thanks to the generous sponsorship by Mangorei Industries and were officially opened by the Mayor, David Lean, with the appropriate media coverage: another significant asset for the school satisfactorily completed.

It was sad to farewell Don Derby, a long-serving staff representative from the committee, as a result of his transfer to Wellington. Don had been a tower of strength to the Committee for many years.

Mrs Shaw has continued to provide an excellent service to the school with her second-hand uniform sales and hire service, and Mrs Larsen has maintained her usual high standard of cater-

L'Echange Culturel

Jimmy Lichon arrived from Tahiti on July 9th to begin his six-week stay in New Plymouth, where his main aim was to improve his English. He had a lot of fun at the same time.

Jimmy's first big event was the school ball. It was a very different experience from anything he had encountered before but he thoroughly enjoyed the evening.

Jimmy travelled to the Waitomo Caves, Rotorua and Lake Taupo, Wanganui and finally went skiing at Mt Ruapehu.

He also enjoyed having lunch with the Sixth Form French class at L'Escargot, playing squash, soccer, ten-pin bowling and indoor cricket. He spent half a day at Girls' High recording dialogues for their language department, and enjoyed going into town because "everything here is so cheap".

Jimmy and the six other Tahitians (five girls and one boy) left New Plymouth on August 22nd early in the morning so they could spend the day in Auckland before boarding the 'plane for the five-hour return flight with the other one hundred and twenty Tahitians staying in New Zealand.

The timing of the exchange is very unfair as the Tahitians all missed out on the last six weeks of their grand vacances and then their school year began three days after returning home, which for Jimmy is his last year before going to university in France.

On December 12th I will complete the exchange by returning to Tahiti. However, Jimmy's family is not taking a billet so I will probably stay on the island of Mourea (not Mururoa), the second most



ing for the various school occasions.

Many PTA members this year have assisted with the dances held in the assembly hall. The profits from these functions have been generously donated to the swimming pool by the convenor, Mrs Ward.

A highlight of the year was the parent discussion evening arranged by the PTA to discuss the ministerial modules on "what people expect from our schools". This project was successfully combined with the Girls' High School and Highlands, and the objectives were achieved. However, despite considerable publicity, attendance was not good.

Planning is already underway for next year, and it is proposed to conduct an open day for all interested people to inspect the school early in the new year. A scheme to encourage people to donate library books to the new library is underway, and a continued supply of tiger jackets is being investigated.

K. Roberts

beautiful island of Tahiti. During my stay I have to attend school for two weeks so the remaining four I will spend enjoying the sun and the surf.

Angus Stewart

National Share Investment Competition

This year for the second time a group of 7th form economists competed in the New Zealand Share Investment Competition. The competition involved 184 New Zealand Secondary schools and took place during the second term. Teams have \$10,000 (hypothetical) initial finance to spend and then a further \$2,000 a fortnight for five fortnights. Using the prices on the New Zealand share-market, teams buy and sell shares at the going rate aiming to make as much money as possible. The team with the highest portfolio at the end of the competition is declared the winner. Teams must give reasons for buying and selling shares, include brokers fees and stamp duty in their costs, and calculate any bonus issues or dividend pay-outs on their shares. Teams are disqualified if by making wrong calculations they spend too little or more than they've got. This year sixty-eight teams were disqualified.

The school finished in a very creditable sixth position. They increased their allocated capital of \$20,000 to \$26,960 during the course of the term - a very good return on investment. I look forward to next year's competition and a new group of keen investors!

Best share bought? National Bloodstock - paid 78c a share; sold at \$2.15 per share.

D. Armstrong

Old Boys' News

AUCKLAND NEWS

Alan Fowles (1941-43), current vice president of the Auckland Branch is enjoying a change to the self-employed lifestyle and can be found at The Crabapple Company on Auckland's North Shore by anyone wishing to get into the home improvement business.

Colin Barclay (1959-54) is busy running a rest home in Auckland.

Craig Saxton (1950-54) is back in Auckland after the dizzy heights of London. Currently understood to be at leisure but plans to re-enter the workforce in 1986 or thereabouts.

Fred James (1950-52) is still busy with Auckland Coastguard and has now turned his hand to becoming Advertising Manager for their monthly magazine.

Rob Insull (1957-61) is marketing Insurance packages for the AMP and **Quentin Milne** (1960-63) is competing with him in the name of MLC.

After 40 years service in the telecommunication section of Civil Aviation **Ron Harrison** (1939-42) is retiring shortly. He will remain in Auckland where he has a married daughter and two grandchildren and he hopes to catch up on a little travelling including a visit to his brother in Canada.

Peter Erskine (1948-52) and **Roger Duncan** (1958-62) were in senior financial roles in Carter Holt in its takeover of Alex Harvey Industries this year. On the receiving end of the takeover was our current Auckland Branch President **John Syme** (1958-62).

Another company taken over this year was Feltex, previously headed by **Harold Titter** (1944-48). Harold has now embarked on this third change of career course and reports are that life has never been better. It certainly is a fast changing world today.

Peter Churchouse (1958-62) has transferred from Wellington to Auckland to set up a new branch office for sharebrokers Francis Allison Symes. He is continuing his regular finance reports on radio.

Warwick Lobb (1957-61), also busy in the commercial world, continues to keep in shape as a senior rugby referee.

Every year at the Remuera Bowling Club there is a tournament amongst Old Boys of various Colleges. This year there were sixty-four teams representing schools from as far south as Timaru. The tournament is sponsored by Rothmans and profits from the day are donated to a worthy cause. The New Plymouth representatives have won on three occasions including this year. Those responsible for this year's winning effort were **J. Wood** (Lead), **V. Stace** (2nd), **L. Abbott** (3rd) and **Dr Bruce Grieve** (Skip).

Dick Still

WELLINGTON BRANCH

Wellington is home to a host of N.P.B.H.S. Old Boys and the following are a sample:

Dick Simpson is Chairman of the Higher Salaries Commission and Civil Servants (including many Old Boys); he should be happy with his recent efforts.

Bill Wilson and **Tim Fookes** are still partners in the law firm of Bell, Gully, Buddle and Weir.

Eric Batten is Group Secretary of Dalgety Crown Limited.

John Perham is on the Board of the Railways Corporation and also with sharebrokers Francis, Allison and Symes.

"The Taranakian" acknowledges with gratitude sponsorship from City Dairy.

Peter Churchouse a Past President of the Wellington Branch, is now in Auckland looking after Francis, Allison and Symes Auckland Office: he frequently broadcasts on radio.

Phil Hogg and **Richard Burton** are with Sharebrokers O'Connor, Grieve and Co.

Graeme Duff is Bob Jones's right-hand man in charge of Robert Jones Holdings Limited.

John Terris and **Merv Wellington** are still on 'The Hill' as M.P.'s.

Ken Comber, ex M.P., has just formed Agrarian Holdings Limited, which offers rural credit services.

Mike Bodnar pops up on the box most nights hosting 'Today Tonight'.

John Morrison is no longer playing first-class cricket, but still is making a mark with his bats produced in the Wairarapa.

Dick Wilks has retired from the Governorship of the Reserve Bank, but the Deputy Governor is **Rod Deane**, also an Old Boy.

Steven Underwood is with Renauf Corporation Limited.

David Fenwick is Managing Director of A.I.C. Charge Card Services Limited which is a subsidiary of the A.I.C. Group and its Chief Executive in Auckland is an Old Boy, **Rod Worn**.

Bob Hamilton is now Funds and Investment Manager for the National Bank.

Willie Norton, an ex Gym Teacher in the late '50s, is Branch Manager for Phillips Electrical.

We have all been saddened by the news of the death of John Hatherly, but the news of the School's performance continues to be heartening.

Compiled by Roger Papps, formerly of Bell, Gully and Co., and now helping to manage "Dominion Optical Supplies".

Old Boy and past Defence Ministry assistant secretary, **Dr Donald Barnes** has been appointed chief director of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. He will take charge of DSIR's seven industrial divisions.

Dr Barnes is at present responsible for scientific research and electronic data processing.

He was at school from 1951 to 1955 when he won a national scholarship, then at Victoria University. In 1959 he gained an MSc in physics, and in 1953 a PhD from the Imperial College of Science and Technology at the University of London.

Mr Lyndsay Papps was awarded the C.M.G. in this year's Queen's Birthday Honours List. He is the son of Arthur James Papps, Latin teacher and Deputy Headmaster of New Plymouth Boys' High School. Mr L.M. Papps was Dux in 1936 and 1937, a member of the 1st XV and 1st XI and he gained a Taranaki Scholarship. He started a law degree at Victoria University in 1938 but his studies were interrupted by World War II. He served as a navigator with the army and the R.N.Z.A.F. in the Pacific and returned to complete his degree in 1946.

After graduating, Mr Papps joined the Wellington law firm of Bell Gully and Co. and became a partner in 1951. His is now a senior partner, although he no longer practices law - his chairmanships and directorships keep him fully occupied.

A Night to Remember

Last year during their holiday in England the Headmaster and Mrs Ryder were done the honour of having a reception arranged for them by Old Boys at New Zealand House. It was a great night and a noteworthy reunion of men who represented a wide range of professional life in England. Among the thirty people who gathered were:

Sir Ronald Syme (1918-20) eminent Professor of Ancient History retired in Oxford and still sought by a host of academics to lecture on Ancient Rome; and Sir Monty Barak (1917-21) our first Rhodes Scholar and outstanding electro-chemical engineer - currently Chairman of the Board of Governors of a local Secondary School at Burgess Hall (and both of them extremely fit octogenarians); Bruce Brown (1944-48) Deputy High Commissioner (then) in London - who organised the function and Craig Saxton (1948-55) Regional Manager of Air New Zealand in England and Dr Hugh Fleming from Cambridge. Athol McIntyre (1931-37) and Head Boy in his last year - formerly of Rolls Royce and now retired in Buxton, Derbyshire, Dr Richard Croxson (1950-54) a very successful medical practitioner in London and Head Boy and Dux in 1954. Dr Ian Morton (1934-38) Professor of Food Technology at the University of London and Dux in 1938; Ian Pryke, an International Business Consultant operating from Surrey; Russell Wood (1937-40) a London Stockbroker and David Body (1962-66) a Fleet Street Journalist and formerly campaign secretary for Britain's Prime Minister Mrs Thatcher. District Court Judge Monaghan and his wife also attended. Like the Ryders, they too, were on holiday in London and were able to join the gathering.

Although a number of these Old Boys had come out to New Plymouth for the Centennial in 1982 they are, with the exception of Judge Monaghan, all permanent residents in Britain, and eager to gain fresh news about their old school and comment on recent developments in New Zealand. In their various fields they are successful men and none has any doubts about the contribution made by N.P.B.H.S. to his life. It was a highlight of the Headmaster's term abroad and a striking demonstration of the "Comradeship" of School days which last a lifetime.

Stuart Hayton was awarded the C.B.E. in the Queen's Birthday Honours in 1984. He has been outstanding in his work for the Taranaki Harbours Board, associations with which go back to 1958. He was at School here 1923-1926 and took up employment in commerce both in Stratford and Eltham. He served overseas, 1940-46, and then settled in new Plymouth where he has been involved in a great number of activities in the business world and community organisations.



Old Boys Golf Tournament.

OBITUARIES:

James Alexander (Jim) Clouston died suddenly 16.3.1985. He was seventy-four. In a long association with School he rose to be Deputy Principal, retiring in 1975. He was also instrumental in the instituting of Taranaki Polytechnic, researching community needs.

Mr Clouston was born in Normanby and educated, boarding, at Boys' High School. He then took an apprenticeship as a motor mechanic.

During World War II, Mr Clouston served with the New Zealand Air Force at home and in the Pacific. Returning from service, Mr Clouston took up teaching at Hawera Technical College.

In 1952 he returned to NPBHS, teaching in the technical department, of which he eventually became head. In 1971 Mr Clouston was appointed deputy principal, a position he held until his retirement.

With a strong affection for the school, Mr Clouston continued to relieve and teach part-time until two to three weeks before his death.

Besides his active interest in NPBHS, Mr Clouston engaged in community work with the Fitzroy Rotary Club, of which he was a past president. He was also a past chairman of the Taranaki Apprenticeship Committee.

Mr Clouston is survived by his wife Muriel and his son and two daughters.

d. 3.11.84. William Alexander Dickson. Mr Dickson spent all his working life with the Taranaki Savings Bank, becoming Chief Accountant before his retirement in 1972. He was a member of the Tukapa Rugby Club and a keen tennis player. Mr Dickson was also a member of the Church of Christ and was treasurer for many years.

Prominent sports journalist and former All Black **Mr Roger Urbahn** died in New Plymouth on 22nd November 1984 after a short illness. He was 50.

Mr Urbahn had been sports editor of The Daily News since 1963, and his last major assignment was to cover the All Black tour to Australia this season for the NZ News Ltd group.

His ability to analyse a game won him considerable respect from sports followers.

Mr Urbahn was an All Black in 1959 and 1960, and played representative rugby for Taranaki for a number of years. He also represented Taranaki at cricket, and was a low-handicap golfer.

Born in 1935, Mr Urbahn attended primary school in New Plymouth, and received his secondary schooling at New Plymouth Boys' High School and Stratford High School.

While at Stratford High School he was captain of the first rugby XV and first cricket XI, and was featherweight boxing champion in 1951. In 1953-54 he attended Ardmore Teachers' College. He taught at Eltham and Okato until joining The Daily News.

Mr Urbahn is survived by his wife Joy, and sons Simon, Tony, Terry and Paul.

- d. 7.10.85** - Vivian Stanley McMurray, aged 88.
- d. 30.3.85** - Warren Desmond (Pete) Saunders, spoke at Anzac Ceremony, 1984
- d. 19.6.85** - Clyde Wilmot Cook, in his 80th year.
- d.11.12.84** - Noel Arthur Elmes.
- d. 12.10.84** - Kenneth Faber Fookes, aged 77.
- d. 2.1.85** - Barry Carrick Brown, aged 53.
- d. 3.2.85** - Alex Logan Mace.
- d. 16.3.85** - Robert Sterry Street.

Douglas Stewart, proclaimed in Australia as one of its greatest poets, playwrights and literary editors, although in fact a New Zealander and Old Boy, died in Sydney in early March this year. He is the writer of *The School Song*, written while at school; in fact in later years he became rather embarrassed by his efforts and penned a new more concrete version.

After leaving school in 1930 he tried law and then went walkabout on the agricultural and pastoral circuit, where he broadened his knowledge of people as is evidenced in his short stories collected in *A Girl With Red Hair*. For a time he was a Taranaki reporter and became a freelance writer and part-time barman in London. In 1938 he became an assistant for the *Bulletin* in Melbourne and in 1941 was made its Literary Editor. Over the next twenty years his selection, editing and encouragement influenced New Zealand as well as Australian writers and helped shape the course of Australian literature.

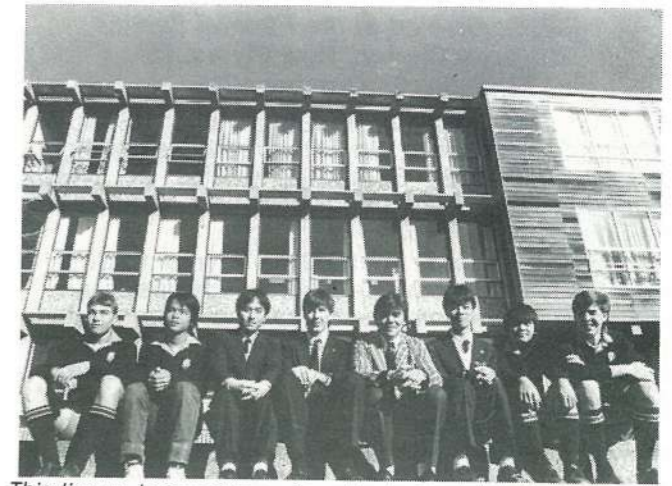
In 1960 Stewart joined Angus and Robertson, becoming the publishing firm's literary adviser. He was appointed to the Commonwealth Literary Fund and was awarded the O.B.E. and later the Order of Australia for his services to literature.

Throughout the years he was writing as well as directing the efforts of others. Poems, stage and radio plays, critiques, essays, biographies and bush ballads flowed from his pen. He produced twelve books of verse including *Selected Poems* and *Collected Poems*. His biography of Norman Lindsay *A Personal Memoir* is regarded in Australia as the most authoritative on that artist. He wrote about another friend of many years, Kenneth Slessor under the title of *A Man of Sydney*.

Reminiscences of his Taranaki days appear in *The Five Rivers* and *Springtime in Taranaki* aptly sub-titled *An Autobiography of Youth* which was published in 1983.



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This line-up has an international look. The school hosted the most exchange students ever at one time. Host Angus Stewart, New Plymouth; Jimmy Lichon, Tahiti; Haruaki Sudo, Japan; Kerry Brine, Bell Block; host Matthew Standing, New Plymouth; Masato Hiruma, Japan; Songpol Intravieng, Thailand; and Robert Johansson, United States.



Anzac Ceremony: Guest of honour Mr Bill Liley.



Testing out the new mini-bus.



Les Nials, Jo Curd.

JOHN HATHERLY

*A Tribute delivered at the Funeral Service
St Mary's Church, New Plymouth
Thursday 24 October 1985*

Pupil at New Plymouth Boys' High School 1926-1933. Teacher at New Plymouth Boys' High School 1940-1982. Boarding Master at New Plymouth Boys' High School 1940-1976. Servant of the School 1933-1985.

John Hatherly was sent to New Plymouth Boys' High for two reasons: he was an asthmatic and conventional wisdom had it that the clean mountain air would be good for his chest; the School under the redoubtable Mr Moyes had a good name for education and discipline.

And so he arrived from Wanganui, a twelve-year-old boarder - and in his own words: "a coddled and spoiled sook" and for almost sixty years, man and boy, he remained under the influence of the school and the mountain.

The mountain probably did little for his chest - but it had meaning for him as it does for everyone who lives within sight of it.

"The Eyes are drawn to it and they lift!"

Like the mountain, he carried himself erect with his shoulders back like so many men I know who passed through the school in the 1920s and 1930s - the mountain meant "Aim High" - "Lift your performance" - "Stand Tall".

The school in its practices and expectations teaches the same things. John caught the spirit and purpose burned within him - standards to set and maintain - causes to champion - needy people to help - and in harness with single-minded purpose was an all-powerful sense of duty. The duty to work hard, the duty to give attention to detail, the duty to resist compromise and soft options, the duty to be loyal to school and community, the duty to love God and do His will.

John was a painstaking, meticulous man and very little escaped his disciplined eye and ear. He revelled in order - the harmony of music - the precision of a properly performed parade - the balance of a well conducted church service - the structure of the Latin language. And he couldn't bear disorder - slovenly writing, mumbled speech, one sock higher than another, hands in pockets, slouching, grammatical pécadillos and misspelling - all grated upon him and nothing and no one would deter him from confronting the perpetrator - school boys, colleagues, journalists, vicars, councillors, headmasters - all were grist to his mill! But there are frailties of a more profound nature that spurred on the teacher and reformer.

John's code was the code of the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount. He set himself resolutely against theft, profanities, infidelity, false witness and idleness and not a single boy in forty-two years of teaching had any doubt of John's Christian convictions and few remained unaffected.

In 1926 he arrived at school with a wheezy chest, a violin and a scaly skin. The name "Fish" was applied and it stuck - the heaving chest from time to time gave deep concern to pupils and colleagues, but the violin produced untroubled, strong, confident music, well-practised like the man himself.

In 1933 he was Head Boy and by 1940 he had begun a career of dedicated bachelor service to the school as teacher and boarding master that very few can match in New Zealand. The school became his home and his family.

John Hatherly, like the memorial gates, became a symbol of the school, always there, reliable, representing home and solace to average boys, lame ducks and heroes alike. In that time John

developed ambition, not for himself, but for the school. I cannot imagine him involved in staff room intrigue but he relished the personalities and characters. He became the very stuff of the history of the school - events, dates, names, anecdotes - flowed from him. I am a relative newcomer to New Plymouth Boys' High School but in John's company I have shared the company of men like Podgy Papps, Chris Botrill, George Bertrand, Charlie Brenstrum, Crackety Mac McKeon, Horsey Wilson, and above all, he brought to life the decisive, dramatic, powerful, endlessly energetic Bill Moyes.

The inroads of the Depression and World War Two, the revival and the vicissitudes to the present were immediately available to Old Boys whenever and wherever they met John. Talk would turn to the excitement and the laughter of "The Good Old Days".

In that, John was like any other venerable school master. Moreover, in material terms, he became a major benefactor of the school in recent years. **But he was so much more. The sense of purpose and duty never diminished.**

Has there been a boarding master or a headmaster or an editor, or a businessman or a politician or a clergyman who hasn't been written to, telephoned, prompted or reminded not to neglect this, not to condone that, not to overlook the other.

Two weeks ago the local newspapers began to publish his daily Bible Thoughts. He continued to visit the prison, to correspond with Old Boys all over the world, to visit old friends, including his old girl friends. The hospital visits, the messages and visits to school every week - all continued until Monday morning when he died.

Every day had purpose and duty. Since his death the School and Hostel have been inundated with messages of grief and sympathy. We have shared company with a legend. He served God, School and community. He was a great Old Boy of our school. There is no doubt that he added greatness to our school. His service to it was unsurpassed.

The man and his throaty chuckle have gone - but may spirit such as his, never be lost to us.

T.T. Ryder

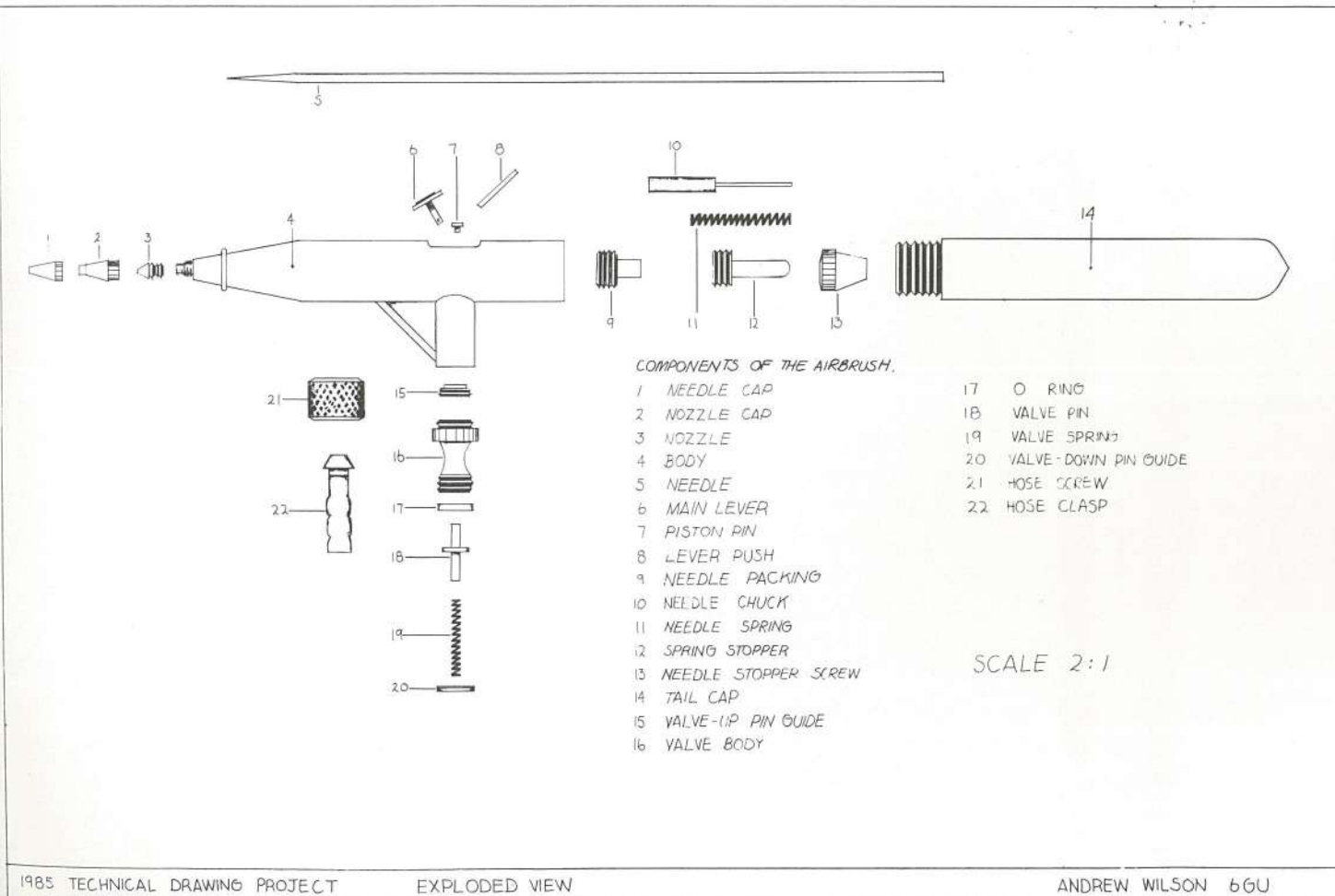


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| 4 BODY | 20 VALVE-DOWN PIN GUIDE |
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| 7 PISTON PIN | |
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