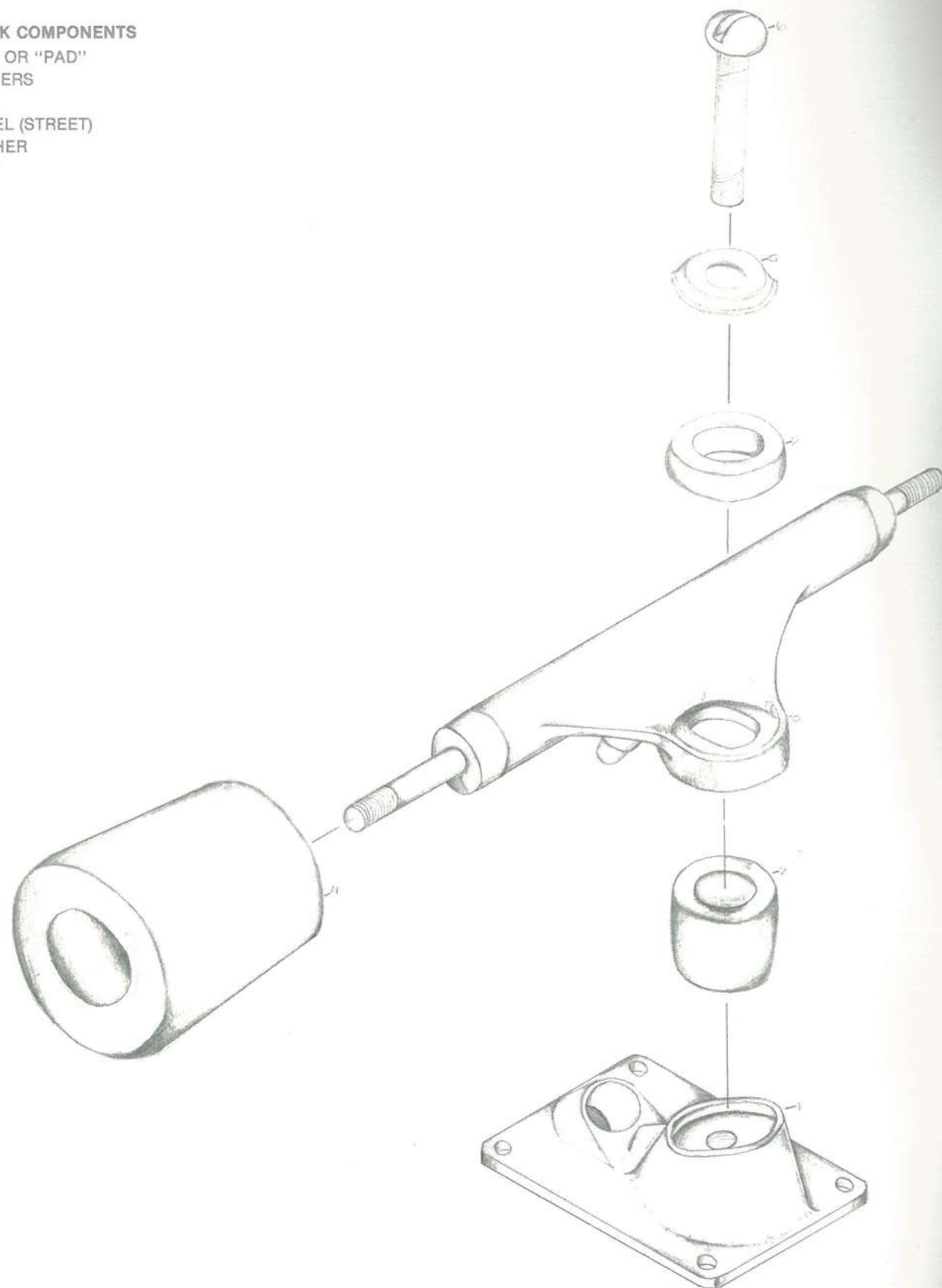


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THE HEADMASTER COMMENTS

Last October I would have predicted a rather quieter and less taxing time in 1987. The roll appeared to be stabilizing at about 1,070, staffing pressures would therefore be less and our facilities were going to be improved spectacularly with benefits for almost everyone. It seemed to add up to a greater degree of stability than we had known for years and after a long period of running up-hill non-stop, the prospect of level terrain was very attractive. But it was not to be.

The many building contracts begun in 1986 continued into the new year and when school began no fewer than six independent contractors were hard at work! The woodwork shops became available at Easter and no practical woodwork was possible until then. While the administration area was remodelled the office staff operated in a prefab in the Alexander Quadrangle until March, and the senior staff functioned in the Main Hall dressing rooms! Form Seven students had to wait for two months to occupy their new common room in the attractively renovated old library. The new Tuckshop wasn't available until April and Mrs Fieldes and her team gave service from a prefab set up in the car park! The biggest project of all, the swimming pool complex, with Mr Ron Worth and Mr Murray Roberts hard at it - was being driven towards completion by the unflagging Board Chairman whose black-singlet-covered figure hardly ever left the site. Fortunately Mr Carter and his colleagues were able to occupy the new Senior Physics Complex in February and Messrs Faber and Jackson, guided by Auckland Architect Noel Earles, were able to hand over Niger House for the boarders to occupy when they returned after the vacation. Some frantic last-minute shopping by Matron, Mrs McKenzie, had all the extra bedding needed in position at the last hour and Mr Laurensen could then house the biggest boarding roll since the mid 1970's.

The Minister's decision to measure School Certificate performance by grades rather than percentage marks produced problems. Lower grades were given inaccurate and grossly misleading labels such as adequate for a score of 20% or thereabouts, Rhetoric of that kind does not in itself eliminate 'failure' and the demand by students and parents for percentage scores (made available by the Department of Education to schools) was massive.

By far the greatest disturbing force however, was an unprecedented roll growth. Instead of 1,070, almost 1,120 boys were enrolled. Only on the eve of the building of Spotswood College in the 1960's was the roll greater. That Form Seven would grow was predictable. The removal of University Entrance from Form Six means that the overwhelming majority of students intending to proceed to University must enter Form Seven to qualify for Entrance by means of the University Bursary examinations. The decision by the University Entrance Board to lower the standard necessary for entry to 30% for each of four subjects makes success very likely for almost every candidate and we have almost 90! What wasn't predicted was the re-enrolment of a very big Form Five (309) and Form Six (175). Immediately we were in need of more teachers and in a time of national shortage the possibility of finding permanent full-time staff was poor. Aggravating the problem was the illness of Mr Brine, Senior Master and Mr Lance Armstrong. Mr Brine suffered a heart attack and complications meant that he was not able to resume his duties until late July. His teaching and administrative skills were sorely missed, although Mr Heaps did a splendid relieving job in Term Two.

Mr Armstrong's sudden illness has proved difficult to shake off and even as I write he still remains on sick leave. Staffing strains have been great and even positive things like on-going in-service training for teachers have added to our burdens. We have been under-staffed all year and that we have maintained our full programme is due to the availability of a reliable team of part-time teachers for whose services we are all most grateful.

And how have the boys reacted? With predictable patience and good humour. The 'Three Electives' System instituted this year has operated smoothly and increases the experiences of our juniors. The stress of continuous assessment for Sixth Form Certificate seems somewhat less and a record seventy students taking six subjects for School Certificate are coping well.



We failed to win a University Scholarship in 1986 - but our Bursary success reached an all-time high. Our 'pass' results are as follows:

Full Bursary candidates	- 58
'A' passes - Taranaki Scholarship	- 20
'B' passes	- 25
Total pass rate	= 76%

Few schools in New Zealand and certainly few of the large schools could claim better results and it says a great deal for the teaching standards of N.P.B.H.S., in every subject, the attitude of the boys to work and the high expectations of the school. Paddy Crofsky a bursary winner, and the Under-Officer of the Cadet Unit also won selection for officer training at Duntroon, the Royal Australian Military College.

Term One was highlighted by the official opening of the new pool by His Worship the Mayor and Old Boy, Mr David Lean. The day was sunny and warm and in addition to the school were many parents and most of the main workers - including the engineer Mr Chapman; P.T.A. Chairman, Mr Durrant, almost all the Board of Governors who made the difficult decision to proceed with the project despite soaring costs, and the three key men: Messrs John McIntyre, Ron Worth and Murray Roberts. The boys revelled in a sparkling occasion and as the event doubled with the Annual Swimming Championships - each winner put his name in the record book as new metric standards were created! The 1st Cricket XI enjoyed a fine season drawing against Hamilton Boys' and Napier Boys' - just failing to defeat Wanganui Collegiate - but to Mr Giddy's delight winning outright against Wellington College.

The Water Polo team came a meritorious fifth in the North Island Championships and Philip Venables and Stephen Johns won selection in National Squads to tour overseas, while Douglas Mace became N.Z. Under 18 Shot-Put champion and broke the Colts national hammer throw record.

In Term Two the boys again demonstrated excellence and versatility over a wide range of activities. The Form 3 Boarders, fit and enthusiastic, travelled to Palmerston North in June and defeated College House in an epic rugby game. The Senior Basketball team coached by Mr Bayly had another outstanding season. They qualified for the National Finals in Invercargill and out of the top sixteen schools won fifth placing with Scott Boniface being selected for the Tournament Team. The First Soccer XI coached by Mr Sims and Mr Bill Lawson won the Taranaki Junior Men's title and the Youth Cup and in so doing lost only one game (one of the five inter schools). Hockey, under Mr Geursen, had another excellent season winning the Taranaki Men's B Grade and the Regional Secondary Schools Tournament and with it the Woolaston Trophy, perhaps hockey's best

achievement ever at N.P.B.H.S. A very young cycling team rode a thirteenth placing among the thirty teams contesting for the Sir Bernard Fergusson Trophy. The First XV began with great promise but they suffered appalling luck with key players leaving and an endless stream of injuries. Nonetheless the team won the Taranaki Under 21 Competition and the last-minute win against Collegiate on the Gully with the full vocal and haka power of the school urging them on - brought a huge smile to Mr Moore's face. Mr Angell took our cross country runners to the National Finals at Levin and our juniors, with our best runner absent, came seventh in a field of forty teams; most of the boys will be juniors still, in 1988! Karl O'Dowda has again been selected for the Taranaki Senior Cricket team and Grant Moorhead won selection for the Taranaki Men's golf team.

At the same time our cultural groups were giving splendid accounts of themselves. A talented but perhaps over-confident debating team bowed out too soon in the National Jaycees competition, but the instrumental quartet of Jonathan Baker, Duncan Haynes, Gareth Thomas and Steven Bremner won regional selection for the National Westpac School competition and won the small group title, the first major success by a Taranaki School in the twenty six years of Westpac competition!

And from April Miss Mabin and Mrs Ashworth (with a cast of sixty, including girls from Sacred Heart College) were rehearsing the musical, Bugsy Malone, and the three public performances were a resounding success. The all-action show had enormous appeal and, accompanied by a superb jazz band, the players did themselves and their directors proud. We had planned seating for audiences of 450 people but the crowds in sequence were 600, 750 and 1,000! Nothing binds a school and its community better than a successful musical - 'Bugsy' was certainly the highlight of 1987.

A week before the end of Term Two the boys concluded their major fund-raising effort in pursuit of a computer system worthy of the school. It is a sad commentary on the state - funding of education that no government yet has seen fit to provide this

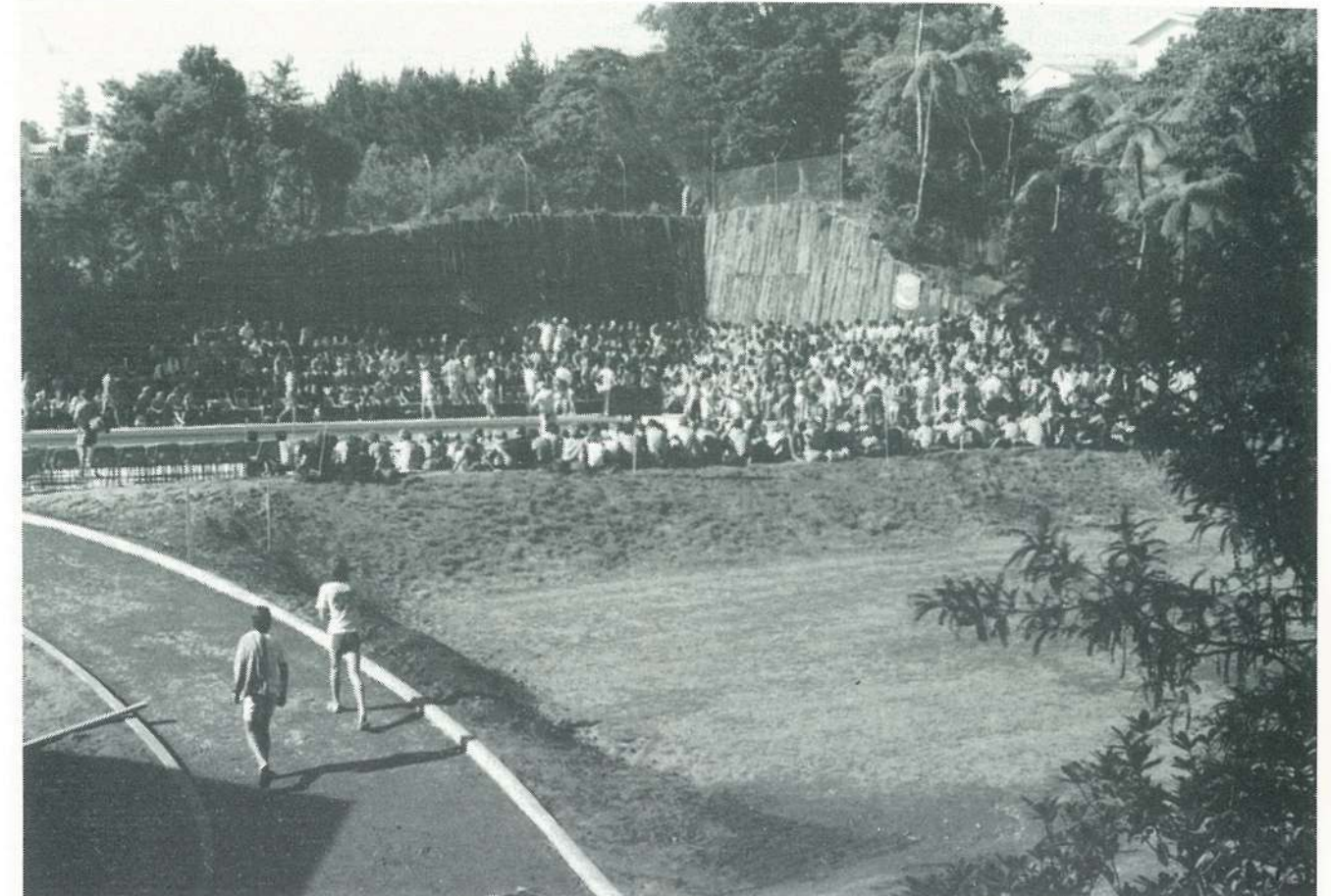
essential equipment to schools, but we cannot wait any longer. It is our goal to have all departments and all boys making programmed use of sixteen networked machines with six more sophisticated machines for senior use in 1988. The cause is accepted by the boys and their parents and with generous support from the community we reached our target of \$20,000. That brings our total funds to \$60,000 and when we have redesigned two rooms, the purchase, and then the setting up by Mr Green will follow.

In September after successfully campaigning for the New Plymouth seat, Mr H. Duynhoven resigned to take up his Parliamentary duties. Harry's energy and commitment to engineering, soccer and the Hall lighting will be greatly missed.

Sadly I must report the untimely deaths of recently retired and outstanding staff member, Mr Norman Wright, and a former groundsman and wonderfully loyal cricket and soccer coach, Mr Bert Robson. Both men were superb examples of unshakeable commitment to service.

I must compliment my Secretary, Mrs Eaton, and the Office Staff, Mr Nials, Mr Farmer and Mr Hosking for keeping our buildings and grounds in superb condition, with patient backing by Mr Davidson, Executive Officer, and I thank our Matrons, Kitchen and Cleaning Staff who, with Messrs Laurensen, Howes and Lockhart and their House Tutors, help keep our boarding houses in enviable condition. The Head Boy, Andrew Slater, has given outstanding leadership and service. We thank him, the Heads of Houses, Group Leaders and Hotel Prefects especially.

The parliamentary election, has brought to education the power and ability of the Prime Minister, Mr Lange, who has assumed Ministerial control. There are significant challenges which will test the quality of teachers, the nature of systems of assessment, and the curriculum and the input and responsibility of parents. Education is in need of strong and sensible leadership in an age of increasing social ills and unemployment and I am certain N.P.B.H.S. will not be wanting in responses.





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R.C. Abbot (6), T.A. Adams (2), T.I. Aitken (2), W.J. Alsweller (3), D.W. Arbuckle (4), M.W. Atkinson (1), M.P.J. Bates (4), D.L. Baty (6), P. Baxendale (6), C.R. Beatty (1), A.G. Beckett (3), G.J. Benton (5), C.R. Betts (2), R.J. Birkett (2), C.M. Booth (3), J.S. Brewer (1), T.B. Brimelow (5), A.P. Brooke (4), M. Brooker (5), D. Brown (1), J.R. Brown (4), K.T. Brown (1), A. Bullians (1), A.A.E. Bunn (3), J.A. Burbidge (1), S.M. Burgess (5), D.E. Burt (6), R.J. Busing (5), B.S. Cameron (3), J.S. Carter (3), L.C. Cave (4), P.D. Chapman (3), S.M. Chard (4), G.P. Clark (1), D.N. Cleaver (4), S. Clegg (5), L.D. Cochlan (1), A.W. Cole (5), D.W. Cook (1), D.A. Cooper (2), K.G.D. Cooper (5), M.N. Cooper (5), R.M. Corry (4), N.A. Cox (5), D.E. Crane (4), P.J. Cummings (3), J.A. Darke (1), W.D. Dawson (6), D.T. Day (4), B.T. De Ridder (5), S.J.L. Denholm (4), A.G. Donson (4), S.R. Donovan (6), A.B. Dove (4), A.B. Durrant (2), M.J. Easthope (3), D.W. Emmett (4), P. Fenton (6), J.H. Fields (4), J.M. Fisher (5), M.J. Foreman (6), I.P. Foster (3), M.L. Fox (5), D.J. Frank (4), O.G. Frenz (2), T.J. Frew (6), M.J. Gally (4), C.D. Gaze (1), R. George (3), S.P. Gibbons (1), M.L. Gladney (1), G.D. Goodson (6), K.C. Goodwin (5), M.D. Gorrie (2), R.D. Gray (6), R.J. Green (4), S.I. Gregory (4), C.M.B. Greig (6), J.A. Haigh (3), N.J. Hall (6), S.L. Hamilton (4), M.L. Hancock (5), D. Harris (2), G.A. Hastie (5), W.J. Hayman (5), D.J. Haynes (6), M.S. Hayton (6), R.M. Hazard (2), D.J. Hazelgrove (5), R.T. Henderson (4), D.A. Hetherington (1), D.R. Hillier (1), A. Hocken (5), H.H. Hofstee (4), B.G. Holland (4), J.R. Hughes (5), B.R. Hunt (1), P.I. Hutton (4), C.I. Imbs (5), R.A. Jamieson (3), G.P. Jenkins (1), C.N. Jensen (6), D. Johns (2), S.R. Johns (3), T.J. Johnson (2), R.W. Johnstone (4), G.D. Jolly (6), K.A. Jonas (6), R.D.T. Jones (3), D.J. Joseph (3), J. Jody (5), S. Julian (2), S.P. Kendall (5), A.M. Kennard (6), A.S. Larking (5), P.S. Laurence (5), D.A. Lea (6), S.C. Lester (5), K.B. Lindsay (1), A.M. Loft (4), M.J. Low (6), C.F. Luke (4), S.M. Luke (5), S.J. Malster (5), N.W. Mandell (6), S.P. Manu (1), C.J. Marshall (6), S.R. Matheson (1), G.W. McBeth (4), B.L. McCabe (2), W. McCallum (6), G.P. McCutcheon (4), C.A. McKenzie (5), A.B. McKinnon (6), B.E. Meldrum (6), I.S. Melton (5), C.R. Metcalfe (1), L.J. Middleton (6), M. Miller (5), W.P. Mills (5), P.T. Mitchell (2), S.R. Moeller (4), W.H. Moetara (5), S.D. Morse (5), G.P. Munro (3), P.R. Newman (2), T.N. Paget (2), C.A. Parkinson (1), T.A. Parlane (2), V. Patel (3), J.L. Peacock (4), J.R. Peel (5), T.D. Penberth (3), J.E. Pettersen (5), J.R. Phillips (5), C.G. Plowright (1), S.A. Powell (1), T.M. Pratt (2), D.G. Price (1), D.J. Proffitt (5), M.D. Pugh (6), R.O. Quinn (6), J.I. Quinn (5), B.D. Ransom (1), B. Raven (2), G.J. Rayner (4), R. Reade (3), M.J. Revell (6), C.M. Richards (2), K.L. Robbins (4), J.J. Robinson (2), K.E. Rodger (1), G.R. Roebuck (5), C.A. Rogers (1), S. Rogers (2), P.M. Sadd (5), D.J. Salisbury (3), A.G. Salla (1), G.M. Sands (4), G.R. Sarten (5), J.R. Scown (5), G.D. Scriven (6), G.A. Sharman (5), K.I. Shaw (2), P.W. Shearer (6), D.A. Shorter (1), H.W. Silby (6), B.W. Skevington (2), K.L. Smart (3), G.J. Smith (6), H.G. Smith (4), J.N. Souto (6), I.P. Spargo (1), M.A. Stachurski (3), D.P. Stevens (3), J.B. Stewart (6), P.J. Stewart (5), S.W. Stockwell (5), C.M. Summerfield (6), K.R. Surrey (3), N. Tapsell (3), G.M. Taylor (6), W.B. Temata (4), B.J. Thompson (5), K.A.G. Thompson (3), J.A. Thorne (3), T.E. Trowern (5), G.F. Turner (2), A.C. Urwin (1), J.C. Vickers (5), T.J. Waite (3), J.L. Wallace (6), N. Wallace-Wells (2), C. Ward (3), K.J. Ward (4), D. Waswo (5), A.S. Watkins (1), P.J. Watt (2), A.J. West (5), D.J. West (6), R.K. Williams (3), K.J. Williamson (2), J.S. Wilson (6), N.P. Wilson (4), S.J. Wilson (6), T.J.M. Wilson (2), R.B. Winder (4), P.S. Winther (1), K.A. Wipatene (6), G.J. Wood (6), M.B. Wood (5), G.M. Woods (1).



GROUP LEADERS

Back Row L to R: D. Spellman, S. Johns, P. Roberts, B. Mitchell, P. Grey, C. Bridgeman, C. de Bueger.
3rd Row: C. Penberthy, L. Hayson, S. King, L. Upson, G. Jones, D. Schwamm, S. McKenzie, D. Mace, G. Stevens.
2nd Row: G. Wood, R. Dunnet, R. Jeffery, S. Boniface, P. Brown, G. Calvert, S. Jellyman, L. Robbins.
Front Row: J. Fisher, N. Wilson, K. O'Dowda, B. Cronin, A. Slater, R. Flavell, R. Watson, G. Mills, G. Robertson.

1987 GRADUATES

Massey University

(date = last year at school)

74 Peter John Christophers Dip. Bus. Admin.
82 Andrew Guy Coleman - Dip. Agr.
80 John Douglas Coleman - Dip. Agr., B.Agr.
82 Peter John Darney - B.B.S.
83 Dean Charles Elgar - B.B.S.
81 Richard Brent Feaver - Dip. Dairy Tech.
72 Clinton Roderick Graham - Dip.Agr. with Distinction.
65 Trevor Allen Johnson - B.B.S.
63 Neil Laurenson - Dip. Ed.
79 Richard John Lloyd - B.Sc.
82 Timothy George Lloyd - B.Tech.
62 Clifford John Mancer - Dip. Bus. Admin.
82 Michael Sinclair Muschamp - B.R.P.
80 Richard Oakley Peters - Dip. Bus. Studies.
82 Andrew Guy Phillips - B.B.S.
84 Darin Gene Ramsay - B.Ed.
81 Neville Francis Reeve - Dip. Dairy Tech.
82 Paul David Steffensen - B.Sc.
82 Glenn Daryl Taplin - B.B.S., - Massey Scholar.

Prizewinners

Geoffrey William Taylor (U.E. 1980) Rongotea Lions Club Student Assistant Fund.
John Andrew Chivers (U.E. 1980) N.Z. Computer Society Prize.

University of Auckland

Andrew Richard Bate - B.Sc., - U.E. 1980.
Bevan Edward Boocock - B.E. (Mech.) - U.E. 1981.
Cameron Wedgwood Boon - B.E. (Mech.) - U.E. 1982.
Crispin John Kerrison - B.E. (Elec.) - U.E. 1981.
Spencer Charles Lilley - M.A., Second Class Hons. Div. II - U.E. 1980
Richard John Mules - Dip. Obstet., - U.E. 1964.
Arno Hussein Percival - B.E. (Civil) - U.E. 1975

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Maurice John Pipson - B. Arch.

Andrew Jeffrey Sangster - B. Optom., - U.E. 1980.

University of Waikato

Paul James Phillips - B.Sc., - U.E. 1968.
Mark David Taylor - B.M.S., - U.E. 1980.
Brett Phillips Vickers - M.Sc., First Class Hons in Computer Science - U.E. 1979.

University of Canterbury

Kenneth Paul Mitchell - B.A., - U.E. 1981.
Mark Evan Dannatt - B.E. (Elec.) - U.E. 1982
Peter William Kane - B.A., U.E. 1982.
Grant William Selby McAuliffe - B.A., - U.E. 1977.
Clyde Haldane - B.E. (Mech.) First Class Hons - U.E. 1981.
University Grants Committee Post Graduate Scholarship; Canterbury Manufacturing Engineers Prize.
Peter Graham March - B.E. (Elec.) - U.E. 1981.

University of Otago

Ross Pierre Le Bas - B.Ph.Ed., - U.E. 1981.
Brook John Valentine - B.Sc., - U.E. 1981.
Allan Lee Wildbore - M.Sc., Marine Science - U.E. 1979.

Victoria University of Wellington

Euan James Brownlie - B.C.A., - U.E. 1979.
Ian Alistair Cox - B.C.A., U.E. 1981.
John P. Dallas - B.A., LL.B., - U.E. 1970.
Paul Martin Dennis - B.A., - U.E. 1980.
John Henry Dundeson - B.A., U.E. 1979.
Daniel Keenan - B.A., - U.E. 1968.
Bryan Russell Lilley - B.C.A., - U.E. 1979.
Terence Lowe - B.C.A., U.E. 1982.
Michael John Middlebrook - B.Arch., - U.E. 1976.
Edward Noel Paul Spence - B.Sc., - U.E. 1981.
David Bland Webber - M.A., - U.E. 1970.

STAFF NOTES

All the School were saddened this year to learn of the deaths of four former colleagues. Wit Alexander, Headmaster from 1968-71, died in March '87. Wit had given a life-time of service to the school. He entered as a student in 1919 and joined the staff in 1935, retiring in 1971. His ties were not severed with his leaving and he retained a warm interest in the progress of the school writing 'The First Hundred Years', the history of the school, to commemorate the Centennial in 1982.

In April John Morton died after a short illness. He joined the staff in 1966 as a teacher of Accounting and Economics after a varied career which included many years in the Merchant Navy. He was Housemaster of Moyes House from 1966 for a number of years. He resigned in 1978 taking a position at the Taranaki Polytechnic. After retiring to Hamilton he took up jogging, then competitive running, and when aged 70, completed the London Marathon.

Norman Wright who retired only last year, began a full and active retirement working closely with St Andrews as a lay reader and as a Justice of the Peace. He died in September '87, while on holiday in Australia. His retirement was indeed short and his loss keenly felt.

Ray Tomasi joined the staff in 1969 and worked in the old Technical Department on Lizard Street, where he was concerned mainly with teaching motor apprentices. When the Polytechnic opened in 1972 he was transferred to that establishment and remained there until his recent death aged 56.

At the beginning of the year we welcomed to the staff-room, Mrs J. Brewster, Mrs F. Gilkison, Mr J. Jones, Mr D. Bevin and Mr K. Lockhart. Neither Mr Jones nor Mr Bevin were new to the staff - Mr Jones taught briefly as a relieving teacher in 1986 and Mr Bevin taught for two years in 1984 and 1985. This year he has had oversight of the language department and the work he has done has been very much appreciated. Unfortunately he leaves at the end of the year to take up an appointment with the Department of Trade and Industry. Mr Lockhart in addition to being Senior House Master of Carrington House has efficiently run the Chemistry Department. His contribution to science in the school and the help given his colleagues has been well received. It has been a busy year for Ken; his shift from Otago Boys' heralded many changes, the major one, no doubt, the birth of their first child. The school congratulates both Mrs and Mr Lockhart and also Mr and Mrs Elgar, Mr and Mrs Sole and Mr and Mrs Barnes who also welcomed additions to their families. Mrs Barnes set standards few women could match, returning to

school - albeit on a part-time basis - three days after her second son was born.

The news of Mr Duynhoven's engagement was rapidly followed by the announcement of his candidacy for the Labour Party for New Plymouth seat in the General Elections. A vigorous campaign ensured his successful election to Parliament. Not the first teacher of the school to be elected to the House (Bruce Beetham holds that honour) but the first to be elected directly from the staff-room, he joins Old Boys John Terris and former Education Minister Mervyn Wellington in Parliament. No doubt there will be plenty of fiery debates!! We wish Harry every success as M.P. for New Plymouth. His contribution to the life of the school has been outstanding. He introduced the Six Form Certificate Course in Industrial Technology, was also Master in Charge of Soccer for a number of years, and worked to ensure adequate lighting in the Assembly Hall.

Sadly this year we also have farewelled Mrs J. Brewster, and Mr. C. Smith leaves at the year's end to continue university study. Mrs Walker, who was married during the year, has been appointed to the Correspondence School. Her contribution has been outstanding. A young teacher, she introduced Japanese and her enthusiasm and ability have rapidly cemented the subject into the curriculum as one of the most popular language options. A resignation has also been received from Mr David Armstrong who was given leave to travel overseas. His decision to remain in England necessitates this move. We look forward to his return later.

We also welcomed Mrs S.M. Atkinson to the growing ranks of part-time teachers. A Language teacher who specialises in Latin, her enthusiasm for the subject has captured the imagination of many with the result that more boys have opted for the subject (for next year) than ever before.

Other relieving teachers employed this year, Dr P. Hayward, Mr D. Green, Mrs M. Jardine, Mr M. Lina and Ms I. Frengley have enabled the school to cover all classes following long periods of absence on sick leave by Mr L. Armstrong and Mr R. Brine and the resignation of Mr H. Duynhoven and Mrs Brewster. While their assistance was most welcomed the school was indeed thrilled when Mr Brine returned fully fit after a long convalescence.

A number of appointments have been made to cover the teachers who will be leaving and 1988 should see the school well staffed despite teacher shortages in some areas.



Harry Duynhoven, M.P. returns



and many happy returns of a different sort



STAFF OF '87

Back Row L to R: N.A. McLauchlan, G.P. Hannah, D.A. Cook, R.D. Green, J. Krook, H.C. Guersen, D.C. Moore, D.G. Bevin.
 3rd Row: P.L. Ryder, J.A. Howes, Mrs M. Jardine, A.J. Dennis, C.A. Smith, N.M. Fitzgerald, Mrs E. Rowlands, P.E. Sole, Mrs F.E. Gilkison, A.T.V. Burnham, Mrs D.M. Baylee, J. Jones, P. Glass, G.G. Giddy, A.E. Elgar.
 2nd Row: Ms I. Frengley, Mrs S.M. Atkinson, Mrs J.M. Coley, Miss R.J. Mabin, M. Dobson, M. Watts, R. Turner, J. Rowlands, B. Bayly, J.T. Lander, R.T. Rowlands, K.R. Lockhart, M. Rose, A.D. Butler, Mrs V. Moore, Mrs R.M. Bublitz.
 Front Row: M.C. Carroll, J.B. Launson, N.L. Swindells, J.S. Angell, T.G. Heaps, L.R. Bublitz, T.T. Ryder, R.E. Brine, D.J. Mossop, R.M. Carter, M.R. Grimwood, R.L. Cooper, G.L. Clareburt.



COUNCIL

Back Row L to R: J. Schrader, D. Schwamm, D. Bride, B. Mitchell, S. Boniface, J. Holland.
 3rd Row: C. Bridgeman, E. Jonas, R. Jeffery, P. Roberts, S. Johns, G. Metcalfe, S. Pratt, A. Coles.
 2nd Row: Mr K. Lockhart, Mr M. Dobson, Mr T. Heaps, Mr P. Sole, Mr D. Mossop, Mr R. Brine, Mr M. Carroll.
 Front Row: Mr L.R. Bublitz, K. O'Dowda, B. Cronin, A. Slater, R. Flavell, R. Watson, G. Mills, Mr T.T. Ryder.

HEAD BOY'S REPORT

1987 has been a year of progress and achievement. We have seen the completion of many material additions all of which in their own way will improve the character of our school.

The opening of the new baths by the Mayor of New Plymouth brought to an end year of planning, work and fund-raising and has provided a facility which few schools could match. A major building programme resulted in the building of Nigez boarding-house. Other improvements have been refurbishing of both Carrington and Moyes Houses, a complete upgrading of the office facilities and Chemistry Lab, a new Tuck shop, the renovation of the Woodwork Department and of course the old library converted to the Seventh Form Common Room.

This development has brought our school to a very high standard. The next school priority must now be computer development and the boys were asked to raise \$20,000. This sum was achieved with the usual enthusiasm of a mid-winter swim in the new pool and a work day.

The School Council, in spite of not having a definite income had a reasonably successful year providing subsidies for sports and cultural trips, making available school tea towels, and continuing sponsorships of a Raphael child in India.

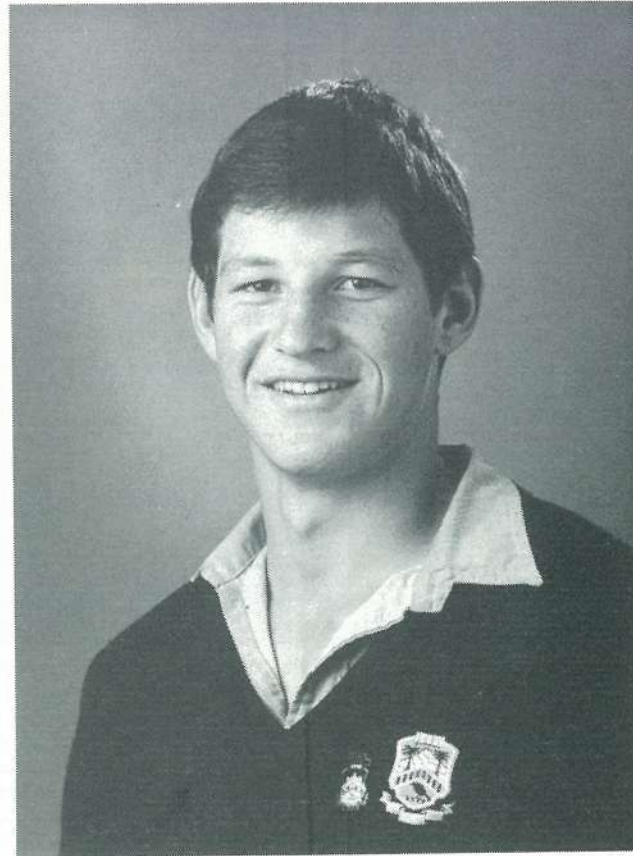
The highly successful Senior Ball with its theme 'World Cup Rugby' was undoubtedly the social event of the year. However, there were also very enjoyable dances held during the year in conjunction with Girls' High School for the whole school. The netball and soccer games between our seventh forms were also much enjoyed.

Thanks must go to the Girls' High School for their co-operation throughout the year. One of the great school events of the year was the ambitious and successful presentation of the musical 'Bugsy Malone'. The combination of weeks of practice and preparation was three nights of the assembly hall being filled to capacity to witness a very polished performance. All involved must be congratulated as must the quartet for winning the New Zealand Instrumental Section of the Westpac Chamber Music Competition.

The school has again excelled in many sports activities. The First Fifteen had an excellent season in spite of injuries and the withdrawal of key players. For the second season the team won the Taranaki Under 21 Competition going through unbeaten although only winning two out of six college games. The losses against Palmerston North, Silverstream and Te Aute were by very slender margins, games that with an ounce of luck could have gone our way. It is probably fair to claim that no team was able to get on top of our forward pack. Considering the team had many first year players the performances are all the more creditable and the prospects are bright. Rugby is still strong in the other grades.

Our First Soccer team had a fine season, winning the Taranaki Youth League and lost only one game all season. The Basketball team was placed fifth in the New Zealand Championships. Our Hockey First Eleven won the Taranaki Men's B Grade title and the Regional Secondary Schools tournament. Our Ski team was fourth in the North Island Championships. The Athletics team won the Tasman Hertz league for the sixth year in a row.

The First Cricket Eleven, after a good start to the season, ended up sixth in the Senior Competition. College games saw the team beat Wellington College, comfortably draw with Napier and Hamilton and Wanganui where they only needed one more wicket for a victory. Congratulations must go to Scott Boniface, selected in the N.Z. Basketball Secondary Schools team, Philip Venables representing N.Z. at Under 19 Water Polo and Stephen Johns in the N.Z. Under 17 Water Polo team and Douglas Mace who has broken the Colts National Hammer record. The school was also represented at Provincial and North Island representative sports. I hope the school will continue to encourage the wide range of sporting activities we do well in. Our congratulations also go to Douglas Mace for winning the Sportsman of the Year Award and Jonathan Baker



the Best Performing Artist Award. The importance of our boarding establishment must be mentioned. Although out of a roll of about eleven hundred only one hundred and seventy are boarders, they play a prominent part in the whole life of the school. Day Boy - Boarder clashes in swimming, Athletics and Rugby are keenly contested and bring out the true spirit of our school. While no scholarships were awarded to the school last year (I believe the situation will change this year) congratulations go to Dale Winter and his colleagues for their Merit Award in the N.Z. Secondary Schools Science Fair held in Wellington. This brief summary of events indicates the wide range of activities that N.P.B.H.S. offers but full participation is important if success is to continue.

The whole school was saddened by the death of two prominent teachers: retired Headmaster, Mr W.A. Alexander and Mr N. Wright.

To have been Head Boy of this school has been a privilege and an honour but no one can undertake such a task without the support of others. I would like to thank Mr Ryder, staff members, fellow pupils, particularly fellow Seventh Formers and House leaders.

On behalf of all pupils I would also acknowledge the fine work of the Board of Governors, the P.T.A., those who have assisted with sport and cultural activities and many others, for without such people freely giving their valuable time our school would not exist in its present form.

I hope that in 1988 and beyond this school will continue to progress, develop and achieve in all areas and that those who enter the gates will not ask what the school can give them but what they can give to their school.

ANDREW SLATER

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CADETS

The year has seen a number of changes in the school cadet unit. Captain M. Dobson replaced Lt. Colonel M. Carroll as Commanding Officer, following Col. Carroll's retirement from the unit. Mr Carroll served with the unit from 1958 when he joined as a Second Lieutenant. In 1972 he became the C.O. and continued in that position until his retirement from the unit at the end of 1986.

1987 has seen the introduction of weekly cadet parades and training, taking place on Thursday evenings from 7.30 - 9.30. The response of the boys to these evening parades has been

very positive. Training in a variety of skills has been carried out, with much less disruption than before.

The course culminated in a three day camp off Surrey Hill Road in mid-October. Four staff; Capt. Dobson, Capt. Mossop, Capt. Carter and Second Lt. Elgar and thirty boys under the guidance of Under Officer Greg Mills and C.S.M. Adrian Collis, enjoyed a break in the rainfall to carry out activities including: map and compass work, bridge building, bush craft and bush navigation. Considering this was their first cadet camp the younger boys performed very well in the bush and enjoyed the experience.



SCHOOL CADET UNIT

Back Row L to R: Cdt. D. Pease, Cdt. A. Johnson, L/Cpl. C. Powell, Cdt. D. Williams, Cdt. A. Morris, Cpl. E. Grainger, Cdt. S. Patene.
3rd Row: W.O.II A. Collis, Cdt. M. Cameron, Cdt. P. King, Cdt. S. Chadwick, Cdt. L. Edwards, Cdt. J. Hobbs, Cdt. D. Maiden, L/Cpl. P. Puata, L/Cpl. D. White.
2nd Row: Cdt. C. Butler, Cdt. M. Stewart, L/Cpl. G. Peck, Cdt. D. Steele, Cdt. S. Skedgwell, Cdt. P. Winch, Cdt. J. Allan, Cdt. N. Withers.
Front Row: Sgt. J. Wesley, S/Sgt. J. Vickers, 2nd Lt. A. Elgar, Capt. D.J. Mossop C.F.M., Capt. M.E. Dobson C.F.M., (Unit Commander), Capt. R.M. Carter, U/O. G.B. Mills, Sgt. S. Hamilton.



THE LIBRARY

1987 has seen the continued development of the library as a resource area. New areas for display have made it an interesting place for students to view the work of their peers. A highlight was the sound and light spectacular, put on by Mr Laurensen and The Geography Department. This was followed by some very well presented work from Mr Swindells' and Mr Hannah's History class.

Two areas of concern are: the number of boys who still view the library as a place to meet and chat, and the slowness of boys to return books they have finished using. More consideration for others would make life easier all round.

Finally thanks to Mrs Van Beers and the librarians. A special vote of thanks to the Head Librarian, Philip Hanser, who has done a fine job this year.

A. Elgar, Teacher-Librarian

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BUGSY MALONE

While on holiday in the South Island last year with another music teaching friend an idea was born - let's do Bugsy Malone. Trusting my friend's judgement I tentatively approached Mrs Ashworth, got the O.K. from the top, wrote a letter to Australia and waited...

Back came, not an imposing music score but a script to give the producer a few sleepless nights.

The musical would be fast, fun and appealing.

Tuesday, by Thursday by Sunday of Term Two Bugsy Malone grew from frantic forgotten lines, ill-tempered gestures, missing parts, half learnt music to a slick, up-tempo stage production which was an outstanding success.

Boys appeared from the deepest, seemingly darkest cultural hinter lands of the school with ability; most of them could even sing! It was exciting!

Our decision to use Sacred Heart girls was successful too. They were a real credit to themselves and the show.

Suddenly it was a reality, a scary one at that! Thanks to our very accommodating Art and Woodwork Departments we had an imaginative set complete with a bookshelf on castors, moving trees (not Birnam Wood!) to name a few!

It seemed our list of props was endless - where would they all come from? Who'd remember to get them to the right place at the right time? Sometimes I was thankful just to be the person who waved my arms about.

Then there were the splurge guns and the pies. We were really fortunate to be able to hire professionally made guns. Twenty four cans of shaving cream later we heaved a sigh of relief, which was quickly replaced by horror at the enormous dry-cleaning bill but it was worth it.

While Mrs Ashworth and Mrs Foreman (and their long suffering families) deserve a special mention, there are countless people who gave hours of time and energy to making it go. People appeared and said "What can I do?" or "I can do so and so; do you need help?" How wonderful it is to have a community, both within

the school and beyond, who are prepared to give and support, see someone's vision and whole heartedly make it their own... Thanks Norm, Tabs, Rob, David, Phil, Dobby, Neil, Tones, Duncan, Flora, Geoff and Viv, and to all the musicians, cast and crew and anyone I may have forgotten.

While much of the show was intentional literary stereotype it was not without its messages; Blousey and her goals and Bugsy being prepared to lend a hand to a mate. But the words of the finale were for us - "You give a little love and it all comes back to you..."

My hope is that everyone who was involved was touched in some way and grew from the experience. I did, and I am grateful. Thanks troops. Shall we try something new next year.

Rosey Mabin



MUSIC NOTES



Music at NPBHS in 1987 will be remembered as Bugsy Malone. Certainly most of the creative energy and time was spent getting the show on stage, but sound — noise — still was being produced.

All our music groups are functioning. The Stage Band is now a year old and already has a large repertoire and is playing for functions beyond the school framework.

This has been a year of talent. Over and above the demands placed on normal music commitments, a group of boys distinguished themselves by winning the 1987 Westpac Chamber Music Instrumental Section. Kotrab (Jonathan Baker, Duncan Haynes, Stephen Bremner and Gareth Thomas) with many hours of help from Mrs Joyce Driver performed a difficult and challenging Bartok piece for two pianos and percussion. They deserved to win:

their energy and commitment to music speaks well for the future of music in New Zealand.

Jonathan is the Performing Artist for 1987; his skill as a pianist has been observed and heard by all the school.

Many other boys are pursuing individual interests in music, not all classical either. This is important, creativity means life.

As usual there are always people to thank. Without the continuous support of the itinerant teachers much of the music in the school would not exist. Thanks to people like Mr Dobson and Mr Krook who always go the extra mile and are willing to give of time and expertise, and of course the regular music Department Staff. Lastly my thanks go to the boys who give up their many lunch hours to come and make music something to be listened to in this school.



CONCERT BAND

Back Row L to R: R. Thomas, B. Cronin, J. Baker, D. Haynes, S. Wilcox, C. King.
Middle Row: Mr Dobson, S. Bremner, P. Lester, A. Taylor, G. Thomas, M. Scott, D. Baty, Miss Mabin.
Front Row: R. Cornell, P. Smale, R. Lyall, J. Van der Water, R. Austin, A. Rae, M. Simpson, E. Davies.



STAGE BAND

Back Row L to R: Miss Mabin, R. Thomas, G. Thomas, J. Baker, D. Haynes, P. Lester.
Front Row: D. Baty, J. Van der Water, M. Scott, R. Lyall, S. Bremner.



CHOIR

Back Row L to R: Miss Mabin, C. de Bueger, G. Thomas, J. Baker, T. Harland, M. Scott, Mrs Ashworth.
Front Row: M. Simpson, D. Baty, M. Dobson, D. Haynes, R. Marks, S. Bremner.



CHAMBER GROUP

Back Row L to R: D. Haynes, T. Harland, C. de Bueger.
Front Row: Mr N. Fitzgerald, M. Revell.

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Third Formers' first day



Cappy Masters - Anzac Ceremony



Biology trip

Extracts From the School Diary

FEBRUARY
 2 Mon. In the beginning... 5ths, 6ths and 7ths arrived in the morning to check courses...
 3 Tues. A never-to-be-forgotten day for third formers.
 9 Mon. Cricket and Tennis teams v Napier B.H. in N.P.
 13 Fri. Head Boy announced (Andrew Slater) and Heads of Houses.
 17 Tues. 600 Drums - drama for 3rds and 4ths.
 18 Wed. Topec - Camp for 6th formers - led by Mr R. Rowlands.
 23 Mon. Sporting exchange with Hamilton B.H.
 24 Tues. Swimming Sports - first in the new pool.

MARCH
 2 Mon. Re-occupation begun - the office moves out of its bunker accommodation - like taking over Europe.
 11 Wed. Funeral of Wit Alexander... School tribute.
 Drama presenting Katherine Mansfield by Cathie Downes.
 12 Thur. Athletics Day.
 17 Tues. M.P. Helen Clark visits School.
 20 Fri. Captain Sounds entertain.
 21 Sat. Max Carroll - Hole in One. 10.37...pitching wedge... 128 metres...
 27 Fri. Mufti Day - for World Immunisation Programme and 40 Hour Famine.

APRIL
 1 Wed. Girls' High entertain in assembly - Miss Universe show.
 7 Tues. Good (sanguine) response from blood donors.
 10 Fri. The new Tuck Shop opens - a school too marches on its stomach. Mr Ryder leaves for Tokyo. Senior "progress" reports issued.
 24 Fri. Anzac Service: Cappy Masters' Address.
 27 Mon. Music Festival - well noted.
 30 Thur. Let's dance... meet... hop at G.H.S.

MAY
 6 Wed. Whistle # 1 issued. Tabloid format.
 8 Fri. Last assembly of term with The Band presenting bright... breezy... swinging... infectious... foot-tapping... "Saints".
 28 Thur. Welcome back Mr & Mrs Bublitz from Churchill Fellowship to Canada/England.

JUNE
 1 Mon. Queen's Birthday: 3rd form Hostel win over College House.
 3 Wed. Japanese experience - Andrew Shearer reports (\$6000 over weight).
 5 Fri. Old Boy Mr Neil Walters (Foreign Affairs) visits School and speaks to 6th form.
 10 Wed. The first hurdle - Senior Exams begin.
 25 Thur. Mid-Winter Madness (again) at the pool \$5000 raised for computers.



26 Fri. Open Weekend at the hostel.
 29 Mon. A week's camping at Huinga for 4th formers and mainly soggy.

JULY
 1 Wed. 1st XV v St Pat's on The Gully. We lost 7-9, in the mud.
 6/7 Mon. Mid-term break.
 Tues.
 15 Wed. 1st XV v Wanganui Collegiate on The Gully, we won 22-21 (A point well made). Operation Raffle Tickets.
 16 Thur. Mufti Day, Senior Dance. Dancing definition (as it used to be): a horizontal expression of a vertical desire...
 24 Fri. In-Service Teacher Only Day - curriculum review.
 27 Mon. The pen is mightier than... Essay Competition Week.
 29 Wed. 1st XV v P.N.B.H.S. We played well but lost 3-12 at P.N.

AUGUST
 4 Tues. Social Studies Fair - exhibits in the Hall.
 11 Tues. Buggy Malone opens.
 12 Wed. Sports exchange with Wanganui Boys' College.
 14 Fri. Work Day - bottle drive, cycle-a-thon, raffles...\$13,200 raised.
 15 Sat. The bright and glittering Ball. Mr Duynhoven becomes M.P.
 18 Tues. Speech Night - finals. "Now Nothing is a good topic to speak on..."
 19 Wed. Whistle # 2 issued.

SEPTEMBER
 14 Mon. Term Three begins... And the word is - Exams draw nigh. Form 6 Camp at Huinga.
 17 Thur. School Cross Country Championships run.
 30 Wed. School exams in Pridham Hall for 5ths/7ths gray daze.

OCTOBER
 12 Mon. Assembly readings / theme begin: Self and others.
 14 Wed. Cadet Camp - 3 day exercise begins.
 Awards Dinner: Best Sportsman : Douglas Mace.
 Best Performing Artist: Jonathan Baker.
 15 Thur. Mufti - Council Funds.
 Crystal Ball Predictions...
 28 Wed. Form 6 exams begin.

NOVEMBER
 11 Wed. Senior Prizegiving.
 16 Mon. School Certificate Exams begin.
 30 Mon. Form 3 Outdoor Education programme begins.

DECEMBER
 9 Wed. Junior Prizegiving.
 10 Thur. Amen.



Everyone got a big buzz out of the show!



New Woodwork shops



Much construction going on in the early months of the year

SWIMMING SPORTS



SWIMMING SPORTS REPORT

After a number of days of wet weather the sun appeared on the morning of the swimming sports. The new-look swimming sports which allowed for a greater participation of swimmers was well supported by the school and at the junior level a good 50% of the boys had a swim in a one length race.

The official opening of the new pool was held just after lunch. The Mayor unveiled a plaque on the new changing sheds and Mr R. Worth cut the ribbon and had the first official swim. After the opening, the Old Boys v School relay was held in very good spirit and would have continued all day had the school team not conceded in the end.

A good day was had by all in the new swimming pool.

H. Guerson, (Organiser)

Results

Junior Championship

1st J. Frazer
2nd P. Veric
3rd D. Prew

Intermediate Championship

1st K. Gilmour
2nd D. Ruakere
3rd K. Waipatene

Senior Championship

1st S. Johns
2nd P. Venables
3rd R. Flavell

EVENTS

50m Freestyle Junior

1st J. Frazer, 2nd P. Veric, 3rd G. O'Neil time 32.14 sec

50m Freestyle Intermediate

1st D. Ruakere, 2nd K. Gilmour, 3rd K. Waipatene time 29.50 sec

50m Senior Freestyle

1st S. Johns, 2nd R. Flavell, 3rd G. Wood Time 26.37 sec

50m Backstroke

Junior
1st D. Prew, 2nd P. Feltoe, 3rd G. O'Neil time 41.40

Intermediate

1st K. Gilmour, 2nd D. Ruakere, 3rd S. Meuli time 38.63 sec

Senior

1st S. Johns, 2nd P. Venables, 3rd R. Flavell time 33.63 sec

50m Breastroke

Junior 1st P. Veric, 2nd J. Frazer, 3rd D. Prew time 41.70 sec

Intermediate

1st K. Waipatene, 2nd S. Strombom, 3rd R. Green time 41.51 sec

Senior

1st S. Johns, 2nd P. Venables, 3rd R. Flavell time 34.00 sec

100m Freestyle

Junior
1st J. Frazer, 2nd D. Prew, 3rd P. Veric time 1.13.15 sec

Intermediate

1st D. Ruakere, 2nd K. Gilmour, 3rd K. Waipatene time 1.06.85 sec

Senior

1st S. Johns, 2nd R. Flavell, 3rd G. Wood time 1.02.70 sec

Open 50m Butterfly

1st S. Johns, 2nd J. Fisher, 3rd P. Venables time 30.80 sec

Open 4x1 Medley

1st S. Johns, 2nd P. Venables, 3rd R. Flavell time 1.11.44 sec

House Group Relay

1st Syme 8, 2nd Hatherly 8, 3rd Hatherly 3 time 2.04.45 sec

A House Relay

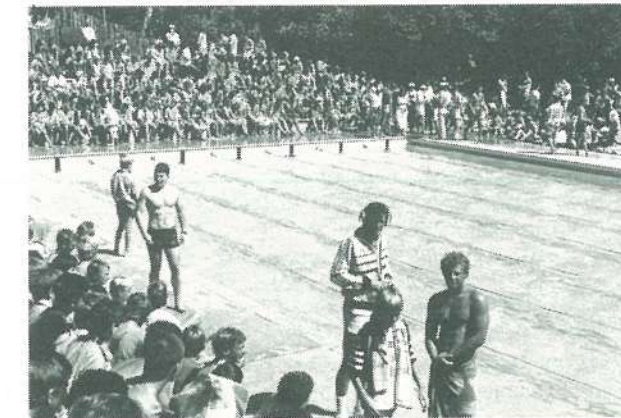
1st Barak House, 2nd Syme, 3rd Hatherly, 4th Donnelly time 2.54.44 sec

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1987 SWIMMING TEAM

Back Row L to R: N.A. McLauchlan, L. Edwards, C. Gilmour, N. Hemmings.
Front Row: W. Powell, K. Hawley, T. Parlane (Capt.), H. Wilson,
Absent: M. Bates.



Mr R. Palmer - official starter



Group relays

Hibbert says he wants to go home because of his nostalgia. (neuralgia).

WATER POLO

North Island Secondary School Water Polo Championships.

N.P.B.H.S. TEAM: Philip Venables (Capt.), Stephen Johns (Vice-Capt.), Rhys Flavell, Simon Clegg, Dennis Ruakere, Martin Bates, Greg Wood, Jason Fisher, Andrew Simons.

N.P.B.H.S. finished fourth in the North Island behind the big three Auckland schools, Sacred Heart, Auckland Grammar, Selwyn College. This was a great achievement considering that the other competing teams all play weekly and have access to training facilities all year round. The best games were against Rongotai College from Wellington who were third in New Zealand last year (we won 14-6), and the narrow 7-4 loss to second place getters Auckland Grammar.

SCORES

v RONGOTAI COLLEGE won 14-6
(Venables 8, Johns 4, Flavell 1, Ruakere1)
v WELLINGTON COLLEGE won 13-6
(Venables 6, Johns 6, Flavell 1)
v ROSEHILL COLLEGE won 13-7
(Venables 3, Johns 5, Flavell 3, Simons 1, Ruakere 1)
v SELWYN COLLEGE lost 9-16
(Johns 5, Venables 3, Clegg 1)
v SACRED HEART lost 5-17
(Johns 2, Venables 2, Fisher 1)
v TAKAPUNA GRAMMAR won 8-7
(Venables 3, Flavell 2, Johns 2, Fisher 1)
v AUCKLAND GRAMMAR lost 4-7
(Johns 1, Venables 2, Flavell 1)

Top Scorers:-

Venables	27
Johns	25
Flavell	8

National Schools Water Polo Championship

Unfortunately a clash with other sports meant that a difficult choice had to be made by individual players and the team. In the end we didn't attend the National Championships held over mid-term break. We now look at a building process for the future.

R. Palmer, (Manager)

School Surfboard Riding Championships

On Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th of February the 1987 surfboard riding championships were held at Fitzroy Beach in waves ranging up to 1.5 metres high. A field of thirty-five surfers entered and after elimination heats on Tuesday fourteen boys qualified for the semi-finals on Wednesday. From two semi-final heats a final of six surfers was held. Competition was keen and the surfing of a high standard with the final results being:

1st David Stevens	38 points
2nd Dino Crane	34.5 points
3rd Johnathan Hughes	32.0 points
4th Neil Mandell	25.0 points
5th Daryl Waswo	20.5 points
6th Richard Hazard	19.5 points

These six boys will compete for the Whittaker Memorial Trophy at the Taranaki intersecondary school surfboard riding championships to be held on March 2nd.

... and the sucnesificinance of the candle!

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CRICKET



FIRST XI CRICKET

Back Row: Mr G. Giddy (Coach), A. Harvie, G. Clark, K. Ward, M. Carr.
Middle Row: D. Cleaver, S. Matheson, B. Cronin (Capt.), K. O'Dowda, W. Alswailer, J. Burbidge.
Front Row: M. O'Dowda, T. Burbidge.

REPRESENTATIVES

Taranaki A: Karl O'Dowda
Taranaki Colts: Karl O'Dowda
Taranaki Under 18: Grant Cross, Richie Sheather, Karl O'Dowda, Stephen Matheson.
Taranaki Under 17: Karl O'Dowda, Jason Burbidge, Kurt Ward, Brett Cronin (Captain).
Taranaki Under 16: Dylan Cleaver, Andrew Harvie, Greg Clark.
Central Districts Under 17: Karl O'Dowda.

Club Season

Playing in the Senior Club competition - Term Three of 1986. The team began very well in the series of one day games defeating Hawera United, Ratapiko (Grant Cross 83), Okato (Richie Sheather 117 n.o.), Marist (Jason Burbidge 81) and losing narrowly to Waitara (Colin Downing 6 for 26) and Merrilands. This placed the team second at that stage. The inevitable changes then occurred in Term One of 1987 and although there were some good individual performances overall the results slipped. Some of the better performances were:-

Andrew Harvie 69 v Manaia
Karl O'Dowda 7 for 42 v Ratapiko
Dylan Cleaver 71 n.o. v Ratapiko
Richie Sheather 63 v Hawera
Karl O'Dowda 6 for 94 v Hawera
Karl O'Dowda 7 for 38 v Okato
Karl O'Dowda 5 for 14 v Merrilands
Karl O'Dowda 66 n.o. v Merrilands

The team finished sixth in the eight team competition.

Karl O'Dowda was outstanding taking 62 wickets for the season and also batting very well. He deserved his selection in the Taranaki A side - a rare honour for a school boy. He was well supported by Stephen Matheson and Kurt Ward who often bowled without luck. Dylan Cleaver proved more than useful with his variation of spin.

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Dylan Cleaver let the batting with 605 runs with Jason Burbidge 498, Karl O'Dowda 333, Wade Alswailer 289 and Stephen Matheson 246.

Captain and wicket keeper Brett Cronin took 22 dismissals. The fielding was generally keen but relaxed at vital times on one or two occasions.

The team once again benefited from the assistance from professional coach Phil Newport (Worcester).

COLLEGE GAMES

The results of the college matches of the 1985-86 season were very pleasing, with, at times, very high tension encounters.

RESULTS

Wellington College - won outright by 5 wickets.
Napier Boys' High School - draw.
Hamilton B.H.S - draw.
Wanganui Collegiate - draw.

Highlights of the School's college matches were Jason Burbidge's fine effort against Wellington College and Wanganui Collegiate. Against Wellington, Burbidge took eight wickets for seventy-one runs, off a spell of twenty overs.

The Wanganui Collegiate game saw Burbidge scoring a very good 97 runs.

v WELLINGTON COLLEGE — at Wellington 8/12/86

Wellington won the toss and batted. After losing two wickets for only one run, Wellington were out for only 153 runs, Karl O'Dowda bowling well for 4-41 off 15 overs.

School batted well and by the end of the first day were 201-8 Dec: Dylan Cleaver 45 and Jason Burbidge 58 having an 84 run partnership.

Wellington's second innings on the second day started well with College being 174-5 but slipped to be all out for 199. Jason Burbidge 8-71 off 20 overs.

School was set 152 runs to win in 85 minutes and 20 overs. Due to a 79 run partnership between Cleaver 69 n.o., and Richie Sheather 50, School were 154-5. A win to School by 5 wickets.

WANGANUI COLLEGIATE — Wanganui 16/3/87

This College match was the highlight of all the College matches, School won the toss and batted first to score 229-7 wickets declared. Cleaver 71, Burbidge 45 and Matheson 55 n.o.

Collegiate batted well until stumps when the declaration was made at 205-3. Kurt Ward bowled well and was unlucky not gaining wickets that were definitely deserved.

School's second innings started well, with Jason Burbidge batting confidently for 97 runs, Cleaver 22 and Alswailer 37. After serious thoughts on declaration, Captain Brett Cronin declared at 3.15 pm with the score at 191-6. This left Collegiate 216 runs in 150 minutes to win.

Set 5 runs per over in gloomy conditions, tension grew; on and off the field. Three runs per over were then set in the last 20 overs. In the last 6 overs, 34 runs were needed by Collegiate and only 4 wickets from School. Two throw downs at the wickets by Dylan Cleaver increased School's victory chances with 3 overs to go, 26 runs wanted, and 2 wickets needed.

In the last over 26 runs were wanted by Collegiate and 1 wicket by School. A half-chance went begging in the last over and Collegiate finished 190-9.

Kurt Ward was the best bowler, although unrewarded. 5 run overs contributed to the tension in the last innings. Result: a draw.

NAPIER BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL — Top Ground 9/2/87

NPBHS won the toss and batted. Losing early wickets 3-29 School went on to make 209-9 Dec. Karl O'Dowda 39 and Michael Carr 22. Wade Alswailer in his first College match scored 75 runs.

Napier batted very slowly, forcing School to field a vast 88 overs, and were all out for 232. O'Dowda 3-67, from 24 overs. Matheson 3-44 from 18 overs and Kurt Ward bowling well for 2-68 from 24 overs.

School on the second day scored 164-9. Cleaver 43, Alswailer 35. Napier was left 139 runs in the last hour but due to travelling times the game was called off as a draw. Result: a draw.

HAMILTON BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL — Hamilton 24/2/87

Hamilton won the toss and sent NPBHS in to bat. NPBHS were all out for 177, Cleaver 33.

Hamilton after a dismal start at being one wicket down for 0 runs, and 5 wickets for 61, recovered well to go on to make 145-7 declared. Karl O'Dowda 6-75 from 24 overs.

School in the second innings had a lead of 32 runs, and went on to make 152-7 declared. O'Dowda 41 n.o., Carr 37.

This set Hamilton 186 runs to win but by stumps Hamilton were 163-7. Cleaver bowled well for 4-64. Result: a draw.

G. Giddy, (Coach)

SECOND XI CRICKET

A very strong and experienced side started the season under coach Mr David Armstrong, recording very good wins over Huatoki; M.A. NP 'A', M.A. NP 'B' (N. Maxwell 62 n.o.), Westown (T. Burbidge 76), Avis Vogeltown, Marist (T. Little 62).

Mr Armstrong then left to travel overseas and the team was taken by Mr Bob Hall. Wins were recorded against Spotswood College, NPOB (W. Alswailer 94, T. Burbidge 143 n.o. in a partnership of 229 runs), M.A. NP 'B' (C. Richards 60), and Inglewood (T. Burbidge 79). Losses were recorded against Inglewood (T. Burbidge 67), Fitzroy (A. Ruakere 58), NPBHS 3rd XI, M.A. NP 'A' and Fitzroy (A. Ruakere 57).

Most consistent performers were - with the ball: G. Clark, P. Chapman, M. Hall, N. Cox and A. Ruakere - with the bat: T. Burbidge, W. Alswailer, C. Richards, A. Ruakaere, N. Cox.

The team ended in fourth position - a very good result.

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2ND / 3RD XI SQUAD

Back Row L to R: B. Hicks, D. Putt, T. Burbidge.
Middle Row: M. Jonas, B. Winder, A. Ruakere, C. Richards, M. O'Dowda, I. Redington.
Front Row: P. Lester, J. Holland, N. Cox, M. Hall, G. Holmes, Z. Horsfall.

COLLEGE GAMES

v NAPIER BHS

Played on Webster Field, Napier batted first and were dismissed for 89, Michael Hall taking 5 wickets for 19 runs with good support from Blair Hicks, Phil Chapman, Paul Roberts and Grant Holmes. We batted and were dismissed for 67 - a poor effort. Napier fared better in their second innings, scoring 145 runs (Phil Chapman 5 for 24, Zahn Horsfall 2 for 11). This left School 167 runs to win. This was achieved in excellent style for the loss of one wicket. Neil Cox 80 and Anthony Ruakere 56 n.o., putting on 156 for the first wicket.

v HAMILTON BHS

Played at Hamilton, School batted first to score 212, (Anthony Ruakere 35, Daryl Putt 34, Craig Richards 24, Zahn Horsfall 60 n.o., who with Michael Hall 10 and Grant Holmes 10, added 84 for the last two wickets).

Hamilton declared at 148 for 7, (Zahn Horsfall 2 for 14, Anthony Ruakere 2 for 19). School batted again, declaring at 157 for 7 (Neil Cox 23, Jason Holland 27, Zahn Horsfall 19 n.o.). This left Hamilton 222 to win. In a very tense finish Hamilton ended at 105 for nine (Neil Cox 2 for 16, Todd Burbidge 3 for 22).

A draw - but so close to a win.

THIRD XI CRICKET 86/87

A young team of mainly Fourth Formers formed the basis of the Third XI for this season.

While the team struggled all season to contain batting sides, the ledger at the end showed more wins than losses.

In results and personal batting performances this was the most successful Third XI side since this team has been playing Men's grade cricket.

The season's highlight for the boys would have been the competition victory over the Second XI.

Leading batsmen were D. Putt with over 300 runs including two fifties, while T. Wolfe, A. Simons, B. Hicks and Z. Horsfall all scored 200 plus runs during the season.

The individual batting highlights was a fine personal best of 89 by M. Jonas in post Christmas Play. The leading wicket-taker with 33 wickets was B. Hicks, while pre-Christmas G. Holmes, 18 wickets, bowled well. Other consistent bowlers included M. Hall, P. Chapman, Z. Horsfall, G. Hooper and R. Campbell.

COLLEGE MATCH

v PIO PIO COLLEGE

For the first time the Third XI was able to play a College match. Travelling to Pio Pio in early March the boys spent a frustrating day's play between showers. The scores were NPBHS 232-9 (Winder 53, Putt 53, Simons 50), Pio Pio 93-8 (Hicks 4-29).

Pio Pio are to be congratulated on a well organised and enjoyable day. It is intended to continue this match on an annual basis.

Team members during the season included:
A. Simons (Captain), M. O'Dowda, T. Wolfe, P. Chapman, D. Putt, J. Holland, G. Holmes, B. Hicks, M. Hall, L. Thomas, Z. Horsfall, G. Hooper, B. Winder, R. Campbell, M. Jonas, I. Burr, I. Reddington, P. Lester, Coach L.H. Armstrong.

JUNIOR CRICKET

Once again Saturday morning cricket proved very popular. We fielded nine teams, four third Form and five fourth grade teams.

There were mixed results. In the fourth Grade Div I the Hostel team won the competition.

This team played very well winning all of their games -most quite easily. They were well led and organised by Brendon Winder and Anthony Morris.

Somerset coached by Mr Ruakere weren't far behind in this competition.

In Div II Yorkshire, Lancashire, and Glamorgan all performed well and the players enjoyed themselves. Coaches Mr Paul Ryder and Mr Burt Rolson must be thanked for their help.

Bert Robson's death in September this year was a shock. He will certainly be missed. Many boys at this school have enjoyed his coaching and we all appreciate the hours he gave to this school.

In the fifth grade - the Gold team did well in Div I. Many players in this team show a lot of promise. Mr Swindells must be thanked for his coaching efforts. Mr Bevin who leaves us this year looked after the Black team. They had mixed success but all enjoyed their season.

Div II - we had two teams in this grade Mr Dennis's team and the third Form boarders team. Both did very well, ending the season near the top of their competition.

Again, many thanks to coaches and parents who helped out. It looks like cricket will remain strong in the school for many years to come.

J. Rowlands, Master-in-Charge



5TH GRADE GOLD CRICKET

Back Row L to R: N. Swindells (Coach), M. Martin-Dromgool, D. Magon, R. Morse, H. Miller, R. Hardina, T. Jans.
Front Row: R. Arbaugh, S. Doorey, J. Darling, P. Vyver, P. Moorhead, Absent: S. Parker.



New synthetic wicket provided by North Taranaki Cricket Association

SQUASH

Squash: Report Term II 1987

There are still very few secondary schools offering Squash as a sports option; consequently our squash team had to look elsewhere for fixtures to give them competition. To this end assistance was sought from senior members of the Kawaroa Park Club. Eventually a varied fixture list emerged boasting such colourful titles as "The Foxey Ladies", "The Maui Rig", "New Plymouth Police", "The Wharfies", "The J. Witror Selection", and so forth. Playing against older players proved valuable experience as all games were keenly contested, many of the seniors using the fixture as training for their own district and national aspirations.

Boys to represent the school were: S. Vernon (Captain), Lee Cochlan, S. Coles, J. Ede, N. Young, G. Scrivin, and L. Upson.

The senior fixtures ran out at 4-3 in the boys' favour whilst the school fixtures resulted in two wins for NPBHS - against Wanganui Collegiate 9/3 and Spotswood 5/10.

School Squash is grateful for the assistance received from the K.P. Club members and our special thanks go to them.

The present strength of the club lies in the Sixth and Seventh Forms many of whom will not be here next year. We need more Intermediate and Junior players urgently.

A. Burnham, (Coach)



SQUASH TEAM 1987

Back Row L to R: A.T.V. Burnham, G. Scrivin, S. Coles, L. Upson.
Front Row: L. Cochlan, S. Vernon, N. Young.

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ATHLETICS

SCHOOL CHAMPS

After an almost farcical round of date changes we were lucky to come up with a superb day for our sports. The championship events followed along traditional lines but changes were made to the non-championship events whereby boys were asked to enter in at least two events with the aim being to better standards to score points. The response was almost overwhelming and an estimated 60-65% of the school 'had a go' rather than doing nothing. We can only hope that this attitude continues into the future.

In the championship events there was a close battle for the senior title between Andrew Bunn and Simon Manu with Andrew winning by a mere two points.

Jon Lines equalled the intermediate High Jump record of 1.66 metres and just failed in his attempt to better it, while Douglas Mace gave us an impressive demonstration of Hammer throwing, pushing his own record out to 59 metres.

Overall Hatherly narrowly defeated Syme, the day boys continued to dominate the boarders and in a turn around the Seventh Form defeated the Staff.

R. Palmer, (Organiser)

RESULTS

JUNIOR

100m: 1st L. Clapham (D8) 13.04; 2nd J. Salisbury (S3); 3rd A. Ruakere (H4).

200m: 1st L. Clapham (D8) 26.52; 2nd A. Ruakere (H4); 3rd M. Mitchell (H7).

400m: 1st M. Miller (H7) 1:03.61; 2nd D. Mohi (H3); 3rd D. Newman (H1).

800m: 1st B. Robertson (H2) 2:23.47; 2nd P. Maddaford (H4); 3rd D. Newman (H1).

1500m: 1st M. Miller (H7) 4:56.74; 2nd B. Robertson (H2); 3rd K. McDowell (H4).

Long Jump: 1st A. Ruakere (H7) 4.47m; 2nd L. Clapham (D8); 3rd G. O'Neill (H2).

High Jump: 1st A. Ruakere (H4) 1.36m; 2nd S. Bignell (D5); 3rd C. Purdie (H5).

Triple Jump: 1st A. Ruakere (H4) 9.32m; 2nd C. Taylor (S1); 3rd P. Maddaford (H4).

Javelin: 1st D. Stewart (S9) 30.42m; 2nd M. Miller (H7); 3rd J. Frazer (B1).

Discus: 1st A. Ruakere (H4) 32.26m; 2nd R. Wood (S8); 3rd N. Pulotu (H3).

Shot: 1st L. Clapham (D8) 11.58m; 2nd A. Ruakere (H4); 3rd R. Wood (S8).



Douglas Mace

INTERMEDIATE

100m Hurdles: 1st G. Olliver (H9) 17.77; 2nd N. Penno (H9); 3rd A. Slack (S9).

100m: 1st N. Penno (H9) 12.20; 2nd M. Ediriweera (B1); 3rd G. Tiaon (S9).

200m: 1st N. Penno (H9) 24.46; 2nd G. Olliver (H9); 3rd D. Holswich (B1).

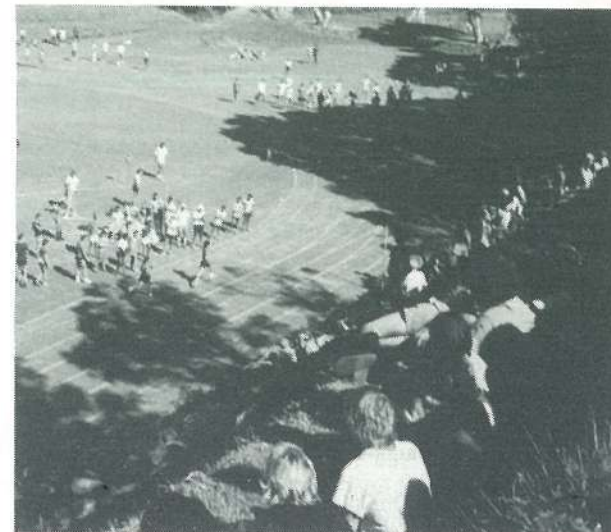
400m: 1st N. Penno (H9) 59.33; 2nd G. Olliver (H9); 3rd G. Thomas (S2).

800m: 1st G. Olliver (H9) 2:12.34; 2nd J. Lofton-Brook (B4); 3rd R. Saker (S9).

1500m: 1st G. Olliver (H9) 4:33.02; 2nd J. Lofton-Brook (B4); 3rd B. Beavan (D7).

Long Jump: 1st G. Tiaon (S9) 5.5m; 2nd N. Penno (H9); 3rd D. Holswich (B1).

High Jump: 1st J. Lines (B9) 1.66m; 2nd G. Tiaon (S9); 3rd M. O'Dowda (H5).



Relay strategies...

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1987 ATHLETICS TEAM

Back Row L to R: M. Watts, P. Tully, C. Barry, G. Tiaon, M. Bates, C. Stewart, J. Angell.
Middle Row: R. Saker, B. Beaven, B. Wood, L. Clapham, S. Kelly, N. Penno, A. Wisneski.
Front Row: M. Ediriweera, S. Manu, B. Robertson, D. Stewart, D. Mace, M. Miller, J. Prestidge, K. McDowell.

Triple Jump: 1st P. Tully (S1) 10.36m; 2nd G. Olliver (H9); 3rd J. Lofton-Brook (B4).
Javelin: 1st A. Wisneski (S5) 42.10m; 2nd A. Bryant (D2); 3rd T. Wells (S4).
Discus: 1st J. Lines (B9) 31.38m; 2nd G. Tiaon (S9); 3rd C. Bell (D8).
Shot: 1st B. Wood (S1) 11.58m; 2nd G. Tiaon (S9); 3rd A. Wisneski (S5).

SENIOR
110m Hurdles: 1st S. Manu (H5) 18.60; 2nd C. De Beuger (D7); 3rd A. Bunn (D5).
100m: 1st A. Bunn (D5) 11.77; 2nd S. Manu (H5); 3rd P. Roberts (H2).
200m: 1st A. Bunn (D5) 23.78; 2nd R. Mautama (H6); 3rd C. Carrick (D2).
400m: 1st A. Bunn (D5) 58.15; 2nd M. Crow (D7); 3rd C. McKenzie (H2).
800m: 1st M. Bates (D8) 2:13.61; 2nd C. Barry (D7); 3rd J. Wood (S4).
1500m: 1st C. Barry (D7) 4:36.04; 2nd J. Wood (S4); 3rd M. Bates (D8).
Long Jump: 1st S. Manu (H5) 5.5m; 2nd A. Bunn (D5); 3rd K. Ward (S6).
High Jump: 1st S. Manu (H5) 1.66m; 2nd G. Sands (S2); 3rd S. Boniface (D1).
Triple Jump: 1st C. Carrick (D2) 11.08m; 2nd S. Manu (H5); 3rd S. Boniface (D1).
Javelin: 1st E. Naitora (H7) 42.55m; 2nd R. Mautama (H6); 3rd D. Mace (H1).
Discus: 1st D. Mace (H6) 44.27m; 2nd C. Richards (H8); 3rd R. Mautama (H6).
Shot: 1st D. Mace (H1) 13.92m; 2nd J. Brewer (D4); 3rd G. Sue (S2).

RELAYS

JUNIOR
1st Syme; 2nd Hatherly; 3rd Donnelly; 4th Barak.

INTERMEDIATE
1st Hatherly; 2nd Syme; 3rd Donnelly; 4th Barak.

SENIOR
1st Hatherly; 2nd Donnelly; 3rd Syme; 4th Barak.

CHAMPIONS
JUNIOR
1st Anthony Ruakere (H4)
2nd Lyall Clapham (D8)
3rd Mark Miller (H7)

INTERMEDIATE
1st Neil Penno (H9)
2nd Glen Olliver (H9)
3rd Glen Tiaon (S9)

SENIOR
1st Andrew Bunn (D5)
2nd Simon Manu (H5)
3rd Douglas Mace (H1)

NEW RECORDS
Douglas Mace - Open Hammer 52-16m - 59m.

Of course I am going to the pictures with my girl friend and a few of her mats.

Sally, the pig dog, had a black bore against a fallen log.

TASMAN HERTZ

Even though we struggled to find a team, especially in the Junior Grade we won both nights quite comfortably thereby winning the trophy for the seventh consecutive year.

It was pleasing to see a large turnout in the Junior distance events.

Juniors who performed very well were Lyall Clapham, Anthony Ruakere, Phillip Tully, Paul McCabe and Kelvin MacDowell.

Our outstanding intermediate performer was Neil Penno while other very good performances came from Glen Olliver, Justin Lofton-Brook, Aaron Wisneski and Glenn Tiaon.

Seniors who performed very well as usual were Douglas Mace (new school record in the Shot) and Andrew Bunn. They were helped by Simon Manu, Ritchie Mautama and Chris Barry.

Justin Lofton-Brook also broke two school records, in the Open 3000m and the Intermediate 1500m.

Mr Watts and Mr Angell would like to thank all the boys for making themselves available, their effort and their conduct. We wish all these boys success in their future athletic career.

M. Watts, (Coach/Manager)

Taranaki Secondary School Athletic Champs

These were held at Inglewood on a fine day with competition proving very good in most events. Because of the lateness of our School sports we had difficulty in selecting our best team to compete due to some students having already committed themselves to other sports.

Our boys still competed very well as the results show.

Open Hammer: D. Mace	1st
Senior Boys Discus: D. Mace	1st
Senior Boys Shot: D. Mace	1st
Senior Boys 100m: A. Bunn	1st
Senior Boys 200m: A. Bunn	2nd
Senior Boys Long Jump: S. Manu	2nd
Senior Boys 110m Hurdles: S. Manu	2nd
Senior Boys 2000m Steeplechase: C. Barry	1st
Senior Boys 2000m Steeplechase: J. Wood	3rd
Intermediate Boys 1500m Steeplechase: S. Kelly	2nd
Intermediate Boys 1500m Steeplechase: R. Saker	3rd
Intermediate Boys 100m: N. Penno	4th
Intermediate Boys 200m: N. Penno	3rd
Intermediate Boys 400m: C. Stewart	1st
Intermediate Boys Shot: B. Wood	2nd
Intermediate Boys Javelin: A. Wisneski	1st
Junior Boys 1000m Steeplechase: K. McDowell	2nd
Junior Boys 100m: L. Clapham	1st
Junior Boys 200m: L. Clapham	1st
Junior Boys 800m: M. Miller	1st
Junior Boys 800m: B. Robertson	3rd
Junior Boys 1500m: M. Miller	2nd
Junior Boys 1500m: B. Robertson	3rd
Junior Boys Discus: R. Wood	1st

NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Senior Boys
Douglas Mace 1st Shot 14.29m.
Douglas Mace 1st Hammer 57.94m.
Simon Manu Top 8 Long Jump 6.21m

Intermediate Boys
Glenn Tiaon 6th Shot 11.33m.
Glenn Olliver 9th 800m heat 2.12.
Aaron Wisneski 6th Javelin 44.57m.

Junior Boys
Lyall Clapham 5th heat 200m 25.6 which is a new school record.
Mark Miller 4th 1500 Final 4:34.96 which was 0.26 outside the school record.

**New Zealand Secondary School Athletic Champs
December '86**

Douglas Mace	3rd Open Hammer 52.16m
Andrew Bunn	4th 200m Heat 23.68 S/Boys
Douglas Mace	7th 100 Semi-Final Senior Boys
	8th Discus Senior Boys
	2nd Shot Senior Boys 14.07m
Aaron Wisneski	8th Javelin Junior Boys
Simon Manu	Top 12 Senior Boys Long Jump

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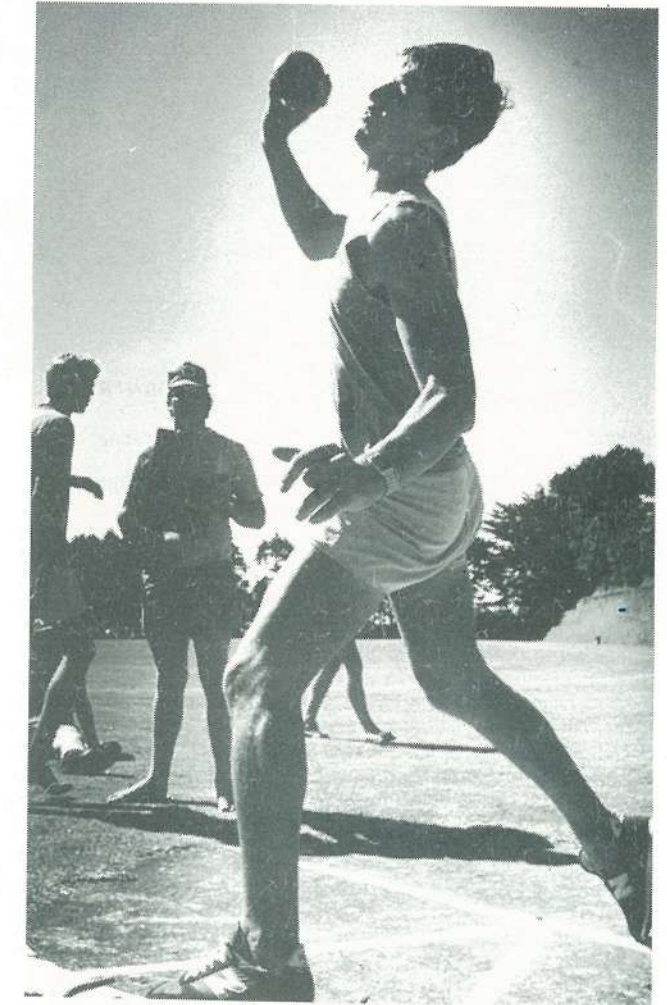
JUNIOR ROAD RACE

Todd Wolfe	46
Shane Kelly	47
Justin Lofton-Brook	49
Glenn Olliver	81
Scott Hine	141

1st four count for Teams event.

SENIOR ROAD RACE

230 Runners	
Chris Barry	22nd



The Head Boy



The Officials

... a black furry animal hit me. It was running fast and was big as a Great Dame!

CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING



JUNIOR TEAM TO NATIONAL CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Back Row L to R: J. Angell, G. Olliver, B. Beaven, S. Hine, M. Watts.
Front Row: K. McDowell, M. Miller, P. McCabe, R. Bullock.

In addition to the annual cross country the school had teams at three inter-school events. The first of these was the National Secondary Schools event at Feilding on June 20. A strong team of ten boys trained hard for the event. The junior team performed very well and as a team took sixth place. Considering there were forty eight teams entered from all over New Zealand, this performance was very creditable. Top individual performances were Glen Olliver's eighteenth and Mark Miller's thirtysecond in a field of 360. Other team members were Brent Beaven, Paul McCabe, Kelvin McDowell, Scott Hine and Robert Bullock.

The senior team did not perform as well, although Chris Barry's fortysecond placing was pleasing.

The next event was the Round-the-Lake relay, an annual four person relay at Wanganui. Three teams took part, competing against over thirty other schools. The Junior team did best achieving an excellent third place with Justin Loftonbrook's lap time being the third fastest of all competitors. Other team members were Glen Olliver, Scott Hine and Brent Beaven.

The third Form team of Paul McCabe, Mark Miller, Paul Rust and Robert Bullock placed fifth in their grade and the senior team was thirteenth.

Early in term three the school cross country was run over the usual Te Henui course in wet, muddy conditions. The Junior and Senior races were both won decisively by Mark Miller and Chris Barry respectively whereas the Intermediate race was a very close tussle with Glen Olliver eventually winning over Justin Loftonbrook.

Results were: **Junior** - Mark Miller 1st
Paul McCabe 2nd
Brett Robertson 3rd

Intermediate - Glen Olliver 1st
Justin Loftonbrook 2nd
Glen Hooper 3rd

Senior - Chris Barry 1st
Steven Nightingale 2nd
Dylan Cleaver 3rd

The final cross country event for the year was the Taranaki Secondary School Championships. These were held in typically wet and windy cross country weather on a fairly flat course at Patea.

The Junior team ran second and although this was good it did not do credit to the considerable running potential that these boys had exhibited in earlier events this year.

On the other hand the Intermediate team dominated their event with our first six runners placing in the first eleven of the event. After a very close race the school placings were reversed

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with Justin Loftonbrook winning the title and Glen Olliver placing second. Other boys in our top six were Mark Scott, Glyn Taylor, David Dixon and Scott Chadwick.

The Seniors won their team event with Chris Barry running very well to place third. Other members of our best six were Steven Nightingale, Martyn Bates, Brent Beaven, Todd Wolfe and Terry Vickers.

This was a very successful year for cross country running in the school. Glen Olliver was awarded a Tiger Jacket for his achievements, the first to be awarded in this sport for some years. There is considerable talent and enthusiasm among boys enjoying this sport, particularly in the third and fourth Form area. This suggests that cross country running has a bright future.

J. Angell, Coach

CROSS COUNTRY 1987

Results

Juniors

- | | |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Mark Millar | time 23 mins 38 sec |
| 2. Paul McCabe | time 24 mins 4 sec |
| 3. Brett Robertson | time 24 mins 52 sec |

Intermediates

- | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Glen Olliver | time 20 mins 25 sec |
| 2. Justin Lofton-Brook | time 20 mins 27 sec |
| 3. Glen Hooper | time 22 mins 39 sec |

Seniors

- | | |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Chris Barry | time 26 mins 20 sec |
| 2. Steven Nightingale | time 28 mins 10 sec |
| 3. Dylan Cleaver | time 28 mins 18 sec |

House Points

- | | |
|-------------|------|
| 1. Syme | 4019 |
| 2. Hatherly | 3741 |
| 3. Donnelly | 3552 |
| 4. Barak | 3260 |



Glen Olliver winning the Intermediate cross country from Justin Lofton-Brook

.... Police forces and dogs are being brought into the city to find a lead

weather - sun and rain
whether - if
wether - sheep
wheather - a bad spell of weather

Their uniform comprises (sic) a tie.



Sportsman of the Year: Douglas Mace; Performing Artist of the Year: Jonathan Baker

RUGBY



FIRST XV

Back Row L to R: S. Donovan, S. Tilley, M. Bates, C. Luke, A. Hocken, P. Grey, R. Mautama.
Middle Row: M. Crow, E. Grainger, T. Wolfe, T. Trowern, D. Mahura, J. Fisher, Mr Moore.
Front Row: G. Robertson, G. Slater, J. Brewer, A. Slater (Capt.), T. Duncan (V-Capt), P. Venables, L. Hayson.

Representative Honours

Taranaki Colts - Tristram Duncan

Taranaki Secondary Schools - Jody Brewer (Capt), Gordon Robertson, Chris Luke, Thomas Trowern, Andrew Slater, Leon Hayson, Sean Donovan, Andrew Hocken.

Northern Regions 'B' Team - Jody Brewer.

Taranaki Under 16 Team - Gordon Slater (Capt), Charles Stewart, Damian Mahura, Todd Wolfe.

Under 16 Central Region Tournament Team - Todd Wolfe.

While the overall results did not quite match those of 1986 the "Firsts" played with great commitment and deserve credit for their efforts this year. The early defections of Chris Carrick and Andrew Bunn clearly affected the try scoring potential of the team and limited the patterns the team could play. This was always apparent in "College" fixtures where the superior pace of opposing three quarters was always evident.

The team was based around a solid forward unit in which Jody Brewer, Andrew and Gordon Slater, Chris Luke and Phillip Venables were the most consistent players. In the backs Tristram Duncan was outstanding, Sean Donovan and Stacey Tilley were steady in the mid field and Todd Wolfe showed he had plenty of potential. Andrew Bunn, despite leaving school early June, was the top try scorer while the points scorers were Todd Wolfe 136 and Damian Mahura 99. The team extended its record in the Taranaki Under 21 Grade by winning the competition for the second year in a row. The team was undefeated in this grade and has now played thirty three games in local competition without defeat.

Vs Hamilton Boys' High School

Played in fine conditions on a firm ground the pack played superbly and dominated their opposition in all facets of play. Tristram Duncan controlled the game with some excellent tactical kicking from first five eighth. The difficulty was converting this dominance into points and having had a 80% territorial advantage in the first spell we were ahead only 3-0 at half time, thanks to a Todd Wolfe penalty goal.

The second spell was more of the same although Hamilton secured more lineout ball and had three penalty shots at goal, converting one. The school team piled on the pressure in the final ten minutes and were rewarded when Gordon Robertson siezed upon an error by the Hamilton half back following a lineout and scored wide out. Todd Wolfe converted making the final score a 9-3 victory.

Vs St Pats Silverstream

Seventy five percent of the match was played in heavy rain and the fact that a entertaining game of Rugby eventuated is a credit to both teams.

St Pats kicked an early penalty following which the teams 'slugged out' an evenly contested first half with St Pats scoring a vital converted try right on half time after a very good back movement.

Todd Wolfe kicked a penalty goal early in the second spell to bring school back into the game and after twenty minutes Jody Brewer crossed over the line to score. Although the Firsts continued to dominate to the final whistle they lost by 7 points to 9.

Vs Wanganui Collegiate

The final score of 22-21 shows what an entertaining game this was. The first fifteen was dominant for the whole of the

first half with the forwards driving lower and playing a more physical game than Collegiate. The forward play showed the differences between rucking and mauling. Collegiate had difficulty countering the First's policy of keeping the ball on the ground.

Todd Wolfe kicked two penalties and scored a good try in the first spell after Tristram Duncan, playing at fullback, timed his run into the backline to perfection. Thomas Trowern scored an excellent forwards try after Jody Brewer had burst away from a lineout on the Collegiate 22. This was converted by Damian Mahura making the half time score 16-3. Although the tries were good ones, the highlights of the first half was Tristram Duncan's out foxing the Collegiate backs. Faced with being the only defender between four of the opposition and the try line, he isolated the ball carrier away from his support in a move that would be a credit to any sheepdog triallist, before he brought him crashing to the ground and saved what could have been a match winning a six point try.

Collegiate were a revitalised team in the second spell. Their forwards secured some good balls which allowed their speedy backs more room. As a result with ten minutes left to play N.P.B.H.S. was trailing by 21 points to 16. The school's forwards lifted their game dramatically in the last quarter and with minutes remaining Phillip Venables crashed over from a ruck after Jody Brewer had been brought down a couple of metres short of the line. Todd Wolfe completed the fairy tale ending, converting the try from a handy position to give the firsts their second "Collegiate Match" success of the season.



Versus Wanganui Collegiate

Vs Palmerston North Boys' High School

Played in perfect conditions the New Plymouth pack was unable to contain the huge Palmerston North Team. The Firsts took time to settle and were quickly in defensive positions and as we were having difficulty gaining any ball from lineouts and battling in the other set pieces we had to sustain long periods under pressure.

Palmerston gained an 'easy six points' when their first five eight Danny Love ran the short side and scored a try which was easily converted. Todd Wolfe kicked a penalty to make the half time score 6-3.

Early in the second spell Palmerston scored after the bounce of an up-and-under eluded all the New Plymouth defenders. This was converted and made the score 12-3 with half an hour to play. The team played much better in this half and although the forwards still struggled at the set pieces their efforts at second phase play were superb. The backs opened up the game in an effort to tire the bigger Palmerston Team. While this was to a point successful and certainly entertaining the score remained unaltered. A win to Palmerston 12-3.

Vs Te Aute College

Tremendous hospitality and a superb Team effort were the highlights of the Te Aute visit.

The team was given the honour at receiving the Whero (Challenge) on arrival, certainly an experience that few in the team will ever forget.

On the morning of the match we travelled to Hastings to watch the First XI Soccer team then returned to Te Aute to prepare for our match.

Te Aute Haka



As Te Aute were "unbeaten", (they had defeated Palmerston), we knew we were in for a tough encounter. What developed was a tight encounter between two contrasting styles of play. Te Aute's strength was their back line, which New Plymouth found difficult to contain. One of their wingers, for instance, beat five defenders with excellent skills and pace seldom seen in schoolboys to score under the posts. In contrast, New Plymouth's strength was its pack which rampaged about the field, well supported by the midfield backs and the amazing goal kicking of Todd Wolfe, who slotted six penalty goals.

A draw would have been a fair result, but it must be said that some rather dubious refereeing decisions, particularly in the last ten minutes unfortunately saw Te Aute come out the winners, 21-18

Vs Auckland Grammar

The final match of the season was played on the Gully in wet conditions. With Phillip Venables sunning himself in Hawaii with the N.Z. Under 19 Water Polo Team and Gordon Slater forced out the eve of the match with a septic cauliflower ear it was with a reshuffled front row that we entered the match against Auckland.

This match reflected the season's story. We were able to match, in fact dominate, a bigger forward pack, gain superior second phase ball but lacked the ability to convert this into points. Secondly, the pace of the opposition backs was vastly superior. Not only N.P.B.H.S. but Taranaki Rugby needs backs with the ability to beat a man and have genuine pace on the outsides if they are to beat the opposition from the bigger centres.

In appalling conditions neither team's goal kicker missed a shot at goal. The Auckland fullback kicked three penalties and converted three tries scored by wingers. Todd Wolfe kicked four penalties for the home team. Final result 27-12.

Thanks must go to Murray Watts, Ken Maharey and Taranaki Coaching Co-ordinator Ian Snook for their assistance throughout the season: it is most appreciated.

Dave Moore, (Coach)

SECOND XV

We started the 1987 season with hopes of at least average success - the depth of talent in the first and second squads for the second year running tended to indicate this.

However, we failed to foresee the major problem that was to afflict the team - the failure to play a steady consistent game for the full eighty minutes. The team tended to lack fire and determination in the first half and only come into their own during the last forty minutes. By this time however, we were usually a few points down.

There were notable exceptions to this rule though - the games against Waitara (the first time), Spotswood (both times), Francis Douglas (the memorable time) and our College game against Hamilton, decidedly the best game of the season. In these matches, the boys performed as they should - as a team., and in doing so, scored the points and had the opposition on the back pedal for a substantial part of the game.

Craig Penberthy developed into an excellent leader, always ready and willing to spur the boys on, both in the changing rooms and out on the field. Shane Kellyput in a grand effort in the backs to keep them in line. Other players who deserve a mention include Charles Stewart, John Peel, Neil Cox, Craig Trigger, Grant Holmes and our latecomer, Eric Naitoro, who developed into a fine tight-forward.



2ND XV RUGBY

Back Row L to R: K. Sionetonga, M. Sharp, C. Trigger, M. Stewart.

Middle Row: Mr Smith, D. Reed, C. Stewart, C. Bell, G. Holmes, R. Corry.

Front Row: S. Manu, N. Penno, G. Hudson, N. Cox, C. Penberthy, S. Kelly, K. Ward, J. Peel.

Absent: W. McCallum, W. Idumae, E. Naitoro, Mr Hannah.

Special thanks must go to Mr Hannah, who gave his time freely to assist with training during the week and to attend some of the games to add his support to the team.

Thanks also to all team members for their continued enthusiasm at practices and games. Good luck to you all next season.

C. Smith, (Coach)



3RD XV

Back Row L to R: Mr B. Bellringer (Coach), T. Brimelow, B. Wallis,

J. Goodwin, G. Mills, D. Walters, A. Morris, C. Powell, L. Robbins.

Front Row: A. Bryant, J. Campbell, R. Henderson, J. Dunlop, R. Walters (Capt), T. Morris, A. Harvey, C. Marshall.

Under 16 White Rugby

Played 16. Won 11. Lost 5.

A young and small team started the season with three early losses after struggling to gain possession and lacking confidence. Some very hard work at practice and some assistance from Mr Neil Barnes saw things change with the team winning its last eight games in a row. This resulted in the team sharing the North Taranaki Under 16 Title and holders of the Top Dog Shield.

In the forwards Tony Kana, Robert Campbell and Simon Davies won some very good lineout ball while Duane Jackson, Glenn Tiaon and Daryn Commerer were strong in tight play. Barry Schrader and Kevin Crawshaw performed well as hookers. The loose forwards of Steven Eliason, Daryn Kay, Jason Ruakere and Willie Whyte played very well, tackling well and gaining valuable ball.

In the backs Blair Pitts-Brown fed his backline well while Jason Holland was outstanding at first five eight controlling the game. Mathew O'Dowda and Scott Kara combined very well

in the midfield and provided plenty of ball for the wingers Rohin Helms, Michael Hall and Robert Saker. Paul Lester covered the fullback position very well.

Jason Holland scored 58 points and Mathew O'Dowda (34) took most of the goal kicking while Rohin Helms (11) and Glen Tiaon (6) scored the most tries.

The overall results reflect the effort put on by all players. If this continues they should all go further with their rugby.

Rohin Helms, Jason Holland, Barry Schrader and Mathew O'Dowda represented Taranaki at the Under 15 level.

Results

v F.D.C.	16-4	19-8	15-4	43-0
v Bell Block	12-15	0-3	18-4	
v BHS Black	0-12	10-8	19-4	
v Waitara	19-8	15-0	15-4	
v Okato	4-10	10-16	7-0	

G. Giddy, (Coach)



UNDER 16 WHITE

Back Row L to R: R. Helms, W. Whyte, T. Kana, R. Campbell.

Middle Row: Mr G. Giddy, D. Kay, D. Jackson, S. Davies, G. Tiaon,

R. Saker, S. Ellison.

Front Row: D. Commerer, P. Lester, M. O'Dowda, J. Holland (Capt), B. Pitts-Brown, S. Kara, J. Ruakere, K. Crawshaw.

UNDER 16 BLACK RUGBY

A good season. The team took some time to warm up, narrowly losing the early games, but rallying to finish third in the competition.

Injuries and other sporting commitments caused difficulties in maintaining a full squad, but there was always a core of committed players. Many players from other teams assisted during these difficulties.

The squad developed tremendous team spirit and enjoyed the close competitive nature of most of the games. The team was ably led by the captain Stuart Pratt.



Back Row L to R: Mr Lockhart, K. Cross, S. Brimelow, M. Lees,

D. Bublitz, S. McClintock, F. Lawrey, A. Loft.

Front Row: K. Hawley, K. Surrey, M. Cryer, S. Pratt, K. MacArthur, B. Magrath, S. Chadwick, M. Ediriweera.

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Under 15 Black Rugby

1987 was not a memorable season in terms of victories, Only three games won, two of these to a smaller BHS White team, meant much of the season saw the team having heavy defeats inflicted on them. A 90-0 loss to Waitara first up was not a good omen. However the team stuck to the task and scored a very good 16-12 win over Spotswood in the second round. Special mention should be made to Brent Beaven who gave one hundred percent in every game for the full sixty minutes.



UNDER 15 BLACK

Back Row L to R: B. Bryant, A. Ferguson, T. Rillstone, N. Ritson, B. Hall, G. Dodd.

Middle Row: Mr A. Elgar, B. Vincent, J. Bryant, S. Tremlett, B. Beaven, M. Seaton, N. Curd.

Front Row: K. Bishop, J. Gibbs, S. Clarke, K. Proffit (Capt), R. Mills, C. Scadden, D. Cole, J. Clare.

Under 15 White Rugby

On the scoreboard the Under 15 Rugby Team had a disastrous year in which they failed to gain a victory. The reality was quite different however.

This was a team of gifted players who were at the end of the day unable to make up the deficit caused by lack of size. Even though other teams were bigger, none was larger in spirit, none was as proud of their school and none was as courageous in week after week of defence.

I am proud to have been their coach and I am proud that they devoted their efforts to the school. Each player's spirit shone as brightly at the end of the season as at the start.

Their effort and the leadership of J. Schrader and M. Jonas I will not forget.

J Laurensen, (Coach)



UNDER 15 WHITE RUGBY

Back Row: I. Redington, A. Mills, M. Andrew, B. Honeyfield, J. Avery, E. Jonas.

Middle Row: Mr J. Laurensen, D. Henderson, M. Bielski, A. Huston, B. Robertson, P. Whyte, P. Buckley, J. Wheeler, B. Buchanan.

Front Row: G. Hillier, R. Coley, J. Bayly, J. Schrader (Vice-Capt), M. Jonas (Capt), S. Hogg, S. Gorrie, P. Christie.

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Under 14 Black Rugby

Coach - Jeff Jones Captain - Paul Vyver Vice Captain - Craig Taylor

The season started encouragingly and after the first round of the competition the team was in third place with School Yellow above in second place and unbeaten Waitara leading the competition. In the second round although Black showed plenty of skill and good rugby the absence of various players through injury and leave and the lightness of the team took its toll. Although the team showed a lot of courage in its remaining four games it lost to the following:

Inglewood 22-0, Spotswood 10-0, NPBHS 28-14, and Waitara 20-0.

Played 12. Won 6 Lost 6. Points for 203. Points against 148.

The following boys gained Taranaki Representative Honours in playing for the Taranaki Under 14 Rugby Team.

Craig Taylor - Half back
Alistair Coles - Half back
Nicholas Kay - Wing

The following also played for North Taranaki versus South Taranaki.

Fraser Bint - Full back
Mark Muir - Hooker
Wade Evans - Prop
Paul Vyver - First five-eighth
Kelvin McDowell - Half back

I am sure the members of this team gained experience and enjoyment. Congratulations go to the boys that gained Honours; this surely was encouragement to the other members and the school in general.

J. Jones, (Coach)



UNDER 14 BLACK RUGBY

Back Row: L to R: M. Muir, W. Evans, M. Opie, J. Lyndsay.

Middle Row: Mr J. Jones (Coach), A. Coles, L. Hopkinson, S. Garwood, N. Kay, D. Mulligan, W. Pease, T. Pratt, B. Lawrence.

Front Row: R. Bullock, D. Pease, K. McDowell, P. Vyver (Capt), C. Taylor (V-Capt), B. Riley, F. Bint, M. Martin-Dromgool.

THIRD FORM RUGBY

The Third Form Team to represent the school was selected towards the end of term two and travelled down to Wanganui Collegiate on August 19.

We proved to be considerably stronger than our opposition and won the game by the handsome margin of 45 points to 4. Both forwards and backs played well and several fine tries were scored. Scott Lines and David Stewart played very well while Dean Magon's goal kicking was very accurate.

Vs Auckland Grammar School

This game was played as a curtain-raiser to the First Fifteen's fixture. Unfortunately heavy and continuous rain made for very difficult playing conditions. By dint of some long kicking and strong running from the A.G.S. first five eighth Grammar gained two converted tries.

For the remainder of the game the two teams were very evenly matched.

Under 14 White Rugby

The team had a very mixed season this year. In terms of competition we collapsed at the end, so didn't fair well, but as far as skills developed by individual players were concerned, the season was a successful one. We were never short of talent, just of size and ability to make up for this shortage with a strong team effort. Players who developed most this year were David Stuart in the forwards and Jason Harris in the backs. But these two certainly weren't the only players to improve.

My thanks to Scot Granville who led the team and a very special thanks to parents who formed a consistently strong team of supporters.

G. Hannah

TENNIS

Before any mention is made of the present tennis season I would like on behalf of all the school's tennis players, past and present, to thank Mr Heaps for the time and effort he has put into tennis at NPBHS. Unselfishly he has done this for a number of years for the benefit of a large number of people, a commitment that all too few people are prepared to give nowadays.

The ongoing problem of the courts continues and so once again we have relied on the generosity of the Waiwaka and Pukekura clubs when holding inter-school fixtures.

Napier Boys' High School visited us early in the year and a magnificent all round effort saw us defeat them convincingly. The senior team, consisting of Tony Roberts, Duncan McDonald, Gavin Hudson, Nathan Prestidge, David Bublitz and Sean McFall won by 8 matches to 1 on both days, to run out 16 to 2 winners overall, a fine team effort.

The junior team of Chris Patten, Millen Baird, Scott Hine, Wade Brown, Loman Edwards and Chris Bell had a closer match winning 5 matches to 4 on the first day but they improved markedly to win the reverse matches 8 to 1. Overall it was a 13 to 5 victory and a fine start to the tennis fixtures.

For the visit to Hamilton Stefan Darke replaced an injured Chris Bell in the junior team which continued on a winning note by a clear 12 to 3 margin. Of note was the play of Chris Patten who won his singles 6-0, 6-0; 6-1, 6-0 and his doubles 6-1, 6-0.

The seniors were less successful losing by 10 matches to 5 with Sean McFall winning both his singles. Overall it was a victory by 17 to 13.

Wanganui Collegiate came north on a blustery day at Pukekura. The format here is different in that each school selects its twelve best players. They came with a side containing only senior players whereas we had a very young side with four juniors and seven fifth formers. The result was an 11 to 7 loss which in the light of team composition bodes well for the future - an excellent effort.

Our team consisted of the senior team for the first two fixtures plus Chris Patten, Scott Hine, Wade Brown, Millen Baird, Marshall Couper and Chris Lim.

Palmerston North came to New Plymouth in the third term with a strong team as usual. The juniors consisted of C. Patten, M. Baird, S. Hine, S. Darke, L. Edwards and J. Roebuck and they defeated Palmerston 6-3 with Patten, Baird, Hine and Roebuck in his first game for the school winning both singles and doubles - a fine effort.

The seniors saw the same team as during term one with one change, Marshall Couper replaced Tony Roberts and in his first match won both his singles and doubles, the only one to do so. Lost opportunities and at times a lack of application saw us defeated 6-3 but overall it was a 9-9 draw. After the heavy defeats of past years this was an excellent result.

Once again the boarders entered teams in the local Under 16 and 14 competition on a Sunday morning. The following players represented the Hostel, R. Mills, A. Hills, J. Bryant, B. Honeyfield, A. Huston, L. Edwards, D. Jackson, C. Lee, A. Te Kanawa, M. Jonas, M. Ediweera, C. Thompson, G. Meredith, R. Candy and K. Anderson.

The school championships saw an unusual result in that a third former won the open senior singles (Candy Cup). He was Chris Patten with Duncan McDonald being the runner-up.

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Under 14 Yellow Rugby

This team contained a real mixture of boys who either had many years of rugby experience or were relatively new to the game. This mixture make the season interesting as both groups had to understand each other to make the team work. They were defeated once by Waitara 8-4 in the first round and so gained second place. The same happened in the second round after a 10-4 loss to Spotswood. This loss was perhaps the best learning experience they had in that they realised that all games and opponents must be treated separately and with respect. This was borne out the following week in the seasons best performance by beating Waitara 34-8.

A strong group of players made the Taranaki side. They were Dean Magon, Dennis Mohi, Loman Edwards, Anthony Ruakere, Nelson Polotu and David Sutcliffe. **R. Palmer, (Coach)**

Intermediate singles (McKeon Cup) - Still in progress
 Runner up - Still in progress
 Junior singles (Herbert Smith Cup) - Chris Patten
 Runner up - Millen Baird
 Day boys vs Boarders (Beetham Cup) -
 Most Improved Player - Millen Baird
 Honours Awards - Tony Roberts, Duncan McDonald, Nathan Prestidge, Gavin Hudson, Sean McFall, David Bublitz.



SENIOR TENNIS

Back Row L to R: D. Bublitz, G. Hudson.
 Front Row: D. McDonald, N. Prestidge, S. McFall.
 Absent: T. Roberts, Mr. R. Palmer.



JUNIOR TENNIS

Back Row L to R: S. Hine, C. Patten, L. Edwards.
 Front Row: M. Baird, W. Brown.
 Absent: C. Bell, T. Darke, M. R. Palmer.

BADMINTON



BADMINTON

Back Row L to R: C. Ward, R. Jamieson, H. Smith, Mr T. G. Heaps.
 Front Row: J. Brownlie, W. Temata (Capt), B. Martin.

Trials for the school badminton squad opened the 1987 season in April. At the beginning of May, the school club opened and, very well organized by Mr Grimwood, played in the gymnasium every Wednesday afternoon after school until the end of September. With doubles and singles games, ladder matches and yankie tournaments, the school club provides another recreational activity for students whose major sporting interest is elsewhere, but who enjoy a game of badminton as well.

For those who took the game more seriously the mid-April trials produced a squad of five players who practised in the gymnasium every Monday night.

This year the school team went to Hamilton to play the first inter-college match of the season against Hamilton Boys' High School. The team of Willard Temata, Bryce Martin, Ryan Jamieson, Richard Lambert, Hayden Smith and Craig Ward met a much tougher and more experienced team than in 1986. Despite Temata and Martin winning the singles and doubles, and some other close matches, four of them going three games, we could do no more. So the final result was 6-3 to Hamilton B.H.S.

The Taranaki Secondary Schools Championships were again held at Stratford High School at the beginning of July. With Bryce Martin injured Willard Temata was joined by Ryan Jamieson in the senior competition, and Shaun Keightley and Clint Wheeler played in the junior competition. Unfortunately we could not dominate the competitions as we had in the three previous years, Temata, however won the senior singles and he and Jamieson were runners-up in the doubles.

With some trepidation the team faced the Taranaki elimination round of the New Zealand Secondary Schools Championships which is a team competition. Played at Stratford in late July, the competition attracted teams from Boys' High School, Spotswood, Inglewood, Stratford and Hawera. Boys' High School played Inglewood in the first round winning easily 8-0, and then played Hawera in the final. The team of Willard Temata, Ryan Jamieson, Richard Lambert and Justin Brownlie had waited five hours before they took the court for the final, and consequently after we had won three of

the four singles and the first two doubles giving us the necessary five matches we defaulted the others ending a nine hour playing day.

With that win, we again qualified for the Central Region Zone Final in Hamilton in mid-August. However, disaster struck. The team had already been reduced because of Bryce Martin's serious knee injury when Ryan Jamieson also developed knee trouble. It was bad luck for them both and for the team who were reduced to the point where we had to withdraw from the competition.

This was unfortunate because we stood a good chance of making the N.Z. final again. Hamilton Boys' High School, who did qualify from Central Region, would have been our major opposition, and even though we had lost earlier in the year, we could have beaten them in this competition.

The season ended with the school championships in early October. The results were:

Senior singles (Cook and Lister Cup) Willard Temata def. Bryce Martin 15/6, 15/7, 15/6, 15/7.

Junior singles (Isaac Cup) Shaun Keightley def. Clint Wheeler 11/15, 15/8, 15/7.

During the season several of our players played for Taranaki and their representative teams:

Senior Division II (Taranaki Top Team) Willard Temata.
Under 18 Willard Temata and Bryce Martin.

Willard Temata also played No. 2 for the Central Region Under 16 team that played in the June Bevan Trophy Competition against three other New Zealand regional teams and teams from six Australian States. Out of the ten competing teams the Central Region team came behind Northern Region No. 1, Victoria No. 1 Northern Region No. 2 and Victoria No. 2. Well done, Willard!

In the Taranaki Junior Championships, Willard Temata became the triple champion winning the singles, doubles and mixed doubles.

In 1987 Tiger coats were awarded to Willard Temata, Bryce Martin, Ryan Jamieson, Richard Lambert and Justin Brownlie.

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SOCCER



SOCCER 1ST XI

Back Row L to R: J. Sims (Manager), K. Wipatene, C. Barry, R. Obed, P. Roberts, N. Prestidge, W. Lawson (Coach).
Middle Row: R. Hakwa, D. Moles, J. Carter (Capt.), T. Young, L. Rattray, A. Wall.
Front Row: P. Korinohona, G. Stevens, G. Hooper.

1st XI

The First Eleven competed in the youth league this year and were very successful; winning every game played. We also won the Youth Cup competition played on Sundays.

From the First Eleven Stephen Matheson was chosen for the Under 19 Taranaki Team.

The school had an upset through the season with the death of Bert Robson. He participated a great deal with the soccer within the school and was greatly appreciated. He will be sadly missed.

This season Old Boy, Billy Lawson, succeeded in getting into the N.Z. Universities Team.

Awards given this year are:
Most improved player - Carl Wipatene.
Coach's Cup - Stephen Matheson, Nathan Prestidge.

On behalf of the First Eleven I would like to thank, John Sims and Bill Lawson for their time and efforts.

College Games

Hamilton 2-2

This game was fast and hard right from the start. Although Hamilton netted two fine goals in the first half we didn't give up. We dominated the game in the second half and gained two well-deserved goals to make the score two all.

Wanganui Collegiate 5-2

This was our only home game of the season for college matches. This game was a well-deserved win to school who never looked like losing, having scored three quick goals in the first half. Early in the second half Wanganui came back at us scoring two goals. We never gave up and scored two more goals making the final score 5-2.

Wellington 6-2

This game was our only loss of the season. Wellington deserved to win this game. As well as having many talented players their team has been together for three years and was well organised. We played as hard as we could and the score is not a true reflection on the game.

Four penalty spots were given, three to Wellington and one to us. Their three other goals were well taken, whilst our goal was a true example of team work. The final score 6-2.

Hastings 1-1

This was the first time we had played against Hastings so they were an unknown quantity. They opened the score early in the first half. The game was so even that all the play was in the middle of the field. Both teams had lucky breaks but couldn't finish them. It was only late in the second half that we equalized.

Wanganui Boys' 11-1

This was our last game of the season. We were keen to make the most of it, with almost everyone in the team scoring. The game was totally dominated by our team right from the start. 5-0 halftime. 11-1 full time score.

Jason Carter, (Captain)

SECOND XI SOCCER REVIEW

This year the Second XI competed in the Asphaltic Under 19's Youth Grade, finishing up a very commendable second. The team had a lot of talent within its sixteen members so there was always a skilled eleven turned out.

The season started off well with a six goal winning margin on the first game. A strong backline, consisting of Blair McKinnon, Stuart Wilson and a Fijian import Avindra Naidu made scoring by the opposing team difficult. The halves played well considering that at most games the line-up was different. The main halves were Mark Scott, Todd Burbidge and Scott McKenzie who set up the goals for the frontline. The latter finished them off almost every time although some chances went begging. They were Sean McFall, Jon Wilson, Cameron Greig and Duncan Wilson. Positions changed frequently throughout the whole team, sometimes forwards playing in goal and backs playing up front.

The winning streak continued until the end of the first round with only one defeat. However the second round proved to be a bit more difficult as all teams in the competition had improved. Our team numbers had also dropped to twelve and with the loss of our goalie, Karl Wipatene, to the First XI the second round was made even tougher. Wins were not as frequent but the team spirit was strong. The determined effort to win paid off and we were placed second on the table.

For the first time this year the Second XI played a college match against Hawera High School. It was an exciting game to watch as play was fast and skilful. The first half saw a runaway goal by Hawera but undeterred our team kept up the strong attack. The second half saw us equalise with a penalty goal scored by Todd Burbidge. Play was then very even with both teams having a fair share of possession, but failing to score. A 1-1 draw was a good result.

Thanks to boys and parents who supported the team and in particular Mr Bevin for the coaching he provided throughout the season and for arranging the college match against Hawera.

Blair McKinnon.



SOCCER 2nd XI

Back Row: D. Bevin (Coach), S. Wilson, K Wipatene, C. Greig, T. Burbidge.
Front Row: M. Scott, J. Wilson, M. Gally, B. McKinnon (Capt.), S. McFall, A. Naidu.

NPBHS UNDER 16 SOCCER TEAM REPORT

We didn't have a very good season points-wise, but we had fun. We finished third off the bottom in the points table. We won two games, drew one, and lost about ten but by a small margin each time.

The pick of the forwards were, Marshall Cooper, Craig Baker, Scott Hine and Clarke Anderson, in the halves Chris Reynolds, Aaron Connell and the Laurey twins performed well. The backs were led well by Dean Peters on the right and accompanied by Tim Lattimer, Greg Pritchard and Craig Strawbridge. Our Goaly for three quarters of the time Wayne Deure performed well and tried more than most when we were down.

The only really sad point for the team was when our coach Mr Bert Robson went down ill half way through the season and we were left without a coach, but we all persisted, and most still turned up to practice. Then after the season ended, Mr Robson died, aged sixty six, just as fit as any athlete I know. He did not just teach soccer for over ten years at this school but also cricket and he will be missed by all who knew him.

J. Davy, (Captain)

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14th Grade Soccer

The enthusiasm and ability of the current 14th Grade soccer players should ensure continued success in soccer in future years at NPBHS. A squad of 16 players contested the league and took the "Runners Up" position. A close fought game with Woodleigh Rangers in the earlier part of the season proved critical. Woodleigh won 2-1 with a goal in the last minutes. They remained on top of the league for the rest of the season!

Several players gained Taranaki Representative Honours. Karl Webb played for the Taranaki 1st Representative side all season and Bevan Smith, Justin Whalley and Craig Healy travelled to Hawera for a week tournament with the Second Representative side. Justin Whalley captained this side. Ryan Klinkert and Michael Shearer also were picked to play at Hawera but were unable to play. In all it proved a successful and exciting season for all the squad.

P. Glass, (Coach)



14 GRADE SOCCER "League Runners-up"

Back Row L to R: S. Adams, F. Marshall (Capt), J. Whalley, D. Foreman.
Middle Row: Mr P. Glass, M. Kinnell, B. Smith, J. Whalley, G. Young, R. Klinkert, D. Souto.
Front Row: W. Stewart, S. Carr, M. Shearer, D. Newland, T. Lecher, K. Webb.

Drinking and drinking is one of the biggest dangers of the road.

They decided to go pig hunting so they made some lunch and packed a few bears.

My worst meal was when my father shot a pukeko and Mum cooked it and it tasted fowl.

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HOCKEY



1ST XI HOCKEY

Back Row L to R: J. MacKenzie, A. Graamans, G. Vickers, A. Cole, Mr Geursen.
Front Row: A. Taylor, D. Cleaver, J. Miller, J. Brownlie (Capt), R. Watson, D. Burt.
Absent: J. Peacock, B. Winder.

HOCKEY REPORT

This year has been a very successful year for hockey in the school. We had four teams in the local Saturday competition. The First Eleven would be one of the most able teams the school has had for a number of years. The Second Eleven had a number of good players which in other years would have been selected in the First Eleven.

1st XI

Local Competition

With eight players back from last year the team decided to play in the men's senior B grade and the new players, Andrew Taylor, Justin Millar and Brendon Winder adjusted well to the men's competition.

Results: Games played 22, 19 Wins, 2 Draws and 1 Loss.

Main goal scorers:	Mr Geursen	18
	Guy Vickers	15
	Dylan Cleaver	12
	Adrian Graamans	12
	Richard Watson	8

COLLEGE GAMES

Hamilton Boys' High

After a very strong start by NPBH Guy Vickers scored in the tenth minute. Hamilton drew level just before halftime and the second half saw them score three more times. Result 4-1 Loss.

Wanganui Collegiate

Wanganui scored thirty seconds into the match but after a seesaw fifteen minutes Guy scored to make it 1-1. Wanganui had a very strong team this year and in the end proved too strong. Result 3-1.

Wellington College

Played on the "Astro", it took the team some time to settle. Wellington scored in the first half and only their twelfth man, the goalpost, prevented us from scoring on a number of occasions. Adrian's shot at goal in the final minutes of the game removed a coat of paint from the post. Result 1-0 Loss.

Wanganui Boys' High

This was a game which we dominated but had to come from behind twice to win. Result 4-2 win.

Tournament

Woolaston Trophy

This year it was our turn to host a tournament in New Plymouth. In pool play we beat Frazer High 2-0, Inglewood 3-0 and drew with Paraparaumu.

In the semi-final we played Spotswood College who got away to an excellent start and it was not until late in the second half that Richard Watson scored for us. One minute later Jason Peacock scored the winning goal.

Paraparaumu were our opponents in the final. After a good school haka the boys played one of their best games of hockey. Fifteen minutes into the game Richard Watson scored the first of his two goals for the match. Jason Peacock, Guy Vickers, Dylan Cleaver, and Jamie MacKenzie all scored one. Result 6-1 Win.

This win is a first for a hockey team at NPBHS.

Representative Honours

Andrew Taylor, Taranaki Under 15.
Jamie MacKenzie, Taranaki Under 17 team, Woolaston Trophy Tournament Team.
Dylan Cleaver, Taranaki Under 17 team, Woolaston Trophy Tournament Team.
Adrian Graamans, Taranaki Under 17, Woolaston Trophy Tournament Team.
Justin Brownlie, Taranaki Under 17.

2nd XI

Playing in the third grade, the team played well but the other first XI teams in the grade proved to be too strong. The team found it difficult to score yet the build up and attack into the circle were of a high quality.

The team would like to thank Mr M. Betts for his time and excellent coaching throughout the season.



2ND XI HOCKEY

Back Row L to R: M. Dingle, B. Richmond, M. Wipatene.
Middle Row: Mr M. Bates, M. Urwin, B. Whitter, S. Wilcox, J. Rae.
Front Row: A. Peacock, B. Waldie, S. Millar, N. Betts, A. Hills.

4th Grade Black Team

The black team had a number of players who were new to hockey this year. They played with a lot of spirit and the skills of players like Craig Hannon and David Lash helped the team to come second in the 4th grade.

The team would like to thank Mrs Gilkison for her time and effort.

4th Grade White

Many of the players were boarders and the fluctuating numbers during the year hampered performance.

Finally I would like to thank Mr I. MacKenzie for his time and effort in making new goals for the school and Mr & Mrs Brownlie for paying for the printing of numbers on the new shirts as well as for the great support they have given school hockey over the past ten years.

H. Geursen, (Coach)



BLACK HOCKEY

Back Row L to R: Mrs F. Gilkison (Coach), T. Goodwin, L. Hunt, J. Renau, C. Metcalfe, D. Steele.
Front Row: S. Darke, D. Lash, K. Hodge, M. Henry, T. Jans, Mrs Absent: Craig Hannon.



4TH GRADE WHITE

Back Row L to R: Mr Geursen (Coach), C. Ekdahl, T. Donovan, B. Richmond, B. Eden.
Front Row: J. Moreland, C. Norris, T. Frew (Capt), N. Priest, G. Meridith, S. Kidson.
Absent: G. Goodson, P. Arbuckle.

SKIING

This year School produced yet another talented team which finished fourth in the annual Secondary Schools Skiing Champs held at Turua Ski Fields on Mt Ruapehu.

The Champs which are held over two days, attract teams from eighty schools throughout the North Island.

After the first day's competition School was well placed with 63 points out of a possible 80.

Individual standings in the senior boys competition were; Todd Wolfe 8th, Tim Young 16th, Steffan Quinn 20th and Richard Watson, who had a spectacular fall on his first run, ended up 30th. These were excellent results considering there were over 180 boys competing. In the Junior Boys event Damon Newland was lying in 10th place.

On the second day the weather was marginal and it was only after a lot of discussion that a decision was made to go ahead with the competition.

The School team again raced very well and at the end of the competition had skied themselves into fourth position, as well as being the highest placed all-boys school.

First place went to Ruapehu College with Woodford House second and Epsom Girls' Grammar third.

The School team is now looking forward to next year's competition with four of this year's team returning to school.

The team was:
Damon Newland, Tim Young, Todd Wolfe (capt.) Steffan Quinn, Richard Watson.

Todd Wolfe, (Captain)



SKI TEAM

Back Row L to R: R. Watson, R. Turner (Coach), T. Young.
Front Row: D. Newland, T. Wolfe, S. Quinn.

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INDOOR BASKETBALL



INDOOR BASKETBALL A TEAM

Back Row: D. Bride, C. Thompson, B. Mitchell, G. Sands, J. Hawkins, B. Bayly (Coach).
Front Row: D. Bublitz, T. Roberts, S. Boniface, T. Dew, D. Shorter, G. Roberts,.

This year proved to be one of the best ever recorded for Indoor in the School. With nineteen teams competing in both social and competitive leagues participation was at an all time high. In the Junior League competition Boys' High were placed first, second and fifth in the Under 14 grade and in the Under 16 second, third, fifth and eighth. The 'B' Team managed third in the New Plymouth 'B' Grade and the Lakers picked up the Taranaki Under 16 Title. Finally with the 'A' Team's fifth placing at the New Zealand Secondary Schools Tournament it is clear that Indoor is a real strength at Boys' High.

A Team Report

At the start of the season the 'A' Team travelled to Wanganui to participate in a pre-season tournament organised by Wanganui Boys' College. Results were as follows:

v. Havelock North	won 72-30
v. Feilding Ag.	won 62-56
v. Wanganui High School	won 76-22
v. Awatapu	won 71-65
And the final v. Wanganui Boys' College	won 67-64

This motivated the team to attack our main goal in the season which was to get to the Nationals. These were to be held in Invercargill in the August holidays.

We were playing in the New Plymouth 'A' Grade which had most of the New Plymouth IWD players mixed amongst the teams and was a very strong league. Although we lost the majority of our games the losing scores were not a disgrace and quiet often we were robbed at the last minute of winning some hard fought games. The 'A' Grade helped tremendously in strengthening our side and we managed to beat all secondary schools in Taranaki except Francis Douglas who beat us by one point.

Results were	v. Waitara	won 112-10
	v. Opunake	won 114-61
	v. Hawera	won 86-51
	v. Inglewood	won 99-41
	v. Stratford	won 93-59
	v. FDC	lost 79-78

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On July 10th, 11th and 12th came the days of reckoning. The Regional Qualifying Tournament with first and second placegetters going to the Nationals. Our first game against Feilding Agricultural College was crucial and with vocal crowd support and a dominating rebounding display ran out clear winners 63-31. Awatapu from Palmerston North were never in the game and we pulled away to a comfortable 73-39 win. Against Wanganui High School, our last section play game, we were up 41-17 at half time and the bench played all but three minutes of the second half and performed very creditably winning 79-37.

We were first in our section and had to play second placegetters in Section II Francis Douglas to qualify for the Nationals. With FDC having a home court advantage we reversed the odds and packed out their gym with our supporters including a large contingent of boarders. Down at half time 32-28 the team pulled out all the stops and won convincingly 75-69, thus qualifying for the Nationals for the third time in Boys' High History. The final was against last years third placegetters at the Nationals Wanganui Boys' College. We played a forgettable first half being down 38-18. The team owed it to their supporters to come back from here and in a most memorable second half whittled the difference down. With an 11 point deficit with two minutes to go 3 - 3 pointers by Scott Boniface and Tony Roberts saw us down two points. With time up on the clock Tony Dew took a charging foul and had the enviable task of completing a one plus one play. Scoring the first and narrowly missing the second meant a 69-68 loss and thirteenth seeding at the Nationals out of sixteen teams. This meant in our Section Play we were up against fourth and fifth placegetters last year and fourteenth qualifier. Fund raising was the order of the day prior to the August Nationals.

At the Nationals our first game against fourth seed Timaru Boys' College saw us 35 all at half time. In the second half we overcame our nerves (and the cold) and in a fine display of shooting by Darrin Bride and Scott Boniface we scored a well deserved 81-60 win. Cargil High School couldn't miss a shot and with their percentage up in the 80's we found it hard to contain them. By half time we were 20 points down and disappointed by our performance. We rallied in the second half

with some good performances from Tony Roberts and Dean Shorter, but it wasn't enough losing 81-72. This put the pressure on us as we had to play Section favourites St Johns from Hamilton with their two American imports. The team played the game of the season. Our tactics were man-to-man the whole game. This placed pressure on their shooters and with Scott Boniface cancelling out the American threat and Dean Shorter and Graham Sands dominating any other players they had to offer we scored a fine victory. This was Scott Boniface's finest game for the school and not only did he score lay-ups and three pointers - his rejections of opposition lay-ups off the backboards were a highlight.

This win 79-73 put us second in our Section and put us up against Auckland Grammar in the Quarter Finals. In a physical and intense encounter honours were shared evenly with ten minutes to go at 65 all. Luck went against us with Tony Roberts ending his season with a sprained ankle and with Graham Sands and Tony Dew fouling out. Auckland slowly edged away to a 82-75 win. This placed us in a play-off for fifth-eighth placing. We played Kelston College from Auckland in a fast and exciting game which finished at one o'clock in the morning. Graham Sands, Dean Shorter and Tony Dew fired for this game led the way to an 88-84 win. Our final game was against the top South Island team Aranui from Christchurch. The whole team played with authority with Jon Hawkins and Dean Shorter playing leading roles. Scott Boniface and Darrin Bride again led the scoring and we won 82-60.

The highlight of the tournament was Scott Boniface's selection in the New Zealand Secondary Schools team. He was named player of the match in five of the six games and is the first player from Boys' High to have achieved this distinction. Fifth placing at the Nationals is the highest any Taranaki Team has made and is a credit to not only the team and coach Mr Bayly but also to the great parent support the team has received, Mr Roberts must be thanked here for his managing of the team throughout the year and his smooth organising skills at the Nationals.

'B' BASKETBALL TEAM

'B' Basketball Team

This year the team was formed by the pupils and was comprised of senior members of the school. Mr Dennis took the task of being player coach and entered the team in Men's B grade.



The team was:

Campbell Thompson	Stuart Wilson
Philip Chapman	Andrew Shearer
Stephen Johns	Justin Gardiner
Simon Clegg	Sean Donovan
Carl Wipatene	

There was plenty of talent in the team and this certainly came through when the pressure was on. Campbell Thompson and Stephen Johns gained possession of the ball inside at both ends and also scored valuable baskets. Carl Wipatene and Philip Chapman competed well all year and scored some badly needed baskets from the outside as well as being formidable opponents on defence. They were helped by Simon Clegg who was powerful underneath and outside the basket and Stu Wilson who was outstanding on defence. Andrew Shearer and Justin Gardiner progressed as the year went on. Sean Donovan was absent most of the year as he had other commitments with rugby.

The team earned second place in the league which was a very satisfying result.

Our thanks to Mr Dennis for coaching the team and for being an essential player in the side.

P. Chapman

Under 16

LAKERS

Lakers, the most experienced team in the competition had no real stars but what they did have was an efficient scoring machine. The whole team had potential and this was ably exploited by coach Luke Worth. The boys under his guidance won all but the Final in the Friday night league. The latter was a big disappointment. The team then went on to play in the Taranaki Wide Under 16 Schoolboys competition, playing the combined strength of all teams throughout Taranaki. This culminated in an exciting encounter against Francis Douglas Under 16 team. In a close fought match the team ran out the winners 43-38 to cap off a fine season. The team: Gavin Roberts, Tim Young, David Bublitz, Glen Coxhead, Tony Hopkins, Karlo Marsden, Chris Pollock, Stefan Quin, Daryl Moles and Blair Hicks.



LAKERS UNDER 16

Back Row L to R: T. Young, D. Bublitz, B. Hicks G. Coxhead, D. Moles.

Front Row: C. Pollock, S. Quin, G. Roberts, T. Hopkins.
Absent: Coach L. Worth.

CELTICS

After a very shaky start to the season the team came together under the guidance of coach Campbell Thompson. Players hit form and became a real force to be reckoned with in the second half of the season. Players to stand out were Duane McLellan and Shaun Luke. Nathan Hemmings became a dominant force under the boards and Eugene Williams was the most improved player. Although the team ended up in eighth position, the competition was always close with only three points separating fifth and eighth placings. The team: Gareth Jolly, Duane McLellan, Loman Edwards, Nathan Hemmings, Mark Wipatene, Shane Bentley, Shaun Luke, Tony Paterson, Eugene Williams and Matthew Clarke.



Back Row L to R: C. Thompson (Coach), M. Clark, N. Hemmings, E. Williams, M. Wipatene, D. McLellan.
Front Row: L. Edwards, T. Paterson (Capt), S. Luke, G. Jolly.

DODGERS

It was a successful year for this Fourth Form Team ending up fifth on the competition. Several players to stand out in the team were, Jason Holland, Blair Magrath and Matthew O'Dowda. Tao Wells was the most improved player scoring some good 'baskets'. Also Chris Lee and Paul Lester despite their size did pretty well for the season. Other members of the team, Ryan Wheeler and Scott Hine, worked well both on offence and in defence. Congratulations to Scott Hine and Chris Lee for making the Third and Fourth Form Team.

The team: Ryan Wheeler, Scott Hine, Chris Lee, Paul Lester, Tao Wells, Matthew O'Dowda, Blair Magrath and Jason Holland. Thanks must also go to our coaches Justin Gardiner and Andy Shearer.

B. Bayly, (Coach)



DODGERS UNDER 16

Back Row L to R: J. Gardiner (Coach), P. Lester, T. Wells, R. Wheeler.
Front Row: B. McGrath, J. Holland, M. O'Dowda, S. Hine.
Absent: C. Lee.

MOHAWKS

An enjoyable and most successful season was had by Raymond Landon, Clarke Anderson, Glen Hooper, Troy Donovan, Gareth Flanagan, Simon Strombom, Nicholas Coley, Sean Coffey, Kris Gilmour and Justin VanderWater, with the team coming a close third in the competition. The height and strength of Flanagan, Anderson, Gilmour, Donovan and Landon were balanced with the speed and passing skills displayed by Hooper, Coffey, Coley, Strombom and Lake.

B. Bayly, (Coach)



MOHAWKS UNDER 16

Back Row L to R: Mr Bayly (Coach), N. Coley, T. Donovan, G. Flanagan, C. Anderson, S. Coffey.
Front Row: S. Strombom, J. Van der Water, K. Gilmour, R. Landon, G. Hooper.

Under 14

PIONEERS

After suffering some large defeats at the start of the season Pioneers fought back strongly in the second half of the season to finish fifth in the competition. Guards Toby Lecher, Craig Ruakere and William Plumber were all threats on fast-break. Greg Lindsay, Stephen Lucas, Hamish Mills and Kristian Miles were all scoring threats. Congratulations must go to Nelson Poluto for making the Third and Fourth Form Team.

B. Bayly, (Coach)



PIONEERS UNDER 14

Back Row L to R: Mr Bayly (Coach), C. Ruakere, H. Mills, G. Lindsay, D. Bublitz (Ass. Coach).
Front Row: T. Lecher, W. Plummer, N. Poluto, C. Miles, S. Lucas.

Under 14

ALL STARS

A fine team effort throughout the season gave a thoroughly deserved second placing in the competition. The team excelled in fast break and passing was of a high standard. Undoubtedly the star of the team was Chris Patten who was a real scoring machine in most games. His skills were a bonus for a team that played well together and were well coached by Darrin Bride. The team was, Wayne Powell, Ryan Arbaugh, Michael Martin-Dromgool, Danny Tamaiparea, Jonathon Talbot, Chris Patten, Paul McCabe, Kelvin McDowell, Stephen Parker and Paul Veric.



ALL-STARS UNDER 14

Back Row L to R: D. Bride (Coach), W. Powell, C. Patten, P. Veric, D. Tamaiparea.
Front Row: J. Talbot, M. Martin-Dromgool, R. Arbaugh, P. McCabe, K. McDowell.
Absent: S. Parker.

THIRD FORM BOMBERS

Winners of the Under 14 Competition

Third Form Bombers Basketball team, coached by Mr Lander and assisted by Stephen Johns and Philip Chapman, had an outstanding basketball season. Out of a possible fourteen games the team managed to secure thirteen wins, the only loss being by a mere one point. Our most outstanding win was a brilliant 136-6 win over the Spotswood Bulls. All players improved over the season with outstanding performances by Antony Ruakere, Dean Magon and Lane Hopkinson. Many players of this team will provide a stronger force for the A team in future years.

Top scorers, Antony Ruakere and Dean Magon, provided a firm structure while Stephen Latham, Chris Bougen and Russell Harding performed well all year. They were backed up well by Nigel Sheridan, Craig Healy and Michael Shearer. The team maintained a high standard of basketball and enthusiasm throughout the season.



BOMBERS UNDER 14

Back Row L to R: P. Chapman (co-Coach), D. Magon, S. Latham, R. Harding, C. Bougen, S. Johns (co-Coach).
Front Row: M. Shearer, C. Healey, A. Ruakere, L. Hopkinson, N. Sheridan.

How did you prepare for your speech: First I wrote down all the options. Then I went through them marking off the ones I didn't want to do. Finally I did one of my own choice.

Stan Hope is the officer in command in Journey's End. (Stanhope).

... The author is more interested in the reaction of the people in the disaster because in the book people tell their virgin of the story

.... if any member of staff has a death wish come to the Hostel Dance at G.H.S.



S. Manu

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LITERATURE

"Man of Labouring Fields."

Men amble home from the labouring fields
 Food in their mouths from which it yields
 The wine they drink, as red as a rose in bloom
 And the warmth they feel
 Comes from a fire-lit room
 Children flock to greet their mouth-feeding father
 But they know as time goes on
 That the nourishment will grow harder
 So they go without and they never will complain
 And when their stomachs are bare
 They know it's a family pain
 In the frost-bitten mornings of the winter seed
 They enter the morn and work 'til their hands all bleed
 Their father stands above them in the perfect rain
 He knows it's sacrifice but he also knows the gain
 Spring sets in like the beast within
 And the heat of summer sure to follow
 But if the work of the seasons doesn't propagate
 Their joyous smiles will turn to sorrow
 But they've learnt to live with occasional strife
 And this situation, they have overcome
 The labouring man of the labouring field
 Will then know his family has won.

James Stewart

Nothing

I would like to speak to you all today on a subject near and dear to my own heart and yours. But I don't think there is one. Looking at what a diverse bunch of sinners and cricketers you all are. I am tempted to recall that famous saying "The pen is mightier than two in the bush," but I won't because as you know an Englishman's home is moderation in all things and when the cat's away the proof of the pudding has a silver lining. But I digress. We must never lose sight of our essential mission in life which, as you all know, or don't know, is related to the direction we take in what we do. And there is my point. Because no man is an Englishman's castle there comes a time in all our lives when we must stop and say, "Discretion is the better part of flogging a dead horse."

So far I have told you exactly what you have wanted to hear and that is the subject. Never in history has there been a speech made which contains exactly what everyone wants to hear, until now. For it is a fact that nobody wants to hear everything, nor does anyone feel like telling everybody everything. Therefore, if nobody wants to hear everything, it is my conclusion that everybody wants to hear nothing.

You might think it takes not time at all to say nothing but in fact my research has led me to believe that it takes approximately four minutes to say nothing. And this is subconsciously why Mr Heaps has made four minutes the length of time required for our speeches. Because he secretly hopes desperately that some visionary soul will say nothing. Well now his hopes have been fulfilled because, as I have already stated, everyone wants to hear nothing and that is precisely what I am saying.

It requires a special kind of idiocy to say nothing, the kind of idiocy which I possess. As you will realise our own Mr Ryder has been spending his Assemblies trying to perfect the art. But his major problem thus far has been his inability to grasp the 'Four minute theory', as we in the nothing trade call it. At the moment Mr Ryder speaks for much too long and even though he may seem to come close to success he always makes an accidental slip up or two and says something, spoiling an otherwise perfectly vacuous speech. Or maybe he doesn't and there is the beauty of what I am saying to you or rather not saying. When you say nothing you cannot be lying, committing perjury or simply be wrong because nothing is an absolute that is not related to the truth and untruth. For while nothing I say is wrong I am not saying anything that is right.

But there is a contradiction inherent in my argument because while I am saying nothing I am still speaking and theoretically it is impossible to speak without saying anything. So should I complete my speech without saying anything I will have said nothing and therefore it is reasonable to assume that I have not spoken even though I am speaking now. It is entirely possible that, should I succeed in saying nothing, reality will invert itself and this room will be converted into a black hole which will go on to swallow up three quarters of the southern hemisphere and cause over 30,000 Americans to suffer heart-attacks, or maybe it won't.

Anyway, you can't hide from nothing, a fact I have arrived at by inverting the correct statement "You can hide from something". Thus the creation of a nonsense statement, "You can't hide from nothing," from a perfectly logical statement, "You can hide from something," shows that nonsense writers such as Lewis Carroll sought to write nothing in the same way that Mr Ryder seeks to say nothing. Carroll was an unfortunate man - he almost succeeded in writing nothing, but the stress was too much for him and it caused him to make the disastrous mistake of writing Alice in Wonderland. The only thing that saved the poor man from despair was the big money he made from that book and its sequels, the Concise Oxford English Dictionary and the Bible. Only in death did he realise the truth of the matter and even now he is happily writing absolutely nothing.

Finally I come to the matter of Hypnotism. As you well know or as you almost certainly don't know, when a Hypnotist says, "You will remember nothing," he is simply bringing out your desire to hear nothing. So in a way today I have Hypnotised you. Consider this, although I have said nothing to you, nothing is above criticism and I cannot fail to convince you because nothing is as convincing as nothing or, as no-one said, a bad workman is skin-deep and better the devil you know than a fool and his money hath no fury like hay while the sun shines.

Scott MacKenzie

Eating Out

"Hot dogs, French fries."
 "Hot dogs with ketchup and salty french fries. Yes sir, 3 dogs, 2 fries. That's \$5.50 thank you."

Food is one of our most important daily needs. It gives us energy to work and play. It makes us grow and keeps our bodies strong and healthy.

All living things, plants, animals and man - need food to live and grow.

Chicken rolls, hot chips, tomato sauce. These are stomach warming words on a cold winters sports day. Why are they, you may ask. Well we expend a lot of energy, in the course of watching a sporting fixture and fuel in the form of food, is required by our bodies so that we can continue to enjoy the fast moving, action packed, sporting extravaganza.

It's very pleasant to be able to sit down and enjoy appetising food with friends, whatever the occasion, whether it be outdoors or indoors.

The Friday night visit with friends to the local fish and chip joint completes the week and the good food gives us sufficient energy until we arrive home again to refuel. The whole exercise is without complication. We do not have to book a table for a certain time or dress up and it is inexpensive. However, everybody must admit to liking a night at a restaurant with friends. But, it can get complicated. Before we even arrive at the restaurant it gets tricky. We have to contend with family questioning that goes like this.

Dad bursts forth "You're not going out like that are you?" Then Mum chips in "Wear the Lemon and Pink shirt Auty Flo sent you."

"What?" I say
 "You heard what your mother said" Dad bellows.

I decide to hold my tongue but that shirt would put anybody off their meal.

On arrival at the restaurant the booking is for BREAD, not BAIRD, but with that sorted out we are greeted and seated.

The Maitre d'hotel with great flourish presents the menu and we're then faced with the challenge of placing our order. But what are these foreign words.

(Waiter) - Your order sir - ?
 (Guest) - Ummm - Salmon Patty. Aaah - Escargots a la cremy and er.. Poison de jower.

(Waiter) - Very well, sir.
 Sir would like some Salmon Pate - for Hors d'Oeuvres, Escargots a la creme for Entree and Poisson du Jour for your main.

(Guest) - Is that what I ordered?
 (Waiter) - Yes, sir.
 (Guest) - Well how's a man to know all that?

But it doesn't end there. The wine waiter then makes his move and presents a wine list with unpronounceable names. He suggests:-

(Wine Waiter) - Perhaps sir would like some Savignon Blanc or perhaps Guertstraminer.

(Guest) - What's all this - Oh nup, raspberry and lemonade for me.

The bill at the end of the evening is very plain to read and requires no extra help to tell us that the restaurant evening has not been a cheap one. Enjoyable - yes. Inexpensive - no.

With the more frequent arrival of Americans and people from foreign lands - for instance Vietnam, Lebanon, China and Japan, we in New Zealand are at last experiencing exciting new cultures and foods. The Chinese restaurants have become more abundant and although people may be hesitant to try CHOP SUEYI and change from their kiwi diet of 3 veges and meat, once the step is taken and new tastes indulged in, confidence and the desire to try more unusual dishes follows.

The problem of providing good food for everyone in the world has not yet been solved. We are fortunate enough to live in a country that ensures good food and a balanced diet for the majority of people.

To be able to eat out - whether it be standing at the local takeaway with your packet of chips or seated in a restaurant with your shrimp cocktail, is an added luxury in life. There's something rather special about eating out.

"Cheeseburgers, Hot dogs, Chips."
 "A little poisson cru sir, or perhaps sir would prefer filet mignon." These are stomach warming words when eating out.

Millen Baird

Beds are Burning (Midnight Oil)

The time has come
 to say fair's fair
 to pay the rent
 to pay our share

The time has come
 a fact's a fact
 it belongs to them
 let's give it back!

How can we dance while our earth is turning?
 How can we sleep while our beds are burning?

Cubulia Incendunt (Midnight Oil)

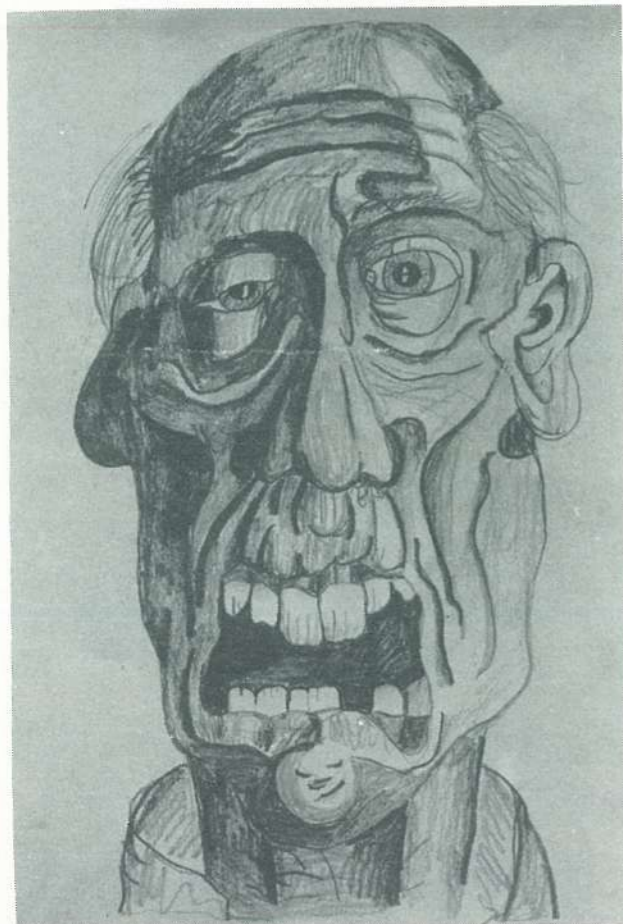
Tempus est nobis
 dicere "fas est et aequum"
 solvere mercem
 solvere nostrum patrem

Tempus est nobis
 haec res est hoc
 quod possident
 reddemus!

Oportetne nos saltare dum nostra terra se movet?
 Oportetne nos dormire dum nostra cubilia incendunt?

by Vaughan Spurdle (4th Form)

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Here I am an old man,
 A dull head among windy spaces.

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Art by: G. McKenna 4

My house is a decayed house,
 And the Jew squats on the window sill, the owner,
 Spawned in some estaminet of Antwerp,
 Blistered in Brussels, patched and peeled in London.



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GIDDAY

"Giddy!" - or perhaps "Hooray!" would be a more appropriate title. Both are well used expressions, unique to "Kiwi Blokes" and Blokeses. "Hurray", meaning "good-bye", is appropriate to us today, as we watch the "Kiwi Bloke" disappear from New Zealand society.

The "Kiwi Bloke" was a chap who typified New Zealand for a good part of this century. He was tough, friendly, and not a "pooler" ("Pooler" is a "Kiwi Bloke" expression meaning: "one who is less masculine than most, and may indulge in cultural activities such as music.")

These blokes had a widespread reputation for being a fan of Rugby and Racing, and for being one who could hold his beer. His other major quality was his ingenuity, he could do jobs around his home, and on his car, by himself, or with some mates. He rarely had to call on a specialist.

The "Kiwi Bloke" has been going through a period of decline, and the youth of today are no longer growing into good blokes, but rather Yuppies, Trendies, Punks, Surfies and Artists. To find a young "Kiwi Bloke" would be a very difficult job in New Zealand in the 1980's.

The Holden Kingswood and Ford Falcons driven by kiwi blokes in the past, will now be living out their useful lives transporting punks from brawl to brawl, and surfies from beach to beach.

As any motor mechanic or lawnmower repair man will tell you, less and less people will fix their own machinery today, and will pop the mower into the Commodore and go down to the Masport dealer to have it fixed.

There is nothing that can be done to bring back the "Kiwi Bloke". The media, by advertising new trends, and showing us the life of the Jet Set, is going to further this decline even more. So, the only hope lies with you. Before you buy that BMW, that 53" thruster with channels, or those Ray Ban Sunglasses ask yourself, do you want to be trendy, or a "Kiwi Bloke"?

S. King

Whistle up a photo

We are at a bit of a disadvantage because our resident photo-journalist has got a job at T.N.L.

We are searching for a newer, and better? photographer. He needs to be bright, intelligent, and to know a good picture when he sees one. But most of all, he needs to be good at catching a classic moment and recording it on film. This is why we want YOU to submit a photograph, which you have taken, and send it to the WHISTLE H.Q. (Room 9). Include your name, group, and what type of camera you took it with (preferably a single lens reflex).

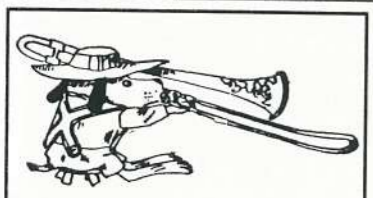
Put it in an envelope and hand to Mr P. Ryder. If you win, you must be willing to become a photo-journalist for the WHISTLE. Even if you don't have a clue about professional photography, just try it!

There are three categories. People, Place and Staff members at home!

You may win \$30.00, so have a go!

Make your photo(s) interesting, and have them black and white (if possible).

Entries close 2 weeks after school resumes for 3rd term. Good Snapping!!!!



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Bugsy Malone

What is this? Has NPBHS been overrun by gangsters? No! Upon investigation it is boys and staff preparing for the school's latest production, **Bugsy Malone**. Tracking down our zany H.O.D. of Music, Miss R. Mabin is no easy task, let alone getting any thing out of her. After battling with three of the actors, I finally gained her attention.

Bugsy Malone is a musical based on the 1920's gangster theme and is a parody of the era. The musical is "perfect" for a school production as all its cast is meant to be young people, who in their own right make a parody of "mature" adults.

The cast is huge, with 65 actors including fourteen very enthusiastic girls from Sacred Heart filling the female roles. They are all led by Mrs M. Ashworth, a very experienced and excellent actress who has an extensive background in local amateur theatre, and by Miss Mabin, the flamboyant and excitable music teacher. Mrs Ashworth is the stage director whilst Miss Mabin is controlling the music side.

"SET"

The set is being designed by our art teacher, Mr R. Taberner and is being constructed by Mr M. Dobson. The set is a three tier system that promises an exciting addition to the expected professional performance. In addition

Whistle Triumphant

As a partial result of pressure from May's WHISTLE NPBHS again launches itself into a full scale money raising campaign, this time to aid its primary objective of raising the academic levels of the students. The current campaign is aimed at buying a complete class set of 22 computers, along with appropriate software, peripherals and equipping a suitable environment. This campaign is the result of many hundreds of hours of work by Mr Green and his staff over the past two years. Though the immediate results will not be experienced until 1988, the school has pledged support for possibly, the most worthwhile project Boys' High has undertaken in recent times.

The question being asked is why this has taken so long to eventuate. The answer is that our school has devoted resources to other laudible projects, such as our magnificent new pool. This delay has allowed our school to learn from other school's mistakes and has put us in the position of obtaining a system that will not only be the best value for money, but also equipment that is the state of the art in technology and is very flexible

tion to this exciting set are the splurge guns that are the real things and are real splurge! So far rehearsals are going well and the support from the senior school has been very good.

"PLOT"

For those plebs who haven't seen the film or read the book, here is a brief outline of the plot:—

Dandy Dan (Charles de Bueger) has developed a secret weapon known as a splurge gun which is quick and effective. His aim is to obliterate Fat Sam's (Jason Ede) gang, which he does very quickly. Fat Sam's only method of retaliation is the custard pie (trusty, but old fashioned). Fat Sam builds a splurge gun and when he tests it, he accidentally kills his right hand man, Knuckles (Campbell Mitchell). Bugsy (Shane Lester) is then hired by Fat Sam in an effort to eliminate "that sleazy lounge lizard", Dandy Dan and his gang.

Amongst all this is Fat Sam's association with the raunch Tallulah (Anne Braughan), and Bugsy's love for Blousey (Barbara Fabish).

The musical ends in a very exciting manner with a fantastic climatic battle and the "Hollywood" ending for the Hero and Heroine. The play will run for three nights only 11th, 12th, and 13th of August (second to last week of term). So go along and be entertained by what will be a brilliant musical production.

K. Lowther



Who is Bugsy Malone?



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To Dan — departing overseas

On your departure from Gate One
We shook hands
As is the done
Thing for a father and adult son.

Jocular jokes about your trip
Jolly banter
And merry quip,
Guarding that Saxon upper lip.

Consider now the distaff side
Mother with
No attempt to hide
Emotion, holds her arms out wide.

And you with unaccustomed grace
Bend down to
Kiss her upturned face.
And tears cascade around the place.

Perhaps it's better done this way.
Her tears may
Purge her grief away.
But mine, it seems, is set to stay.

T B

High on a Headland

High up on an Orkney headland a strange procession wound its way ceremoniously up a well beaten track. The sun, a golden glowing orb rested upon the horizon and a fresh wind rustled the dry grasses on the cliff-top. A white bearded man robed in black led the gathering, a curved golden sickle at his belt. The islanders followed the druid; the women bare breasted and the men chanting and beating mournfully on seal-skin drums. Two of the men supported a strong birch sapling on their shoulders. A naked man was bound firmly to this stake; his head was shaved and strange black markings decorated his defiant face.

This was the night of midsummer and this strange meeting had occurred quinquennially ever since iron age man built his rough hewn daub huts on the islands.

Despite the sea breeze the night was mild and warm, unusual for the brief northern summer. Standing tall on the cliff top was a colossal human figure woven skillfully from grass and osiers. It towered god-like a full seven men high. Upon closer inspection its features were bold and crude. A makeshift boar spear was grasped in one mighty hand and a phallus symbolised the fertility which the villager's fields so badly needed. Inside the massive frame geese, chickens and pigs were entombed in a vegetative coffin.

The captive was unbound and then imprisoned in an empty cell of the vast effigy. The villagers anointed their bodies with the grease from roasting poultry and painted woad on their chests and faces. They began to undulate in a loose circle around the giant while beginning a frenzied chanting. The supple brown forms of these greased and slippery people became part of the deepening twilight.

The druid took a flaming peat brand and while reciting in shrill Celtic tossed it onto the whicker man. The dry material soon caught alight and flames ate hungrily at the giant's legs. Added to the human cries were the screams of the terrified animals alarmed by the acrid smoke. The blaze grew like a living creature now licking at the very base of the cages where the sacrifice sweated. Moths attracted to the flames died cruelly in small flashes of orange as the heat cremated them in flight.

The superstitious chanters quietened in awe of this most spectacular of pagan rituals. The smell of burning flesh mixed with the smoke which swirled uncontrolled in the wind. Suddenly the legs of the giant figure collapsed and he whicker man toppled slowly, almost gracefully, forward in a shower of sparks. It crashed down the high cliff where the awaiting sea eagerly swallowed its prize in a hiss of steam.

Andrew Gray, Form 7

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THE OCEAN

The mighty monster, the oceans power pours down onto the desolate shore washing up the wonders of the aquatic world below the white foam tipped waves. The all powerful waves race each other with a roar towards the beach. They lose momentum, break, crashing down. With full impact onto the beach the water running back erodes the sand making wide ruts. Smell the salt air as the sound of gulls, shags and other sea birds float down towards you. This is the home, the beginning of life's abundance.

Bevan Smith



R. Pennington 7

'The Vacuous Youth of Today.'

The vacuous youth of today anything for a look their way the conversion of a revolution into a battle of fashion. The vacuous youth of tomorrow any cult he or she will follow "look at me man, I got time on my side" the alternative, opportunity cost decision made, almost certainly lost where to go, when and why the laws of oneself to defy. Solid build and a fist on his brain no gun in his pocket - but he's John Wayne a knife in arm pit, talc on his balls Spray paint remains scouring the walls no understanding of what he just wrote meaning ignored, coolness - his vote. Poly-zip jeans and tight-fitting tops low-maintenance haircuts or prickly mops The badges, the banners, transparent. Spit manners MUSIC: sure, but what was the cause? Ask any 'looker - punk' - an indefinite pause. an indefinite pause sums them up - not really sure of what they are, of what they are doing and why. The vacuous youth of today.

James Stewart

Speeches...

Well... it's that time of year again, time to do an original speech, and once again I'm stuck for a topic. And... not only do I have to speak, and I emphasise **have** to speak on I don't know what, but it should be 5-6 minutes long. All the other classes are doing three minutes; we'll do six.

Again, the same annual question crops up! - Why do we have to do speeches? - it's a beautiful afternoon, I should be out playing golf or cricket, or out at the beach - surfing even - any number of a hundred and one things to do... but no I'm sitting here writing a speech. And look at these suggested topics: a great sportsman or sportswoman. Well I suppose I could do Martin Crowe - but then everyone knows how brilliant he is, has been, and will be - so I won't do him. "Join the Army" - well, why not? After all you go to interesting places, meet interesting people - and then... best of all, you get to kill them! "Alcohol is a more dangerous drug than marijuana" - hmmm, could be interesting - and so could "sex is a necessary evil" - might be a bit hard to stay on the right track though - in both cases... I probably would have been on the first tee by now - ready to smoke round the course, but no - I must concentrate here. What a racket is going on next door - no consideration some people. Here we go "Motorcross"... Ohhh and here's the milkman and I forgot to put the bottles out again - oh well, how sad, never mind... I could have been halfway to my tee shot though... Hey, here's a good one "You don't learn anything at school!" - well what a load of old cobblers! - what do they think we go there for - fun? Nothing could have been further from the truth... Take speeches for example: what a wealth of knowledge we gain from writing and delivering speeches. What could be more educational or hilarious than a Duncan Haynes speech interrupted seven times by a varying voice pitch? - or for that matter, a horrifying book review from Philip Sudd with a unique, nose-breaking ending. Who will ever forget that fumble of his cards and that long slow graceful fall - apart from Philip himself? No there's absolutely no way I could say you don't learn anything at school. We all learnt how to laugh last year. Mr Heaps thought he finally had his first death in a classroom - after many assassination attempts trying to blow pupils away with verbal explosions however.

- Would have been on the second by now - a masterpiece in golf-course architecture... - standing there on the tee, looking over the lake and gully, up the hill and left around some pine trees, down to that large green, jealously guarded by six or seven hundred bunkers 366 metres away. Probably I'd take a driver and draw my magnet-like ball around the pines, over the hill, down the fairway, to within pitching distance of that now shrinking green. But no... instead I'll take a pen and draw all over these cards for five or six minutes... "Shoplifting as a hobby." Well what next... "Stamp collecting as a dare," "The dangers in storing your milo." "A Penthouse Forum in Readers' Digest" - no I won't indulge here. "Customising cars" - nah... "How to be a successful M.P." Well I could probably sell it to Mr Duynhoven afterwards, which might be profitable, but then again, perhaps Tony Friedlander might now pay more for it, but then I suppose that they both know that all they have to do is lie - perhaps Tony Friedlander wasn't a very good liar?... "I thought I was going to die" - I wish I was; at least I wouldn't have to write a speech. I wonder if I would have avoided those ball-gobbling sand traps on the second? "Reagan - a triumph in the morticians' art" - well, not really a triumph in anyone's art, old Ronald, old, old Ronald. "The best game you've ever played"... might well have been playing a pretty good one now if I didn't have this confounded speech to write, and barring any other trouble with bad shots, bad temper, swamp, mud, lakes, wood, bush or field. "Computer theft" Well, fat chance of that, at least at this school. Despite the fact that there's only one computer to steal, you have to get past the bouncers on the door, and then if you do, you soon have Mr Green to contend with, or even worse, Kevin Goodwin and all his hardware. "If God did not exist then we would have to invent him" - probably very true. People need someone to blame, and someone to worship and the morning prayer boys, need something to do before assembly. "Don't trust anyone over 300" - they'll only give you homework or an assignment or three, or a speech, test, seminar, detention, or exam to do. I might put the radio on; a good bit of hard rock from Abba or someone on Radio Taranaki might help me concentrate on these topics. I could have been attacking the pin on the 3rd by now but instead I've got this speech to write - Lord knows why

we have to do speeches... hey... what about a compromise, a speech on Golf, that game invented by the devil using implements ill-devised for the purpose. In fact why does a normal man get pleasure out of beating the hide off a small white golf ball, walking an average of seven miles in pursuit of his own bad shots. Why after a rest of a few hours or days does the same normal man repeat this nonsense, why does this practice continue year after year until the above mentioned lunatic either breaks a hundred, breaks his clubs or breaks his back - well, most probably for the same reason that we have to do speeches - you tell me and we'll both know. Why do we have to do speeches? Now there's a good topic.

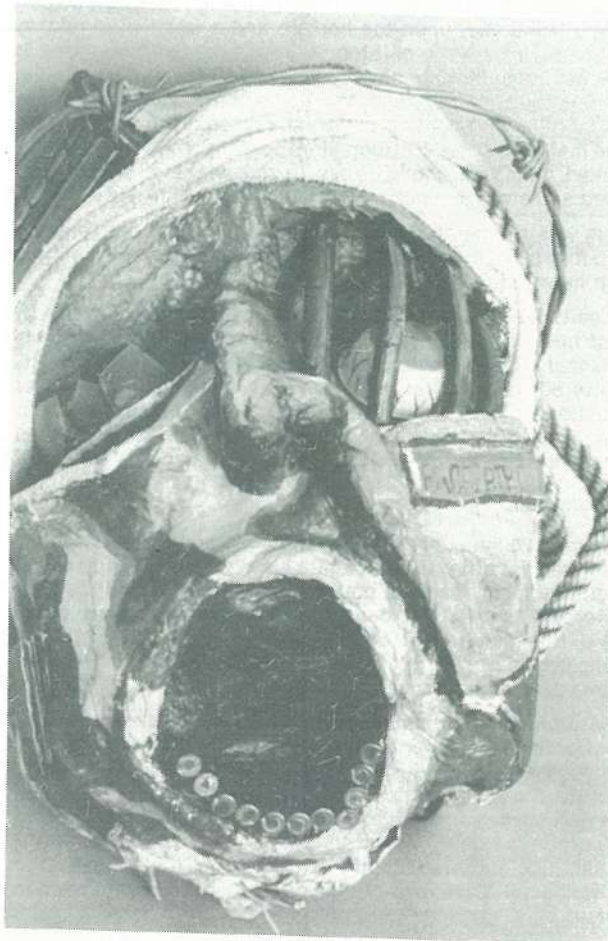
Thank-you.

Paul Shearer

L'Homme et les garçons marchent vers la maison du fantôme
Ils chantent "Brulez-le, Brulez-le"
Les enfants brûlent la maison et regardent les flammes
Ils écoutent les cries
Du fantôme mourant.

B. Laurence

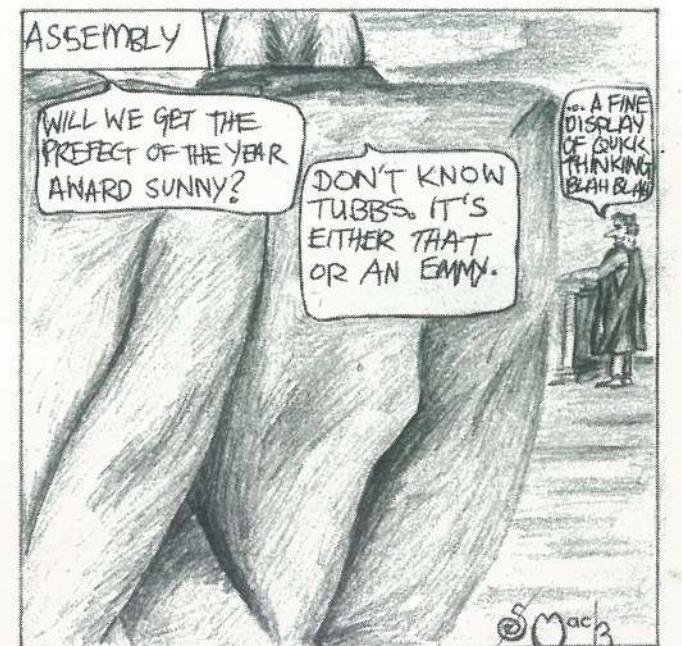
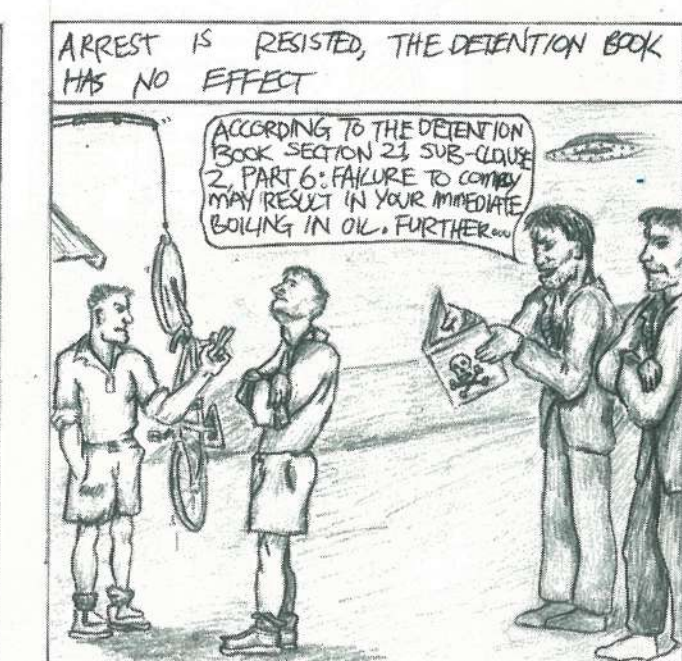
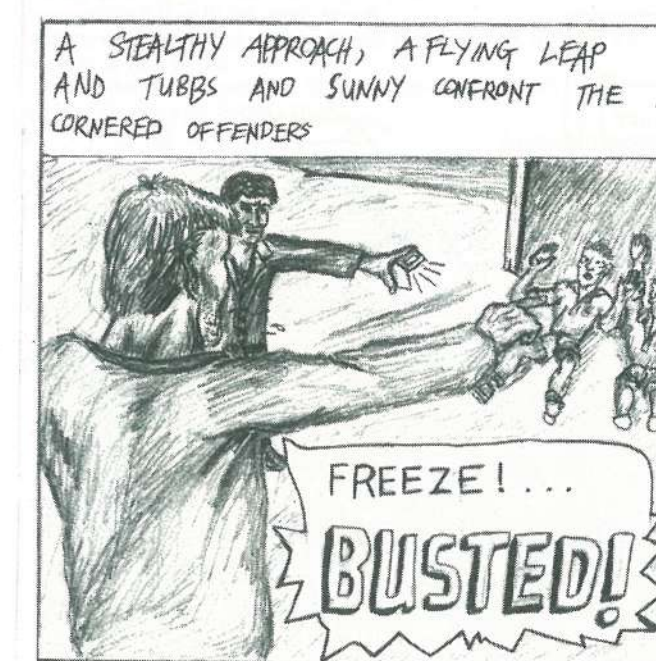
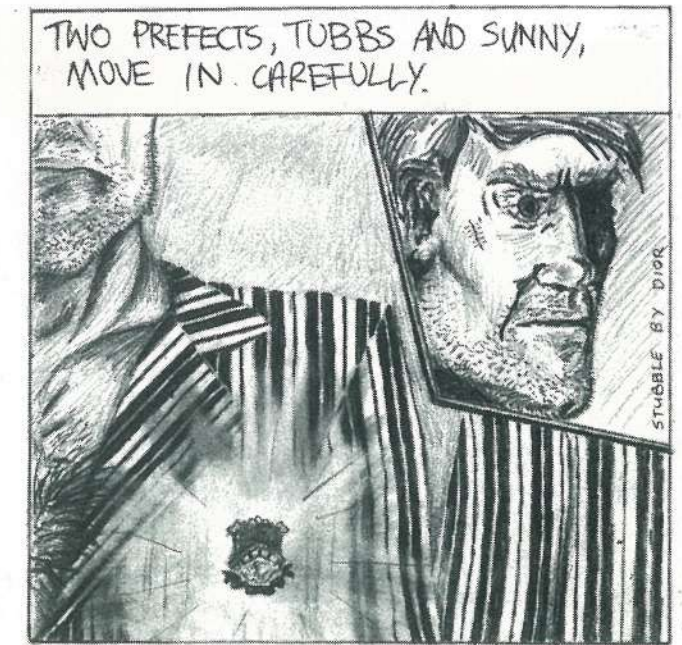
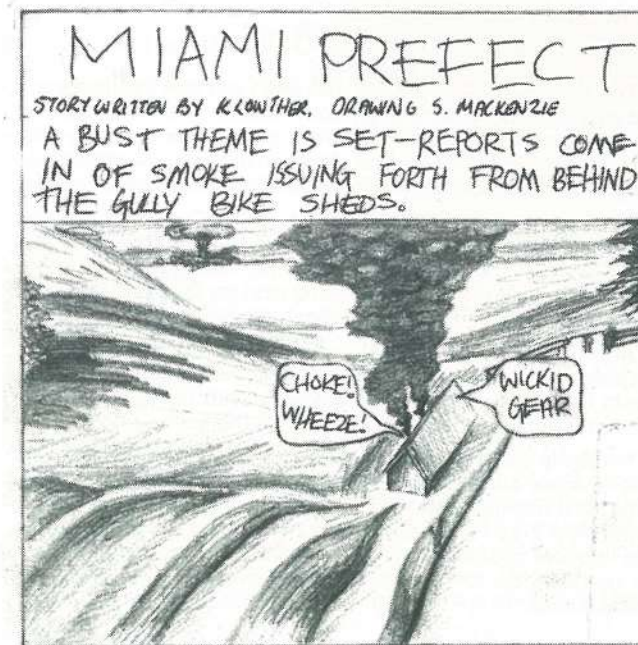
The men and the boys walk towards the phantom's house
They sing "Burn him, Burn him"
The children burn the house and watch the flames
They hear the cries
Of the phantom crying.



Art by: G. Thomas

The change of philomel, by the barbarous king
So rudely forced; yet there the nightingale
Filled all the desert with inviolable voice
And still she cried, and still the world pursues,
'Jug Jug' to dirty ears.

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Floundering in the Otahu Estuary

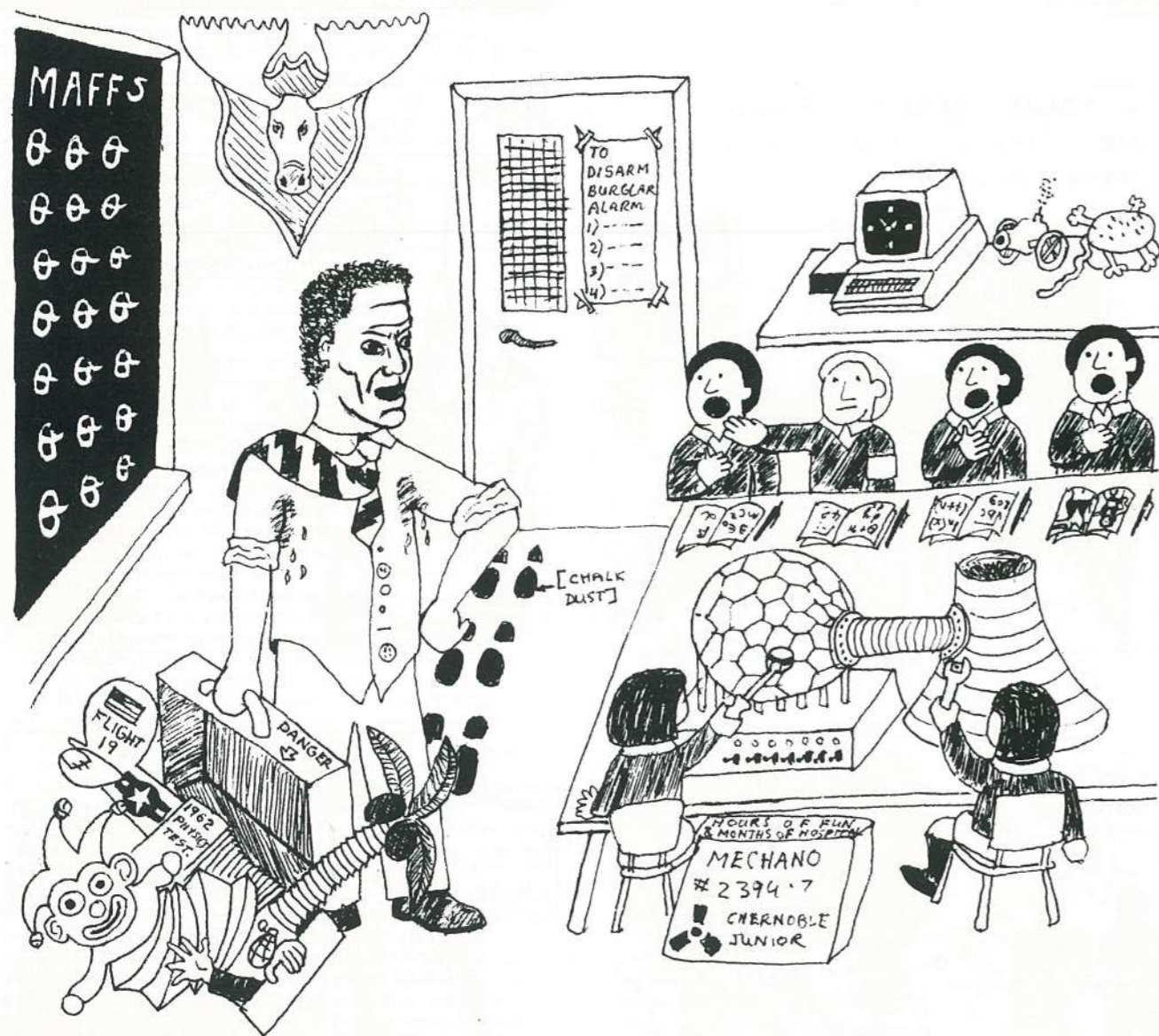
The water's cold on my feet as I wade out into the middle of the estuary looking for a likely spot. Once I have found it, I put on my flippers and mask and slowly lower myself into the cold rippling water. For the first few minutes I just sit there, becoming accustomed to the temperature of the water.

Finally I set off to find that elusive fish. The current of the incoming tide is strong as I make my way through the water. As I look down at the vast expanse of pipis, tua-tua, and cockles I see hundreds of little fish swimming past my face and there are a few cockabullies skirting amongst the rocks.

After half an hour without any luck I decide to try my luck elsewhere. Where the bottom would be more sandy or muddy could be a likely spot for the flounder. With my spear poised, ready for action I make my way over to the spot.

Suddenly out of the corner of my eye, I spot something brown and speckly on the sandy bottom. Slowly but surely I swim towards it making sure I stay behind it. I am only about two feet away from it as I prepare to make my lunge. But unexpectedly the flounder suddenly lifts itself off the bottom and shoots off up the river. So for the rest of the afternoon I tried to spear cockabullies.

Richard Lambert



"... And I'd thank you lot to stop referring to my lessons as Science Fiction..."

The Fisher

Olim piscator, nomine, 'Piscus'
 Ex piscinae ripa piscatur
 Piscem ridentem qui
 eum detraxit sub unda
 Nunc ex piscinae ripa 'Piscem' piscantur.

There once was a fisher called 'Fisher'
 Who fished from the edge of a fissure
 A fish with a grin,
 Pulled him right in,
 Now they're fishing the fissure for 'Fisher.'

David Lash, Form 4

SPARK OF FLAME

There it lay a tiny ember, lifelessly lying under a pile of paper wastes. A cool evening breeze blew within the pile striking the minute ember, placing life into it, making it glow mysteriously. Then from the ember came a firey spark, it pounced onto an old newspaper, dancing on it as if it was a theatre stage. Slowly scorching the surface, turning it into a gritty brown, then a hellish black.

Then flame splashed out of the mass of dry wastes ignited into a firey ball of yellowish and orange blazing vapours. Roaring like a giant fierce lion ripping at the rubbish disintegrating it with its mere touch.

The firey creatures fuel source slowly disappeared, forcing it to shrink to a tiny flame.

Soon the flame reduced to a small insignificant spark lying on the dark flakey ash. Slowly dying....

Justin Mitchell

'Death-trap Death'

The boy next door has got a new toy
 Nervous, he feels her body, black and smooth
 Must be a virgin, knows no functions, no rules.
 He sits on her like he sits on a piano stool
 Jumping to start her, he fumbles turns red.
 Looks in the mirror reminds him he's there
 Looks to his father, aged thirteen - what he'd said
 Go slowly, arouse her, gain control - then scare.
 Driving her up hill, he is unbalanced
 She so calm, smooth and collected, has been here before.
 He stalls momentarily - good, no one is looking.
 It's only her confidence he wants to score.
 Riding along the metal, menaced road
 The wind blowing through his greasy hair
 Gloves and Swandri, a helmet and boots
 Are all thrown suddenly into the air
 The car that hit him is left untouched
 A bundle of bones is scraped from the wheel
 The sirens redden a black picture tone
 The family arrive, not knowing what to feel.
 His toy got the best of him in a world of creation
 His life got the worst of it in a world of destruction
 Still the family weep in the house below
 The toy is cemented in the tombs of their mind
 His sister is pregnant but there's no trike for Christmas
 That toy won't be cemented in the womb of her kind.

James Stewart

What a bird is the Falcon,
 As it moves round and round.
 The broad orange beak,
 The great brown head,
 The bright white chest,
 The glint in its eye,
 All move in motion.

S.D.



Art by: G. Thomas

I have lost my passion: why should I need to keep it
 Since what is kept must be adulterated?
 I have lost my sight, smell, hearing, taste and touch:
 How should I use them for your closer contact.

Mid Winter Madness - Again

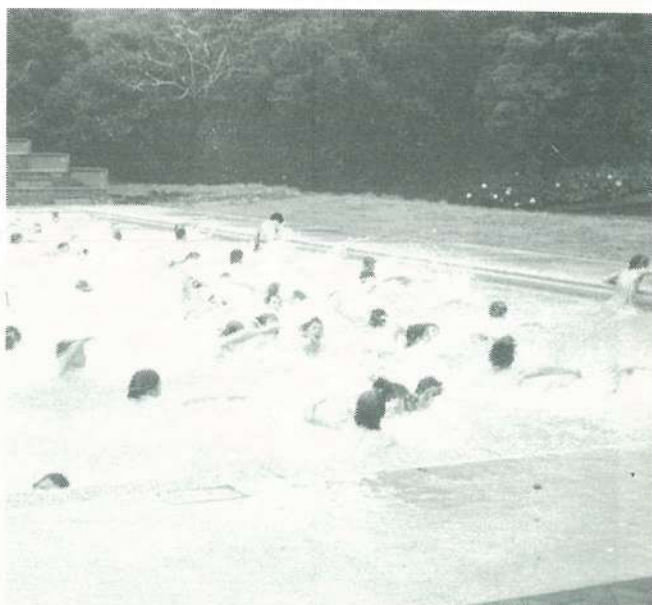
The Polar Bear Swim is threatening to become an annual event - this year being held on Thursday 25th June in the new school pool. Some 400 hardy souls, the cream of the school, showed their school spirit, daring, hardihood and sheer disregard of life as we know it - to take the plunge in the cause of competition for the school and C.T. Scanner Appeal.

From immediate printable responses we learn the experience was "breath-taking bracing, and fun", but there were in fact few printable remarks. Nevertheless mono syllabled grunts and ice-resistant grins were the obvious features of high spirits at pool-side.

Mrs Grimwood's swim suit did actually get wet in the good cause. Father Christmas Burnham made a welcome appearance and Mr Mossop was the model of elegance in Rugby jersey, wetsuit and mandatory tie. Showing himself to be the man we all know him to be, Mr Carter set out to prove the shortest distance between two points is the length of the pool as did Ironman Laurenson showing hostel men are "tuff". Another one seen to make the big splash we all know he is capable of was Mr Bublitz also seen carrying the New Plymouth flag.

In their never-ending search to find alternatives to corporal punishment the administration have come up with an interesting "one-off solution."

\$5,000 was raised by the swimming effort.



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**Winners of the Group Instrumental Section
National School of Music Competition**

Front to Rear: S. Bremner, D. Haynes, G. Thomas, J. Baker.



Jamie McKenzie tanning himself in Sims' Sun Clinic



... in a relaxed mood



Having a ball on the Gully Ground

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Visit of Mr Neil Walter

On Friday 29th May, Neil Walter a prominent Old Boy, visited the school at Mr Ryder's invitation and addressed a group of History students and senior boys in the music room.

Mr Walter has for over twenty years worked in New Zealand's diplomatic corps, spending most of his career in London, Paris and New York. He spoke of the rapid development of New Zealand's diplomatic service since World War Two and discussed in some detail his main area of interest: the negotiations for continued butter access for New Zealand to the E.E.C. He was an excellent speaker, keeping everyone's attention with stories of colourful but hard New Zealand negotiators like Joe Walding and Rob Muldoon. Finally he explained how one can become a career diplomat in the 1980's.

After answering a number of questions from the students Mr Walter was taken on a tour of his old school by Mr Ryder.



SCIENCE FAIR AND SCIENCE QUIZ

In August the Taranaki Science Fair and Science Quiz was held at Okato College. Our school provided 12 of the 180 entries in the Science Fair. The entry of Dale Winter, Huib Buyck and Heath Wills entitled "Cyanogenesis in White Clover" was highly praised by the judges for its level of research, analysis and presentation. This exhibit won the best-in-class, the statistics prize the IWD cup for the Best-in-Fair, and went on to represent Taranaki in the N.Z. Science Fair in Wellington.

At the same time, eleven schools competed for the Taranaki Science Quiz Cup. This quiz consisted of a written section, the best four teams being asked oral questions to decide a winner. The NPBHS team of Roger Donaldson, Craig Purdie, David Lash and Jason Brown did very well, and although being rapidly overhauled by NPGHS, won by a clear margin.

D.J. Mossop



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SENIOR PRIZEGIVING 1986

FORM FIVE PRIZES

Subject Prizes

Accounting: Grant Sarten.

Art: Shane Gibbons.

Economics: Lee Middleton.

Engineering Shopwork (Best Student) (Trade Tools Ltd. Prize): Scott Denholm.

Engineering Shopwork (Practical) (Olex Canzac Cables Prize): Rhys George.

French (French Embassy Prize) and **Maori**, and **Music:** Duncan Haynes.

Geography: Karl Wipatene.

Horticulture (Duncan & Davies Prize): Andrew Hocken.

Latin and **Mathematics** (School Certificate)

and **Mathematics** (Best 3rd Year boy working at F6) (Donald Mackie Memorial Prize): Gregory Scrivin.

Woodwork (Theory): Aaron Larking.

Woodwork (Practical) (Scott Commercial Prize): Brad Raven.

GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

3rd Aggregate Equal: Cameron Greig (1st Technical Drawing), Mark Low (1st English) (Daily News Prize) 1st History.

2nd Aggregate: Murray Pugh.

1st Aggregate: Howard Silby (John Hatherly Memorial Cup & Prize) (1st in Science).

EFFORT AND PROGRESS

Paul Fenton, Paul Shearer, Jason Scown.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Certificates: 3rd Dean Gorrie.

2nd and 3rd in Essay Duncan Haynes.

1st Prize: Paul Fenton.

ESSAY

Certificate: 2nd Jody Joseph.

1st Prize: Richard Quin.

ORAL READING

Certificates: 3rd Wayne Dawson.

2nd Andrew Bullians.

1st Dennis Baty.

FORM SIX PRIZES

Subject Prizes

Advanced Mathematics (Tabor Prize) (1st Equal): David Schwamm.

Art History (Tabor Prize) & **Practical Art** (Tabor Prize): Ross Pennington.

Construction (Theory) (Tabor Prize): John Vink.

Construction (Project) (C.F. Millward Prize): Johnathan Elliot.

French (French Embassy Prize): Blair Pritchard.

Geography (Tabor Prize): Sam Buchanan.

History (Tabor Prize and Latin (Tabor Prize): Scott MacKenzie.

Horticulture (Duncan & Davies Prize): Lloyd Robbins and Spencer Jellyman.

Industrial Technology (Theory) (James Clouston Memorial Prize): Peter Brown.

Industrial Technology (Project) (James Clouston Memorial Prize): Craig Moles.

Maori (Tabor Prize): Alan Foster and Derrin Simpson.

Music (Tabor Prize): Jonathan Baker.

Physical Education (Tabor Prize): Richard Watson.

Physics (Most Improved Student) (Hurle Cup): Philip Landon.

Technical Drawing (Theory) (Tabor Prize): Carey Clow.

Technical Drawing (Project) (L.V. Giddy Memorial Prize): Brent Mitchell.

GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

3rd Aggregate (Tabor Prize): Charles de Bueger (1st in Mathematics).

2nd Aggregate (Tabor Prize): Paul Roberts (1st in Accounting, 1st in Economics).

1st Aggregate (Tabor Prize and Harrison Cup): Dale Winter (1st in English, 1st = in Advanced Mathematics, 1st in Physics, 1st in Chemistry, 1st in Japanese and 1st in Biology).

EFFORT AND PROGRESS

Peter Marks, Heath Wills, Christopher Barry.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Certificates: 3rd Paul Roberts.

2nd Kevin Lowther.

1st prize, and 3rd in oral reading and 3rd in essay Charles de Bueger.

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ESSAY

Certificate: 2nd Steven Nightingale.

1st prize and 2nd in oral reading Dale Winter.

ORAL READING

Certificate: 1st Ross Pennington.

FORM SEVEN PRIZES

Subject Prizes

Accounting (Legal Old Boys Prize): Tim Groenstein.

Art History: Andrew Wilson.

Biology (Walter Crowley Weston Memorial Prize): Bart Hofstee.

Economics: Karl Phillips.

English Language (John Brodie Memorial Prize): Peter Egli.

English Literature (White Memorial Prize): Shane Reynolds.

French (French Embassy Prize) and **Latin:** Angus Stewart.

Geography (David Bennett Prize) and **History:** Joses Kenneth.

Music: David Stewart.

Practical Art: Paul Jensen.

EFFORT AND PROGRESS

Alan Wesselson, Wanders Tesua, Kevin Allum.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

1st Prize and Excellence in Oratory (Wade Scott Cup) and **1st Prize in Essay:** Peter Egli.

ESSAY

Certificates: 3rd George Iapason.

2nd Andrew Wilson.

ORAL READING

Certificates: 3rd Alan Wesselson.

2nd Shane Reynolds.

SPECIAL PRIZES

Choir General Excellence (Faull Challenge Cup) and **Best Performing Artist of the Year** (College Cup): David Stewart.

Most Improved Brass Player (Gibbs Cup): Duncan Haynes.

Most Outstanding string player (Hatherly Memorial Prize): Murray Pugh.

Best Cadet (Sole Cup and Prize): Gregory Mills.

Best Creative Writing (Ward Cup and Prize): Steven Nightingale.

Best Senior Original Work (Heurtley Memorial Prize): Dion Wiggins.

Best performance and school spirit demonstrated in a Form 5 or 6 Maori student (Laurie Herdman Memorial Prize): Karl Wipatene.

Highest aggregate for a 1986 6th former in 1985 School Certificate (Hatherly Memorial Prize): Paul Roberts.

Best Polynesian student (Maori and Island Affairs Prize): Joses Kenneth.

Head Boarder (Eggleton Cup and Prize): Braide Coplestone.

General Academic Excellence (Headmaster's Special Prize): Ross Dixon.

Head Boy (Brookman Cup and Prize, in conjunction with the Clement Cave Scholarship) for loyalty, diligence, initiative and outstanding service to the school (Jack West Centennial Medallion): Mathew Simons.

Proxime Accessit (McLeod Memorial Prize, in conjunction with the Clement Cave Scholarship): Tony Hetherington.

DUX (Academic Excellence Cup and N.P.O.B. Association Prize in conjunction with the Clement Cave Scholarship): Brent Cathie (1st in Chemistry, 1st in Mathematics with Calculus, 1st in Mathematics with Statistics (Harrop Prize), 1st in Physics).

SPORTS AWARDS

Senior Certificates

Long Jump: J. Douglas 7D8, 5.51m

Javelin: S. Kaluni 7B7, 47.3m

High Jump: J. George 7B7, 1.58m

Intermediate Certificates

Triple Jump: T. Aitken 5D3, 10.68m

Shot Put: D. Shorter 5S6, 11.51m

1500m: A. Larking 5H4, 4.45sec

Senior Cups

100m: Old Boys Cup, J. McKillop 7Hs, 12.51sec

200m: Herbert Smith Cup, C. Carrick 6D8, 25.17sec

Senior Champion Triple Jump: C. Carrick 6D8

110m Hurdles: Noakes Cup, D. Asi 6D8, 19.12sec

Intermediate Cups

100m: Beckbessinger Cup, A. Bunn 5D6, 12.2sec

200m: Challenge Cup, A. Bunn 5D6, 24.51sec

Javelin: A. Bunn 5D6, 36.05m

Intermediate Champion: A. Bunn 5D6

400m: Bothamly Cup, C. Stewart 4S8, 60.67sec

800m: Gilmour Cup, S. Kendall 5B9, 2m 16.35sec

100m Hurdles: Marsh Cup, S. Manu 5H5, 17.07sec

Long Jump: Cartwright Cup, S. Manu 5H5, 5.45m

High Jump: Keller Cup, J. Peacock 5H5, 1.62m

Cross Country

Senior: 1911 Cup, P. Egli 7B3

Athlete of the Year

Gary Fowler Cup, D. Mace 6H1

Shot Put: D. Mace 6H1, 13.27m (New School Record)

Discus: D. Mace 6H1, 41.33m

Swimming

Intermediate: Challenge Cup, S. Johns 5B7

Senior: Sykes Memorial Cup, S. Venables 7S8

Life Saving: Smith and Easton Cup, S. Venables 7S8
J. Strode 7S3

Badminton

Junior: Isaac Cup, W. Temata 5S2

Senior: Cook and Lister Cup, C. Barclay 7H9

Tennis

Intermediate: McKeen Cup, S. McFall 5H9

Senior: Candy Cup, K. Aldrich 7D5

Cricket

2nd XI Most Improved Player: Giddy Cup, N. Maxwell 7Hs

1st XI Bowling: Parkinson Cup, D. Downing

Soccer

1st XI Most Improved Player: Burmester Trophy, C. Moles 6H5

1st XI Contributed Most to the Team: Coaches Cup, S. Blakelock 7D6

Hockey

1st XI Most Improved Player: Simonsen Cup, A. Darke 6D2

Rugby

1st XV Contributed the most to Rugby: Leuthart Cup, T. Duncan 6D1

1st XV Supporters Most Improved Player: Watts Cup, C. Carrick 6D8

Dayboys v Boarders

Swimming: Dempsey Shield, Dayboys

Rugby: Pease Cup, Dayboys

Inter-House

Swimming: Burnbank Cup, Barak

Rugby: Kerr Cup, Syme

Soccer: Holden Cup, Barak

Athletics: Hansard Cup, Barak

Cricket: Bates Cup, Donnelly

Overall House Champions: Crammond Cup, Barak

Sportsman of the Year: Colleges' Trophy, S. Venables 7S8

JUNIOR PRIZE GIVING

THIRD FORM PRIZES

Subject Prizes

Art: Tao Wells.

Business Studies: Darryn Commerer.

French and Japanese (Japanese Embassy Prize): Jeffrey Schrader.

Latin and Technical Drawing: David Lash.

Maori: Jason Ruakere, Jason Renau, Brett Honeyfield, Christopher O'Halloran.

Metalwork: Brett Honeyfield.

Woodwork: Craig Purdie.

GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

3rd Aggregate: Brent Beaven (1st in Science).

2nd Aggregate: Jason Brown (1st in English, 1st in Social Studies).

1st Aggregate: Vaughan Spurdle (1st in Mathematics, 1st in Music).

EFFORT AND PROGRESS

Chris Reynolds, Chris O'Halloran, Rohin Helms, for general excellence in progress and effort in all subjects.

Certificates

Pakasit Hobin (Art and Maths).

Zahn Horsfall (English and French).

Dion Ward (Latin and Science).

Leighton Hunt (Latin and Business Studies).

Duane Jackson (Social Studies and English).

Christopher Lee (Woodwork and Mathematics).

Jason Rae (Woodwork and Technical Drawing).

Shelton Brimelow (Woodwork and Science).

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Darryl Aim (Woodwork, English and Social Studies).

Allan Doy (Science Mathematics and Metalwork).

Robert Mills (English and Science).

Jason Renau (English and Science).

Jon Beardmore (Business Studies and French).

Jason Ruakere (English and Social Studies).

Scott Chadwick (Mathematics, English and Social Studies).

Matthew Andrew (English and Social Studies).

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Certificate: 3rd Jason Ruakere.

2nd Oliver Jeffrey.

1st Prize Millen Baird.

ESSAY

Certificate: 3rd Dion Ward.

2nd Vaughan Spurdle.

1st Prize Leighton Hunt.

ORAL READING

Certificate: 3rd Chris Reynolds.

2nd Shaun Luke.

1st Prize Roger Donaldson.

CAMBRIDGE LATIN COURSE CERTIFICATES

Nathan Curd, Graeme Dodd, Leighton Hunt, Oliver Jeffrey, Kyle Leuthart, David Lash, Chris O'Halloran, Andrew Rae, Michael Smeaton, Hayden Smith, Vaughan Spurdle, Glenn Tiaon, Dion Ward.

FOURTH FORM PRIZES

Subject Prizes

Art: Gareth Thomas.

Business Studies: Phillip Scott.

English: Brett Richmond.

French (French Embassy Prize): Grant Brinkhurst.

Horticulture (Duncan & Davies Prize): Keith Cross.

Maori: Manu Scott and Dale Tamaiparea.

Mathematics (Wattie Wilkie Memorial Prize) (student for making most progress): Glenn Hooper.

Metalwork (Trade Tools Ltd. Prize): Jason Fever.

Music: Stephen Bremner.

Science: Kim Rutherford.

Social Studies: Simon Strombom.

Technical Drawing: Adrian Graamans.

Woodwork: Nathan Mischewski.

GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

3rd Aggregate: Mark Moore.

2nd Aggregate: Marshall Couper (1st in Latin).

1st Aggregate: Lindsay Thomas (1st in Mathematics).

EFFORT AND PROGRESS

Gordon Slater, Aaron Connell, Mark Scott, for general excellence in progress and effort in all subjects.

Certificates

Darren Bride (Art and Science).

Blair Hicks (Business Studies, Social Studies and Science).

Karl Merriman (Business Studies).

Matthew Lees (Horticulture and Social Studies).

David Cole (Horticulture and Social Studies).

Anthony Bryant (Science and Horticulture).

Timothy Harland (Metalwork and Social Studies).

Brett Gardiner (Science and English).

Aaron Crofskey (French, Business Studies and Social Studies).

Andrew Wall (English and French).

Mitchell Cryer (Metalwork and Science).

Nicholas Andrew (Mathematics and Social Studies).

Shane Kelly (Science, Social Studies and English).

Sefton Price (Metalwork and Mathematics).

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Certificate: 3rd Andrew Wall.

2nd Mathew Ruakere.

1st Prize (Moss Cup) Timothy Baker.

ESSAY

Certificate: 3rd Phillip Richards.

2nd Dale Tamaiparea.

1st Prize (Rex Dowding Memorial Cup)

Marshall Couper.

ORAL READING

Certificate: 2nd = Michael Harrison.

2nd = Manu Scott.

1st Neil Penno.

SPECIAL PRIZES

Junior Choirster (Urquhart Trophy): Richard Dobson.
Most Improved Woodwind Player (Boyd Cup): Gareth Thomas.
Most Outstanding Brass Player (Port Nicholson Cup): Stephen Bremner.
Best Junior Original Work: Manoj Ediriweera.
For Academic and Sporting Excellence in Form 3 (Cave Bursary): Jeffrey Schrader.
For Academic, Sporting and Cultural Excellence in Form 4 (Cave Bursary): Lindsay Thomas.

Sports Awards

Junior Certificates
Long Jump: D. Holswich 4.47m
Javelin: A. Wisneski 31.16m

Junior Cups

100m: Bennet Cup, J. Miller 13.55sec
200m: J. Miller 28.15sec
Field Events: Garlic Cup, G. Tian
High Jump: (New School Record) G. Tian 1.53m
Triple Jump: G. Tian 8.8m
Shot: (New School Record) G. Tian 11.88m
Discus: G. Tian 26.38m
Junior Champion: G. Tian
400m: Harman Cup, R. Helms 65.9sec
800m: Houston Cup, J. Lofton-Brooke 2m 23.9sec
1500m: Grieve Cup, J. Lofton-Brook 4m 52.6sec
100m Hurdles: Marsh Cup, T. Patterson 17.3sec

Intermediate Cups

Discus: Edmonds Trophy, B. Clark 30.55m
400m: Bothamely Cup, C. Stewart 60.6sec

Cross Country

Intermediate: Herbet Smith Cup, T. Wolfe
Junior: Noakes Cup, J. Lofton-Brook

Swimming

Junior: Fox Cup, D. Ruakere

Basketball

1st V Most Improved Player: Peter Lay Trophy, D. Bride

Tennis

Junior: Herbert Smith Cup, L. Edwards
Most Improved Player: Burgess Cup, D. McDonald

Rugby

3rd Former Leadership & Playing Ability: Jason Duckett Memorial Trophy, J. Holland

Skiing

Champion: Ohakune Old Boys Trophy, T. Wolfe



COMPETITION RESULTS 1987

FORM 3

Essay: 1st M. Mitchell, 2nd P. Maddaford, 3rd J. Berentson
Oral Reading: 1st N. Thorpe, 2nd R. Anandaraka, 3rd S. Adams
Public Speaking: 1st N. Thorpe, 2nd E. Davies, 3rd D. Jamieson

FORM 4

Essay: 1st C. Reynolds, 2nd P. Ward, 3rd B. Honeyfield
Oral Reading: 1st R. Donaldson, 2nd N. Hemmings, 3rd B. Trubnick
Public Speaking: 1st M. Baird, 2nd B. Beaven, 3rd B. Honeyfield

FORM 5

Essay: 1st M. Farley, 2nd P. Maxwell, 3rd D. Rogers
Oral Reading: 1st M. Couper, 2nd T. Buchanan, 3rd L. Rattray
Public Speaking: 1st P. Maxwell, 2nd S. Hammond, 3rd M. Scott

FORM 6

Essay: 1st J. Stewart, 2nd A. Hocken, 3rd M. Low
Oral Reading: 1st D. Joseph, 2nd M. Low, 3rd D. Baty
Public Speaking: 1st P. Shearer, 2nd G. Goodson, 3rd T. Brooker

FORM 7

Essay: 1st A. Gray, 2nd G. Green, 3rd B. Pritchard
Oral Reading: 1st S. King, 2nd B. Pritchard, 3rd S. Coley
Public Speaking: 1st B. Pritchard, 2nd S. McKenzie, 3rd S. King

Best Creative Writing: J. Stewart
Best Senior Original Work: A. Gray
Best Junior Original Work: P. Veric
Excellence in Drama: C. de Bueger
Excellence in Oratory: M. Baird



Paddy Crowskey 1982-86, Under Officer of Cadet Unit, University Bursary winner and selected to attend Duntroon Military College Australia for Officer Training 1987.

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CONTENDERS FOR THE SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR

From Left: G. Moorhead, (Mr R. Brine), W. Temata, S. Boniface, P. Venables, D. Mace, K. O'Dowda, S. Johns, T. Wolfe, (Mr M. Carroll), and Dylan Cleaver.

REPRESENTATIVE AWARDS 1987

TERM ONE

Head Boy: Andrew Slater

Council: Scott Boniface, Brett Cronin, Rhys Flavell, Reed Jeffery, Steven Johns, Karl O'Dowda, Greg Mills, Brent Mitchell, Richard Watson, Philip Venables, David Schwamm, Paul Roberts, Chris Bridgeman.

Cricket: Brett Cronin, Karl O'Dowda, Kurt Ward, Stephen Matheson, Michael Carr, Dylan Cleaver, Greg Clark, Andrew Harvie, Wade Alsweller, Jason Burbidge.

Tennis: Gavin Hudson, David Bublitz, Sean McFall, Nathan Prestidge, Duncan McDonald, Tony Roberts.

Athletics: Douglas Mace, Andrew Bunn, Simon Manu, Chris Barry, Charles Stewart.

TERM TWO

Rugby: Tristram Duncan, Sean Donovan, Leon Hayson, Todd Wolfe, Jody Brewer, Martin Bates, Andrew Slater, Gordon Slater, Philip Venables, Chris Luke, Stacey Tilley, Richie Mautama, Gordon Robertson, Damian Mahura, Thomas Trowern.

Indoor Basketball: Scott Boniface, Tony Roberts, Tony Dew, Brett Mitchell, Darrin Bride, Graham Sands, Dean Shorter, John Hawkins, Gavin Roberts, David Bublitz, Campbell Thompson.

Soccer: Karl Wipatene, Robert Obed, Paul Roberts, Jason Burbidge, Chris Barry, Garry Stevens, Jason Carter, Robert Hakwa, Andrew Wall, Darryl Moles, Nathan Prestidge, Louis Rattray, Glen Hooper.

Badminton: Willard Temata, Bryce Martin, Richard Lambert, Ryan Jamieson, Justin Brownlie.

Hockey: Richard Watson, Guy Vickers, Jason Peacock, Adrian Graamans, Duane Burt, Justin Brownlie, Dylan Cleaver, Brendan Winder, Jamie MacKenzie.

Drama: Shane Lester, Jason Ede, Charles de Bueger.

Lighting: David Frank

TERM THREE

Music: Jonathan Baker, Duncan Haynes, Stephen Bremner, Gareth Thomas, Dennis Baty, Peter Smale, Manu Scott, Simon King, Richard Dobson, Robert Lyall, Justin Van de Water.

Cross Country: Glenn Olliver.

Golf: Grant Moorhead.

Swimming: Stephen Johns.

Rugby: Edwin Grainger.

Karlo Marsden won a New Zealand Golden Gloves title in June. He was competing for the North Island team and beat the South Island champion convincingly when the referee stopped the 57kg class contest.

A COMMENT ON SPORT

Many of the teams which represented the school in 1987 gained considerable success - these successes have been described elsewhere in this edition of the Taranakian.

I take this opportunity to record the achievements of some of the more noteworthy of the many individuals who too, gained outstanding success during the school year. Seldom, if ever, would so many of our current students have gained national or provincial honours, and these over such a wide spectrum of sports.

Scott Boniface (Basketball)

New Zealand Secondary Schools Team 1987.
 Captain School 1st Team 1985-87.

Dylan Cleaver (Hockey)

North Island Secondary Schools' Tournament Team 1987.
 Taranaki Colts Hockey Team 1987.
 1st Hockey XI.
 1st Cricket XI.

Stephen Johns (Swimming)

New Zealand Under 15 Water Polo 1986.
 New Zealand Under 16 Water Polo 1986.
 New Zealand Secondary Schools' Water Polo Team 1987.
 Taranaki Men's Water Polo Team 1986-1987.
 Taranaki Junior Surf Life Saving Team 1986 & 1987.
 Taranaki Swimming Team 1986.
 School Swimming Champ 1987.

Douglas Mace (Athletics)

New Zealand Colts Hammer Throw Title and Record Holder 1987.
 New Zealand Under 18 Shot Put and Hammer Champion 1986.
 Member N.Z. Development Squad for Commonwealth Games.
 School Field Events' Champion 1987.

Grant Moorhead (Golf)

No. 1 Taranaki Junior Team 1987.
 Member Taranaki Senior Shand Cup Team.
 Captain School Team 1987.

Karl O'Dowda (Cricket)

Central Districts Under 18 Squad 1987.
 Taranaki Representative Team 1986-87.
 Member Dennis Lillee's Fast Bowlers' Clinic 1986-1987.
 1st Rugby XV.

Willard Temata (Softball, Badminton)

New Zealand Under 16 Softball Team 1987.
 Taranaki Junior Champion in Singles, Doubles, and Mixed Doubles.1987.
 School Champion 1987.

Philip Venables (Swimming)

New Zealand Under 19 Water Polo Team 1987.
 Taranaki Men's Water Polo Team 1986-1987.
 Taranaki Junior Surf Life Saving Team 1986-87.
 1st Rugby XV.

Several others have represented Taranaki in Junior Grade and age group teams and it is to be hoped that they too will some day reach representative level in open company.

M.C. Carroll, Master-in-Charge, Sport.

THE HOSTEL

The Hostel began 1987 the largest in numbers since the late 60's. January 1987 saw us open our doors to 179 students with 41 new Form 3 entrants.

The Hostel itself had had further renovation and new furniture added over the Christmas break and in addition had also a new building, Niger House (bought with the sale of the Niger site) which could accommodate motel fashion up to 20 boys in hitherto unknown comfort.

The inevitable and in some cases unlooked for changes in personnel occurred, but eventually Greg Mills took up the reins of Head Boy duties and performed the job with distinction and dignity. In Carrington House, Tristram Duncan executed the duties with diligence also so we survived the year well.

Staff changes occurred also. Fresh from the deep South Mr Lockhart arrived in January to take over Carrington House as Senior House Master and from Mr Doherty, Mr Monod took up the reins of Junior Master in Moyes. Mrs McKenzie also was new here in January to take over the Matronship of the Hostel. The boys are grateful to these people for the job they did. In every case care and concern and plain hard work effected its usual miracles for the boys.

Special note must be made of Kerry O'Keefe. Kerry left the Hostel after seven years to take up the job of Principal of a Primary School, "Mills country" Matau in the depths of Stratford. Kerry's service and dedication to duty were second to none. The Hostel will miss "Magnum" I have no doubt.

Every year has its high points and one of the many I can recall was the home ground defeat of Palmerston North College House by NPBHS Niger House, Form 3 students. This defeat was wrought from the dedication and hard work of the boys who trained and ran every morning for half a year. It is due also to the boys who led them, Gordon Robertson, Martyn Bates, Brendon Bellamy and Wayne McCallum. I hope the current Form 3 boarders will be as dedicated when it comes their turn to train the juniors in 1990 or 1991.

Numerous dances and socials have held with Scotlands in Girls' High and with St Mary's in Stratford. These have been attended with youthful enthusiasm and not a small amount of noise; long may they continue.

The Hostel has had a strong though difficult year; again its strength was shown in many arenas. We were disproportionately highly represented in the musical Buggy Malone, in the First Rugby group, in the First Soccer group and in numerous other sports such as volleyball, athletics, swimming and so on. Only the First Hockey group and the First Basketball group did we seem to languish a bit. Most pleasing of all was the 1986 academic pass rates. again the pass rate in S.C. and Bursaries was higher than in the Day School; statistics like these I find most gratifying.

1988 is a year when the Hostel could well be very full again. Certainly bookings in early term III are high, however, in the high figures strength is found and that can only augur well for the future and NPBHS.



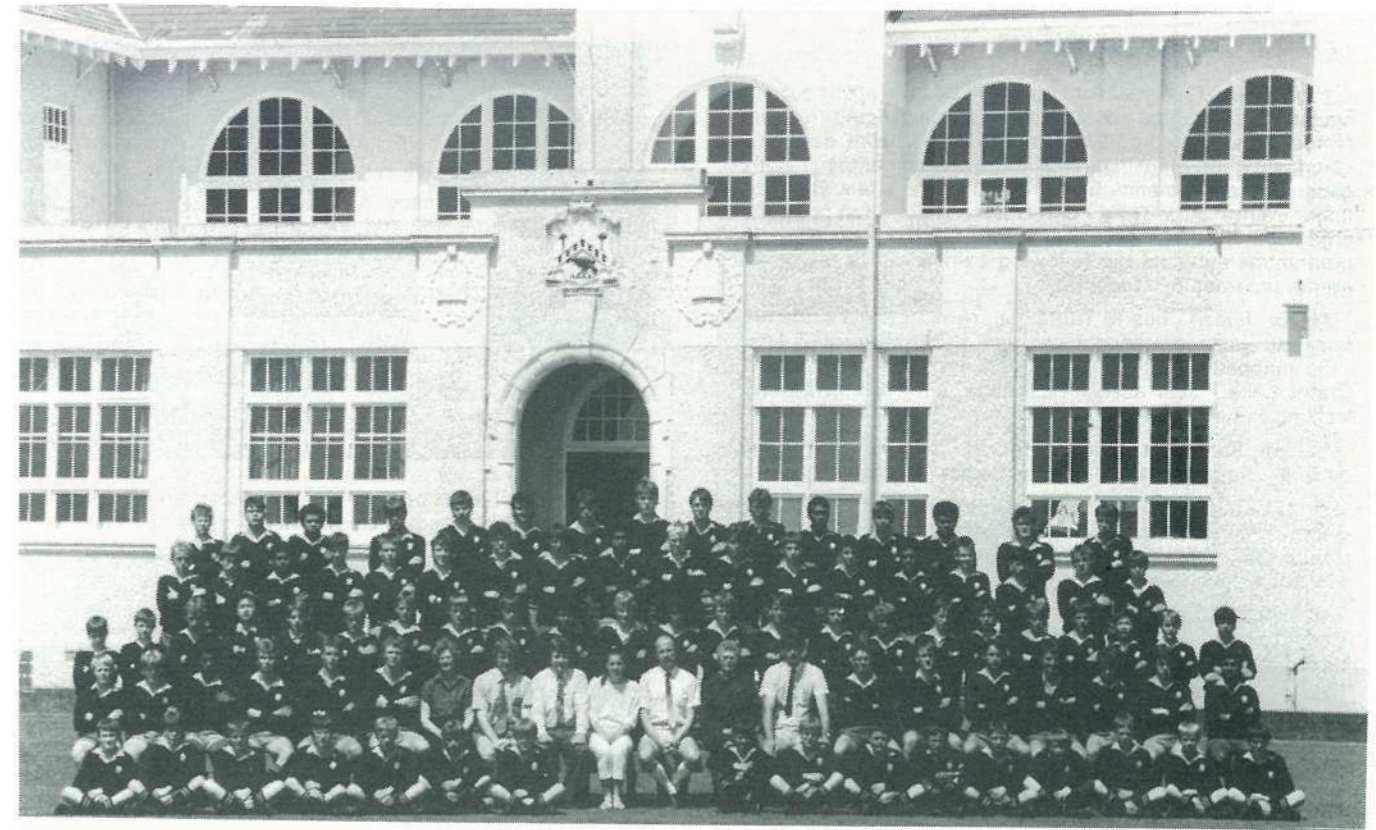
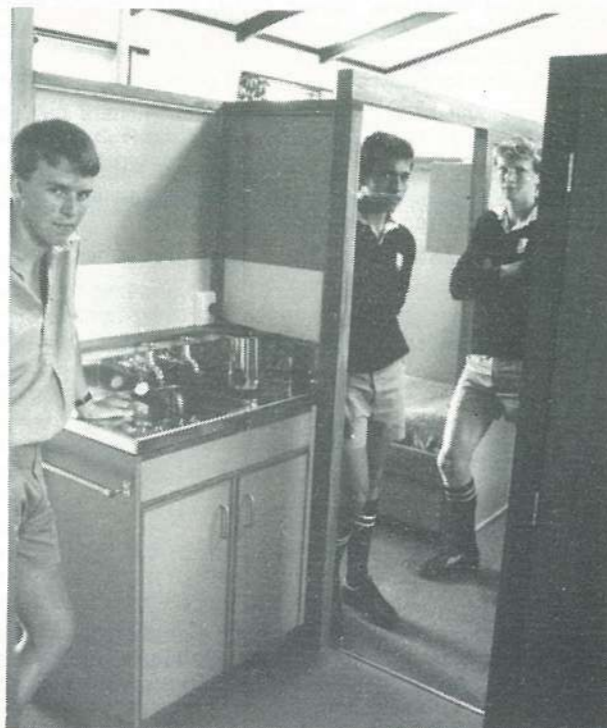
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I would like to thank my colleagues for their work in 1987; especially however, I would thank Mrs Laurensen who does much work that only the boys know about. Her unseen presence is critical to the smooth running and harmony of the Hostel. Finally I would like to thank Mr Ryder for his continued presence and assistance. It is rare to find a Headmaster who looks for extra work. It is even more rare to find one who looks for it in a Hostel. Mr Ryder is motivated by real love and concern for the boys and so the Hostel remains stable and strong.

J. Laurensen

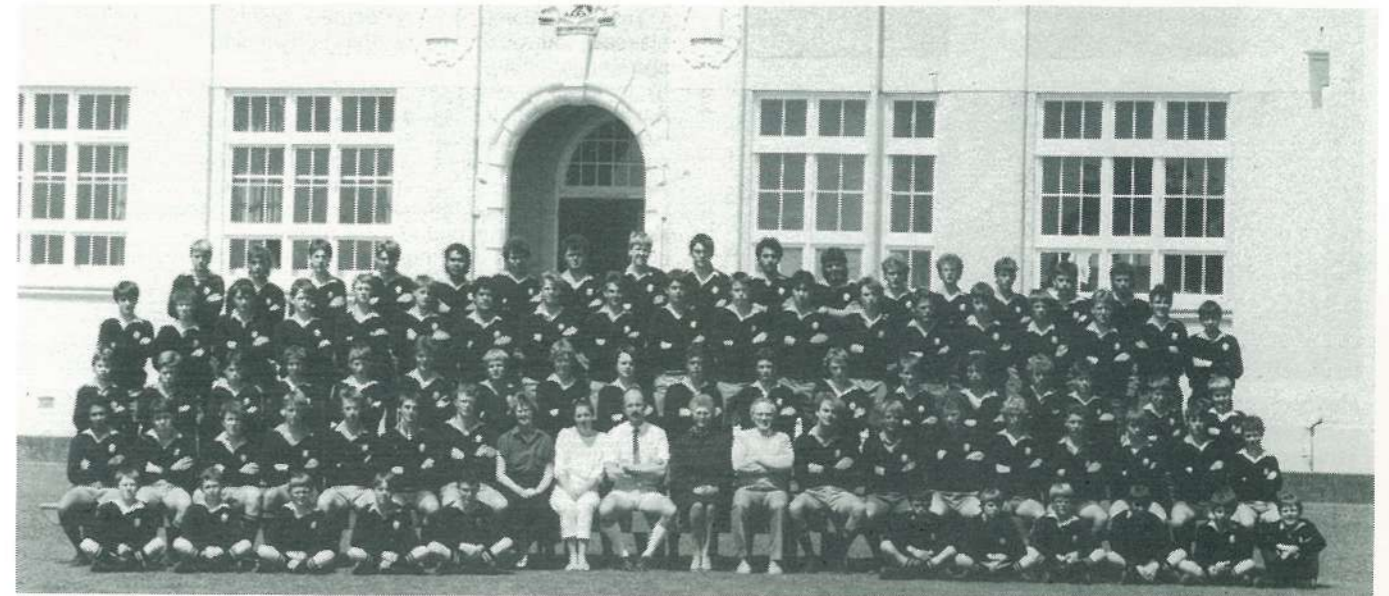


Head Boarder Greg Mills



CARRINGTON HOUSE

Back Row L to R: I. Reddington, W. McCullum, R. Hakwa, G. Hastie, N. Hemmings, B. Bellamy, D. Walters, C. Thompson, K. Robins, G. Jones, E. Naitora, B. Winder, W. Tobata, T. Frew, C. Mitchell.
 3rd Row: J. Linsay, G. Goodson, A. Naidu, A. Graamans, K. MacArthur, H. Gellatly, T. Kana, S. Davies, R. Obed, A. Morris, B. Adler, B. Beaven, R. Taylor, W. Idoumae, A. Walsh, N. Priest, S. Pratt, B. Pitts-Brown.
 2nd Row: G. Rolfe, G. Bryant, J. Harris, C. Lee, J. Bayly, B. Schrader, S. Tibby, S. Kennedy, B. Robertson, R. Tovutovu, C. Norris, K. Jonas, M. Bielski, E. Jonas, D. Commerer, D. Kay, C. Hodges, N. Kay, S. Clarke, G. Andrews, A. Goh, J. Schrader, C. Scadden.
 1st Row: P. Maxwell, B. Buchanan, P. Korinhona, G. Robertson, Mr Lockhart, Mrs Laurensen, Mr Laurensen, Mrs McKenzie, Mr Rowlands, T. Duncan, M. Bates, S. Tilley, R. Walter, K. Crawshaw, A. Mills, M. Ediriweera.
 Front Row: D. Pease, M. Andrews, J. Clare, N. Bradley, W. Pease, M. Jonas, G. Dodd, J. Gibbs, T. Pratt, H. Smith, J. Down, A. Rice, S. Kidson, N. Walter, C. Taylor, C. Austin.



MOYES HOUSE

Back Row L to R: D. Jackson, R. Saker, K. Cross, G. Holmes, R. Mautama, T. Brimelow, M. Stewart, M. Opie, R. Austin, C. Powell, S. Lester, C. Stewart, J. Fields, A. Harvie, A. Loft, A. Bryant.
 3rd Row: S. Granville, S. Hogg, B. Hall, C. Ekdahl, R. Mills, B. Granville, K. Sionetonga, S. Brimelow, S. McClintock, B. Richmond, M. Lees, G. Tiaon, O. Jeffery, D. Reed, R. Helms, B. Honeyfield, D. Stewart, M. le Cocq, R. Lees.
 2nd Row: G. Meredith, J. Moreland, K. Anderson, D. Cole, K. Helms, M. Lester, K. Hawley, M. Best, J. Bray, A. Huston, D. Mulligan, B. Eden, J. Bryant, A. Te Kanawa, P. Vyver, M. Muir, R. Coley, A. Howse.
 1st Row: J. Campbell, M. Cryer, A. Cole, R. Abbott (Prefect), N. Young (Prefect), L. Robbins (Prefect), G. Mills (Head Boarder), Mrs J. Bradfield (Assistant Matron), Mrs Laurensen, Mr Laurensen (Hostel Manager), Mrs M. McKenzie (Matron), Mr J. Howes (Moyes House Master), R. Jeffery (Prefect), J. Campbell (Prefect), N. Wallace-Wells (Prefect), G. O'Neill, W. Evans, S. Jeffery, B. Vincent, G. Rawlinson.
 Front Row: D. Wood, D. Goddard, P. Mills, R. Klinkert, M. Locker, W. Aldridge, S. Garwood, A. Hills, S. Gorrie, B. Bryant, B. Tannahill.

OUTDOOR EDUCATION '86

Highlights of the year for pupils will be time spent out of the classroom. Activities come in many forms ranging from visits to factories, the court, newspaper offices, work days in the community, raffle selling, films in town, form camps at TOPEC, geography and Science field trips to name a few. One of the major events is the Third Form Outdoor Education programme organised for the penultimate week of the year. The 1986 programme included the following camps with a few notable events recorded by students:

Mayor Island - bus to Tauranga.... hot salt pools.... a rough ferry trip - albacore caught - snorkel fishing - octopus caught - 10lb snapper caught by Mr Watts fed everyone! - good tramp to Crater Lake - seal seen - swimming, skin diving, running.... walking.... sunbathing.

School Based Activities - cricket, indoor-cricket, 10 pin bowling - Pouakai tramp - Fitzroy Beach - Kawaroa.

Uruti Camp - Mr Larsen's farm - fire-arm safety instruction - shooting cans and clay birds - archery - tramping - confidence course - flour bomb game - film - the teachers' last night meal was not a success.

Wellington Camp - ferry to Picton - shopping in Wellington - visits to Avalon - Parliament Buildings - Southward's Car Museum.

Round the Mountain Tramp - great to be out in the open - spectacular views - "I was going one way - my pack was going the other!" - mud.... steps.... mud.

Queen Charlotte Sounds Camp - mussels, cockles, pipis, paua - fishing - bonfires - exploring caves - pools - cooking - swimming - sunbathing - tramping.

Oakura Camp - tramps - games - outdoor cooking - top of the Kaitakes - goldmine.

Ruapehu - abseil work - tramps - eating - running - volleyball - "Our teachers all risked their lives taking a group of thirty-four boys to Mt Ruapehu for a week," - a great two hours white-water rafting.... "This camp was choice...." "I think I learned a great deal about the Waitomo Caves, Maori life at Ohaki Maori village.... Thanks for a great time."



Marlborough Sounds Cruise, Intense activity

Queen Charlotte Sounds Camp

Sunday 30th, November 1986, thirty-six N.P.B.H.S. pupils boarded a bus to Wellington. Also on board were two teachers - Mr Carter and Mr Cook and two volunteers Mr Hannon and Mr Marrow.

After arriving in Wellington the enthusiastic boys wasted no time in boarding the ferry. Sunday night was spent in Picton. Then came the dreaded day - the day of tramping. After visiting Outward Bound and being dropped off by boat we were prepared for our torture six hours solid tramping with HEAVY packs to reach our destination. We arrived at dusk and had to pitch our tents in the dark.

But our stay was well worth while. During the day there was fishing and swimming and at night prolonged conversations (mainly jokes) around the camp fire.

Everyone dreaded tramping out but we all survived.

Thanks to everyone who contributed. **Vaughan Spurdle**

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URUTI

The Uruti camp quickly located itself in the familiar and pleasant surroundings of the Larsen farm with the lads showing ingenuity and bush skills in setting up seven compact hygienic sites along the river. On the Tuesday the staff (Mr Bayly, Mr Hannah, Mr Glass and Mr & Mrs Swindells) and the lads awoke to fine weather which remained for the week. After some bushcraft films and an informative talk from Mr Newmarch of the Mountain Safety Advisory Council the lads set out in staggered intervals to demonstrate their orienteering skills. In the interim period a keenly fought archery competition ensued until the leading orienteering teams returned in an excellent 1 hour 35 minutes.

The highlight of the week for the lads took place on the Wednesday with a ruthless and heartless attack on three valiant members of staff in the war game. The pounding by flour bombs proved the adage that "blondes have more fun" is a fallacy and the staff were coughing up flour for hours. The ridge tramp that followed confirmed that Mr Swindells, if turned around twice, becomes totally lost. But then, few would expect a Head of Dept. of Social Studies to be able to read maps and locate himself in space!

The Thursday was a packed events day commencing with shooting in the morning (courtesy of Sutherland Sports) and continuing into the confidence course where the staff were hard pushed to better the boarders team time. After a barbecue garnished with "Bayly special relish coleslaw" the lads settled to watch the film Blazing Saddles. Unfortunately not all stomachs settled and the "Blazing" was for the patio to deposit the day's food. Mr Hannah claims it was not a reaction to his choice of film, Mr Bayly refuses to consider his coleslaw was suspect.... only the lads have the answer.

Despite this minor 'hiccup' all the lads in good spirits were ready to return home on Friday after an enjoyable week of camping, eeling and fun.

There were twenty four of us bound for the Marlborough Sounds. Mr Cooper, the Camp Leader, and Mr Ryder, Headmaster were the advance party who flew on ahead to buy the provisions and have the Southern Voyager, our 50' cruising yacht, ready for occupation when the rest of us arrived at Picton.

Mr Mossop and Mr Krook kept twenty enthusiastic Third Formers in order on the bus journey and we were all safe in camp at Picton on the evening of December 1, ready on the following day to board the yacht moored in the marina, three kilometres from Picton. There we made contact with Chris Hogg, Tristram Duncan, Chris Carrick and Roderick Walter, all Form 6 students, their school year over and staying in a bach belonging to Mr Phil Hogg, Old Boy and Wellington businessman, who generously makes the yacht available to the school in December.

On Tuesday we sailed with Mr McCardle, a friend of Mr Hogg, who acted as the crew master for the week's adventure up Queen Charlotte Sound and we moored in Endeavour Inlet which was our base for the week. We set up the tents on a grassy narrow terrace, at the foot of a towering wall of rain forest and above a sandy beach that curved in a loop between two headlands. From then on it was all action. On Wednesday we were either on the yacht learning the ropes and sails and taking turns at the wheel, under Mr Cooper's direction, or we fished along the shore line. It was turn about and a big meal that night was just what the doctor ordered.

Then came the real test. On Thursday morning, very early, with cheeky wekas popping in and out of tents to see what they could steal, we prepared to sail to Ship's Cove. The historic watering spot used by Captain Cook to repair and provision the Endeavour during voyages from 1769-71, is a beautiful sheltered inlet and a large white concrete monument made us think about our history, and it took little imagination to substitute for a modern yacht, a three masted barque in full rigging riding gently at anchor.

Some of us stayed with Mr Mossop on the Southern Voyager which returned later in the day to Endeavour Inlet while the rest of us climbed the winding track high up the bush-clad hills with spectacular views of the sounds far below. The staff had calculated everything very well. We had just the right amount of food and drink to break the trek half-way and by late afternoon we were crashing 2,000' back down through the forest to our base camp. The cooked meal that night was sorely needed and sleep came very early.

The last morning in the sounds was brilliantly fine when we broke camp and using the ship's run-about we ferried everything back to the Southern Voyager. Then it was motor power out to the main channel and steady sailing to Picton in 20 to 30 knot winds. The adventure was over all too quickly but we can vouch for the excitement, learning and fun of Outdoor Education week and our thanks are due to the Staff and Mr Hogg, for making the week a memorable one.



This year camps are planned for Bay of Plenty, Ruapehu, Mayor Island, Hauraki Gulf, Kiritehere, Uruti, Wellington, Around the Mountain and there is a school based programme.

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7th Form Geography Trip; Tongariro National Park March 1987

Boys' High - 8 am Sunday 22nd March, 1987.

40 buoyant trampers assembled with Messrs Sublitz, Bayly and Laurenson; the latter prematurely wearing Boots (little did he know they wouldn't be needed till 7 hours later!).

Taumarauui - 11 am Sunday.

Had lunch on the Railway line (main trunk).

Whakapapa Village - 1.30 pm (Sunday).

Arrived there after enduring stifling heat and the metallic clangs of a tape recorder belonging to Daniel (I like 1960's music) Banks.

Brief Tramp - 3.00 pm

An educational and edifying trip through the flora and fauna; culminating in lights out at 10 pm.

Tramping Proper - 8 am Monday.

We visited Park H.Q. - then a small excursion to SEWAGE PONDS (a waste of time?!). After that we darted through volcanic vegetation in a maddened fit of gay abandon, tramping through leafy tracks to see a U-shaped valley.

Later - back at the village cabins - a 'Laurenson imperative' - "Have stale bread - it doesn't make you bilious" - he posited to a fatigue-ridden audience of 7 who were at the time in the monotonous process of preparing over 150 sandwiches.

The Bruce Track - Tuesday.

This was suggested at 4 am by one member - (NB; 10km there and back). Wiser counsel prevailed and at 8 am we were transported to the Manatepopo Hut.

Tuesday 8 am - Mt. Tongariro; the ultimate Challenge (nearly 2,000 metres).

We attempted the forbidding slopes as the blizzards began to close in and visibility diminished.

We stared limply at the stone-ridden barren landscape - as we walked through the flat-topped crater. After sliding down the scoria slopes we had lunch and then moved onto a scenic wonder - including a thermal spring - only deep enough for paddling. Pity! We were told it was 'swimmable!'

From there we drifted downslope in a semi-comatose state to eventually 'greet' the bus and then travel back to New Plymouth.

Conclusion

Although we languished upon the slopes of Mt. Tongariro, it was, by and large a truly enjoyable experience for us all; and one that we shall never forget.

S. Coley, Form 7 Geography 1987

SCHOOL ROLL BY ENGLISH CLASSES

* Asterisk indicates leavers

3AR/CH
 Chris Bretherton
 Rodney Crawford
 Mark Dyett*
 Wayne Froome
 Rob Gardiner*
 Jodi Haskell
 Cory Holsworth
 Aaron Inwood*
 Shaun Keightley*
 Jason Lamont*
 George Marino
 Steffan Millar
 Gary Mortlock
 Gary Nagle
 Gary O'Neil
 Shane Patene*
 Craig Ruakere
 Colin Tiplady
 Shane Wakefield
 Arnold Waitere
 Jason Watson

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 Jason Allan
 Mark Cameron
 Anthony Drinkwater
 Lance Gooch
 John Herbert
 Conrad Hodges
 Dallas Jamieson
 Martin Locker
 Rodney Macks
 Dean Magon
 Jeffrey McLeod
 Richard Morse
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 Kieran Douds
 Darryl Goddard
 Damon Griffiths
 Craig Healy
 Simon Kidson
 Darryl Maiden
 Mark Miller
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 Shaun Plowright
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 Clinton Skedgwell
 Darryl Steele
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 Neil Withers

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 Kent Helms
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 Stephen Lucas
 Peter Maddaford
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 Stephen Parker
 Leigh Phillips
 Nelson Pulotu
 Hamish Richardson
 Brett Riley
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 Adrian Rice
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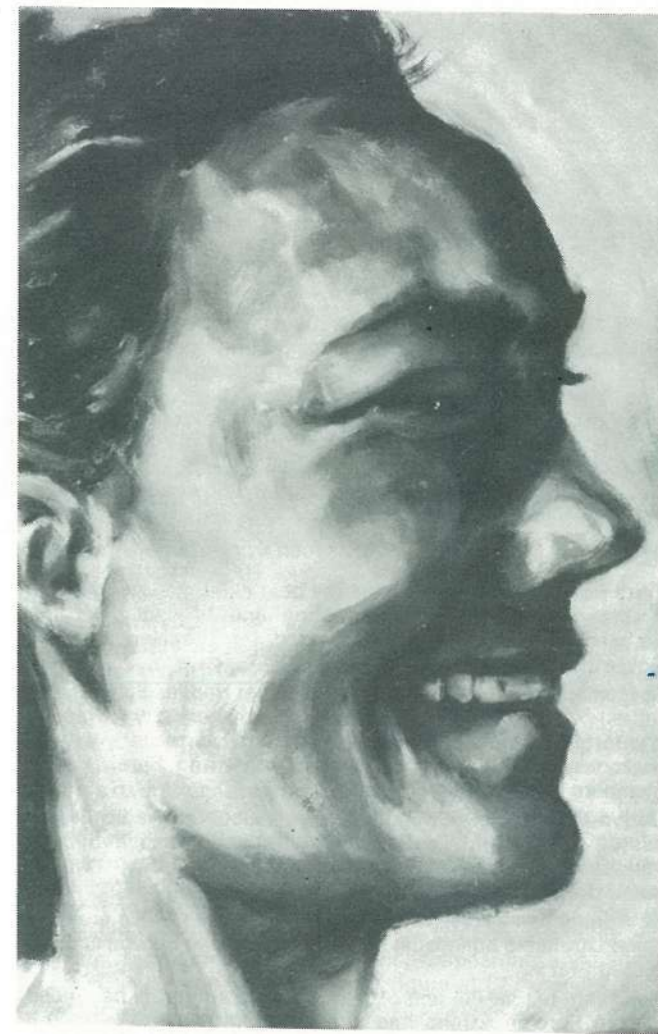
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 Absent: M. McNairney.

OLD BOYS SECTION AUCKLAND BRANCH NOTES

The Auckland Old Boys have not gathered formally since the biennial dinner in 1986 but a good crowd will assemble for next year's dinner prior to the rugby game with Grammar. Notwithstanding that, many of us meet from time to time and recently **Sid Tonks**, of race broadcasting fame, was recalling the important proximity of the School and the New Plymouth Race Course and he concluded that many boys had been lured to the track, as a consequence. Quite so, and none more than Sid who has been calling the races for more than thirty years.

Recently a party from Auckland Grammar visited Western Samoa to play rugby and the tour became a reunion of New Plymouth Old Boys. **John Graham** (Headmaster), **Alan Faulf** (Manager) and **John Woods** (supporter) came across Betty Watts and daughter, Sue, and family and soon the Old Boys like **Frank Ropati** and **Taniela Teo** who were at school in the 1950's joined in. There was much talk of the days of **Tom Watt** House Master of Carrington who was himself an Old Boy and who in turn became a Master and finally Deputy Headmaster.

Richard Faulf has recently been appointed Associate Professor and Head of the Department of Anatomy at Auckland Medical School where he works with **Arthur Veale**, Professor of Community Health. They share a research project. Also on the medical scene is **Dr Mark Jagusch** who specializes in pathology at Greenlane Hospital. To the fore too are **Terry McLean** still producing top-class sports' material and **Harold Titter** Chairman of the successful Richmond Group and, of course, a trustee of the Centennial Trust Fund.

John Syme, Branch Chairman

Terry Boon (1951-55) will spend the next eight months in Saudi Arabia overseeing the construction and furnishing of the Embassy complex he has designed for the New Zealand Government.

Dr Monty Barak (1916-21) The school's first Rhodes Scholar and retired expert in the field of electro-chemistry, lives in comfortable retirement in Surrey, U.K. and has recently written to convey his best wishes to the school and Barak House members in particular.

Derryn Hinch (1957-59) controversial Melbourne Radio Broadcaster, has recently defied the Australian Court and been imprisoned for divulging the name of a child molester whose name the court had suppressed.

Sir Ronald Syme (1918-20) Oxford Don and the world's greatest living Latinist is still giving lectures on Rome in Europe and the United States.

Neil Walter (1956-60) one of New Zealand's most experienced men in Foreign Affairs has this year returned to Wellington after serving as Assistant Ambassador in Paris and Deputy High Commissioner in London.

Terry McLean (1928-30) the most senior, and for many, the best sports' journalist in New Zealand, is still writing best-sellers such as "New Zealand Rugby Legends".

Albert Wendt (1953-57) from Western Samoa, Professor of English at Auckland University maintains his considerable output of novels and poetry.

Graham Mourie (1969-70) after a long period in Auckland has made a welcome return to Taranaki and his farm near Opuake.

Congratulations go to **Mr Ian Russell**, awarded the M.B.E. in the New Year Honours list for services in swimming and surf lifesaving administration. **Mr Russell** has also retained a very strong interest in his old school.

Murray Day, Taranaki's world class walker, returned home for a short time after the Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh. there he gained a creditable sixth place and a personal best time. He holds thirteen national titles and at twenty two years of age is considered young in his sport. Walkers generally peak after about ten years training and after only three years serious training he feels he still has a long way to go.

Cameron Todd returned to Taranaki briefly in February and took the two provincial titles in the triple jump and shot put. He has moved on to transfer to Auckland and is a member of the prestigious North Shore Bay Athletics Club which gives very much better coaching than that available in New Plymouth. **Cameron** is now concentrating more on athletics than boxing - a field that he has also held national titles. In athletics he holds six Taranaki titles, nine Waikato and an Auckland title.

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Clyde Haldane (at School 1978-1982), Head Boy and Scholarship winner 1982. Graduated top of the Canterbury School of Mechanical Engineering. Now working in London for the County Bank, a member of the Nat West Group.

Graham Harrison (1976-80), Graduated B.H.B., M.B.C.H.B., from the University of Auckland. Now a house surgeon at Waikato Hospital.

John Harrison (1978-82), Scholarship winner and Dux 1982. John is studying for a Ph.D., in Chemistry at the University of Canterbury.

Stephen Brine (1979-83), Dux 1983. Stephen is completing B.Sc., Hons. This year in Geochemistry at Victoria University.

Murray Cox (1979-83), Murray is completing B.Sc., Hons. in Biochemistry this year at the University of Otago.

Barry Cox (1975-79)1, First Cricket XI 77/78/79, now in Tokyo and teaching English.

Ian Cox (1977-81), Ian graduated B.C.A., from Victoria University and now works for the Auckland Power Board. He plays cricket for the Cornwall Club in Auckland.

Gary Dunnet (1978-82), Gary is completing B.Sc., Hons., in Mathematics at Massey University this year.

Peter Nielsen (1980-84), Dux 1984. Peter completes a B.C.A. at Victoria University this year and will begin study next year to be an actuary.

Geoff Hall (1979-83), Geoff completes a B.A., at Canterbury this year and toured Japan with the Canterbury University Rugby Team.

Spencer Hill (1978-83), Spencer is studying for a Bachelor of Forestry at Canterbury University. He continues to play cricket for Avis Vogeltown when he is home.

Jeffery Newell (1979-83), Jeff is studying Architecture at Victoria University.

Malaefatu Patolu (1982), Malaefatu has played rugby for Wellington B rugby team this year and is close to making the A team.

Richard Tucker (1978-82), Richard is now a Primary School teacher and was married earlier in the year.

Tony Pugh (1981-84), recently engaged.

Russell Blyth, the Dux of 1977 has gained an appointment as Assistant Professor of Mathematics at the St. Louis University, U.S.A. After leaving school he went to Massey University where he gained a B.Sc. (Honours) degree and then spent five years at the University of Illinois studying for a Ph.D. in abstract algebra.

ANNUAL GOLF

Once again Max Carroll organised the Annual North Taranaki Golf Tournament. He was ably assisted by Murray Dobson and the Golfers who played the Kaitake course had a most enjoyable day. Staff and board members were well represented in the field of 77 and when presenting the trophies Tom Ryder commented that the increased patronage by the Ladies had enhanced the tournament.

The Alexander Trophy was won by George Sibsten with a sensational nett 57. He was closely followed by staff member Murray Watts whose 46 stableford points easily won him the Junior section.

Dennis Little shot a most creditable 69 off the stick to win the Peter Powell Memorial Cup, while Michael Keech and Cushla Powell respectively won the Senior Men's and the Ladies' sections.

Other Prize winners were:

Senior Men, Vance Rowe, Bob Hulbert, Bruce McCallum, Tom Moorhead.

Junior Men, Don O'Keefe, Dennis Vincent, Jack Cooper and Rex Bridgeman.

Ladies, Judith Jones, Ruth Sim, Marion Wood and Beverley Caroll. Esmee Rowlands and Jack Jones won the prizes for accuracy and "Gorilla" Gary Cave hit the longest drive.

The sponsorship afforded us by Neil Wolfe and The Western Bottling Company was appreciated by all as was the efforts of the McCallum, Wood, Dallas and partners contingent who once again made their annual pilgrimage from Hawera to Kaitake.

We have become aware with great satisfaction, of the return of a number of Old Boys to New Plymouth after completing University Courses.

Robert Cole, (1974-78), boarder from South Taranaki. Brother of Andrew, Michael, Alistair and David. Employed at Moller Yamaha after study at Massey University where he graduated B.B.S., A.C.A. With the company shift he has recently left to travel abroad.

Chris Rudd, (1974-79), Attended Victoria University, currently completing an A.C.A. Presently employed at Arthur Young Accountants.

Terry Urbahn, (1975-79), 1st XV and School Council 1979. Attended Canterbury University, graduated Bachelor of Fine Arts and is presently teaching at Sacred Heart College.

Robert Moffat, (1976-80), Head of Maroon (now Hatherly House) and 1st XV and 1st XI Cricket Captain 1980. Attended Canterbury University and graduated B.Sc., with honours. Travelled to France 1986-87 playing rugby, returned to New Plymouth 1987.

Roger Jory (1976-79), Boarder from the King Country (Te Kuiti) and 1st XV 1979. Employed as Marketing Officer at Moller Alfa and has recently transferred to Auckland with the Company.

Mark Mulrooney, (1976-80), Bursary winner 1980. Attended Massey University, graduated B.B.S., in Marketing and Accounting. Employed in marketing by Robert Mong in Auckland and Melbourne for two years. Returned to New Plymouth and is presently employed at Arthur Young Accountants.

Andrew H. Brown, (1977-81), Head of Donnelly House and 1st XV Captain 1981. Attended Massey University 1982-85, graduated Bachelor Business Studies 1986 and is employed by Arthur Young Accountants.

Daryl Watts, (1977-80), 1st XV 1980. Attended Massey University and is presently employed in Social Welfare Department, New Plymouth.

Peter J. Darney, (1978-82), Head of Donnelly House and 1st XV Captain 1982. Attended Massey University 1983-85, graduated Bachelor of Business Studies 1987. Employed by Moller Corporation 1986 and is presently with Arthur Young Accountants.

John D. Newson, (1978-81), Boarder Carrington House. Has trained in the Hotel Business and returned to New Plymouth as Trainee Manager of Cobb and Co.

Bevan Boocock, (1978-82), Taranaki Scholarship winner 1981. Attended University of Auckland 1983-86. Graduated Bachelor of Engineering.

Simon Urbahn, (1979-83), 1st XV and Captain of the Cricket XI 1982-83. Has returned to New Plymouth after two years in Australia and Great Britain.

David Thompson, (1974-77), Brother of Mark, and in 1st Cricket XI 1977. After travel and employment on oil installations in Perth, Australia has returned home with family and started business as a health food retailer in Centrecourt.

Trent Scott (1977-80), has had another successful year in wrestling. He won the bronze at the Commonwealth Wrestling champs in Cyrus and was a key figure in New Zealand's third placing in the teams' event.

Dr Roderick Deane (1956-57) has become the country's top civil servant - the State Service Commissioner. He was appointed to the position from the post of Deputy Governor of the Reserve Bank and after twelve months in his new job can point to the establishment of ten state corporations - The Post Office Bank, telecom and postal services, land, forestry, coal, government property, electricity, airways and Government Life Insurance. It is understood continuing far reaching changes are planned for the future!

As Chief Executive of New Zealand Electricorp he is currently at the centre of a row with the Public Service Association and the Electricorp workers who are cutting electricity generation in November because of reducing staff levels.

Obituaries

George Koea: (58) died suddenly 2.1.87. He was the Taranaki Herald senior editor, appointed in 1981. He began his career as a cadet reporter at the Taranaki Herald in 1947 and later served on the Bay of Plenty Beacon (Whakatane) and the Bay of Plenty Times (Tauranga).

Mr Koea returned to Taranaki in 1951 and joined the Daily News as a reporter. He became chief reporter in 1954 and deputy editor in 1962. He had many visits overseas as a member of the N.Z.P.A.



Mr N.G. Wright

Norman Wright died in Australia in September this year, barely a year after retiring from teaching at School in 1986. He taught for twenty five years at B.H.S., concentrating especially on remedial work where his considerable patience, good judgement and skills produced lasting effects. His work extended to third and fourth year boys who had little prospect of conventional academic success and he built up a model work exploration programme which high-lighted reliability, diligence, thoroughness, integrity and willing co-operation - qualities all could see in Mr Wright. As Third Form Dean for many years he showed his gifts of administration and had a direct influence on all boys entering school. He exerted a quiet Christian influence in the school, leading the Christian Fellowship Group, assisting with readings in assembly and conducting the Annual Chapel Service for boarders and parents as well as being a very prominent figure at St. Andrews. Last year the school lost the services of an outstanding teacher and role model; now his colleagues have lost, above all, a very good companion and a very good friend.

H.M. (Bert) Robson. d. 13.9.87. Mr Robson has been a friend of the School for many years, taking a great interest in the boys. He has assisted sporting teams for as long as anyone on the staff can remember. Certainly in 1978 he coached the Second Cricket XI and he continued to play and coach until last season. He also associated himself with soccer in the school, coaching and umpiring. His enthusiasm will be long remembered. Bert believed in fitness, action and the cut and thrust of sport. He also believed in discipline, maintaining standards, and living by sensible rules.

Dick Baxter (at School 1923-24), 'A man of town and country' He was born in Egmont Village and was a boarder at NPBHS and sports lover playing rugby, cricket and tennis and he also boxed. He joined J.B. McEwan on leaving school, and in due course became New Plymouth Manager. In 1941 he enlisted in the RNZAF and was discharged in 1945. He returned to his company and spent many years in the service of the farming community. On retirement, he continued to serve a variety of sporting clubs - especially bowls and golf and was renowned as a meticulous organiser of national events. He enjoyed active play and in the two days prior to his sudden death, Dick had played both bowls and golf. He is survived by his wife, Thora, and his married daughter. Dick's loyalty to the school was legendary.

Ralph Dearnley (Dux 1932-33), died this year while visiting Poland. He was very well known as King of Quiz and as a member of the B.B.C. Brains Trust.

Roy McGiven (at School 1947-1951), Dux 1951. At the time of his death Roy was Professor of Pathology at the University of Canterbury.

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Tribute to Mr Wit Alexander

When I first met Mr Alexander he was our Deputy Principal and his office is where Mr Armstrong's classroom is today. He was not a tall man - in fact a very short man; he had very fair hair so that it was hard to tell whether it was grey, or blond or silver.

When he was listening to you his eyes often seemed to be half closed, but when he laughed or smiled those same eyes twinkled. And he had a great sense of humour and of fun.

As a Deputy Principal he was not a stern disciplinarian but few took liberties with him.

To the staff, he and Mrs Alexander were great company and often generous hosts at staff functions.

Then Mr Alexander became the Acting Headmaster and he moved from his farmlet on Mangorei Road to the Headmaster's residence here at school.

In those days the roll of the school was approximately that of today. However the composition of the eleven hundred plus boys was vastly different.

Mr Alexander became both the Headmaster of the school and the Hostel Manager of 360 boarders. At this time I was housemaster of Carrington House and I hope that day boys and staff will excuse me if my remarks appear to be mainly about the hostel rather than the school - it is just that it was during this period that I grew very close to Mr Alexander.

Wit Alexander was a very approachable man. He and Mrs Alexander had a near constant stream of visitors to their home, both boy and adult, and all were made to feel welcome.

Like Mr Ryder and Mr Bublitz, Mr Alexander had a facility for remembering names and faces. His long association with the school both as a pupil and as a master meant that he knew a wide spectrum of people over a long period of time.

I recall in the beginning of one school year taking Mr Alexander through the Third Form Dorm of Carrington. He spoke to each boy individually and it seemed to me that if he hadn't taught the boy's father (and remembered his nickname), or been at school with Grandfather, then he knew his Uncle, next door neighbour, or at the very least someone to whom the boy could relate. And that boy benefited from the experience.

Mr Alexander was a sportsman, and he never flagged in his support of school teams, and the First Rugby XV and the First Cricket XI in particular. He was unashamedly biased where school teams were concerned and it was said that when watching the First Fifteen he saw black out of one eye and white out of the other.

He was a compassionate man and he possessed a depth of understanding - any boy who erred and came before Wit Alexander got the fairest of treatment.

A boarding roll of 360 generated the need for a number of housemasters and assistant housemasters. Mr Alexander took a very real and genuine interest in his staff and their families and was like a Godfather to all.

Perhaps my most outstanding memory of Mr Alexander was his deep rooted affection for New Plymouth Boys' High School. He dedicated most of his life to this school of ours and this loyalty and regard for it shines through the pages of our centennial book, "The First One Hundred Years," which he so ably edited.

When we line Coronation Avenue this afternoon, we will be paying tribute to the life and work of a most remarkable teacher, man and Headmaster.

11.3.87

M. Carroll



