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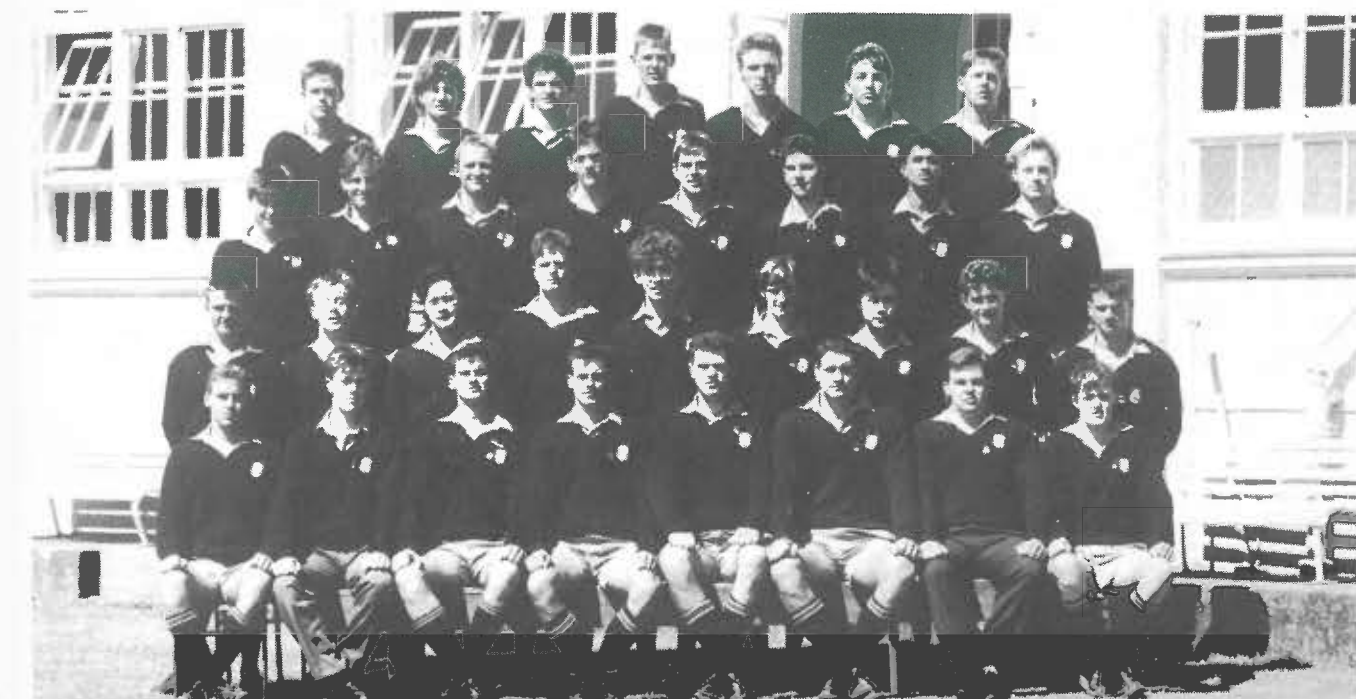
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**STAFF NOTES**

The year began with only two new faces in the staffroom but the new arrivals certainly gave the school an increased international dimension. Mr Botto Venema, a teacher of Geography and Economics, arrived from Holland to join the staff and Angelo Hill, an American of some basketball fame, was appointed as a full-time relieving teacher - his appointment to a permanent position was confirmed at the end of the year. Both have taken a full interest in school activities. Mr Venema coached soccer during the winter months and Mr Hill made his presence felt on the basketball court, where he used his teaching, coaching skills and knowledge of the game to the full.

He coached the first team and welded them into the best team the school has had. They won all their college matches, the regionals, and were placed fourth in New Zealand.

Mrs Carter joined the staff in a part-time capacity, teaching Art and a new Transition course which looks at a number of aspects of social education, preparing boys for life when they leave school. As a result a number of visiting lecturers have run short courses in everything from flatting to grooming, sex education to interviewing techniques. Transition has been well received.

The relative stability of the staffing of the school was short lived. Mr Norm Fitzgerald left in May to join family in Australia where he hopes to resume teaching. Norm taught Music and Social Studies and took an active interest in the Student Christian Group. Mr Neil Swindells, HOD Social Studies, left on promotion to Central Hawkes Bay College. Teachers in his department were most appreciative of his organisation ability and help; his work transformed the Social Studies department. In the wider school he coached cricket and rugby and was staff representative on the Board of Governors promoting their interests unstintingly. Mr Murray Grimwood was elected as his replacement to take the staff position on the new Board of Trustees. Mr John Laursen, who arrived at school with Mr Swindells, also moved on promotion to Napier Boys' High School. As HOD Geography he certainly increased the popularity of the subject. But it was as Senior Hostel Master that his contribution was most marked. Under his supervision (with the helpful guidance of the Headmaster and Hostel committee of the Board) the hostel gained in strength and again assumed a leading role in the activities and the social climate of the school.

All those associated with the hostel were certainly sad to see Mr Laursen leave and rightfully many tributes were paid to him especially most fittingly by the boys.

None of these three was replaced immediately. We were lucky to have John Bance as a relieving teacher to cover the classes while we awaited the arrival of the new staff members and Mrs Ashworth added to her core music load and became a full-time relieving teacher. Mr Mark Bannister, Social Studies and History teacher, arrived mid-term. His interest in soccer was soon evident as he played goalie for the First Eleven in a number of their club matches. Mr Richard Wild took charge of Social Studies and later Mr Brett Sloan arrived to lead the Geography department. Both these HOD's promise to be good successors to Mr Swindells and Mr Laursen who both served the school so well. We welcome all three and hope their stay here will be satisfying.

The out-flow of middle management staff was not to stop. Miss Mabin HOD music signalled her resignation as next year she intends to return to her university studies. 'Rosey' as she was affectionately known by all, was a great giver. An outstanding teacher, she has taught Music, English and History and always was able to get the best from her pupils. Ever since her second year in teaching, Miss Mabin has run the Music department, conducted and arranged music, ensuring boys in the concert stage band and choir performed to the highest of standards. The musicals she has directed, especially this year's "Stiff Luck For The Undertaker" have been outstanding. She will be greatly missed. It has been the school's good fortune to have had her. We wish her luck in her future studies.

The school continues to be well served by relieving and part-time staff. This year day relief teachers included Mr John Bance, Mr Stephen Brown, Mr Stewart Scully, Mr Peter Wooffindin, Mr Guy Gibson and Mrs M. Harrop, Ms Beth Butler and Mr Peter Atwell. Mr Murray Watts was granted a year's leave of absence but luckily returned early and so was able to take Mr Philip Glass's classes during the third term while he recuperated from a serious car accident.

Additions to staff families included daughters for Mr and Mrs Kirk and Mr and Mrs Egan. Miss Scott announced her engagement to Mr Michael Liley, a teacher at Spotswood College.



STAFF OF '89.



**COUNCIL**

Back Row: A. Harvie, M. Lees, A. Ruakere, G. Smith, D. Bublitz, D. Moles, P. Laurence.  
 Third Row: R. Anandaraja, A. Aakjaer, S. Beaurepaire, N. Kilminster, N. Walker, B. Wolfe, B. Goldsack.  
 Second Row: Mr T. Ryder, Mr M. Grimwood, Mr D. Mossop, Mr A. Kirk, Miss A. Scott, Mr M. Carroll, Mr T. Heaps, Mr L. Bublitz.  
 Front Row: A. Wall, B. Bellamy, T. Wolfe, D. Bride, G. Slater, P. Maxwell.



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Third Formers' first day.



## EXTRACTS FROM THE SCHOOL DIARY

### JANUARY

- 30 Mon In the beginning ... Forms Five, Six and Seven return.  
31 Tues First day for Thirds and Fourths.

### FEBRUARY

- 1 Wed First assembly ... Welcome .. Janus ...  
9 Thurs Group Leaders announced. Donnelly D, Bride, Barak, G. Slater, Hatherly, B. Bellamy, Syme, T. Wolfe (Head Boy).  
13 Mon Topec Camp for Group Leaders.  
20 Mon Scholarship Winner Howard Silby returns to school - "A good student actually thinks about the subject himself!"  
23 Thurs Swimming Sports - very well organised, very good participation.  
27 Mon Mr Ethel Shaw - first Life Member of PTA.

### MARCH

- 3 Fri Halberg Raffle sales.  
6 Mon Old Boy Mr B. M. Berry-Stevens returns after forty-five years. "Be true to yourself". Donates collection of books to library.  
7 Tues Athletic Sports, won by Hatherly. Spirited competition.  
10 Fri Assembly theme on Heroes.  
16 Thurs Junior Dance.  
20 Mon Easter readings.  
21 Tues Teachers' industrial action - school closed.  
29 Wed Certain Sounds entertain.

### APRIL

- 3 Mon Pridham Hall opened seventy years ago. Is it the original paint inside?  
10 Mon Student electioneering for the Board of Trustees (Brent Goldsack eventually the first representative in "Tomorrow's Schools" system).  
13 Thurs Last house meeting in "Theatre". (Donnelly). Area converted into Audio-Visual Room and Classroom.  
17 Mon Topec Camp for Fourths.  
18 Tues Taranaki Secondary Schools' Music Festival begins.  
20 Thurs Mufti Day.  
21 Friday Under-Secretary for Education, Noel Scott, visits school.  
24 Mon Anzac Service. Mr Cliff Broad addresses school.

### MAY

- 3 Wed Whistle Number One Issued.  
4 Thurs Rolling Strike Day - Taranaki's turn.  
5 Fri Thus ended the First Term ... and it was good.  
22 Mon Term Two begins. Boarders' Lounge renovated.  
24 Wed Sports captains announced. G. Slater (Rugby), D. Bride (Basketball), D. Cleaver (Hockey), L. Rattray (Soccer), A. Harvie (Cricket).  
26 Fri Asset registers for schools in progress.  
Mrs Bublitz "the hustler" - of kiwifruit and other things.  
Mr Neil Wolfe, new Chairman-elect of the Board of Trustees addresses school.  
31 Wed Chris King reports on Spirit of Adventure voyage.  
Junior Council Dance.  
"Now that snow is falling it is time to think of summer camps." - R. Cooper.

### JUNE

- 5 Mon Queen's Birthday. Form Three Rugby - Hostel ten, College nil.  
7 Wed Senior exams begin.  
9 Fri Form Four acting prefects appointed.  
14 Wed Right Rev. Neil Churcher, Moderator of Presbyterian Church, addresses school. "We learn that we never know everything".  
15 Thurs Full school involvement in Speech and Drama Festival that begins today.  
20 Tues News of Dr Monty Barak's death.  
21 Wed Sports exchange with Hamilton Boys' High School.



- 23 Fri Visitor Miss O'Brian, Rotary Exchange student from southern USA addresses assembly.  
Beginning of Hostel Open Weekend.  
26 Mon Topec Camp for Fourths.  
28 Wed Haka Practice.  
30 Fri Haka Practice.

### JULY

- 5 Wed First Fifteen versus St Pat's on Gully Ground. Not spectacular but a gripping game won by us ten to nine.  
The Head, who can spot litter at one thousand yards, reports finding a ten dollar note.  
Farewell to Mr Laurenson, Hostel Manager, moving to Napier.  
6 Thurs Two-day Exeat begins. Predominantly changeable and cool.  
12 Wed Sports exchange with Wanganui Collegiate, played here. First Fifteen (nineteen) Collegiate (ten) and visit by Kanto basketball team.  
13 Thurs Speech and Drama Festival begins.  
Junior Dance.  
14 Fri La commemoration du Bicentenaire de la Revolution Francaise.  
19 Wed Students of Kanto High School welcomed.  
24 Mon Sporting exchanges with Wellington College at Wellington.  
28 Fri Teacher Only Day - preparing the Charter for Tomorrow's School.

### AUGUST

- 5 Mon Whistle Number Two issued.  
6 Tues Beginning of musical Stiff Luck For The Undertaker with GHS performances Wednesday and Thursday.  
Earthquake on first night.  
7 Wed Farewell to Japanese exchange students.  
9 Fri Bishop Roger Herft visits school.  
10 Sat The School Ball - another glittering occasion.  
18 Fri Thus ended the Second Term ... and it was very good.  
19 Sat First Fifteen nine, Auckland Grammar twenty-two, on Gully Ground.

### SEPTEMBER

- 11 Mon Term Three begins. News of Mr Glass involved in serious car accident.  
Topec Camp for Fourths.  
14 Thurs A fine day for the School Cross-Country (pm).  
20 Wed Careers evening.  
21 Thurs Day Boys twenty-nine, Boarders six. (Nine to three at half-time).  
27 Wed Exams for Form Five and Form Seven begin.

### OCTOBER

- 4 Wed Blood Bank Contributions. Mayoral Candidates meeting in M2.  
11 Wed Awards Dinner. Graham Mourie guest speaker.  
13 Fri Mufti Day - contributions to Waitara High School damaged by fire.  
18 Wed Sixth Form exams begin.

### CRYSTAL BALL PREDICTIONS.

### NOVEMBER

- 8 Wed Senior Prizegiving. Sir Wallace Rowling guest speaker.  
17 Fri Form Six Course ends.  
20 Mon School Certificate begins.  
27 Mon Form Three Outdoor Education Programme begins.

### DECEMBER

- 7 Thurs Junior Prizegiving.  
8 Fri The school year ends ... and there will be sunshine ... and beaches ... and freedom .. and friends ... and a glorious light!





## ATHLETICS



The Athletic Sports day was to be a great day out in the sun for most people but for others it meant that the training to which they had been doing was now going to be put to good use in trying to break school records. The teachers and students were all in their summer gear and drinking lots of cold drinks. As usual the Group Leaders were urging anyone that didn't have a good reason to get to the bottom of the Gully ground and get participating, so as to get more points for the House. Again the Boarders were in full voice cheering for their team-mates. The day was very successful with previous school records being broken as in the swimming sports.

The points in the Hall for this, are as follows: First - Hatherly, twenty points; second - Barak, twelve points; third - Donnelly, six points; fourth - Syme, two points.

N. O'KEEFFE.

## NPBHS ATHLETICS 1989 RESULTS

### JUNIOR

One hundred metres: First R. Pintor - 13.30; second C. Flay - 13.40; third S. Corbett - 13.41; two hundred metres: First R. Pintor - 27.29; second J. Tan 27.33; third R. Thorne 27.36; four hundred metres: First R. Thorne 1.02.1; second: S. McCallum 1.02.3; third S. Miscall 1.03.4; eight hundred metres: First C. Flay 2.15.6; second D. Fraser 2.28.5; third C. Hall 2.31.0; fifteen hundred metres: First C. Flay 5.12.0; P. Drake 5.20.0, G. Cadman 5.22.0; shot: First B. Pasilli 10.03 metres; second B. Cribb 9.79 metres; third R. Thorne 9.44 metres; discus: First S. Miscall 33.71 metres; second B. Cribb 33.46 metres; R. Thorne 32.05 metres; javelin: First R. Thorne 34.40 metres; S. Miscall - 30.65 metres; third B. Cribb - 29.53 metres; high jump: First R. Thorne \* 1.56 metres; second R. Pintor 1.50 metres; third S. Corbett 1.45 metres; long jump: First J. Tan 5.04 metres; second R. Pintor 4.77 metres; third S. Corbett 4.65 metres; triple jump: First R. Thorne \* 11.06 metres; second S. Miscall 10.40 metres; third J. Hepi 9.92 metres. (\* new record).

### INTERMEDIATE

One hundred metres: First L. Clapham - 12.42; second P. Tully - 12.47; third A. Ruakere - 12.76; two hundred metres: First L. Clapham - 24.61; second P. Tully - 24.95; third M. Old 25.21; four hundred metres: First M. Miller 59.50; second B. Wolfe - 1.0.03; third B. Robertson - 1.00.5; eight hundred metres: First M. Miller 2.10.3; second B. Robertson 2.13.3; third P. Maddaford 2.14.4; fifteen hundred metres: First M. Miller - 4.47.7; second B. Robertson 4.50.2; third K. McDowell 4.49.1; shot First equal N. Polutu and L. Clapham 10.22 metres; third D. McLellan 9.73 metres; discus: First L. Clapham 29.46 metres; second N. Polutu 27.75 metres; third D. McLellan 27.49 metres; javelin: First L. Clapham 38.85 metres; second J. Faulkner 35.11 metres; third G. Young 28.85 metres; high jump: First D. McLellan - 1.65 metres; second C. Taylor - 1.60 metres; third G. O'Neill - 1.60 metres; long jump: First G. O'Neill - 5.61 metres; second L. Clapham - 5.45 metres; third D. Jordan - 5.35 metres; triple jump: First D. Jordan - 11.22 metres; second P. Tully - 11.10 metres; third M. Old - 11.03 metres.

### SENIOR

One hundred metres: First M. Adlam - 11.70; second T. Wolfe - 12.05; third N. Penno 12.31; two hundred metres: First N. Penno - 23.83; second M. Adlam - 21.16; third T. Wolfe - 24.32; four hundred metres: First N. Pal - 56.50; second M. Scott - 57.21; third T. Tumukon - 57.70; eight hundred metres: First J. Lofton-Brook - 2.06.4; second M. Scott - 2.08.2; third B. Beaven - 2.10.3; fifteen hundred metres: First J. Lofton-Brook - 4.37.7; second M. Scott 4.35.5; third S. Chadwick 4.44.9; shot: First G. Tiaon - 10.35 metres; second G. Trigger - 10.31 metres; third P. Lawrence 9.88 metres; discus: First G. Tiaon - 36.30 metres, second T. Wells 30.96 metres; third C. Bell 30.90 metres; javelin: First G. Hooper 37.49 metres; second R. Campbell - 34.69 metres; third D. Diack 28.77 metres; high jump: First M. Adlam \* 1.74 metres; second M. O'Dowda - 1.71 metres; third T. Wolfe - 1.71 metres; long jump: First T. Wolfe - 5.99 metres; second N. Pal - 5.87 metres; third G. Tiaon - 5.69 metres; triple jump: First P. Kaloris - 11.82 metres, second J. Lofton-Brook - 11.54 metres; third T. Wolfe - 11.53 metres. (\* equalled record).

### INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS — (Based on Six Events)

Junior Champion: Reuben Thorne; Intermediate Champion: Lyall Clapham; Joint Senior Champions: Justin Lofton-Brook and Michael Adlam.

### HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP

First - Hatherly - one thousand five hundred and ninety-seven points; second - Barak - one thousand four hundred and fifty-five points; third - Donnelly - one thousand three hundred and twenty-one points; fourth - Syne - one thousand one hundred and fifty-three points.

### RELAYS

Junior: First - Hatherly, second - Barak, third - Syme; intermediate: First - Hatherly, second - Syme, third - Barak; Senior: First - Barak, second - Syme, third - Hatherly.

The Seventh Form beat the staff in a four times one hundred metre. The Boarders beat the Dayboys by a nose over eight times one hundred metres.

### SPECIAL NOTE

The outstanding feature of this year's sport was the closeness of the finishes in the relays. Perhaps had the Dayboys not run wide for most of the race they would have eclipsed the Boarders.

Mark Scott and Justin Lofton-Brook had a great tactical dual in the Senior fifteen hundred metres, with Lofton-Brooke just holding Scott off in the last ten metres.



### ROUND THE LAKE RELAY RACE TEAMS

**Back Row:** R. L. Cooper, Mark Miller, Nitij Pal, Justin Lofton-Brook, Mark Scott, Allan Murray, J. Lander.

**Front Row:** Paul Kelly, Duane Crow, Tony Earl, Dene Hickey, Slade Hata.

**Absent:** Brooke Wolfe, Zane Green.



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## ROUND THE LAKE RELAY

This year the school entered three teams in the prestigious Round The Lake Relay in Wanganui.

We travelled down in the van with Mr Lander who did a great job of organising and preparing the teams, including a quick trip to Hawera High to arrange for some running singlets!

Once in Wanganui the Junior B team, consisting of Brooke Wolfe, Slade Hata, Paul Kelly and Zane Green, prepared to do battle against the might of the numerous other teams entered. Our team did extremely well when pitted against schools like Wellington Boys' College and Palmerston North Boys' High and was placed ninth out of nineteen teams.

The Junior A team ran in the same race as the Seniors after the girls' events. The Junior A team consisted of Allan Murray, Dene Hickey, Tony Earl and Mark Miller. At one stage in the race the Juniors were looking good against the Seniors but the older boys' experience and a good recovery saved us from devastating embarrassment. The Junior A team was placed tenth out of twenty-seven teams.

Our Senior team consisted of Mark Scott, Nitij Pal, Justin Lofton-Brook and Duane Crow, who is a relative newcomer to the athletics scene at school. Our Seniors did well when they faced competition from schools from all over New Zealand. The eventual winners were Christchurch Boys' High. We were placed twenty-fourth out of forty-four teams.

On behalf of the teams we would like to thank our manager, Mr Lander, for his participation and hope that it was as good an experience for him as it was for us runners. Finally we would like to encourage potential middle-distance athletes at school to take up the challenge as it is one of the best non-track events to run.

NITIJ PAL & MARK SCOTT.



## CRICKET



### FIRST ELEVEN CRICKET

**Back Row:** Glenn Hooper, Paul Vyver, Robbie Campbell, Anthony Ruakere, Jason Holland, Dean Magon, Mr Giddy.  
**Front Row:** Mathew O'Dowda, Todd Burbidge, Dylan Cleaver, Andrew Harvie (Captain), Michael Hall, Mark Jonas.

## CRICKET — FIRST ELEVEN

### CLUB SEASON 1988/89

The First played in senior grade once again but the majority of the results did not give a true indication of the team's potential. The team struggled to find consistency and was generally propped up by some good individual performances. However, this was not always the case and the side put on some very good performances that should have seen them as a top three contender rather than finishing last equal.

Some of the creditable performances were:

### SECOND INNINGS VERSUS MANAIA

Top ground - Jason Holland one hundred and eleven and Anthony Ruakere one hundred and two not out - a match saving partnership of one hundred and nineteen.

### VERSUS WESTOWN

Second innings - Dylan Cleaver one hundred and forty-five not out in a game School was unlucky to draw after being set two hundred and eighty to win and finishing two hundred and seventy-nine for five at end of play. Cleaver was supported with some good batting from the rest of the top order batsmen.

### VERSUS MARIST

First innings - Andrew Harvie one hundred not out which was followed by the same excellent bowling and fielding to help the team to an innings and ten run win. Incidentally this was the side we drew bottom equal with in the competition.

Anthony Ruakere led the batting line-up being by far the most consistent. Jason Holland, Dylan Cleaver (after his return from a stint in premier cricket), Todd Burbidge and Andrew Harvie provided support.

Michael Hall was the backbone of a bowling attack that generally struggled. Robbie Campbell, Todd Burbidge, Dylan Cleaver and Mark Jonas supported Hall with some sound performances.

The fielding was of a very good standard throughout the season. The team stuck together, got on well and did not give up trying.

Thanks must go to Mr Giddy for his time put into the team, also Mr Alistair Jordan who helped on several occasions with coaching. Finally thanks for the support received from all parents. The team appreciated the input and support by everyone throughout the season.

## COLLEGE GAMES RESULTS

Wellington College - lost by one wicket; Auckland Grammar - drawn; Hamilton Boys' High School - drawn; Wanganui Collegiate - won outright by twenty runs.

### VERSUS WELLINGTON COLLEGIATE AT WELLINGTON DECEMBER 5, 1988

School batted first and lost four early wickets to be struggling at four for twenty-one then five for forty-eight. A good stand then came from Jason Holland and Todd Burbidge of fifty-four, before Burbidge went for a well-struck forty-one, followed two wickets later by a patient Holland twenty-three. Michael Hall chimed in as a rear guard before he went out for twenty-six. School all out at one hundred and fifty-two.

Wellington batted solidly being fifty-seven without loss before Mike Hall got the first of his four for forty-five. Then came a very good bowling spell from Dylan Cleaver who took six for thirty off twenty overs. Wellington all out for one hundred and fifty-four.

School started the morning off the next day solidly with several good batting performances to be two hundred and three for seven declared. Todd Burbidge fifty-seven, Dylan Cleaver forty-nine, Mathew O'Dowda thirty.

The fielding then began strongly with Todd Burbidge bowling particularly well. School had Wellington in trouble at five for thirty. Then came a stand of one hundred and seven and it looked a far more even game. School stuck to the task and had Wellington one hundred and sixty-nine for nine, needing a further thirty-five. Though valiant efforts were made, School could not secure the last wicket and lost the game outright. Nevertheless we could be pleased with a fine team performance. Result - lost outright by one wicket.

## VERSUS AUCKLAND GRAMMAR AT AUCKLAND

FEBRUARY 13, 1989

The team went with the attitude to improve upon the performance of the previous year, so started with a positive approach.

Grammar won the toss and batted. School got through sixty-five overs before lunch with Grammar scoring slowly and reaching one hundred and nineteen for three. After lunch they reached two hundred and sixty-one for seven declared. This innings was a marathon bowling effort by Mike Hall and Dylan Cleaver, Hall bowling fifty-one overs, three for thirty-nine and Cleaver forty-four overs, three for eighty-three. Altogether the innings were one hundred and twenty overs.

At stumps School finished sixty - two after early wicket losses. There were small partnerships that were not carried on. We were left all out for one hundred and forty-three. Harvie, thirty-three, Holland twenty-six, Burbidge twenty-six. This left School one hundred and seventeen behind. Grammar did not enforce the follow-on and went on to score eighty-two for three declared. Mark Jonas taking two for five. This set us two hundred and one to win in approximately sixty-five overs. Dylan Cleaver started briskly scoring a quick twenty-one. Anthony Ruakere anchored in a partnership with Todd Burbidge of seventy-four runs. School went on to one hundred and nineteen for two and in the last twenty overs required eighty runs. A quick succession of wickets - Ruakere for fifty-one and Burbidge for forty within two overs of each other put pressure on the new batsmen and wickets fell. In the last five overs School played for the draw as Grammar attacked unsuccessfully.

Result - drawn. It was a game which could have gone either way. The team regained much of its faith in itself.

### VERSUS HAMILTON BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL AT HAMILTON FEBRUARY 20, 1989

Hamilton batted first. The School bowling was a bit wayward apart from a good spell from Mark Jonas. Hamilton took advantage of this and reached three hundred and sixteen for seven off eighty-six overs before declaring. School never really batted consistently and, at the end of the day, were seventy-six for five. The next morning saw more wickets fall with resistance only from Mark Jonas who hit a well struck thirty-seven. School was all out for one hundred and thirty-eight, one hundred and seventy eight behind. The follow-on was enforced so this left us with the only real option of battling out the rest of the day. This was done admirably with a superb opening partnership of one hundred and ninety-two by Dylan Cleaver one hundred and twenty-four and Anthony Ruakere seventy-six, and took away any chance of a defeat. The pair responded to the pressure conditions very well. time was to be against a result and the match was called off early and declared a draw with School finishing two hundred and thirty-three for three off seventy-six overs.

### VERSUS WANGANUI COLLEGIATE AT WANGANUI MARCH 13, 1989

Wanganui Collegiate won the toss and put us into bat on a relatively damp wicket gaining immediate success. After being four for thirty-five, Mathew O'Dowda twenty-one and Todd Burbidge forty-two added sixty runs for a fifth wicket partnership before they went in quick succession. Glenn Hooper batted well for his twenty-nine. Eventually we were all out for one hundred and fifty-two.

School had Collegiate one for seven but failed to break a second-wicket partnership until they had added another one hundred and fourteen. This set them up for a large score but some persistent fielding saw that they were only one hundred and ninety-seven for eight. This was through good bowling by Robbie Campbell, two for fifty-three; Todd Burbidge, two for twenty-five and Michael Hall two for fifty-three.

School did not bat well in their second innings with the exception of Todd Burbidge who made a well-struck sixty-one to guide us to one hundred and fifty-five all out. This meant Collegiate needed only one hundred and nine runs to win in three hours.

Robbie Campbell set to the bowling task well and, off his second over, took wickets with successive balls. At tea Collegiate were two for thirteen. After tea a run-out by Mark Jonas and another quick wicket saw some pressure go back on to Collegiate. With over twenty overs left, Collegiate required forty-two runs with five wickets in hand. The fielding was excellent and led to two more run-outs. The pressure was right on both teams. School was required to restrict runs and take wickets. Some fine bowling by Michael Hall, three for twenty-five and Dylan Cleaver, two for nine, saw us through to bowl Collegiate all out for only eighty-eight runs. The parental support which had been present throughout the season was thoroughly rewarded as they watched an outstanding fielding, bowling and team effort through the last session.

That was the highlight of the season, an outright win by twenty runs to NPBHS over Wanganui Collegiate.

ANDREW HARVIE, Captain.



### SECOND ELEVEN CRICKET TEAM

**Back Row:** Craig Taylor, Laine Hopkinson, Jeremy Burton, Iann Redington, Paul Vyver.  
**Front Row:** Kelvin McDowell, Jason Ritchie, Tony Earl, Paul Neilson, David Barrett, Darren Rankine.

## SECOND ELEVEN CRICKET TEAM REPORT

The Second Eleven started the 1988-89 season with a significant number of new players. Playing in the North Taranaki second grade competition, we struggled in the first few games, especially to make enough runs. However, Glen Hooper soon found form and he led the team in several good performances with scores of seventy-two against Vogeltown, sixty against Mangorei and eighty-one against Fitzroy.

The bowling led by Greig Metcalfe, Jeremy Burton and David Barrett always lacked consistency though Brendon Winder bowled his off-spinners really well until he left at the end of 1988.

We finished the first round of the one-day games in the bottom six group but produced some excellent performances in the second round of the two-day games.

The most exciting game of the season was the two-day game with Woodleigh-Spotswood which ended in a perfect tie - a very rare event in cricket. On the first day the seconds batted first and without Mr Swindells - who was away - struggled to reach one hundred with only Grant Holmes thirty-seven and Dean Magon twenty-three getting a start.

Woodleigh replied with one hundred and eighty-eight for five declared and had us in trouble at four for thirty-five in the second innings when the first day ended. On the second day a fine sixth wicket partnership of one hundred and fifty between Craig Taylor (fifty-two) and Mr Swindells (one hundred and fifty-five) helped us through to three hundred and twenty-seven. Woodleigh then needed two hundred and forty to win and although we started well they got away on us to be at one stage one hundred and seventy-two for six. A fine spell of bowling by Tony Earl saw him clean up the tail enders leaving the scores exactly tied.

Results in the inter-school match versus Hamilton Boys' High School Second Eleven were: NPBHS one hundred and forty - L. Hopkinson forty-one; C. Taylor twenty-nine; and two hundred and twenty-three for eight declared: L. Hopkinson sixty-three, D. Magon thirty-seven, T. Earl forty-nine, C. Taylor twenty-five not out.

Hamilton Boys' High School one hundred and seventy-four, C. Taylor two for twenty-three; K. McDowell two for fourteen; and ninety for two. Result ... draw.

Undoubtedly the most improved player of the season was Tony Earl. His consistent batting and useful medium pace bowling, showed he has a real future in the game.

Other consistent performers were Laine Hopkinson, Kelvin McDowell, Craig Taylor, Greig Metcalfe, David Barrett and Kane Bishop.



**JUNIOR CRICKET**  
**Term One 1989**

With cricket becoming so expensive to administer it is not surprising that the costs, now having to be met by the players, are causing numbers to decline.

This year saw only two fifth grade sides, one of which was a Form Three boarders team, and five fourth grade sides, one of these being the 'top' form three side who, in order to get better games, decided to play up a grade.

The fifth grade had one division and school won this with the champions being the Form Three boarders team captained by James Stewart and coached by Mr P. Ryder.

In the fourth grade there were two divisions. Both were won by school with Somerset, a team captained by Darren Rankine and coached by Mr G. Ritchie, taking out division one and Kent, Captained by Michael Kinnell and co-coached by Mr T. Butler and Mr P. Davies, taking out division two.

This would be the first time for a number of years that school has taken out all divisions of the fourth and fifth grades. Well done players and coaches - let's see if we can repeat this performance.

Many thanks must go to those teachers and parents who have put in time and effort, whether it be coaching, organising or just supporting.

**SOMERSET — WINNERS OF FOURTH GRADE DIVISION ONE**

This season the Somerset team, made up of fourth and fifth formers, performed well in the North Taranaki morning grade competition, winning the competition convincingly and not losing a game in doing so. The whole team performed well whether bowling, batting or fielding and every player always gave his best. Since there was depth and ability in all types of bowling, this was probably the team's greatest strength.

Mr Ritchie as coach did a great job organising and coaching the team and I do not think we would have done as well without his help. Congratulations must go to Paul Nelson, David Smale, Carey Davis, Darren Rankine, Jason Ritchie and Brooke Wolfe. Well done, guys, and many thanks for your support.

DARREN RANKINE (Captain).



**SOMERSET CRICKET**

**Back Row:** Nigel Sheridan, Stephen Barkley, Michael Shearer, Paul Nielson.  
**Front Row:** David Smale, Carey Davis, Jason Ritchie, Darren Rankine, Kyle Dawson, Darren Drake.

"Do you believe in a club for children?"  
"... If all else fails."

**KENT — FOURTH GRADE DIVISION TWO**

This team had a good season in winning the Division Two Trophy, and only losing one game to Inglewood. Paul Whittaker finished top of the batting figures with an average of thirty-six runs - highest score sixty-six not out, with Mike Kinnell close behind with an average of thirty - highest sixty-eight retired. Paul also headed the bowling. However, the best bowling performance came from Hayden Chisholm who took five - thirteen against Francis Douglas College.

Mike Kinnell made an excellent captain, performing consistently with bat and ball. Evan Davies also had a good season in both areas. Shaun Crofskey had safe hands as keeper and occasionally made some huge hits. It is pleasing to see the boys remain cheerful and enthusiastic when things don't go their way - a good team spirit.

Special thanks to coach Phil Davies for a lot of sensible guidance and enthusiasm - the boys appreciated it.

A.D. BUTLER.



**Back Row:** Mr A. Butler, R. Anandaraja, M. Rosser, P. Meredith, M. Clentworth, S. Davies, M. Bremner, Mr P. Davies (Coach).  
**Front Row:** H. Chisholm, M. Kinnell (Captain), S. Crofskey, C. Baxter, M. Duncan.

**FORM THREE BOARDERS — WINNERS OF THE FIFTH GRADE**

NPBHS Boarders won because of effort, enthusiasm and co-operation on and off the field. Having twenty-five players in the squad meant that some players had to miss out on one, and sometimes two matches in a row. Despite this, the team never grumbled and the players took their opportunities when they came.

Richard Young proved to be a very good bowler, his best figures being seven - ten, and he had two hat-tricks in the season. Richard Taylor, with a best score of fifty-one not out, and Campbell Feather with forty-nine were the best of the batsmen.

Many thanks must go to Mr P. Ryder for his help and organisation. Let's see if we can repeat our wins this term.

JAMES STEWART (Captain).



**FORM THREE BOARDERS TEAM CUP WINNERS**

**Back Row:** G. Paynter, R. Washer, S. McCallum, S. Campbell.  
**Middle Row:** J. Stewart, I. Broome, M. Urwin, C. Feather, A. Brears, Mr P. Ryder.  
**Front Row:** G. Cadman, R. Young, H. Bryant, M. Webster, R. Taylor, K. Coley.



**BEST PERFORMING ARTIST:**  
Paul Maxwell.

**SPORTSMEN OF THE YEAR:**  
Gordon Slater and Darrin Bride.



## RUGBY



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FIRST FIFTEEN RUGBY

**Back Row:** Andrew Harvie, William Whyte, Ryan Wheeler, Scott Lines, Craig Trigger, Dawson Tamati, Matthew O'Dowda.  
**Third Row:** Mr J. Rowlands, Brendon Bellamy, Matthew White, Byron Faulkner, Shelton Brimelow, Michael Adlam, Scott Chadwick, Mr D. Moore.  
**Second Row:** Dennis Mohi, Jason Holland, Tony Kana, Gordon Slater (Captain), Todd Wolfe (Vice-Captain), Paul Laurence, Blair Pitts-Brown.  
**Front Row:** Barry Schrader, Darryl Aim.

### FIRST FIFTEEN

The 1989 First Fifteen scored five hundred and forty-seven points and had two hundred and thirty-one scored against it. Seventy-six tries were scored and Todd Wolfe was the outstanding points contributor, scoring two hundred and sixty-four, easily the most points scored by an individual in recent years.

Gordon Slater gained national honours for the second year in a row, being chosen in the New Zealand Secondary Schools team to play in the annual Test Match against Australia. The full list of representative achievements is:

Gordon Slater - New Zealand Secondary Schools, Northern Regions A, ASB Tournament Team, Taranaki Secondary Schools; Todd Wolfe - Northern Regions B, Taranaki Secondary Schools; Matthew White - Taranaki Secondary Schools; Michael Adlam - Taranaki Secondary Schools; Matthew O'Dowda - Taranaki Secondary Schools; Jason Holland - Taranaki Secondary Schools; Tony Kana - Taranaki Secondary Schools; Dawson Tamati - Taranaki Secondary Schools; Scott Lines - North Taranaki Under Sixteen, Taranaki Under Sixteen; Dennis Mohi - Taranaki Under Sixteen.

The team played well in the first round of the Under Twenty-one Competition but there were only four competitive teams in the grade and the lack of hard matches on a weekly basis was evident when the team struck the teams that played in stronger competitions in our traditional school fixtures. The highlights of the club season were undoubtedly the matches against New Plymouth Old Boys. The first of these was played as a curtain-raiser to the Taranaki versus Otago fixture and resulted in an eighteen to twelve victory to the First Fifteen. In the second round the teams fought out an eighteen to all draw. Because of the format of the competition the team finished up in third equal place but none-the-less won more matches, scored more and conceded fewer points than any other team in the competition.

### VERSUS HAMILTON BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

The first of our traditional fixtures was against Hamilton. Todd Wolfe was struck down with a virus on the eve of our departure and Paul Laurence had to leave the field at half-time with a broken jaw. This meant that a rearranged backline was thrown in at the deep end. The whole team performed extremely well in this match and, as if our rearranged team was not enough to contend with, the match was refereed by a staff member of the opposing school who was guilty of a number of poor decisions which had an influence on the final outcome of the game.

Without the scoring ability of Todd Wolfe we were unable to make the most of our opportunities and lost the match four to eleven. A consolation was that we scored the best try of the match when left-winger Michael Adlam was put in the clear from a well executed back movement.

The team was - Craig Trigger, Matthew White, Michael Adlam, Paul Laurence (replaced by Darryl Aim), Dennis Mohi, Jason Holland, Blair Pitts-Brown, Ryan Wheeler, Scott Chadwick, Andrew Harvie, Tony Kana, Scott Lines, Byron Falkner, Dawson Tamati, Gordon Slater.

### VERSUS ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE, SILVERSTREAM

The first college match on the Gully Ground is always memorable for each year's First Fifteen and this year was no exception. The match was played for the first time for the McDonald Shield. This is to commemorate the long-standing links of the McDonald family from Taranaki with St Patrick's. Happily, the name of New Plymouth Boys' High School will be the first to be engraved on the trophy.

The match was a close, exciting encounter. An excellent try was scored by Michael Adlam early in the match and further points, in the form of a penalty to Todd Wolfe and a dropped goal to first five-eight Jason Holland, allowed the team to win ten to nine.

The team was - Craig Trigger, Matthew White, Todd Wolfe, Michael Adlam, Dennis Mohi, Jason Holland, Blair Pitts-Brown, Ryan Wheeler, Scott Chadwick, Andrew Harvie, Scott Lines, Tony Kana, Byron Falkner (replaced by Barry Schrader), Dawson Tamati, Gordon Slater.

### VERSUS WANGANUI COLLEGIATE

Collegiate arrived with the reputation of being the best team their school had assembled for a long time. School once again started the match with a fine try by Michael Adlam after the backs had cleverly executed a number of rehearsed moves. Collegiate came back into the game with a fine try and the game remained close. The game was notable for the resolute tackling of the school team that gave the classy Collegiate backs no room to move. A good driving forward try by Scott Chadwick in the second spell put school in front and Todd Wolfe, with an intercept, ran away to score under the posts late in the game to put the score beyond doubt. The final score, nineteen to ten was a satisfying result for the team.

The team was - Craig Trigger, Matthew White, Todd Wolfe, Michael Adlam, Dennis Mohi, Jason Holland, Blair Pitts-Brown, Ryan Wheeler, Scott Chadwick, Andrew Harvie, Scott Lines, Tony Kana, Shelton Brimelow, Dawson Tamati, Gordon Slater.

## RUGBY

### VERSUS PALMERSTON NORTH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

The team entered a spell where their form lapsed a little around the time of the Palmerston fixture. The pressure of second-round club fixtures coupled with travelling away to games, saw the form of a number of players fall away a little. This put pressure on, which some of the least-experienced players found hard to cope with, and defensive errors, lack of commitment in the tackle and some wrong options crept into the team's play. Defensive errors by the backs led directly to Palmerston North scoring three tries and only four penalties kicked by Todd Wolfe kept the school team in touch.

In general, neither team played particularly well but Palmerston made fewer mistakes and so deserved to win.

The team was - Craig Trigger, Matthew White, Matthew O'Dowda, Todd Wolfe, Dennis Mohi (replaced by Paul Laurence), Jason Holland, Blair Pitts-Brown, Ryan Wheeler, Scott Chadwick, Andrew Harvie, Scott Lines, Tony Kana, Shelton Brimelow, Dawson Tamati, Gordon Slater.

### VERSUS TE AUTE COLLEGE

The match was played at Te Aute. School played into a strong wind in the first spell which unfortunately faded away to nothing as the second spell began. The teams were evenly matched but, as in the previous school game, the tackling was not up to standard which allowed the Te Aute backs too much room to move and put pressure on our outside backs. The loose forwards struggled to gain parity with their opposites which meant the team had trouble gaining rhythm. The team never lost contact with the possibility of winning, and in fact, looked to have the game won when a movement from our own goal line swept eighty metres only to see the final pass go astray. A penalty by Te Aute in the final minutes made the game a safe victory for them at nineteen to twelve.

The team was - Craig Trigger, Matthew White, Matthew O'Dowda, Todd Wolfe, Michael Adlam, Paul Laurence, Jason Holland, Ryan Wheeler, Scott Chadwick, Scott Lines, Tony Kana, Andrew Harvie (replaced by Willie Whyte), Shelton Brimelow, Barry Schrader, Gordon Slater.

### VERSUS AUCKLAND GRAMMAR

The final game of the season was played on the Gully Ground in beautiful weather.

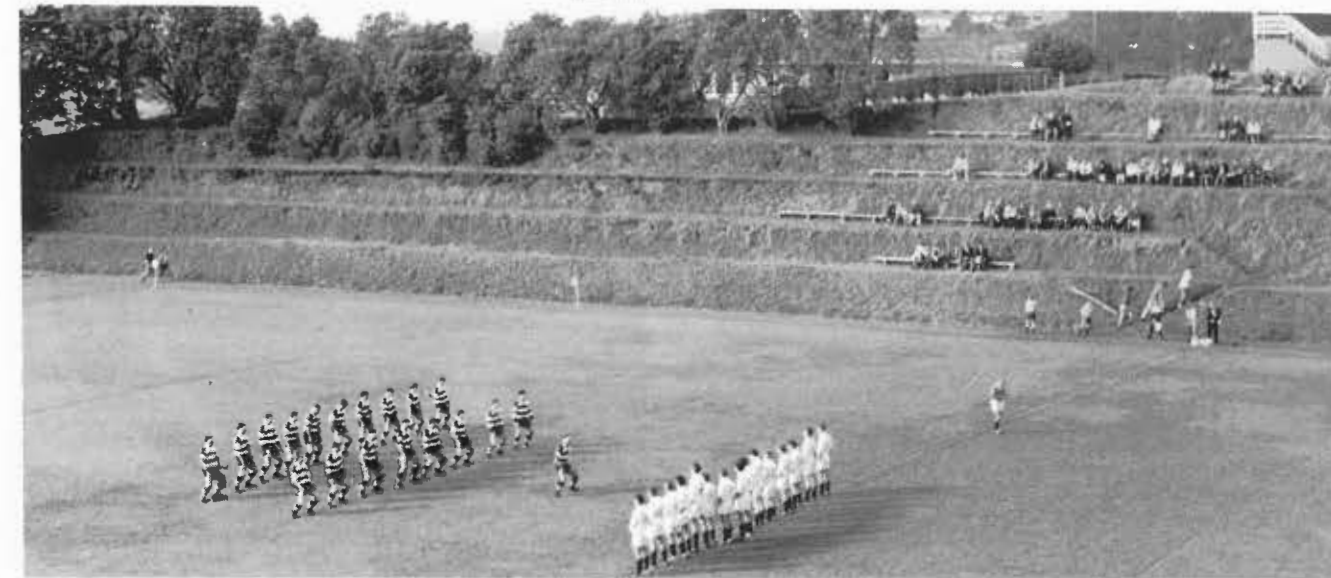
Auckland arrived as the Auckland Secondary Schools Champions, with an awesome reputation. Their team, especially in the backs, are very experienced and talented; in fact three members of their team later played in the New Zealand Secondary Schools team which defeated Australia in the annual test match.

The match itself, while not always spectacular, was an exciting encounter as it was played at pace and will be remembered as a very physical encounter. Both teams were ferocious in their tackling and while the Grammar pack strove to dominate their smaller opponents they found school a formidable foe. In terms of commitment this was the best performance of the team this season. A number of players had been struggling with injuries and form over the previous weeks but made a superb effort in this game.

The team was - Craig Trigger, Matthew White, Matthew O'Dowda, Todd Wolfe, Dennis Mohi (replaced by Paul Laurence), Jason Holland, Blair Pitts-Brown, Ryan Wheeler, Scott Chadwick, Scott Lines (replaced by Anthony Ruakere), Tony Kana, Shelton Brimelow, Dawson Tamati, Gordon Slater.

Auckland Grammar twenty-two; school nine.

D. MOORE.



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## NPBHS SECOND FIFTEEN



### SECOND FIFTEEN

**Back Row:** Eugene Williams, Simon Davies, Alistair Stevenson, Glen Tiaon, Mathew Lees.  
**Middle Row:** Steven Ellason, Rob Williams, Dean Magon, Lyall Clapham, Scott Kara, Mr J. Jones (Coach).  
**Front Row:** David Sutcliffe, Mark Vahlahi, Ian Reddington, Blair McGrath (Vice-Captain), Anthony Ruakere (Captain), Mark Muir, Paul Vyver, Kelvin McDowell.

### SECOND FIFTEEN RUGBY

This year the Second Fifteen team consisted of a large number of younger players mostly from the fifth form with some sixth and seventh formers adding experience.

The season started with promise with a keen interest at training. After the first few games our results and playing ability indicated that we would encounter a hard season to win most of our fixture games. Still, with a young side, this would give the majority of the players valuable experience for the following year.

At times, practice training sessions were not fully attended due to players taking a negative attitude and some being involved and committed to other activities on training nights.

One of the team's highlights was the inter-school fixture with Hamilton Boys' High and 'capability to play attractive open fifteen-a-side rugby. We came out winners with a score of nineteen points - Hamilton twelve points.

During the season some players assisted the First Fifteen and eventually stayed - like Shelton Brimelow and Anthony Ruakere.

Many players played in the Taranaki Under Sixteen Rep Trials. Successful players were Anthony Ruakere and David Sutcliffe who eventually travelled with the Taranaki Under Sixteen team to the Central Region Tournament at Napier.

Top try scorer for the team was Blair McGrath with eight tries. Top points scorer was Dean Magon with thirty-nine points.

I am sure that, should the majority of this team stay together for next season, our playing record will improve.

J. JONES (Coach).



### THIRD FIFTEEN

As coach of the Third Fifteen for the second year, my goal was to erase the memory of last year's defeat by Stratford. This loss finished our hopes of securing the championship. Selecting this year's team was again difficult due to the lack of knowledge of the players available. There was also the problem of the loss of many players to higher grades.

However, I was fortunate to have some players of fine skill. This, along with a committed group of boys, proved a great bonus.

The team was ably led by Brent Beaven, a strong and robust player whose high work load and determined attitude were inspiring. He was assisted by Craig Taylor, a talented player with an excellent understanding of the game.

The pre-season games were marked by very good wins, suggesting we would again be a front-runner in the B1 division. Stratford was also shaping to be another.

The players quickly developed into a team which allowed us to concentrate on the other important facets of the play. The first round began and finished well with five wins and no losses. Emphasis on the basics such as driving, tight mauling and blocking allowed us to control larger teams and establish our pattern on the game.

The second round continued as the first, apart from one loss. By some strange quirk of fate the end of the season was proving to be a repeat of last year. With one game to play we needed a win to take the championship and Stratford would be the team we had to beat. It seemed an ominous sign as we were also playing them on their home ground. They were a physically larger side and had a string of wins to their credit. Our team was well aware of the total commitment. This resulted in a try from a kick followed up. The try was unconverted. Four to nil. Stratford kicked a penalty which left the score four to three at half-time. In the second half Stratford was a much more determined side and they eventually scored a try which was unconverted. Midway through the second half David Sampson charged down a kick and miraculously caught it in the same movement. He sprinted twenty-five metres to touch down under the posts. Craig Taylor converted, making it ten to seven. The final whistle brought a most satisfying conclusion to the season. We were now without doubt worthy holders of the B1 Division Cup. My congratulations to an excellent group of players both on and off the field.

Statistics: Nine wins. One loss. (B1 Competition). Beat Wanganui Boys' High School twenty-one to six (Inter-school game). Top try scorer - P. Sampson (four tries). Top point scorer - C. Taylor (forty points).

A. JOSEPHS (Coach).



**Back Row:** B. Granville, A. Walsh, R. Thomas, H. Mills, H. Smith.

**Middle Row:** T. Pratt, J. Norden, G. O'Neill, J. Ruakere, A. Mills, A. Josephs (Coach).

**Front Row:** B. Robertson, D. Commerer, D. Sampson, C. Taylor (Vice-Captain), B. Beaven (Captain), J. Harris, M. Jonas, A. Huston.

### FOURTH FIFTEEN UNDER NINETEEN BLACK

The Under Nineteen Black team began the year with a loss to Waitara High School and was immediately promoted from B2 to B1 division! The first round saw two wins and three losses as the forwards gained dominance but the backs struggled to establish any effective pattern.

The second round saw the same result - two wins and three losses but the highlight of this round and the whole season was the win in the last game over the School Third Fifteen - thirteen to three. The Third Fifteen had been unbeaten to this point and recovered to win its final games and take the Championship.

All in all, it was a satisfactory effort from a team which ended the season with the Top Dog Trophy. The team was ably led by example by Captain Roger Coley, while outstanding in a fine forward pack was Mike Collins.

A. ELGAR.



**Back Row, left to right:** S. Garven, D. Lash, D. Bluck, B. Sims, S. Kennedy, S. Plowright, C. Hodges, K. Sakagawa.

**Middle Row:** S. Kidson, R. Lees, F. Marshall, W. Puketapu, D. Magon, S. Keightley, D. Maiden, Mr K. Bint (Coach).

**Front Row:** S. Garwood, F. Bint, A. Howse, M. Locker, S. Barkley (Captain), W. Pease, T. Penberth, G. Dodd.

### UNDER FIFTEEN GOLD

This was an excellent year for Under Fifteen Gold Team. The season started out extra well as we notched up two good wins against two top teams before the competition even started. From then on we never looked back, notching up eleven wins from eleven games. Many of our early games were easy wins but were achieved through great teamwork between the forwards and the backs. Mr Giddy's plan of spreading the ball wide quickly and backing up had many teams scrambling to compete.

The forwards were often outsized but competed in all areas. Brendon Metcalfe and Simon Greenwood won ample lineout ball while Paul Howse was an outstanding toiler in tight play. Paul Nelson, Darren Brown and Duncan Robertson all performed strongly in the loose. Nigel Dasler, Daniel Smith, Greg Feek, Tony Carey, Chris Brown and Alistair Hassall made up the remainder of a very good forward pack.

The backs handled the ball skilfully. Kylie Le Bas cleared the ball well with David Sleep giving Tony Earl, Matthew Peacock and Laine Hopkinson very quick ball to set up their outsides. Wingers Brooke Wolfe and Matthew Gibbs had plenty of chances with the ball in hand and Grant Rawlinson at fullback always looked for chances to run. Paul Kelly filled in ably at first-five and halfback.

The side scored four hundred and three points, with thirty-eight against. Most of the points came from the eighty-six tries - Rawlinson, six; Gibbs, twenty-two; Robertson, eight; Hopkinson, seven and twenty-nine conversions - Hopkins, fifteen; Wolfe, nine.

Results:  
Francis Douglas won twenty-four to nine; Stratford High School Black won fifty-four to nil; Hawera High School Blue won twenty-six to nil; Spotswood won eighteen to nil; Inglewood High School won thirty-two to four; NPBHS Black won eight to nil; Stratford High School Black won sixteen to four; NPBHS White won fifty-two to nil; Okato won forty-four to nine; Waitara High School won forty-two to three; Stratford High School Red won sixty-two to nil; Hawera High School Red won twelve to four; Francis Douglas won thirteen to nine.

Even though we had a range of boys from third formers to fifth formers, the team spirit was great. With Mr Giddy as our coach, we went from strength to strength as threats of running the racecourse continued.

Congratulations to Greg Feek and Simon Greenwood who made it into the third form team which defeated Auckland Grammar.

We had a great year. Thanks, Mr Giddy.

KYLIE LE BAS (Captain).



**Back Row:** Tony Earl, Brendon Metcalfe, Simon Greenwood, Laine Hopkinson, Alistair Hassall.

**Middle Row:** Tony Carey, Paul Howse, Duncan Robertson, Greg Feek, David Sleep, Nigel Dasler, Mr Giddy (Coach).

**Front Row:** Paul Kelly, Chris Brown, Mathew Peacock, Daniel Smith, Paul Nielson (Vice-Captain), Darren Brown, Grant Rawlinson, Mathew Gibbs.

**Absent:** Kylie Le Bas (Captain), Brooke Wolfe.



**Back Row:** N. Cleland, K. Featonby, A. Chamberlain, C. Parker, T. Jordon, P. Mills.

**Middle Row:** C. Trail, B. Cairns, R. Sharock, A. Milderhall, A. Young, C. Lobb, B. Riley.

**Front Row:** D. Pease, N. Tinkler, D. Goddard, M. Litherland, B. Laurence, T. Garwood, E. James, R. Bullock, R. Wild (Coach).

### RUGBY — UNDER FIFTEEN WHITE

This year we started off the season with Spence McLintock, a seventh former as our coach. Mr Howes gave a lot of help with organisation. We were, after the trials, the third team from NPBHS.

The first game was a friendly one against Francis Douglas College's only team, and we went down heavily to them. This began a trend for most of the season with our only wins coming when we played Stratford B and Waitara. We suffered heavy losses to Francis Douglas and School Gold and Black. We also lost, but not by such large margins, to Spotswood, Inglewood, Hawera B and Stratford A.

When Mr Wild arrived at the school about half way through the second term we began to do a lot better, mainly because of a lot of emphasis on tackling. In the games against Hawera B, Stratford A and Inglewood tackling was done very well. Royce Sharrock, Karl Gyde, Anthony Mildenhall and Brett Riley tackled well and this was a great advantage. Also, the forwards Nigel Cleland, Kylie Featonby and Abraham Chamberlain were always at the loose ball very quickly.

Our last game of the season turned out a bit of a grudge match against Mr Hannah's team. Our players combined well in the forwards and with two penalties kicked by Brett Riley, we won six to three.

R. WILD.



### RUGBY — UNDER FIFTEEN BLACK

**Back Row, left to right:** Lloyd Percival, Sharn Corbett, John Smith.

**Middle Row:** Paul Chadwick, Paul Whittaker, Tony Reid, John Harre, Peter Grimwood, Dion Herlihy, Mr Hannah.

**Front Row:** Carey Davis, Kent Mulligan, Grant Rolfe, Mark Boyde, Nathan Walter, Jack Hepi, Guy Bryant, Colin Austin.

Over all, the season was an enjoyable one with good commitment shown by all team members. Highlights of the season were our win against Inglewood and the very close game against the top Boys' High team.

Special thanks must go to Mr Hannah our coach for the dedication he showed towards our team and also the encouragement from the sideline. Mr Reid was also a faithful supporter along with Mr Boyde and the many other parents of boys in the team who provided transport to our games out of New Plymouth.

It would not be fair to single out any boy who played impressively because the team ran as a unit and not as individuals. This, along with good team spirit and a general willingness to do well, showed us that you don't have to win to enjoy a game of rugby.

Once again, thank you to all the people involved in our team who helped make the season an enjoyable one for all.

N. WALTER.

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### UNDER FOURTEEN BLACK RUGBY

**Back Row:** Clinton Pease, Andrew Kinsella, Sam Pigott, Ben Hutchinson.

**Middle Row:** Simon Lees, Tayman Cawley, Jason Maxwell, Mathew Cameron, Carl Dawson, Julian Dimond, Mr Lockhart (Coach).

**Front Row:** Justin Burgess, Paul Busing, Gareth Edlin, Daniel Fraser, Steven McCallum, Paul Baker, Scott Baker, Nicholas Sutton.

This was a very successful team which developed into a very strong side. Many of the boys developed skills and abilities which will help them in the future. Most games were close encounters and it was remarkable how many times we scored more points than the opposition in the second half. Game score - won six, lost five, ending third in the competition.

The team was ably led by Captain Steven McCallum and Daniel Fraser.

My thanks to the boys for their enthusiasm and consideration at practice and to the parents who transported and supported the boys week after week. A special thanks to Mr Busing and Mr Cameron for their help on Saturdays and at practice.

K. LOCKHART.

### RUGBY — E DIVISION BLACK

The NPBHS 'E' Division Black team (under fourteen, under fifty kgs) originally started with a squad of approximately twenty players at the beginning of the season but diminished in numbers to a steady core of only thirteen to fourteen regular players for the last two to three games.

Moderate success was achieved by the team, but they still had an enjoyable year and most of the boys built up good team spirit although probably disappointed at only having three other teams in the competition, and having to play the same teams on three or more occasions.

The whole team generally played with a lot of heart and determination though generally outweighed and outnumbered. There were no particular players to mention as the whole team gave it their best on most occasions, but players to lift the team's efforts were Glenn Pennington, Kerrin Brown, Slade Hata and Quentin Chard.

Many thanks boys.

V. WILSON, (Coach).



### F GRADE RUGBY

**Back Row, left to right:** Trevor Reid, Quentin Chard, James Newsome, Alan Newsome.

**Middle Row:** Kerry Clegg, Chris Hall, Kerrin Brown, Zane Green, Chris Foreman, Shane Chadwick.

**Front Row:** Matthew Brookes, Garfield Cadman, Mark Bremner, Mark Latham, Glenn Pennington, Slade Hata, Greig Wilson, Kelvin Coley.

**Coach:** Mr Viv Wilson.



### RUGBY — E GRADE WHITE

This was a young and relatively light team that showed a great deal of enthusiasm, individualism and considerable skill which was developed through the season. Some boys who could play in this grade opted for a higher grade and weighing scales in other areas appeared different from those of our school. Nevertheless we won three games, drew one and lost eight. One hundred and twelve points for; one hundred and seventy points against.

It was heartening to see team spirit and good sportsmanship improve through the season. That is the way for all to go in the future.

The team was well led by Mark Urwin. Particularly promising other players include Lyall Kuklinski, Willie Stanley, Karl Collins and Brett Mulligan. Parental support was very much appreciated through the season.

G. CLAREBURT.



#### E GRADE WHITE RUGBY

**Back Row:** Peter Morrissey, Bryce Herbert, Stephen Maiden, Karl Collins.

**Middle Row:** Michael Webster, Craig Baxter, Hamish Bryant, Duncan Coleman, Mr Clareburt.

**Front Row:** Jonathan Willan, William Muir, Mark Urwin, Allan Brears, Chris Foreman, Lyall Kuklinski, Bevin Coleman.



#### THIRD FORM RUGBY TEAM

**Back Row:** B. Kisby, S. P. Greenwood, J. J. Coley, G. E. Feek.

**Middle Row:** P. J. Van Praagh, C. Parker, S. A. McCallum, M. D. Lobb, A. J. Kinsella, P. M. Grimwood, G. D. Jones.

**Front Row:** M. G. Urwin, C. J. Twigley, M. J. Cameron, C. L. Feather (Captain), G. A. Aitken (Vice-Captain), P. J. Mitchell, K. B. Collins, R. F. Taylor, Mr M. C. Carroll (Coach).



### THIRD FORM RUGBY

This year's third form team won both its annual fixtures. The first, against Wanganui Collegiate, was played at Wanganui on a pleasantly fine day.

The team began in very fine form and Clinton Parker scored from a well-executed back move. Mark Irwin converted. After a good break by Cameron Twigley, Matthew Cameron scored and the team led by ten points to nil at half-time.

Collegiate scored a converted try early in the second half and the remainder of the game was very closely contested but with no further points accruing. Philip Mitchell and Greg Feek played well in the forwards and Grant Aitken had a good game at halfback.

The game against Auckland Grammar was a thrilling occasion because the score remained so even. Our team appeared to have control of almost every aspect of play but the points would not come. It was not until some time into the second half that Clinton Parker crossed the Grammar line to score the only points of the game. Concentrated and sustained forward effort and sound handling, kicking and tackling in the backs paved the way for their fine win.

In a forward pack where everyone played well, Captain Campbell Feather led by example while Mark Irwin at first five-eighth controlled the game very well and Steven McCallum on the wing tackled and ran strongly. After the match, Mr Carroll was heard to remark that this was not the best third form team that he had seen, but it was probably the best balanced and that the game against Grammar was an example of a fine team effort.

### RUGBY — D DIVISION WHITE

As shown by the Third Form First Fifteen's win against Auckland Grammar, rugby in the junior school appears to be in good heart.

The major weakness I have observed this year is the lack of good third form wingers and fullbacks coming through. This was noticeable in both school games with the team having to revert to a ten-man style of rugby.

The school Fifth Grade White team was unbeaten in the D Division of their competition this season. This team included four fourth formers and fifteen third formers. The team played fifteen-man rugby throughout the season and displayed very good ball skills. We were fortunate to obtain the services of Ian Snook and Ken Maharey during the season and to them we extend our thanks. Apart from breaking the boredom they were able to instil numerous new skills which the boys enjoyed. Practices were based on fitness, teamwork, skill and enjoyment. The team spirit and enthusiasm were excellent with some top performances being achieved. Possibly the most complete performance was the last, against Okato College.

A special thanks to Mr Philp, our Manager for his work during the season and a most enjoyable end-of-season party.

For the record, the team played fifteen, scored five hundred and five points for, and thirty-eight against, scored one hundred and five tries (seventy-eight from wingers and fullback). Notable personal feats were - Dean Hickey's thirty-three tries; Clinton Parker's seventeen tries and Cameron Twigley's one hundred and seven points. Ten of the team represented the school against Wanganui Collegiate and Auckland Grammar. The team was as follows:

**Backs:** C. Amon, G. Aitken, J. Coley, D. Hickey, J. Huston, J. Kerr, C. Parker, G. Paul, G. Sole, C. Twigley.

**Forwards:** C. Feather, G. Jones, B. Kisby, P. Mitchell, T. Philp, R. Taylor, G. Vailahi, P. Van Praagh, R. Washer.

**Coaches:** J. Mitchell (Manager), C. Twigley.

C. TWIGLEY.



J. Burton kicking for the Boarders.



#### SKI TEAM

Mr Turner, T. Wolfe, S. Quinn, G. Young, B. Wolfe, T. Velvin.

#### SKIING REPORT

Once again Boys' High had a good team with four of the team back from last year. The team consisted of Todd Wolfe (Captain), Stefan Quinn, Guy Young, Brooke Wolfe and Todd Velvin.

The season's competition started earlier than normal. Because of good snowfalls on Mount Taranaki it was possible for the Taranaki Secondary Schools Skiing Championships to be held. We completely dominated this event. Individual competition was hot between our two top skiers, Todd Wolfe and Stefan Quinn. Wolfe won by the slimmest of margins. Brooke Wolfe and Todd Velvin made it a top four sweep coming third and fourth respectively.

One week after the August holidays the team made its way to Mount Ruapehu for the North Island Champs. Day one saw Stefan Quinn finish fifth and Todd Wolfe fourteenth in the seniors, with Todd Velvin and Brooke Wolfe both in the top forty in the juniors. This left the team lying in ninth place overall.

The second day was less successful and the team dropped to the final placing of thirteenth and that was the second all-boys school overall. Not bad considering there were one hundred and six teams competing. The team extends thanks to Mr Turner, David Bublitz (course technician) and Mr and Mrs Young for accommodation.

TODD WOLFE (Skiing Captain).



Boarders vs Dayboys match.



Stefan Quinn.



## SOCCER



### FIRST ELEVEN SOCCER

**Back Row, left to right:** Paul Veric, Andrew Simons, Greg Metcalfe, Stephen Pelham.  
**Middle Row:** Simon Strobom, Simon Bance, M. Bannister, Grant McKenna, Stephen Doorey, Murray Keast (Coach).  
**Front Row:** Niva Ronald, Louis Rattray, Steve Bani, Glenn Hooper.

### FIRST ELEVEN SOCCER TEAM REPORT

During the 1989 Soccer season the NPBHS First Eleven competed for the first time in the Taranaki Senior Premier League. This league consisted of seven teams.

The Boys' High team finished in a very creditable fourth position. Players who contributed well to the excellent performance of the team were: Paul Veric (most improved player) and Stephen Doorey (Player of the Year).

The basis of a successful team was formed this year, it is to be hoped that this development will be continued next year with players returning and that we will have a steady influx of new, young players.

It is hoped for the 1990 season to attract new players, maintain a high level of coaching and compete in the New Zealand Secondary Schools' finals in the August school holidays.

### HAMILTON

Our first college match was against Hamilton Boys' High. The team was a bit apprehensive as for most it was their first college match.

The team made a bad start with the score two against them at half-time. However, during the second half with a renewed effort Louis Rattray scored two goals. With only ten minutes to go Hamilton scored again making the result a three to two loss.

### WANGANUI COLLEGIATE

This was our only home game. It was a very hard fought game but we could not score easily. However Louis Rattray and Steven Pelham did manage to score but Collegiate answered with two goals of their own. Result, two-all draw.

### WANGANUI BOYS'

The first half was played very poorly by our team and at half-time we were losing one to nil. The second half was a much better effort with three goals being scored by Tim Tumukon, Glen Hooper and Steven Pelham. Result, three to one win.

### WELLINGTON BOYS'

This was a hard fought match by both teams. Opportunities were scarce with good defence from both sides. This was a nil-all game. Result, draw.

LOUIS RATTRAY.

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### SECOND ELEVEN SOCCER

**Back Row, left to right:** Nitij Pal, Justin Whalley.  
**Middle Row:** Mr A. Cosgrove, Johnson Naviti, Russell Harding, Matthew Mitchell, Kristian Miles.  
**Front Row:** Manoj Ediriweera, Naiva Ronald, Paul Maxwell, Andrew Cosgrove, Tim Tumukon.



### UNDER SIXTEEN SOCCER

**Back Row, left to right:** Michael Kinnell, Aaron Corbett, Simon Adams, Andrew Cosgrove.  
**Middle Row:** Johnson Naviti, Russell Harding, Adrian Hayward, Chris Lee.  
**Front Row:** Simon Spurdle, Evan Davies, David Newman (Captain), Karl Webb, David Foreman.  
**Absent:** Mr Glass (Coach).

### SEVENTEENTH GRADE

1989 proved an exciting and challenging season for the players in this grade. The majority of the team had in fact played two grades lower the previous season and five of that team moved through to represent the school in the First Eleven or Second Eleven namely: P. Veric, J. Whalley, G. Young, M. Mitchell and K. Miles.

Despite the loss of these players sixteen represented the school throughout the season and they were capably and responsibly captained by D. Newman. Within the grade NPOB White were undoubtedly the strongest team with several Taranaki representative players. The remainder of the team were closely matched and we were very unlucky not to take the runners-up position having held it for several weeks and only losing a crucial match against Woodleigh at the end of the season!

P. GLASS, Coach/Manager.



### SIXTEENTH GRADE

**Back Row, left to right:** S. Harding, M. Old, S. Avery, M. Cheer.  
**Middle Row:** Mr M. Abdul-Wahhab (Manager), C. Healy, M. Shearer, R. Aerts, T. Caldwell, M. Ediriweera (Coach).  
**Front Row:** M. Birch, D. Griffiths, S. Whittaker, M. Clentworth, M. Cameron.  
**Absent:** R. Crow.

### UNDER SIXTEEN SOCCER

The Under Sixteen team came together nicely at the beginning of the season with the guidance and leadership shown by the senior players and team captain Steven Whittaker.

We knew right from the start that we had a very good team, but we didn't know where it would lead eventually. As it turned out only one team managed to beat us, and this happened to be a representative side. At the end of the season we had only three losses against our name, with a goal scoring record of approximately four to five goals per game.

M. EDIRIWEERA, Coach.



### UNDER FIFTEEN SOCCER

**Back Row, left to right:** Andrew Bean, James Stewart.  
**Middle Row:** Steven Bunyan, Asbjorn Aakjaer, Darrel Martin, Paul Drake.  
**Front Row:** Rohan Singh, Steven Stark, Tim Cooper, Ivan Broome, Karl Gorringer.  
**Absent:** Duncan Scott.

### UNDER FOURTEEN SOCCER

The under fourteen team had a difficult start to the season losing the first two matches.

However, the players got used to their positions in the team and scored a lot of goals in the season.

Unfortunately they just missed out on the championship.

B. VENEMA.



# HOCKEY



### FIRST ELEVEN HOCKEY TEAM

Back Row, left to right: Martin Taylor, Brad Wither, Dion Jordan, Aaron Jordan, Andrew Taylor, Nathan Hills, Mr Geursen.  
Front Row: Jason Miller, Shane Campbell, Hamish Kynaston, Dylan Cleaver, Nathan Betts, Kalley Simpson.

## HOCKEY REPORT 1989

### FIRST ELEVEN

The First Eleven had a very successful year due to a large number of last year's team returning as well as the arrival of Aaron and Dion Jordan from Stratford High.

### LOCAL COMPETITION

Once again we have won the local competition, scoring one hundred and seventeen with eighteen against. The main goal scorers were Dion Jordan, thirty-two; Dylan Cleaver, thirty-one; Aaron Jordan twenty-one and Martin Taylor twelve.

### COLLEGE GAMES

The team made history this year going through the season without a loss. It is the first time this has been achieved since the School has been playing four annual College games.

A brief look at the history of College Games shows that this has been a good effort by the team.

Wanganui Boys' High: Played thirty-six, won nine, lost twenty-four, drew three; Wanganui Collegiate: Played thirty-one, won one, lost twenty-seven, drew three; Hamilton Boys' High: Played twenty-three, won two, lost twenty, drew one; Wellington College: Played thirteen, won two, lost ten; drew three.

### HAMILTON BOYS'

This game was played in wet conditions. The first half was close with NPBHS slightly having the upper hand. Half-time score one to nil to NPBHS. In the second half NPBHS extended their lead to four to nil and then relaxed to let Hamilton score.

Goal Scorers: Dylan Cleaver, Dion Jordan, Aaron Jordan, Nathan Betts. Result: Four to one win.

### WANGANUI COLLEGIATE

This would have to be one of the best games of Hockey that NPBHS has played for a number of years. The game started with Wanganui attacking our goal and putting us under a lot of pressure. We absorbed this pressure and slowly came into the game to score the first goal from a penalty corner. The rest of the game was a closely fought battle and in the last five minutes of the game Wanganui scored from a penalty stroke to draw the game.

Goal Scorer: Dion Joran. Result: One to all.

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### WELLINGTON COLLEGE

A very close game with both teams having a number of scoring opportunities. NPBHS scored the first two goals and defended well to restrict Wellington to scoring only one goal.

Goal Scorers: Martin Taylor, Dion Jordan. Result: Two to one win.

### WANGANUI BOYS'

A game which we totally dominated.

Goal Scorers: Dylan Cleaver, four; Dion Jordan, three; Greg Pollock, two; Aaron Jordan one; Martin Taylor one.

Result: Eleven to one.

### INDIA SHIELD TOURNAMENT

This tournament was played in Wellington on the super turf. In pool play we won all our games so that we had to play Tawa College in the quarter-final which we won two to one.

In the semi-final we played Wellington College in a close game but with injuries to Aaron and Kalley it was only time before Wellington got the upper hand and scored three times in the last ten minutes.

We scored twice in the play-off for third and fourth place to win the game two to nil.

### RESULTS

Gisborne High School, four to one win, Aaron Jordan, two, Nathan Betts, Dylan Cleaver; Scots College, three to one win, Dylan Cleaver two, Aaron Jordan; Otahuhu College, five to one win, Dylan Cleaver three, Brendon Larson one, Aaron Jordan one.

### QUARTER-FINAL

Tawa College, two to one win, Kalley Simpson, Dylan Cleaver.

### SEMI-FINAL

Wellington College, nil to three loss; Nelson College, two to one win, Dylan Cleaver. Final placing in the tournament was third out of sixteen teams. Dion Jordan was selected in the tournament team.

### SECOND ELEVEN

The Second Eleven had a difficult year in the same grade as the First Eleven and it is to their credit that they continued to play all season and towards the end won a couple of games.

I would like to thank Mr Rae for all his help in coaching the Second Eleven.

# HOCKEY



### SECOND ELEVEN HOCKEY

Back Row, left to right: S. Darke, J. Renau, T. Goodwin, A. Rae.  
Front Row: S. Rowlands, B. Waldie, A. Hills, G. Pollock, L. Hunt, R. Simpson.



### HOCKEY GOLD TEAM

Back Row, left to right: A. Jamieson, L. Hall, R. Paul, T. Lewis.  
Front Row: D. Rowlands, G. Ewington, J. Alldridge, D. Bremner, N. Withers, B. Zohs.



### HOCKEY WHITE TEAM

Back Row: G. Paynter, G. Pryce, D. Kinera, S. Haynes.  
Front Row: C. Muller, W. Campbell, K. Moorhead, B. Eden, G. Jamieson, A. Taylor.

### WHITE AND GOLD TEAMS

The White and Gold teams had a number of very good games this year with Gold ending up winning three out of the four games.

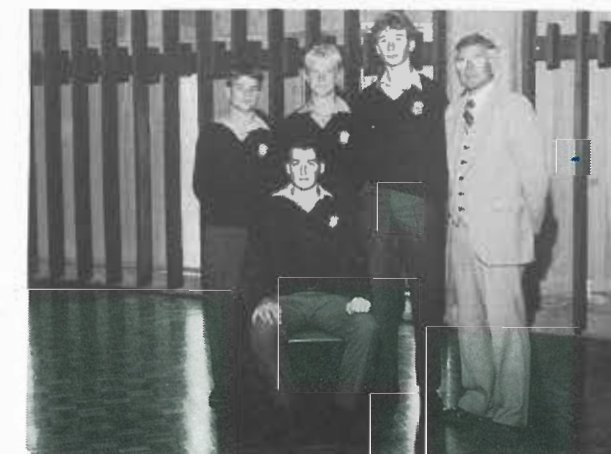
Both teams had wins against Stratford which is an improvement from last year. Once again I would like to thank Mrs Gilkison for her help with Hockey this year as well as Mr Taylor for his help with the White team.



## GOLF — SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Twenty-two golfers competed in the School Championships which were held on the Ngamotu links of the New Plymouth Golf Club. High winds made scoring difficult but despite the conditions Duncan McDonald played well below his handicap to tie with Chris Tubby.

The resultant "sudden death" play-off proved to be a thriller which went to the twenty-first hole where Duncan made no mistake with a short putt to become School Champion for 1989.



### GOLF

G. J. Tubby, G. C. Brinkhurst, G. P. Andrews.  
Mr M. C. Carroll.





## CROSS COUNTRY



### CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONS

**Standing:** Senior Champ - Justin Lofton-Brook.  
**Sitting:** Junior Champ - Chris Flay.  
**Absent:** Intermediate Champ - Paul McCabe.

### RESULTS OF 1989 CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP

#### INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS

Junior - Chris Flay - Donnelly 15.32 seconds; Intermediate - Paul McCabe - Barak 21.28 seconds; Senior - Justin Lofton-Brook - Barak 25.25 seconds.

\* Justin was the only one to beat last year's time, eclipsing Martin Bates' time of 26.53 seconds, but the course record still stands at 24.27 seconds set by Murray Day in 1981.

\*\* Barak repeated last year's record of having the first four home in the intermediate's race.

#### HOUSE CHAMPIONS

First - Syme - one hundred and forty-three runners, five thousand five hundred and seventy-four points; second - Barak - one hundred and sixty runners, five thousand two hundred and thirty-five points; third - Donnelly - one hundred and forty-nine runners, five thousand one hundred and sixty-one points; fourth - Hatlerly - one hundred and forty-six runners, five thousand and ninety-seven points.

Congratulations must go to the winners, to the students who ran them close, to all those students who felt that they had run to their best ability. Staff who ran this year included P. Sole, R. Cooper, M. Maaka, B. Venema, R. Turner, G. Hannah, A. Elgar, R. Rowlands, D. Mossop, M. Carroll, A. Kirk, R. Wilde and R. Mabin.

R. COOPER.

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### TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS' CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS 1989

This year the races were held over the Francis Douglas College course, in ideal conditions for running - that is mild and overcast. Each school was allowed up to ten runners, with the best six placings to count towards the teams events.

Justin Lofton-Brook proved to be in a class of his own in the senior event, winning by a clear three hundred metres over the second place getter in a race distance of four point five kilometres. Brett Beaven, who was not originally selected because he failed to finish in the top eight in our School event, but who filled in for the sick Ryan Wheeler, showed more of his true form by coming sixth. Scott Chadwick and Chris Pollock pushed each other to eighth and ninth placings respectively, whilst Jason Bryant (eighteenth), Alan Woodward (nineteenth) and Aaron Huston (twenty-fourth) ran good supporting roles which saw the team take out the Senior Boys' Title from Francis Douglas.

Alan Murray was the best placed of the intermediate coming home in sixth place. Others to race were Leevan Leef (eighteenth), Paul McCabe, who ran with an injured back (twentieth), Steven Crawford (twenty-sixth), Jason Baty (thirtieth) and Evan Davies (forty-second). Evan's remarkable story is that in the morning he sat one exam, he then competed in the intermediate race which started at midday, before returning immediately to School to sit another exam that afternoon! The intermediate team came fourth overall, the distance four point five kilometres.

Francis Douglas's first, second and third saw them take out the Junior Teams event from School, which had some good representatives of its own. Chris Flay was fourth, Paul Drake fifth, Chris Hall eighth, Clinton Murell tenth and Nigel Wood eleventh. Daniel Macintosh (eighteenth), Brendon Larsen (twenty-sixth) and Niall Smith (thirty-eighth) also put in creditable performances to give School that second placing in the teams event, the distance three kilometres.

The School can certainly be proud of its representatives.

RICHARD COOPER.

### RESULTS OF TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS 1989

Seniors - Individual Placings: Justin Lofton-Brook - first, with a winning margin of three hundred metres; Brent Beaven - sixth; Scott Chadwick - eighth; Chris Pollock - ninth; Jason Bryant - eighteenth; Alan Woodward - nineteenth; Aaron Huston - twenty-fourth; \* team placing - first.

Intermediates - Individual Placings: Alan Murray - sixth; Leevan Leef - eighteenth; Paul McCabe - twentieth; Steven Crawford - twenty-sixth; Jason Baty - thirtieth; Evan Davies - forty-second; \* team placing - fourth.

Juniors - Individual Placings: Chris Flay - fourth; Paul Drake - fifth; Chris Hall - eighth; Clinton Murell - tenth; Nigel Wood - eleventh; Daniel Macintosh - eighteenth; Brendon Larsen - twenty-sixth; Niall Smith - thirty-eighth; \* team placing - second.



### ATHLETIC CHAMPIONS

**Standing:** Joint Senior Champs: Justin Lofton-Brook, Mike Adlam.  
**Sitting:** Left, Junior Champ: Reuben Thorne; right, Intermediate Champ: Lyall Clapham.

## TENNIS



**Back Row:** J. Stewart, M. Baird, C. Patten, S. Hine.  
**Middle Row:** G. Clarke, S. Darke, M. Couper, A. Walsh, A. Taylor, D. McDonald, Mr Hannah.  
**Front Row:** A. Eagles, S. Doorey, B. Riley, T. Earle, A. Hine, T. Lim.

### TENNIS REPORT

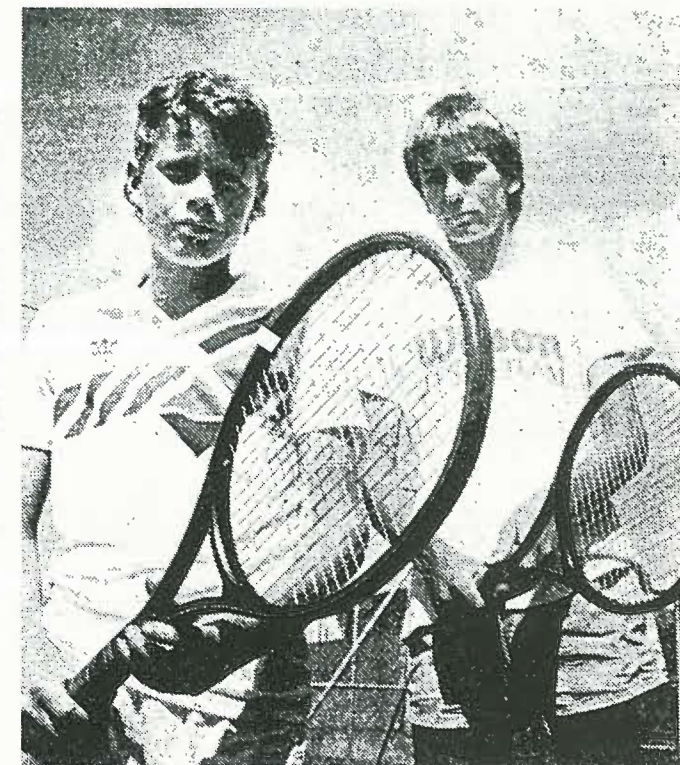
1989 has been a good year for Tennis at NP.B.H.S. The school team convincingly defeated Hamilton Boys' in our first inter-college fixture, only putting down two matches. Our top twelve players did even better against Collegiate, losing only one match in the wet. Their long standing Coach couldn't remember Collegiate ever losing by so much!

The team's big challenge came in the third term against Palmerston North, a team that had beaten us soundly last year and one we had rarely beaten. In an evenly fought contest Palmerston North managed a draw winning the last two medals.

My sincere thanks go to the team, especially the senior members who have played their last representative tennis for the school (Duncan MacDonald, Marshal Couper, David Bublitz) for a most enjoyable two years as master in charge of tennis. Thanks also to Chris Patten for his help, both on and off the court.

#### SCHOOL CHAMPIONS

Senior Open - C. Patten; Intermediate - C. Patten; Junior - A. Hine.  
 G. HANNAH.



Aaron Hine left, Chris Patten.

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## BADMINTON



**Back Row, left to right:** Stephen Barkley, Shaun Keightley, David Sutcliffe, Andrew Kinsella, Rhys Alexander, Alistair Hunt, Mr Heaps (Coach).

### BADMINTON

1989 again saw badminton in the school fall into two distinct areas of activity: a small, but keen group of students playing for enjoyment and relaxation under the guidance of Mr Grimwood and Miss Scott each Wednesday after school in the gymnasium (we are very grateful to those two staff members for the time given throughout the winter season) and the school team which practised every Monday night under the guidance of Mr Heaps.

The school team, chosen from trials held in mid-March, was: Shaun Keightley, Rhys Alexander, David Sutcliffe, Stephen Barkley, Alistair Hunt and Ward Amer. Even though some of the team members had had some experience at inter-school level, the team was young and this year was to be seen as one of learning and consolidation.

The first inter-school match was against Hamilton Boys' High School. Only David Sutcliffe was able to win singles giving a one to eight loss overall.

Wellington College. With Andrew Kinsella replacing Ward Amer, we managed a comprehensive win nine to three in the singles and three to nil in the doubles. Rhys Alexander played very well to beat the top Wellington player in his reverse single, and David Sutcliffe survived a very long, gutsy struggle in his single, ten to fifteen, fifteen to thirteen, eighteen to sixteen. However, all team members played well with everyone registering at least one win.

Taranaki Secondary Schools Badminton Championships: Shaun Keightley and Rhys Alexander in the senior singles and doubles and Stephen Barkley and Alistair Hunt in the junior events. Rhys Alexander reached the finals of the singles losing twenty-one to eight to Stewart McDonald of Spotswood, and the two reached the final of the doubles losing twenty-one to seven to the Spotswood combination. In the juniors Barkley and Hunt were losing semi-finalists in the singles and lost in the doubles final to the pair from Francis Douglas twenty-one to nine. Whilst not a return to the performances of a few seasons

ago when we dominated these events, it was certainly an improvement on last year's record.

The New Zealand Secondary Schools Badminton Championships (Taranaki Division) was played at Stratford in July. The only other team entered was Stratford High School, and in our match with them the team played above themselves, with Sutcliffe and Alexander winning their singles, and both doubles pairs beating Stratford's number two combination giving a match score of four all. Our team won nine to eight on a games countback.

This win entitled the team to represent Taranaki at the Central Zone Final in Rotorua. Here, unfortunately, inexperience did show. First up was Rotorua Boys' High School, representing the Bay of Plenty, and here we lost six to two with Sutcliffe winning his singles and Alexander and Keightley winning their reverse doubles. However, Barkley only lost eighteen to fifteen in the third game of a very long match. The afternoon tie saw us against the Waikato representatives, our old foe, Hamilton Boys' High School who were the eventual winners of the competition. Here we were outclassed eight to nil. Matamata College, representing Thames Valley were the last opponents, and we lost seven to one.

At the beginning of the third term, the school championships were held. Winning the Cook and Lister Cup for the senior singles was Rhys Alexander defeating Shaun Keightley and Stephen Barkley defeated Alistair Hunt to win the Isaac Cup for the junior singles.

The following players represented Taranaki at junior level in 1989: Under Sixteen Number One team: S. Keightley and D. Sutcliffe; Number Two Team: A. Hunt, S. Dingle, A. Kinsella, S. Barkley, P. Meredith.

Results from Taranaki Age Group Championships in 1989: Runner-up Under Sixteen Singles: S. Keightley.

Winner Under Sixteen Doubles: S. Keightley.

Runner-up Under Sixteen Doubles: S. Dingle and A. Hunt.

Shaun Keightley, Rhys Alexander and David Sutcliffe received honours awards this year.

It has been a mixed season, but the experience gained will be of good value to all team members when they return in 1990.

## CYCLING

Competitive cycling covers quite a variety of contests including Mountain Bikes, BMX, Sprints, Pursuits, Time Trials, Track and Road Racing and even Slow Races.

One of the newer forms of racing is the cycling Time Trial section of the Tri-athlon and School has been well represented here with Todd Wolfe, Tim Pratt and others.

The more conventional cyclists were prominent in Road Racing and School had several enthusiastic riders who turned out at Thursday U.P. to gain extra experience and to explore some of the lesser-known roads. Cottam and Ewington Ltd were generous in allowing School cyclists to leave their expensive machines in their display room rather than risk them in the school bike racks. They also allowed the use of their smoko room as a changing room.

One of the aims of U.P. was to coach and select the riders to ride in an inter-school teams' Time Trial at Levin for the Sir Bernard Fergusson Shield. At one stage we considered selecting two teams because of the enthusiasm displayed but transport for the extra bobs and bicycles proved a major problem and we reverted to a squad of seven - Brent Herdson, Chris Avery, Paul Rosser, Allan Rayner, Paul Rust, Allan Murray and Chris Flay.

It would be nice to be able to say that all the training paid off at Levin but that was not so. Although a minute quicker than School's 1988 team, they were still three minutes slower than Auckland Grammar, the winners. We will have to hope for better results in 1990.

A dozen or so pupils competed in the New Plymouth Amateur Cycling Club's Road races. The most successful was Chris Flay who raced in the Under Fourteen group and recorded the fastest time regularly each week. However, he lost some of his zip towards the end of the season and in the Central (Taranaki, Wanganui, Manawatu) Championships had to settle for fourth place. One of the three who edged him out of the title was Nigel Wood (School) who was competing in only his sixth cycle race and who filled second place. Next year both these riders will be moving up to the fourteen and fifteen year old group and should have no trouble holding their own there.

Other riders from School to acquit themselves with credit on the local scene were Chris Avery and Brent Herdson in the Junior Grade and in the fourteen/fifteen year group, Paul Rust, Alan Rayner and Allan Murray were among the Club's strongest riders. Allan Murray was selected to ride in the National Boys' forty-four kilometre Championships where he finished in the main bunch a mere sixteen seconds behind the winner, Mike Moulai of Nelson.

Old Boys of the school have set a good record for present-day riders to emulate. The best performance would have to be Tony Walsh's third place in the Brisbane Commonwealth Games Road Race of about twenty-eight years ago, while the best all-round cyclist must be John Dean who during his career in the 1960s won both Track and Road titles in all three grades - Boys', Junior and Senior - over distances from five hundred metres to one hundred and sixty kilometres. Probably New Zealand's most versatile cyclist he also won the Six-Day Tour of Noumea against international competition. He now owns a cycle shop in Queensland.

DAVE MITCHELL.



### CYCLING

**Back Row:** Allan Rayner, Alan Murray, Chris Avery, Paul Rosser, Graeme Hendry.

**Front Row:** Paul Rust, Mr Smith, Brent Herdson, Chris Flay.



*The cycling team at Levin.*

## SURFING

On February 7 forty surfers from the school took part in the Annual School Surfboard Riding Championships at Fitzroy Beach.

Conditions were far from ideal due to lack of a solid swell, but the competition continued, over the next three days and six competitors made it through to the final.

Fortunately the 'gap' at Fitzroy Beach produced a quality wave and the finalists, Daryl Waswo, David Stevens, Jody Joseph, Dawson Tamati, Tao Wells and Gareth Jolly took to the water, Daryl Waswo picked the right waves and took out first place followed by David Stevens second with Jody Joseph, Dawson Tamati and Gareth Jolly all tied for third place.

From the school champs Dawson Tamati, Gareth Jolly, David Stevens, Daryl Waswo and Jody Joseph were selected to represent the school at the Taranaki Inter-Secondary Surfboard Riding Champs held at 'Back Beach'. The level of competition was high, but the small wave conditions played a major role in the results.

In the five-man final Dawson Tamati, Gareth Jolly and David Stevens all found themselves in contention for first place. Gareth and David attacked the waves with a fast radical approach, both pulling off some high scoring manoeuvres. Dawson with his constant aggression took second place with David and Gareth third and fourth respectively.

A consistent team effort ensured that the school retained the 'Whittaker Memorial Trophy' for the top school in Taranaki, a position the school has held for every year except one that the event has been held. The depth of talent evident in the contests ensures that the future of surfing in the school looks bright.



G. JOLLY



## BASKETBALL



### FIRST BASKETBALL TEAM

**Back Row, left to right:** Justin Lofton-Brook, Chris Patten, Blair Hicks, Malcolm Opie, Campbell Thompson, Jeremy Burton, Angelo Hill (Coach).

**Front Row:** Shaun Luke, Darryl Moles, David Bublitz, Darrin Bride (Captain), Glen Coxhead, Nelson Polutu.

### BASKETBALL — FIRST FIVE

This year's squad was one of great talent and potential. The team was a fitter, more co-ordinated one from last year's and aiming for the top. With a creditable table of wins last year - first in Regional Tournament and thirteenth at National Championships, the boys were aiming to improve on those placings.

This year the school received one of the most prolific American basketball scorers to come to this country. Angelo Hill was here to join the Staff as Physical Education teacher and to play for Ivon Watkins Dow, New Plymouth's basketball team. He was a great boost to the team and has an excellent knowledge of the game and a great influence on many boys.

#### LOCAL COMPETITION

This year saw the dropping of the Taranaki Secondary Schools Competition which the boys had won the year before. Consequently the only competition locally was the senior A Grade Competition run every Wednesday night. Each game was closely fought right throughout the season as most teams had either one or two New Plymouth team members. The competition was a good build-up to the season ahead.

#### COLLEGE GAMES

For the new players and coach the game against Tararua College was a tester and was a complete change from club league with a very hard competition to adjust to. The game was closely fought with the end result NPBHS victors sixty-eight to fifty-three. Hamilton was next up and the boys proceeded to blow them off the court with good defense and well-run offensive moves, winning one hundred and fifty-four to twenty-six. Next to fall was Wanganui Collegiate, defeated by the B team.

The boys travelled to Wellington College. The match seventy-nine to sixty-two. Player of the match was Blair Hicks.

Church College - To the team, this was the game we had looked forward to for a long time. It was a very close game and at half-time the score was thirty-four to thirty-six to Church College. But as the game went on, the boys seemed to slip a gear and the game was lost eighty-seven to sixty-seven.

Onslow - This was the final game of our pool. The game was not a very satisfactory one in the end, and the boys lost seventy-eight to seventy-three. Fortunately, however, the Boys' High team went through on a count-back and reached the quarters.

#### QUARTER-FINALS

St John's Hamilton - The game was close from the start. At half-time the St John's team had taken a six point lead but as the second half got underway, Darrin Bride set off on an onslaught of points getting the deficit right back and we took a one point lead to go on to win sixty-two to sixty-one. That meant we were into the semi-finals - a first for a Taranaki team.

#### SEMI-FINALS

Havelock North - This game was the most important the boys had ever played. As the game got underway things were not going right and at the half we were down by twelve points. The second half was a long, tightly-fought one but the Havelock team took it out, fifty-nine to fifty-two.

Play-off - This meant we were to play off for third or fourth against Church College. Although the boys were quite tired by now, the game was a good one, but Church College came out fired up and won convincingly one hundred and four to sixty-five.

So that result meant we were placed fourth in New Zealand. The team would like to thank Mr Angelo Hill, our coach, for a very good learning experience; Mrs Helen Hicks, for the management of the team; and also Joe Hicks, for his sponsorship and support from Bush. A big thanks must go to the families and supporters throughout the year, especially at the Nationals. It was a great year for basketball at NPBHS but was not the best from our boys' point of view.

Nothing seemed to come together but there was just enough there to win by fifty-nine to fifty-four.

Then it came to the big grudge match which was against Wanganui Boys' High who had a very weak team. We won one hundred and six to forty.

### KANTO VISIT

This year the team was fortunate to have the experience of overseas competition in the form of Kanto High School from Japan. This was an experience for everyone including the very vocal crowd. The Japanese were very quick and the game was very close but we took the game seventy-two to sixty-three.

### REGIONALS

This was the start of the long track we took to the regionals. First up was Ruapehu College who seemed no match for the boys - ninety-two to forty-five. Then we were to take on the boys from around the coast - Opunake. We started slowly but after the break came out firing and won eighty-two to sixty-eight. Queen Elizabeth College from Palmerston North was the third scalp we took going down seventy-four to fifty-five.

It came to the semi-finals. We were up to play Wanganui College. This game was played to our strengths and we took control early in the second half winning the game sixty-three to forty-seven. So the boys were through to the Nationals once again - the third time in three years. The final of the regionals was played against pool play-rivals Opunake and the boys took it out seventy-seven to fifty-five.

### NATIONALS

We did very well at the Nationals, placing ourselves the highest that any Taranaki team has ever done - fourth in New Zealand. We were in one of the harder pools with teams such as Church College, Hamilton, Onslow Wellington and Kelston from Auckland.

Kelston - This was the first game for us and was the best game we had played all year, all working as a team and winning outright.



### UNDER SIXTEEN BLACK BASKETBALL

**Back Row:** R. Harland (Coach), P. McCabe, D. Mohi, C. Patten, H. Mills, M. Purdie, R. Arbaugh.

**Front Row:** D. Rankine, C. Lee, A. Ruakere, A. Bernstein, P. Chan.



### BASKETBALL THIRD AND FOURTH FORM TOURNAMENT

**Back Row:** M. Gordon, J. Coley, R. Thorne, A. Kinsella, A. Hine.  
**Front Row:** M. Powell, T. Earl, A. Fearn, M. Peacock, J. Kerr.

### BASKETBALL — UNDER FOURTEEN GOLD

This year the Under Fourteen Gold side was very successful. After losing a number of games early on, the team developed into a good combination and went on to the final where it was a narrow second to Spotswood.

The team has great potential with players like Mark Powell, Andrew Cosgrove, Aarone Hine and Jamie Kerr. However, the real success was the improvement of new players like Nathan, David, Ollie, Stephen and Damian. Coached by Darrin Bride and Jeremy Burton. School basketball looks promising for the future.

CAMPBELL THOMPSON.



### BASKETBALL

**Back Row:** B. Hicks (Coach), C. Twigley, W. Ritson, P. Drake, D. Mole (Coach).

**Front Row:** P. Little, C. Andrews, J. Coley, G. Aitken.

### BASKETBALL — UNDER FOURTEEN WHITE

At the beginning of the season, NPBHS White began as a group of individuals who have a lot of potential for the future. After a few practices, the team came together and proved successful with wins against some of the tougher teams of the grade including the scalp of eventual league runners-up NPBHS Gold.

Unfortunately, these points did not count and when the league got underway the team lost games it should have won. The team was led with skill by Jeremy Coley who made the New Plymouth under fourteen side and the North Island tournament team. He was well backed by Warren Ritson, Grant Aitken, Cameron Twigley, Carl Andrews and Paul Drake. Improvers of the season were Peter Little and Ben Harland.

The team would like to thank Blair Hicks and Daryl Moles who coached the side.

DARYL MOLES.

My favourite television programme would have to be the Fly Doctors because it is very well made and I like the suspense.





**UNDER FOURTEEN BLACK BASKETBALL**  
**Back Row:** M. McLellan (Coach), D. Green, C. Hansen, R. Thorne, A. Mathews, J. Brown, S. Luke.  
**Front Row:** C. McKenzie, P. Brisco, B. Cribb, I. Broome, G. Wilson.

**UNDER SIXTEEN BLACK**

This is a team with some very experienced capable players and some very inexperienced players. The first five were easily able to establish superiority over most opposition but the gratifying aspect of the team was to see how the less experienced players improved in skill and confidence through the season.

Our most serious competition was Francis Douglas and we met them in the final. They were a well-drilled and determined opponent and we went into the last minute with the scores tied. Black managed to score and were able to defend this margin and so won the competition.



**UNDER FOURTEEN BOYS BASKETBALL**  
**Back Row:** D. Bride, N. Burrows, A. Hine, A. Kinsella, D. Muir, J. Kerr, J. Burton (Coach).  
**Front Row:** D. Smale, T. Crossan, M. Powell, O. Stone.

**UNDER SIXTEEN WHITE**

Most of this team had played together last year and they had the good fortune to have Gavin Roberts their last year's coach come back to the team.

They are a small team but what they lacked in size they more than made up with in aggression and determination. In most games they went in as underdogs but their opponents soon became aware they had a game on their hands. It was a great pleasure to see most of their games won or lost by a very narrow margin and every game played with determination to the last second on the clock.

Throughout the season the team improved both as individual players and as a team; they were a credit to the players, the coach and the parents who supported them.



**UNDER SIXTEEN WHITE BASKETBALL**  
**Back Row:** M. Peacock, A. Fearne, P. Neilsen, M. Gordon.  
**Front Row:** C. Davis, D. Hickey, T. Earl, R. Yarrow.

**THIRD AND FOURTH FORM TOURNAMENT AT FRANCIS DOUGLAS 1989**

This team was selected from third and fourth form teams. There are a large number of highly skilled third form players and five third formers were selected for the team. This meant that we were much smaller than other teams and so went to the tournament not very confident of success.

The team met Spotswood, a taller and more experienced team in the first game and we went down to them twenty-five to twenty-two. It was a very disappointing start to the tournament, however, in the next game against Inglewood we more than compensated for this defeat by annihilating this very tall confident team twenty-eight to five. This win gave us a place in the semi-final against Hawera, and this we managed to win in extra time, twenty-two to twenty.

We were pleased to meet Spotswood in the final. They took us far too lightly and started the game by playing their bench. Our team quickly established a lead and were able to defend this against Spotswood's most determined efforts which as an unexpected but very pleasing first place in the tournament.



MARCO EMERINES



**NEW PLYMOUTH JUNIOR LEAGUE BASKETBALL**

**POINTS TABLE**

In the Under Fourteen and Under Sixteen boy's competitions, the grade winner was decided by a final between the two top teams. In the Under Fourteen grade, Spotswood Rockets beat Francis Douglas College Colts, forty-three to thirty-seven, and in the Under Sixteen grade, New Plymouth Boys' High School, Raiders beat Francis Douglas College Rebels, sixty to twenty-eight.

All other grades were run on a round-robin basis.

**UNDER SIXTEEN BOYS**

|                  | P | W | L | F   | A   | PTS |
|------------------|---|---|---|-----|-----|-----|
| NPBHS Raiders    | 9 | 9 | 0 | 499 | 208 | 18  |
| FDC Rebels       | 9 | 8 | 1 | 334 | 197 | 16  |
| NPBHS Eagles     | 9 | 6 | 3 | 432 | 298 | 12  |
| FDC Saints       | 9 | 5 | 4 | 375 | 312 | 10  |
| SC Racers        | 9 | 4 | 5 | 221 | 230 | 8   |
| FDC Kings        | 9 | 4 | 5 | 207 | 293 | 8   |
| Waitara          | 9 | 4 | 5 | 235 | 216 | 8   |
| NPBHS Pioneers   | 9 | 3 | 6 | 296 | 378 | 6   |
| SC Jets          | 9 | 1 | 8 | 178 | 410 | 2   |
| NPBHS Carrington | 9 | 1 | 8 | 180 | 407 | 2   |

**UNDER FOURTEEN BOYS**

|                  | P  | W  | L | F   | A   | PTS |
|------------------|----|----|---|-----|-----|-----|
| FDC Colts        | 10 | 10 | 0 | 449 | 192 | 20  |
| SC Rockets       | 10 | 9  | 1 | 393 | 155 | 18  |
| NPBHS CC Celtics | 10 | 8  | 2 | 273 | 167 | 16  |
| SC Ponies        | 10 | 7  | 3 | 233 | 165 | 14  |
| FDC Rams         | 10 | 5  | 5 | 229 | 220 | 10  |
| FDC 76ers        | 10 | 4  | 6 | 272 | 258 | 8   |
| SC Bulls         | 10 | 4  | 6 | 179 | 348 | 8   |
| NPBHS Bears      | 10 | 4  | 6 | 196 | 213 | 8   |
| NPBHS Bombers    | 10 | 2  | 8 | 202 | 301 | 4   |
| NPBHS Lakers     | 10 | 1  | 9 | 93  | 187 | 2   |
| Waitara          | 10 | 1  | 9 | 114 | 438 | 2   |

then bursting through a wall of foliage I came across a path yelling for joy ...

**TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOL SUNBURST SAILING CHAMPIONSHIP**

The Waitara Boating Club has introduced the above sailing championship this year. Four schools entered - Waitara High School, Inglewood High School, Spotswood College and NPBHS.

The contest was held on April 9, 1989 on the Waitara River, sponsored by the Waitara Boating Club. There were three races in Sunburst yachts, NPBHS entered two boats - the school yacht and Mr Mitchell's boat.

The event took place in a gusty southerly that had one boat capsized. Our boys sailed well and gained fourth place. We were represented by Matthew and Tim Mitchell, Simon Berndt and Sam Pigott.

J. KROOK.



Sailing at Waitara.



## LITERATURE AND ART

Ko Neil Swindells,  
Ko keo te hoa o nga iwi Maori me Pakeha o tenie kura  
Tenei kura tuarua mo nga taitama o Taranaki  
To nohohanga ki konei mo nga tau e toru mai ra 1986 ki Mei 1989  
Ahakoa kaore koe ki te ako i te Reo Maori tenei kura  
mohiotia e koe te reo. Ko tatou e tupu tonu ana  
He mihi aroha nui ki a koe mo to taonga ko mahui mai ki a  
matou te kura  
Kia mahue kow to matou kura a ki te haere ki nga mahi hou  
He whakapika  
"Ka mate kainga tahi, ka ora kainga ma"  
E ki ana te korero  
He poumamu; He tangata; He taonga nui ko koe tenei  
Keati nga mihi kia koe  
Arohanui ki to whanau  
Me te atua koutou he manaki  
He tiaki e nga wa tena koe  
Kaore koe e warewarehia tenei kura  
Ka kite ano, Neil  
Kia ora au  
Kia ora au tatou kura.

NA JASON RENAU.

Neil Swindells,  
You are a friend of both the Maori and Pakeha people of this school  
This secondary school for young men of Taranaki  
Your stay with us for three years from 1986 to May 1989

Although you are not a tutor of the Maori language in this school  
You are an understander of the language, we are still growing  
from this

We give our sincere thanks to you, for the gift you have left  
to us all, the school  
You are departing our school and entering a similar vocation,  
but it's a promotion  
"Our home's loss is another home's gain"  
There is a saying  
Knowledge and man - A great treasure  
Enough of this praising you  
Lots of love to your family  
May the good Lord support and care for you at all times  
You will not be forgotten by this school  
See you again Neil  
Good luck and support from me  
Good luck and support from our school, thanks.

JASON RENAU.

### MY BEGINNINGS AT NPBHS

Waking up, I realised that today was the day! Knees knocking I managed to clamber out of bed, calmly collect myself and then proceed to trip over the lambskin rug which was on the floor. I tell people not to leave things on the floor but society does not listen to a Concerned Citizen. I felt sure that, if the rest of the year was going to be like this, I was going to have a nervous breakdown before the end of the first day!

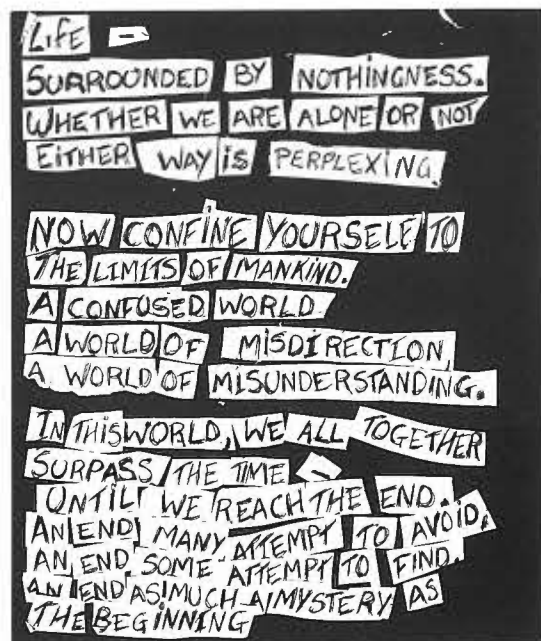
Following this dramatic incident, I hurried downstairs, demolished my breakfast and rushed upstairs and got dressed. To start the ball rolling, I couldn't find my pencil case. I frantically searched the house until - triumph at last - I'd forgotten that I'd put it in my bag last night. By the time I'd collected my lunch and said my farewells and ridden out the gate I was searching my head for grey hairs.

A matter of minutes later, ahead of me was Boys' High School, the Fear Of Taranaki, the place where you walked in but had to be carried out, in most circumstances by ambulance. I parked my bike amongst the thousands and entered the hall, watching warily for anyone bigger than me, and sat down, dumping my bag on the floor. Ah, a decent chair at last. I now had a few brief minutes to observe my surroundings. I was amazed at the immense size of the hall. I could just imagine the chaos when twelve hundred boys were packed into this place. Another important thing I noticed was the stage. At every other school I'd been to, the teachers had soft easy chairs while we students deformed our backs on hard wooden forms. Hooray for equal rights!

Now here's a news flash for you! Mr Bublitz walked on the stage. He welcomed us to the third form - the year where you get the biggest shock of your life. Before long Mr Lander delegated us our classes and we went to find out what was in-store for us this year. During the period of the day we met our teachers and established new friendships.

I burst through the door at 3.45 pm at home and exploded to Mum that life at NPBHS wasn't nearly so bad as it's made out to be.  
MICHAEL FRAMPTON, Form Three.

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Max Kindler

### SPEECHES

Imagine it, you're sitting in a hot, stuffy classroom, a dictatorial English teacher lecturing you on nothing in particular and then it hits you - speeches.

Right Gentlemen - here are the topics.

You grab a pen and start madly scribbling the most ridiculous topics you could imagine as your English teacher spits them out.

Topic Five.

By now your pen has run out of ink, so you search feverishly for another.

Topic Ten.

At this stage a severe attack of writer's cramp sets in

Topic Fifteen.

By now you're just drooling in anticipation of the next five exciting topics.

Topic Twenty: One of your own choice.

At this stage you start cursing which ever sadist it was, that saw fit to force innocent students to the verge of insanity writing down nineteen nauseating topics, then last of all, decided to throw in "one your own choice".

After recovering from a state of apoplexy, you begin to wonder why speeches were ever introduced into the education system at all, but soon your thoughts are gently directed back to the set speech topics by the aforementioned English teacher, through means of pages and pages of notes on how to stand, how to speak, and the inevitable eye-contact.

More often than not you decide topic twenty, "one of your own choice", is in order. Generally this topic is badly done, with contestants getting side-tracked by their pools politics, and their favourite cures, very rarely do contestants actually stick to the topic - one of your own choice, however this year I shall make an attempt.

"One of your choice" - to most students this phrase has a musical ring. It means freedom, a chance to express yourself in the method most harmonious with your personality, to reveal your inner self. Yes that's right - surfing in the nude.

To teachers it has a much more subtle meaning - the release of students' creative energies upon the canvas of their education, but more to the point, a free period to sleep, mark, or think up vicious lines for future use.

The effect of one of our own choice however, doesn't end at school. For example, every four years New Zealand has a general election, in which you get to vote for a "one of your own choice." Be it left wing party with right wing policies, named Labour or right wing party with left wing policies named National, or the Democrats who can't seem to decide exactly what they are! And so the list of examples continues.

The statement "one of your own choice" also signifies recognition of individuality and freedom to have an opinion. Loss of the individuality in a society, inevitably leads to facism, as happened in Nazi Germany, and threatening to happen in room nine, Pridham Hall - something we should all try to avoid.

As you can see the value of "one of your own choice" is indisputable, what may however, be disputable is whether we do actually have a choice.

To speak or not to speak there is no question, whether this nobler to mind to suffer the humiliation of public speaking - or to take up arms against the tyranny of an English teacher.

ROMESH ANANDARAJA.



Tao Wells

### THE PEOPLELESS RIVER

For those who lived along it, the river was life. It gave them food and water and irrigated their crops, and they built vast cities on its shores. Mighty empires grew up and around it and united to form the Federative Republic of Nuikwey, a populous and wealthy democracy. At one end, the glorious capital Talarn, a metropolis of nearly thirty million people sprouted across the Niukwa delta, while thousands of miles away, at the river's source, were barren highlands, a backwater of civilisation.

Attempts to bring prosperity to this region, such as a nuclear power station and a particle generator, had strangely failed. How the government wept! The primitive tribesmen who dwelt there would have to remain primitive for a little longer.

But some of them took exception to this policy and the government that followed it. Along with their less fortunate cousins in neighbouring countries they formed the Zai People's Liberation Organisation which set out to change these kinds of attitudes, permanently.

At a laboratory hidden beneath a seldom-visited national park, a man named Axi Doa led the Nuikwey operation, one of eight. He was a typical Zai liberal - bitter and hardened by oppression and poverty and prepared to go to any length to free his people. He had a method of eliminating oppressors that would be final.

The subterranean complex, built at Axi's command by a small group of terrorists consisted mainly of chambers for cultivating and removing the poison from Tetanus bacteria. The poison was quite dangerous and therefore the technology used for it was highly advanced, the laboratory being the only one of its kind in the world.

Axi Doa left his primitive quarters on a morning that would have been fine a few hundred metres above, and headed for the control room. He shoved on a holovisual tape and ordered item D347 on his computer's menu. This should have cost several hundred dollars in any restaurant that could afford the ingredients. After this exhausting work, for which he was earning over a hundred dollars an hour, he checked on the production levels in the poison chambers. Most of them now had several hundred milligrams of the substance. The time had come when he could deposit it in the nation's main water supply.

The next morning he skipped his normal work and took a specially constructed container that had been filled with the toxin and flew west in his simple plane. A few hours later the container was dropped from the plane into a small lake. The material it was made of quickly dissolved and the poison was freed.

At the Z.P.L.O. meeting later that week Axi Doa received the Zai People's Liberator award for his service to his people. He was a hero, and had popularised the idea of using toxins to eliminate oppressors. Few people lived along the river any more.

RICHARD AUSTIN, Form Five.

### FEATHERS

He was in a state of eternal bliss, the beautiful eiderdown smothering his body in a way that was impossible to resist. He didn't care what the new dawn had to offer him. Contented with his beautiful blue blanket and no more, sending through his soul luxurious messages of endless satisfaction.

It was long since the glowing sun's tip had cracked the crust of the far-off white horizon. He wasn't an idle lazy man, but instead a little insecure and too self-conscious for his own good. This time he told himself, it would work.

As he lay half asleep, peacefully slipping in and out of a pleasant dream, he kept one ear open, listening to the scunch as footsteps broke the freshly laid snow outside, reminding the man of life continuing, just as it always had, without him. He laughed. It wasn't a wicked laugh, nor was it a loud fruity laugh, but a quiet meaningful laugh.

Through the early hours of the afternoon the eiderdown encircled the man's motionless body. His dream was relaxed, perfectly tranquil. When he awoke for the final time that day he yawned. In his own semi-religious way he thanked God for his stressless sleep, and in his own private way the man thanked God for his heat-keeping blanket, the beautiful eiderdown.

The man's nose twitched and sniffed the evening air. He was happily rewarded with delicious scents of roast mutton and chicken slowly browning. His eyes suddenly filled with a new passion. Licking his wet lips and grinding his teeth in a way that emphasised his overwhelming desire for food, he assured himself that he too would also be eating - very soon.

Get up! Get up! echoed over and over again ... The man's face turned upside down, his eyes swelled with anger and frustration and closed tighter than any fist would allow. For the man's body would not allow him to walk, or even to clap his hands. He always had been and always would be, bed-ridden.

This bed, his prison cell, the blanket, the lock. But he is the missing key. If only he could feel the feathers that surround him, he'd be free.

MAX KINDLER, Form Four.

The bodyguards were choked with rags dipped in chlorophyll ...





# THE WHISTLE

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In rehearsal for STIFF LUCK are Paul Maxwell and leading lady Victoria Way

## Stiff Luck For Whom?

Not just Stiff Luck, but Stiff Luck for the Undertaker.

A somewhat peculiar title which doesn't give a lot away. Theatrical Director Mrs Ashworth and Musical Director Miss Mabin seem to have done it again.

The school productions seem to get bigger and better every year; here is a review of this year's production.

Stiff Luck for the Undertakers is a "Hyperhorroroperaticomedy" in three acts written by Philip Norman. The story begins in a small town, where too many Undertakers are vying for too little business. So one of them, Boris Hammer played by Paul Maxwell, comes up with the idea of pre-selling "package deal" funeral services.

Among the potential clients he approaches are a mysterious group of people who live in an ancient hall. He decides to visit the hall with his secretary, the sumptuous Gloria Karioff (Victoria Way on loan from GHS), and once there, they find out that their "client" is a vampire, named Count Randolph Lee Grislauer played by Grant Smith.

Then along comes Ed Warr's Brenstein, a 1930s style gangster played by Chris King, and his gang including a hopeless

hostage, Rose (Nichola Sewell from GHS as well).

At first they can't believe that the hall is haunted by a vampire, but they finally have to acknowledge the truth and thus the hopelessness of their predicament. Then, as luck would have it, a ghostbuster comes along, Chas McCushing (no relation of Peter Cushing) played by Evan Davies, who just might be able to help them...

Apart from the thrilling and suspense-packed, yet funny, dialogue, there is also the sizzling and ensnaring love triangle required in an Operetta like this.

This musical is a wonderful production, the idea of it is just right. It is a "Hyperhorroroperaticomedy" with reason. It has a clever plot, which keeps the suspense building.

It is also fast paced, the conversation between Gloria and Boris often reminded me of Maudie and David of Moonlighting, quick and snappy, and the fact that Grant Smith is about twice the size of Paul and Victoria makes it all entertaining to watch as well. The music of Stiff Luck is the best part though.

There are rip offs from all sorts of lures which

everybody knows. This makes it very special, because combining comedy with familiar and rhythmic music always seems to be a good concept.

The stage is used well and the set was designed by Mr R. Taberner. Mrs F. Gillison is responsible for the wardrobe and the extravagant costumes; the props for this production were designed by Miss A. Scott.

The Stage Manager is Mr R. Harland and in charge of sound are Mr Glass and Mr Kirk. For the lighting Mr M. Brooker came back to assist in this year's production.

And last but not least, the marvelous choreography in Stiff Luck was done by Mrs Foreman.

To conclude: The two hours this musical takes pass very quickly. It is definitely a five star production. No Broadway musical surpasses the wit and flair of Stiff Luck...

The musical will be on August 8, 9, and 10th, whereas on the 8th there will be a gala night performance which includes dinner after the show. All that for \$15 (students \$12), the regular show on the 9th and 10th are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students.

This is an extraordinary production and not one to be missed, because for a short time the excitement and glamour of Broadway is brought to NPBHS, right here in New Plymouth.

BY-M.R.G

## WADSWORTHS OF CENTRE CITY

WADSWORTH'S BOOKCENTRE which is now located in Centre City is a new, large and friendly book shop which doesn't only sell books. Apart from the large range of books, they also supply a great variety of cards for all occasions and an overwhelming number of magazines. Naturally, Wadsworth's is the ideal place to stock up on school material; pens, paper and all the things a student could possibly want for school. So come on down to Wadsworth's Bookcentre located at Centre City. By M.R.G.

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## "THE SACK" SPEAKS

The point that is amazing me most, and it keeps coming up is, "Does it help our students?"

Be it at training courses, talking with board members or at board meetings, "Does it help our boys?" it always the theme.

The full board has now been constituted, committees and sub committees have now been formed. Although I do not belong to all the committees, I intend to go along to all the meetings so that the students' views can be heard if needed.

The full board meets once a month, but every week I find myself at one meeting or another. The charter is coming along well. Todd Wolfe and myself are your 'mouths' on this committee. The

first draft will be finished by the end of the term.

With the board comes a huge work load. Organisation is the only way to get through it. Agendas with 40-50 pages to be read, five hours and all day training courses, research for meetings and then the meetings themselves.

There are reports to be written for the school, speeches to be prepared for the school (some never get read out due to the forgetfulness of someone!), letters to be written on behalf of the students, and last and certainly least reports to the Whistle.

I am trying to do my best in representing our students, by holding meetings at lunch times, asking students about their thoughts on topics and acting in the manner that saw me elected.

Robo Trout — Half man; Half trout; All prefect



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## THE WHISTLE 1989

This year has been a good one for the school newspaper. Although costs have increased sharply, The Whistle continues to be generously supported by local retailers. There have been three editions this year and there has been significant political comment (in each) regarding the impact of "Today's" Schools. The standard of journalism is high.

In 1990 The Whistle is expected to develop considerably. A new and exciting Sixth Form Certificate course in Journalism and Photo-journalism will be offered and those opting for the programme will be largely responsible for writing and laying out the tabloid.

In addition to all of this, the paper will (by the end of the year/beginning of next) have enough in its coffers to purchase an "Archimedes" computer for the English Department (and itself of course!). The Whistle lives on.

Hotspur's knobility was extreme.

## FIRE

Fire, the devil's child,  
Fire, a thing of greed,  
Always wanting more,  
Spreading its infection like a rat,  
From victim to victim.

Fire, a thing of darkness,  
Destroying everything it touches,  
Never to be caught,  
Just like a phantom.

Fire, the force of destruction,  
A bringer of havoc and fear,  
Like the night,  
Dark and unavoidable.

Fire, an untamed force,  
In the right hand of evil,  
Ruthless and merciless,  
Like a predator.

Fire, the devil's child.

NIGEL DASLER, Form Four.

## BOXING

The boxers step into the ring  
And walk to their corners.  
They hear the bell go  
Just thirty seconds to go  
Shouts the referee  
Ding!  
The fight begins  
Heads dodging again and again  
From the violent swings  
Bodies jumping side to side  
Until the big blow comes  
Big enough to knock you off your feet  
But still you will not meet defeat  
Even though the blows seem more powerful  
Than ever  
You manage to put a quick one in  
His lights go dim  
You sense your victory and his doom  
And give him a left  
Then a right  
Which almost ends the fight  
As he goes down for the eight count  
The referee gives his o.k.  
And they begin again  
But he is feeling the pain  
And again and again  
I throw the punches at him  
This time his lights go dim for the last time  
And the heavyweight title is mine.

MATTHEW OLD, Form Four.

## ORIGINAL WRITING "DESERT CANTOS"

### Self Inflicted Catastrophe

Ralph and I were partners. The environment was our love, and we were eager to capture its harmonious complexion. The moody, jaffa flavoured, sky looked on as we rumbled away from the Cantos. The endless expanse of rusted sand, soldier like trees and of course tussock accompanied us, and together were the founders of my innerself. Mans' use of this hostile environment shattered me, and I was reminded of this destruction as we drove past a duggen-out valley; footprinted in bulldozer tracks. And there a screwed cigarette packet lay, askew on the dry grit, holding memories of a sinner. Our roofless jeep allowed me to survey the ever-changing sky which was angrily stirring itself into a milkshake of marble blue. The efflorescence of light forced my eyes to squint.

We reached the focal township before nighfall, here we would pick up our monthly supplies and then return to our studio the next morning. Even the black of the night was alive with excited shades of viridian and ultra marine blue, arizarin crimson and burnt amber. The desert was a perfect model, capable of magic photographs, but as Ralph and I found out, these pictures did not just happen, we had been working on being in the right place at the right time for over two years and as a result had captured beauty unadorned.

The next morning we were woken by the siren's screechy scream, I peered through the blinds, I was faced with havoc as people hustled and bustled across the dusty street. Curiosity led us to the street for an answer, its thirst quenched by an old man yelling "Flood!", as he dodged and sidestepped towards his destination. On the spur of the moment we raced for the jeep, desperate to get to our studio in fear of losing our years of work. We as men were furious that the man could be so docile, this was the second time the unreliable irrigation project had flooded our settlement, luckily our studio was further up the Santa Rosa mountains, so was unaffected in the first flood.

The jeep could travel no further than the peak of the valley in which the township sat. A traffic sign ahead, engulfed in muddy, murky water, was a safe resting perch for a sea bird. With tears in my eyes I surveyed our pulverised home town, that part of it was submerged. A stranded row boat basked on the top of the verandah of a station. The sludge clasp to the power poles indicated that the water had been two devastating metres high. The smudge of the sky, grey and blue merged, looked tallow faced and leaden. My grandfather's Humber, mutated by rust, sat patiently in the motionless water. The Salton Sea, although fermenting froth in some places, acted like a mirror which was polished daily; its line of symmetry was precise and although the site was magnificent I was injured by the knife sharp edge of destruction and loss which attacked me.

As the sun shone into the murky water, unable to pierce the dense nature of its surface, we left feeling helpless, poorer and aggravated. The area was an unbearable stench zone, so we would have to return once the water had drained away.

After spending the night in a tent nearby, we returned to our home town, of which there was now more to look at, and made a beeline for our decrepit studio. It was a site of peace and terror. The once panic stricken studio had shattered windows, whose glass was stained with a mixture of desert mud, mildew and grit. The power lines lay tangled powerless on the clay like dead snakes. Ralph commented on the neighbour's caravan which had been transformed, against its will, into a shipwrecked boat. Inside our studio the torn pink batts hung from the smashed walls and our saggy records were scattered all over the room. Our beds, now bloated with contaminated water, lay overturned, but miraculously our photographs and equipment were barely touched in the sealed dark room. As the cobalt blue, turning stormy sky reacted, we retrieved those possessions of value and left in haste, holding our noses. It was as if invisible spiders were spinning cobwebs into the air as I breathed.

With the jeep loaded we drove across the flooded turf, tearing and tormenting it, back to the safe local township. All was not lost, as we travelled we decided to get our photographs to date developed, framed and stored safely; maybe an art gallery would be interested in displaying them. Then without forgetting the catastrophic Cantos, we would endeavour to photograph the remains of our model before man once again trampled all over one of his most extortionate and precious assets.

SCOTT HINE, Form Six.

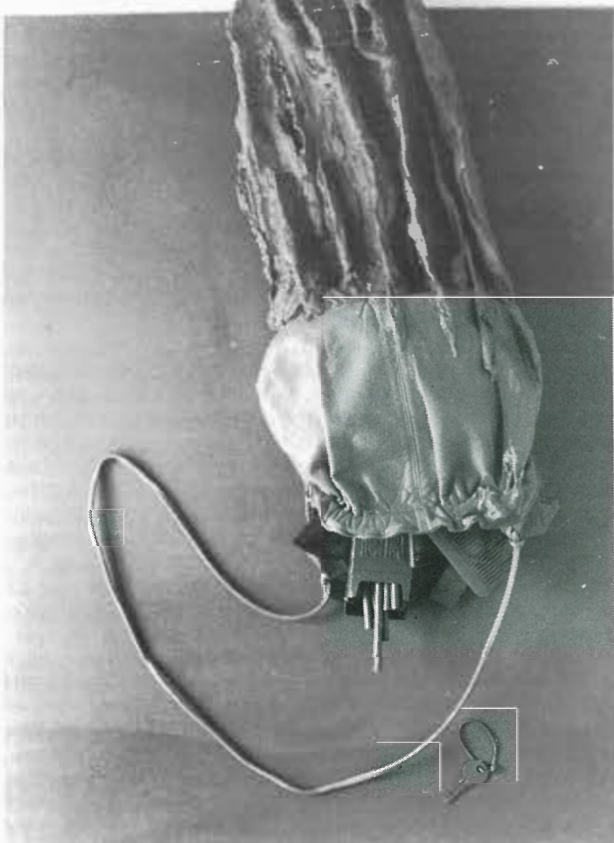
It was funny seeing her there. She was neither old nor young. Her face was all white and cold. She was all still. She looked like she was empty but I still loved her. I gave her all my memories. In myself I knew that I would never forget that day.

On that day the sky was funny. It was cloudy but there was a hole in the cloud where the sun's beams were shining through. I felt that my grandmother died before her life was over because, two weeks after she died, she would have been a great-grandmother.

GARY MILLYN

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Gareth Thomas

At first the suspect was not co-operative but after a few sharp kidney punches he soon became quite helpful. In roughly two hours he had told the three all they wanted to know.

The cougar was searching for a feasible route which would take him to the mare and the colt ...

### TE AITUA

I te ata nei i a au e haere ana ki taku mahi i Niu Parimata i runga i toku motoka, kaore i whawhai te rere a toku waka, no te mea he rangi kino, he rangi marangai, a kaopre hoki tino marama kitea atu nga motoka mua, o muri hoki, i a au.

Ka tae au ki te pekanga ki te taone ka kite atu au i tetahi taraka e whakatata haere mai ana. Ki tonu taua taraka i te taramu penehini. Kaore pea i kotahi rau iari te tonu ki runga i tetahi motoka iti. Kotahi tonu te taunga o o matau motoka a na matau i hiki te taramu ki raro i te motoka. Tokorua nha wahine i roto i taua motoka, a tokorua raua i mate.

NA JASON RENUA.

### THE ACCIDENT

This morning I was travelling to work in New Plymouth in my car. There was no rush or urgency in the speed at which the car was moving because the day was stormy, and the cars ahead and behind were not clearly visible.

When I reached the turn-off to the city, I saw a truck approaching. It was fully loaded with drums of petrol. When it was perhaps no more than one hundred yards from me, one of the drums fell off and landed on a small car. Our cars stopped together. We lifted the drum from the car. There were two women in the car, and both had been killed.

BY JASON RENUA.

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### THE DRIFTING RAIN

"But where will you go? You can't ..." Johnson slammed the door and stalked out into the rain; the drifting rain slashing across the street, a harsh drizzle, acrid and bitter coursing down the gutters.

The scene outside the door was nearly as depressing as inside the building from which Johnson had come. There the drunks slouched against the matt grey walls, clawing for an empty bottle in vain hope, silence was broken only by an occasional moan or cry.

Outside there were no people in view, save for Johnson himself. He turned and gazed up at the solemn grey monolith that he called home. The building glared back down at him. Johnson turned and walked away when above him a curtain was pulled slowly aside and a palid face looked down at him from the window it covered.

The grey face of Johnson's own building was repeated time and time again on the street that he walked along.

The city had certainly changed since Johnson had arrived. As a young man he had come to the city. It was bright then, a city full of possibilities and hopes. Now the grim reality of life here struck Johnson - the city did not pause for failures but rushed on like a titanic machine accepting or rejecting people at a whim; every person to eventually be cast off in the final rejection, death.

Johnson was now a million times older than the young man who had stepped into the city only a few years before. Aged not in body but in spirit and mind, not bright and irrepressible, but now as sullen and grey as the city surrounding him.

Johnson walked through the city he now knew, back into the city of lights that had rejected him. The city of lights, the fake city, lit up by neon and mirror but beneath, the same grey as the rest - an illusion conjured up people needing to escape reality. He felt both an intense loathing and a deep longing for this city, to immerse himself in the illusion and forget reality.

Everything was a disguise here with the people changing between public and private images of themselves. Elements undesirable to the grand illusion were ignored in ignorance with an unwillingness to accept reality. Johnson himself was now one of these, a failure in a city that did not accept failure.

The city was a masquerade, a mask which Johnson had unwillingly cast off, forced to accept another reality. The city had been his apple just three years ago, the whole city had celebrated his works. Long hours working in a studio with only clay and his hands had been rewarded by public acclaim. He had been the new genius of those times, a bright flame now ash.

Johnson turned his back on the lights of his past and walked slowly back towards his new life. The dark city enveloped Johnson now like a shroud. The rain had stopped and the people of the street emerged slowly from the holes and cracks into which they had vanished.

He was solicited by many of these people as he passed by, men and women offering various things for money. Johnson passed them by intent on a private thought.

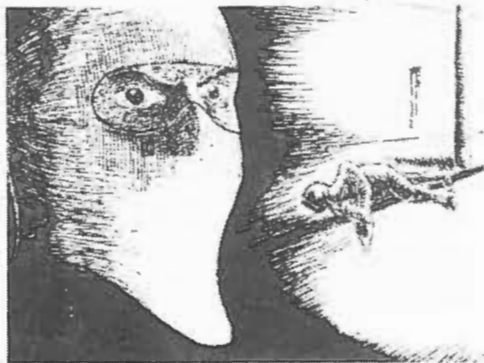
There was no rainbow over the city, even though the rain had stopped and the sun was shining through an uncharacteristic break in the clouds. Even the sun shone cold here matching the bitter greyness of its surroundings. Johnson walked on through the grey city, pulling the light grey coat he wore tighter around him.

He had been walking through the city, blind to the city all around him, for some time now, engrossed in a private image holding all his mental attention. A lump of soft brown material pictured in Johnson's imagination constantly changing and being re-shaped into a myriad of forms under his touch.

Johnson hurried along now, breaking into a run, bumping and banging into people as he passed them on the street. Finally he reached his building and laughed up at its grey face and hurried inside.

He opened the door and stepped inside his apartment. From a couch the tear-stained face of his wife looked up at him, he bent and kissed her then crossed to where, on a workbench, a shapeless blob of clay lay. The clay was beckoning him and Johnson sat down to work.

SIMON ADAMS, Form Five.



NATHAN BETTS

### A WALK LIKE JESUS CHRIST

A Sunday paper  
Of front page sob stories  
Photos of frail father  
Cheeks craters of Egmont  
His forehead, the fault lines  
His son  
Like Jesus of Nazareth.

The bloody lawn  
From gross invisible facials  
That remember the threatening  
Of broken heads  
And a dead brain  
A walk  
Like Jesus of Nazareth.

A straight line  
To the morgue  
After father comforts him  
The living ghost  
Miracles of modern medicine  
Like Jesus of Nazareth.

He wants them caught  
Craters deepened, fault lines  
About to erupt  
A walk  
Like Jesus of Nazareth.

SCOTT KARA, Form Six.

### THE SENTINEL

The waves ride in, tumultuous, breaking gustily on the weather-beaten rocks fortifying the old beaten lighthouse. But it stands strong and proud, a sentinel surveying the surrounding area where its golden beam cuts sharply through the enveloping darkness. Its ray had often been the relief of mariners who, on a night such as this, had looked for its true guiding light which would take them safely past the perilous rocks and sandbars. The area had claimed many a victim who had sailed too close to the rocks and had finally met his end on those very rocks that the lighthouse warned of.

But as the rain pelted down from the dark heavens which smothered the moon and stars, the light still shone bright and straight, warning passing ships of the danger that was part of the lonely coast of Scotland. The desolate hills rolled into view while the light revolved round and round as though searching to reassure itself that the surroundings were still in place. It once more shone out to sea over the rampaging waves that were repeatedly pounding the crag on which it stood. But just as it had for the last one hundred years, the light fought them to the brink of submission before they came hurtling back towards the lighthouse.

It had seen many a ship swept on to the jagged rocks and splintered into a thousand fragments with pieces of rigging and sail being finally swallowed by the insatiable depths. The majestic galleons of the English fleet, the pride of human workmanship and skill sailed defyingly past one night but the next, offering no resistance as the ocean tore them to nothing and danced smugly on their guns as they sank slowly and silently to join the skeletal hulks already in Davy Jones' Locker.

It had heard the screams of countless souls as the waves pounded their bodies against the irresistible force of the jagged rocks. It had heard the whining of the great oaken masts before they were inevitably snapped in two like twigs and sent to the bottom where they were left to rot. It had heard the whimper of timber as it ran along the reef which tore boards in two and hulls into a hundred pieces.

The sun rose slowly and silently; it fought off the darkness of night and the light of day shone across the horizon towards the hill which hid the small village from the view of the lighthouse. The village began to stir and come to life like a waking house, the lights one by one began to shine.

The prow of a small boat cut its way through the still crystal water around the head of the bay and headed out to the lighthouse where the keeper met the occupant with disdain. The lighthouse watched mutely as the occupant unloaded several objects which it had not seen before. It stood imposingly and reliably over the bay as it had for the last century, not stirring, not flinching, as the charges were set and the fuses were lit.

PAUL AVERY, Form Three.

### WHAT HAVE WE TO FEAR?

At first it was just a small problem, one that a dozen or so scientists would soon overcome. They could not. As it continued to spread, the importance attached to it grew, but still no great interest was centred around it. After all, mankind had dealt with everything to now, surely this would be no different.

While man toyed with it, the new disease moved on mutating constantly, finding new forms. Like the common cold, there was no real cure for it, short term relief was available to the rich and privileged few, but it did not last long, within a few weeks the disease would always return, this time in a more severe form.

It was not until the year 2015 when the real proportions of the disease were known. Someone from the press probing the computer system for news found, stared deeply and securely, statistics, ones that had been held back over the past twenty years by the International Government (individual ones had been abandoned years ago). The Government had been so sure a cure would be found that they thought it "unwise" to let the general public know the real reason people had been disappearing. "The leaders always know best", the saying that had been unquestionably accepted by the multitudes was now held in doubt. It was demanded something be done.

But it was too late for the methods and ideas that had wanted in the past, emigration restrictions were useless against something that had spread to every continent. Quarantine would always miss some. Drugs, frequencies, radiation, genes, other diseases, other bacteria - they were all tried but with no success. And slowly the panic grew.

The inevitable came to pass. Going from a time in the late twentieth century when sickness was rare, to just fifteen years later when the sick, the dead and the dying lay side by side in buildings, on streets and sidewalks, is far from an easy thing. There was no escape, and nobody proved immune.

Yet throughout the demise of the human race, all other life forms remained unaffected. It was as though Nature wanted to get back at man for polluting her skies, ruining her land, and poisoning her waters. While animals prospered, man, like the once ruling dinosaur, was slowly being erased.

It was a pity, some reflected, that despite all our hopes and dreams, man had never conquered space. The isolation the great void offers would have been the only chance the race might have had. As it was, all bases relied on the earth for supplies and that reliance meant contact with earth, and the fatal disease.

The last human thought was conceived in 2035, a selfish one, a typical one of the race. But even then, regeneration was taking place. Breaking free from the symmetry of intensive cropping, plants were scattered amongst the decaying buildings, animal populations increased, and Earth returned to the closest it had been to Eden for thousands of years.

However, this bliss could not last. Nature may have got rid of the species, but what they made can remain for a very long time. Within a few years, breached the entrance to what had once supplied Earth in its entirety, with electricity. As teeth met wire and circuitry, there was a sudden spark of life, something as small as the discharge of a capacitor. This pulse of electricity set something going again, some parts failed, causing others to overload, setting up a chain reaction. The plant had tapped into the very core of the Earth, which was unstable. Because of the disturbance above, something deep in the core reacted violently, causing the planet to explode into the vacuum of space.

Around the sun were now two asteroid belts, the solar system having only eight planets. Nobody ever knew the truth, that Earth was the only place ever to sustain life. And so it was, for the first time in 4,500,000,000 years, the universe was dead.

NICHOLAS THORPE

### HAIKU

The rowdy classroom  
Students trying to study  
But to no avail.

The red setting sun  
Summer's sign of arrival  
But the night must come.

The albatross soars  
Above the coastline below  
Watching for the fish.

These Haikus, as you most probably realise, are of the traditional Japanese style of five syllables, then seven, then five again. I think that these all reflect several different views of life. The hardships of getting an education, the dream world of the setting sun and the daily struggle to find nourishment and sustenance.

MARK HUNTRER, Form Four.



## TECHNOLOGY

I am going to take you on a journey, a journey back to the dawn of human existence. When man learnt to live among the rocks without refrigerators and cook stoneage sausages. Tell you what! DEFINITELY not a Kelvinator Multi-functional oven with overhead range with a finish to suit and the kitchens colour shot.

Don't believe what you see on TV the Flinstones are phonies. Man lived on bare essentials. No Brontasaurus Burger Bars; No CD shop around the corner; No waste disposal unit under the sink; you could't even Dial-a-Pizza; no phones, no pizzas either actually.

But man was content - no-one's ever known an unhappy caveman. Things were going well because the conditions were what was expected. Nothing better had ever been considered. But then, like a wolf in sheep's clothing came a BIG BIG Monster! His name was TECHNOLOGY!!

Technology was quite a clever chap. He never ceased to amaze mankind. Marvellous, superb, splendid man would exclaim in admiration what a great partner man had found. At last man was heading in the right direction (he thought).

Man could control Technology "turn on a light" "drive to work" almost anything he wanted. Time ticked by Technology started assessing the situation. Technology started to control man. Technology could control man!

TV. I think TV sucks up spare time, affects everybody's daily lives. Mesmerised into watching it for hours and hours. Without it we'd be lost, we would miss the news, Neighbours and new essentials of life. We revolve around TV, we revolve around Technology.

Because of our exploits with Technology our ozone layer is diminishing. Call off this long lasting affair soon before it is too late. Now for a Technological Tale. Now one night micro-chip was feeling a bit excited. His charge was high. He decided to go out and pick up a chip. This one chip by the name of Milli-amp made his solenoid shudder. He was attracted to her poles and her characteristic curves. He says to her "hey Babe I'd like to blow your fuse any day". In no time at all he had her on the back seat of his megacycle and they cruised off into the night. They rode over a wheatstone bridge past the sound waves and stopped in a magnetic field by a flowing current in the moonlight, they fused and earthed. Micro-chip tried desperately to lower Milli-amps resistance to a minimum. When suddenly Milli-amp snapped out in a negative charge of a voice. "Micro-chip; just what kind of coil do you think I am? You always operate with your frequency tube in mind!" All Micro could say Ohm! Ohm! Ohm.

Now! We've got to make that stand Milliamp made. We can say to Technology, right just friends OK? Don't get involved. Break off the love affair between man and Technology. We can live as friends and get on OK. What we don't realise is that Technology has slowly seduced us over the years and any day now will flop out his nuke missiles and come and rape us. Yes, rape us (then leave us).

GARETH THOMAS, Form Seven.



Tao Wells

## THE FIRST BALL '89

It rains every ball night  
Dresses with dried dirt  
Material chicken pox  
Cursing the disease  
The guys don't mind.

Invaded restaurant pubs  
Mellowing session before the ball  
Sets up the easy dance  
A clumsy waltz intoxicated  
By seniors of prestige.

An hour late it starts  
When masses multiply the floor  
Steps, stumble ridden  
One, two, four, until ...

Outcast is the ball  
An abandoned shadow  
When formality embarks  
On the sea of beer  
'Til the lamp-posts dawn.

SCOTT KARA, Form Six.

## EARTHQUAKE

It was the premiere night of "Stiff Luck For the Undertaker", when halfway through the first act, the gallery visibly began to rock (that's not saying much as the gallery rocks whenever a student runs down the steps, jumping two at a time wearing nomad slippers). At first I thought, "Which stupid mother can't control her son?" But as two or three more seconds passed that annoying shaker that I thought was coming from an uncontrollable child started to get worse and worse until I was thrown out of my seat. People were running everywhere in hysteria, the gallery which was now, visibly, being thrown about was reaching the peak level at bounce that it could attain (the hall was structurally designed to withstand a force nine earthquake) and it seemed like it was going to collapse, but then the earthquake subsided a little. This did not stop the mass hysteria that was spreading through the audience.

The performance was still going on despite the general state of hysteria which had now swept the whole hall. People were jumping out of their seats and running towards the doors, which were almost smashed off their hinges when the crowds hit them. The "sensible" people were now starting to realise what had happened and reassuring people that they would be perfectly safe if they remained calm and stayed where they were.

The musicians were now visibly upset and the pianist dropped a couple of notes while playing a dramatic piece of music.

The earthquake was starting to die down now, almost as quickly as it had come, about fifty people had already left the gallery, and as soon as the earthquake had stopped people began returning to their seats, saying "What have we got to fear?"

The actors had not really even realised that there had been an earthquake and the only proof they had was the spotlight that was aimed at them from the gallery was vigorously jumping up and down.

Twenty minutes later the majority of the people that had run out of the gallery were returning to their seats, although somewhat apprehensively. Some people despite the efforts from other people to stop them left the musical and went home.

The next day we watched the news, they pointed out to us the approximate position of the earthquake and how it rated on the Richter Scale. It was just off the Patea coast and one hundred and forty kilometres beneath the earth's crust. It measured five point five to six on the Richter Scale and was felt all over the North and parts of the South Island from as far north as Gisborne and as far south as Christchurch.

Surprisingly enough only china and crystal was broken (a very selective earthquake!)

A. JAMIESON, Form Four.

As I sit  
In this room  
Thinking of what beholds me  
A bird sings  
And reminds me of an awaiting love  
The elders intrude  
And they disapprove  
"You shall become a numbers man  
And live in great wealth"  
This is not what I look forward to  
Sometimes I wish I was that bird  
In a life of joy  
Spreading it to others.

WILLIAM PLUMMER, Form Five.

## CURVE

As we were leaving the safety of building Q, Curve raced ahead of us - had he been allowed to enter the meeting with us as he had been deaf and mute since birth. He could tell no-one of our plans. Curiously Tiny and I followed him - this was unusual behaviour for Curve. We rounded a corner, suspecting nothing and came to a sudden stop. Behind the silent Curve stood another man, neither brown nor white, but both. He was an Arkonian - a race of humanoids characterised by their strange colouring. Before we could act, we were surrounded and Curve had been taken by both arms. It was here I thought Curve would attempt to escape - he had the unusual gift of being able to bend his limbs into strange positions simply by flexing certain muscles. This enabled him to get out of (and into) many strange positions. However, Curve did not struggle and we watched helplessly as he was carried away by the Arkonians.

I awoke, my face cold against the hard stone floor. The back of my head was aching. Where was I? Suddenly it all came back. I had no doubt as to where I was - a look through the small barred window reconfirmed my thoughts. I was a prisoner in the tower, miles above ground level and I had no chance of escaping. There was a knock at the door. My only weapon had been taken from me. I rushed to the door picking up a chair on the way and smashed it down on the Arkonian as he entered. To my surprise, a young girl fell to the floor, dropping a tray of food. She was human, like myself - what had I done?

When she came to, we talked. She, like myself had been taken prisoner, years ago and was now kept for slavery. Otherwise she would have been killed.

"Are there any other prisoners?" I asked.

"Yes," she replied. "Many more, but you and your friends are the only ones taken today."

"My friend?"

"Yes. A tiny young thing. He must have been about ..."

Tiny?"

"Yes, that's what I said, tiny. He must have been about ..."

"Was there anyone else?"

"No. Only you two."

Curve must have escaped, I thought to myself - we had a chance of salvation!

"Quickly," I said. "You must help me if you ever want to return home. Where is Tiny?"

"In the room directly below you - I took him his food before I brought yours."

I rushed to the window and put my head through the bars. I couldn't fit through but Tiny would. As the clouds passed I caught a glimpse of the top of the window where Tiny's room must be. The air was chilled against my face.

Ten minutes later I was in the same position, only now I had a coil of rope long enough to reach Tiny's window. I had put my complete trust in Kezia and asked her to bring it for me. She had obliged, excited at the slim prospect of escape. She had nothing to lose, and everything to gain, as she could be killed by the Arkonians at any time. I made the rope into a lasso. If my plan went as expected, Kezia would be knocking on Tiny's door any minute now. Then Tiny would walk to his window. As I tied the other end of the rope to one of the bars, I heard a strange throbbing noise. I had been dimly aware of it before and, as I listened, it grew louder. Curious, I put my head through the bars and looked towards the noise. Around the corner of the tower came a huge bird, six or seven feet across with huge leathery wings and a large bony beak. Its scaly claws began to stretch towards me and I pulled my head inside as the beast flew past. My heart was beating in my throat. There was a hand on my shoulder. I screamed, and spun around lashing out with my fist. I connected squarely with Kezia's jaw and she fell to the ground, unconscious. I had no time to worry about that for my plan to succeed I must first destroy the beast. As the beating of its leathery wings grew louder, I picked up the lasso, put my head between two bars and my arm between another two. The beast rounded the corner and screeched, flying towards me. I waited until the last second, then tossed the lasso around the lower half of its open beak and quickly pulled my head back through the bars. The rope pulled tight with a snap and I heard a sickening crunch. Then everything was silent. Below me something was clinking against the side of the tower in the wind. I pulled the rope in. On the end of it was the lower half of the beast's beak, dark blood and veins dangling from one end. I had no time to lose. I loosened the lasso and tossed the beak out the window. I then threw the lasso out the window making sure the knot around the bar was tight. By this time, Tiny should be standing by the window.

"I tried to warn you ..." Kezia's voice startled me.

"What?"

"About the pterodactyl. The Arkonians found a way to keep it alive using advanced recombinant DNA technology. They use it to stop people trying to escape. I tried to warn you but you ..."

"Yes ... well, you know ... accidents happen ... anyway, it's dead now."

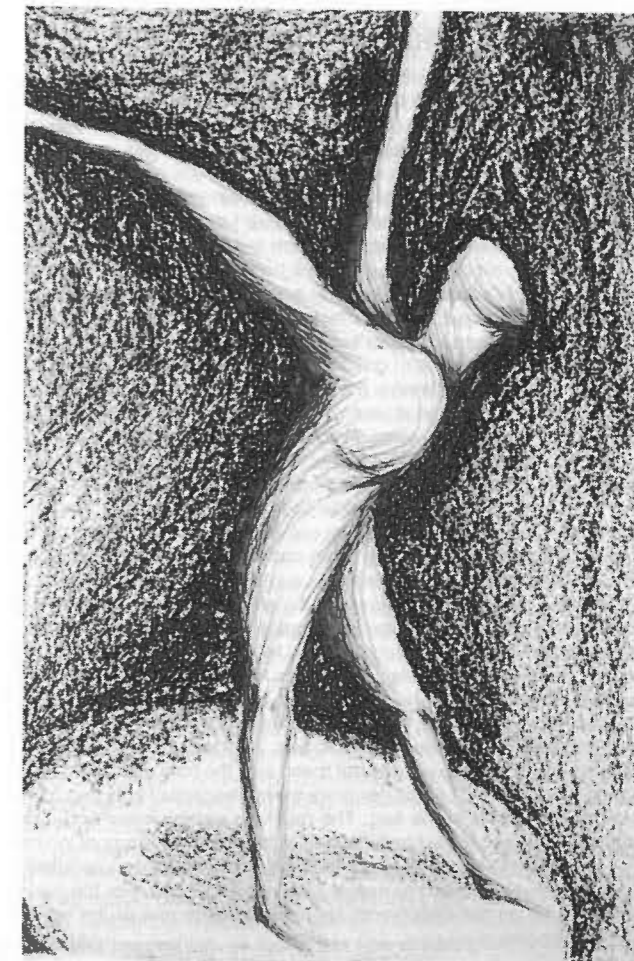
I had my hand on the knot around the bar and suddenly it moved. I put my head through the bars and looked down. Tiny was tugging at the rope. I motioned towards it and he knew what to do. He pulled the lasso into his room to secure it around his waist. Moments later he was climbing up the side of the tower. It was a slow process as the wall of the circular tower was slippery. About five minutes later Kezia had left to decrease suspicion and Tiny was halfway between his room and mine. It was at this point I heard the terrifying flapping noise I had heard before. I motioned frantically for him to climb down the rope, back to his room, but a cloud passed between us. Desperately I screamed but my voice was lost in the wind. All I could do now was watch as the beast, with gruesome entrails dangling from where its lower beak had been, descended with frightening speed into the cloud. I thought I heard Tiny scream. When I pulled the rope up five minutes later, there was nothing on the end of it.

I walked to the corner of the room and sat down, my eyes blurry. I wished Curve would hurry and send men to rescue me as I was sure I would go mad in this room, with the memory of what had happened. Then I heard a voice from the corner of the ceiling. My eyes flicked to a loudspeaker, next to which was a tiny camera. As I moved, it followed me.

"You fool, you poor fool! You trusted me. You revealed all your plans to me. Now we can counteract them. Now you can't win - we know all your secrets. You cannot be saved - you will remain here for the rest of your life, however long it may be. We have been watching you and the girl will be killed in a matter of minutes. Didn't you wonder where I went for hours at a time? I was reporting back here, you fool. But I'm not the only one, oh no! There are others - remember John from the Village? He's one of us as well. Don't you see - we'll always know your secrets, your plots, your conspiracies, for your race is a foolish one that befriends and trusts outsiders like myself. Do you know who is speaking to you? Do you know who I am? My name is Curve ..."

DAVID ROGERS,

Winner of Form Seven Essay Competition.



K. Sakagawa



## THE SHARK

He cruises through the water at a sluggish pace,  
Seemingly gliding with barely any resistance at all.  
Sleek, slim and graceful as a dancer,  
He angles his spear-headed, torpedo-shaped body through the limpid water,  
Propelling his powerful glistening body forward.  
The triangular black pennant on his back,  
Slashing upwards and cutting through the water's placid surface.  
A fleeting glimpse of the unseen mystery below,  
He locates his prey in the murky seawater.  
Electric impulses given off the fish direct him to a pinpoint location,  
With a lightning flick of his powerful tail,  
He sends himself blindly to confront what his radar has detected.

As he lurks through the water there has been a mystic transformation,  
From a giant nonchalant fish,  
To a deadly beat of destruction.  
Skin seemingly smooth but covered in tiny barbed hooks,  
And able to rip off unprotected skin,  
His teeth are slicing ivory daggers,  
Implements of murderous intentions.  
The eyes have a devilish gleam,  
And he seems to have a taunting grin frozen into his merciless face.  
Suddenly he has taken on a sinister appearance,  
Appealing even in his savagery,  
As he sights his unsuspecting prey.

He strikes!  
Without a hope, the fish is doomed.  
The razor-edged teeth are merciful,  
Slicing painlessly through the scaly armour and flesh.  
Slowly the killing urge winds down,  
And the blood lust has boiled over.  
Once again the shark is at its cool, self-assured smugness,  
Its own daunting self-image.  
King of the sea and infinitely invincible.  
And with this confident self-assurance,  
He slinks away in search of other unwary victims.

JASON TAN, Form Three.

## THE SURFING POET

I was out there under the power of one of nature's forces, waves. I do mean under because I had just caught the most brilliant pipe ride. It was sheer beauty under there with the water in front of you and behind and beside you. There is only one way you can go. You see the hole you have to come out of.

By now I had slipped into one of my poem moods and the wave broke and chewed me up and spat me out. I didn't mind and paddled to shore. I got to shore, ran up the beach to where I had left my folder, opened it and slipped out a piece of paper. I picked up a pen and scratched my head with it and then I began to scribble a line or two in my folder. 'The waves ride in, tumultuous, breaking gustily'. I had made a good start but then I got a writer's block, my mind just didn't think of any word that rhymed with gustily.

It was getting quite later in the afternoon and I finally came up with a word that rhymed but it wasn't very good. Gustily and Must We wasn't the thing I really wanted but that was all I could think of at the moment. I had an idea. I thought that I might be able to write the poem while surfing the waves. So I got a plastic bag and my piece of paper and my board and began to paddle to the waves. I got out there and the waves were just right, not too big and not too small. I got into a good position for an incoming wave and began to paddle. The wave was shaping up to be a real ripper. I caught it and dropped in. It seemed to take ages to get to the bottom but when I did I saw a massive lip starting to curl over and I saw my chance. I ducked under the falling lip and saw the size of the tube. I could have had a tea party in there. I got my pen and paper while still trying to keep my balance. I scribbled down the beauty of the wave and just about ran out of paper but I could see the end of the wave coming up. So, as quickly as I could, I tried everything back into the plastic bag. But I was running out of time I saw the roof begin to cave in but then I saw the hole at the end of the tunnel. I prayed that I could get there in time because I only had half of the piece of paper in the bag. The roof was getting lower and lower until it broke but luckily I had just got to the end of the tunnel in time. The daylight was bright and I couldn't see at first but then I paddled to the shore and looked at my notes. They were in tact. For the rest of the day I sat on the beach with my notes to write one of the world's greatest poems.

PAUL BUSING

## NURSERY CRIMES

Do you ever wonder why there is a large number of violent crimes? Well, I, David Thomas, have the answer for you.

It's all these evil ideas that have been planted in kids' minds since they were two. They don't even have a chance. Ladies and Gentlemen, I am talking about nursery rhymes and fairy tales.

Have you ever wondered what it does to kids to go to sleep each night with tales of girls with red raincoats on, getting attacked as they walk through the woods, and things like little boys falling down hills and cracking their heads open? Well, it has long-term effects on your kiddie winkies' mental state, that's for sure! And I think an extremely bad example is Hansel and Gretel. Now just look at that story - it's brimming with evil ideas. All these intricate details about the children's beloved mother and father plotting to trick the kids into entering the forest and then running away to leave the poor little eight year olds to rot on the pine needles. I mean, good grief, how are kids meant to trust their parents with these stories striking fear into their little hearts? Fortunately enough, they find a pretty little house with a friendly old lady living inside but, as they say, you can't judge a book by its cover, as poor little Hansel and Gretel end up being locked in a prison cell to be fattened up for Christmas din dins and then - it gets worse - they kick the little old lady into the fire and give her a nice sun-tan. Talk about exposure to violence! I'll tell you, the kids getting fed these evil ideas behind the flowery cover will remember this story for the rest of their lives.

Research has shown that the first years of a child's life are crucial to its whole well-being and if it sits around all day listening to violent nursery rhymes its wrecking its chance for a normal life. Statistics show children who live with these stories become violent and bad-tempered in their later years. And it's amazing to think some kids can't even trust their own grandmothers, after hearing tales about Little Red Riding Hood bringing a basket of flowers to her grandmother. She ends up being eaten! Now what's that going to do to children? All these rapists who obviously would have been brought up with stories of Georgy Porgy kissing girls and making them cry - that's what they think girls are for, kissing them and making them cry!

You should never trust girls who like to keep tadpoles. The only reason they do this is so they can wait for them to turn into frogs, kiss them and hope they will turn into a handsome prince who will take them galloping off into the night.

Nursery rhymes' advice to girls on motherhood is to have lots of children, live in a shoe, feed them broth, then whip them soundly and send them to bed. That's just great advice, isn't it? How would you like it if your wife brought up your children like that?

Personally, I think if any mothers are caught reading these R18 rhymes to their kids, they should be pegged to a clothesline by their nasal hairs while their grandma plays Mama Paquita on the ukulele.

My other suggestion is that there should be a twenty-four hour security guard posted outside the library and all bookshops to prevent any of these scurrilous scriptures from creeping onto the bookshelves. Only by such methods shall these harmful stories be wiped from the face of the earth. Then, and only then, will there be a dramatic downfall in all violent crime.

DAVID THOMAS,

Winning Speech, Third Form Speech Competition.

## A WAY OUT

I am standing here  
The world is at my command  
I look around  
So small, so small  
So powerful, so powerful.  
I have power  
For once I have power  
I have power  
One step  
One step  
Goodbye.  
The world has ended - it ceases to exist.

WILLIAM PLUMMER, Form Five.

It was love at first site.

## THE PERFECT CRIME

Joe was six feet tall and had amazingly large feet. They usually got to where he was going five minutes before he got there and his legs looked like he had borrowed them from a baboon. The length of his arms surpassed all records and his pot belly was often mistaken for a bowling ball. He was so depressed with life that he spent almost all of his time tripping over his bottom lip. He knew he would go absolutely bonkers if they kept him at the Institute for much longer. He just had to escape. He knew it; it was in his bones.

The door to his room could be opened by pulling the handle upwards and booting the lower part of the door. He knew he could open the door by just pulling the handle downwards but Joe didn't think of that.

He tried his ultimate plan and with a loud crash and a very sore foot he managed to open the door. What a hero! No-one in this room had opened the door for a whole twenty-three minutes. He felt so proud of himself.

Dismissing his emotions, he stepped through the door and closed it, knowing that no-one could stop him now. He strolled down the corridor. White lights lined the ceiling and lit up the random pattern of green, grey and red tiles covering the floor.

He looked ahead to the revolving door. Oh, no! What terrible destiny had fate conjured up for Joe? He had to battle his way past the janitor's terrifying pet vacuum cleaner!!! No lunatic had ever encountered that vacuum cleaner and got away with it. Would Joe be just another addition to this every-increasing list? Of course not. That would ruin the plot. But Joe didn't know that.

Onwards he marched, readying himself for the titanic struggle. He got near; the vacuum cleaner reared, sucking Joe's favourite hanky out of his pocket. Joe had never had someone steal his favourite hanky before so he took the event terribly. His emotions rippled across his face, ending in anger.

"AAAAAAAAGH!" he screamed and promptly dismembered the vacuum cleaner's hose. The triumphant champion bathed himself in glory as he stepped over the vacuum cleaner which was rolling about in its dying throes.

As Joe sobered, he prepared himself for the last puzzle - the revolving door. It took either enormous brain power or a sheer fluke to get past this final guardian, but Joe was confident he could do it.

He stepped into the door and was instantly lifted off his feet and spun about inside it at amazing speed till he had absolutely no idea whatsoever which way was up. The world had become a blur and the hiss of his passage masked out all other sounds. He put a hand over his eyes, summoned up the massive amount of courage required for his final act, and stepped out of the door. Superman couldn't have done a better job, he thought as he soared over the path after being flung out of the door. The ground zoomed up to his face and belted him. He tumbled into a flower garden and ended up on his rear end in the pansies.

Feelings of immense relief flooded Joe's awareness. He had survived a journey of epic proportions. He had done it! The Perfect Crime.

GRANT REEVE, Form Four.

## CHRISTMAS IN WINTER

As I glanced out the supermarket window, I glimpsed something slowly, idly, soundlessly drifting past the white, semi-frosted window panes. As I watched, several more drifted down, slowly obscuring the surroundings, slowly forming a pale unclear mist. It was time I was on my way.

As I stepped through the door I shivered violently as a blast of ice-cold air whistled past me, only to be defeated as the electric door resolutely closed. I glanced upwards through the thickening gloom towards the heavens to monstrous dirty, grey clouds blocking out the light.

I quickly set out at a brisk pace heading unerringly towards home. As I hurried along, kicking up a curtain of filmy mist, I observed more and more of those tiny, perfect white flakes, falling, falling, falling slowly to blanket the street and cover all beneath a coat of virgin white.

Listening to the crunch of snow under my stamping feet, and thrusting my trembling hands yet further into pockets, I recalled the pleasant lingering warmth I had just left. The polite greetings and offerings of help and the silhouetted red and green glistening holly had indicated well the festive times fast approaching.

Turning a corner, I thought ahead to all I would be greeted with when I arrived home. Christmas music echoing through the house, the sweet sounds of laughter and joy, the delicious smell of roasting chicken and steamed puddings wafting, attacking the nostrils of the unwary and the mouths of the innocent.

I was drooling at the thought - there was the door ahead - it was time to stop dreaming and face reality, dreary as it was. After all, as a young person, admittedly on the dole, I still had the rest of my life to look forward to, and Christmas was coming wasn't it?

J. BRAY, Form Five.

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## JUST IMAGINE

My focus was unimpaired as it circulated the interior of the surrounding room. My attention rested upon a picture, one of distinct character, as well as intricate detail. It cannot keep still, the images were created in my mind of the freedom of the picture. Beauty, secrecy and impressing chaos had all been intertwined onto one sheet of canvas within the boundaries that the frame dictates.

Like a sign on the wall, hangs this picture, with no room for words because they appear to have no meaning. You can hear the forest echoing with chatter and laughter of native life. You can hear a bustle in the hedgerow. Who knows what it may be, a bird, the wind, or maybe even the lady who is glittering in gold.

She knows not where she goes, and we know not if she's there, but we have a suspicion in our mind. She has become lost in the entwining chaos of the forest leaving the searchers without an inkling of an idea of where she is.

They search to the west without any trace. There's a songbird that sings beside a brook and they heard mutters as they listened in expectation for her cries of lost. The mutters were of no avail as they were merely in the form of returning unsuccessful searchers. They were scared, wearily lethargic as their futile efforts in the ongoing forest expanse had come to nothing.

The wind played a tune of similar nature to that of a pied-piper as it trailed through the forest. The forest wound down the road, onward and onward. There she stood, much of her glitter tarnished as she held her distance. It was the once lost, physically, but now blank minded, lady of gold and riches. As though she moved to the tune of the wind and forest she made to move forward, but to no avail. She had now found a new richness.

This lady was no longer one of shallow perspective who only saw beauty and riches in money. No, now she had discovered the beauty of nature, and freedom from restriction of being in the eyes of all those around her. A few searchers made moves towards the figure but they knew what she had found. She melted back into the freedom she had found.

I had found a story from within the boundaries of the picture. Just as everyone can find a story from within an aspect of life with freedom of imagination. But, as with the picture, the story must be found from within certain boundaries that society dictates. Many must remain within the imagination, as there, it is free of restriction and can be as beautiful, chaotic and most of all, as secret as your discretion will allow.

ANDREW HARVIE, Form Seven.



## THE HOSTEL 1989

The Hostel, as Hatherly House, started off the year with real enthusiasm and a determination to once again do well in the inter-house competition. It is to the great credit of the boarders that they are so ready to do "battle" with the other houses when you remember that Hatherly has fewer than one hundred and eighty boys who are competing against over three hundred in each of the other houses. Each competition is on individual competitor performance and no allowance is made for our small numbers but in all areas of competition we have almost one hundred percent participation.

Swimming was first up and we came fourth (it sounds better than last). A couple of weeks later we were able to turn the tables and win the athletics. These are the two big, high interest, areas of competition. The remainder of the inter-house competition is made up of a variety of team sports at both junior and senior levels and includes: basketball, rugby, soccer and volleyball. It now appears that we have won that for 1989.

Everyone was in high spirits and everything was going along smoothly when, in April, Mr John Laursen accepted promotion to the position of Senior Master at Napier Boys' High School. I was appointed to succeed him and took up the position in early July. Because I had had no previous involvement with the Hostel, apart from having a few boarders in my day school classes, there was a great deal of learning to be done. Both staff and boys, especially prefects, have given me a great deal of help and shown a lot of patience while I have tried to come to grips with the finer, and at times, more demanding aspects of Hostel life.

While all of these changes were in the wind, the third form boarders' rugby team, captained by Campbell Feather, went down to Palmerston North and for the fourth year in succession were the winners of this important fixture. Ours was the lighter pack but sound team play and the superior fitness, promoted by the coaches Brendon Bellamy and Blair Pitts-Brown, meant that we ran out the winners by ten to nil. A special feature of the day was the large, and very vocal, group of NPBHS supporters who barracked our side to victory.

We have, again, been fortunate to have the services of able, experienced staff in the Hostel. Mrs J. Bradfield, who had been with us as Assistant Matron, came back after a year's absence as Matron and is assisted by Mrs J. Morris. Mr P. Ryder, as House Master of Carrington, has been assisted by Mr A. Josephs and Mr D. Cook while Moyes House is guided by Mr J. Howes who had Mr G. Giddy and the Senior Hostel Master as part of his duty team.

Brendon Bellamy, as Head Boarder, has led his team of prefects by example. When there was work to be done Brendon was there doing more than his share. During the early days of my service in the Hostel, in particular, Brendon gave me invaluable advice and guidance. In addition to being Head Boarder, Brendon was Head of



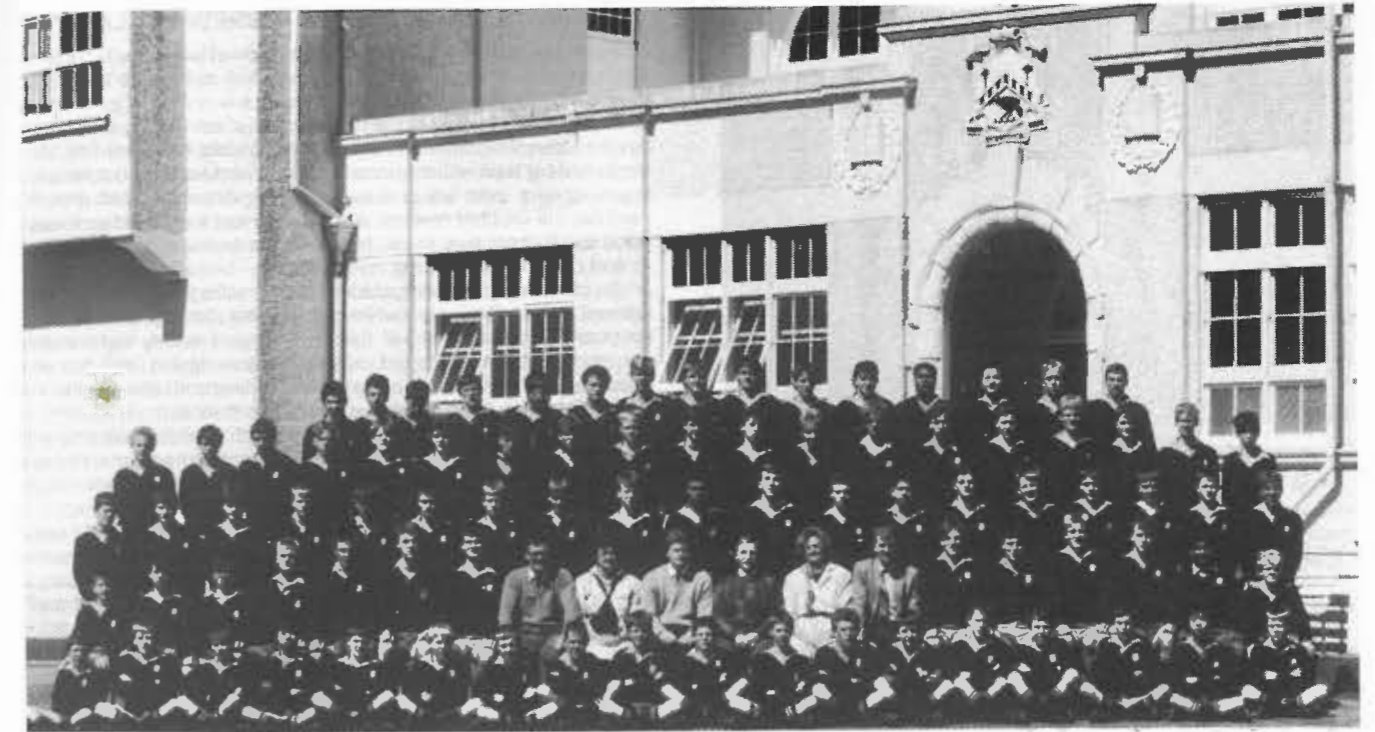
**HEAD BOARDER:**  
Brendon Bellamy.

Carrington and was assisted by Campbell Thompson (Deputy Head Boarder), Manoj Ediriweera, Blair Pitts-Brown, Simon Davies, Allan Mills, Barry Schrader, Jeremy Burton and Andrew Harvie (Head of the Annexe). Matthew Lees was Head of Moyes and had Spence McClintock, David Cole, Nitij Pal, Brent Honeyfield and Shelton Brimelow working with him.

I would like to offer best wishes for the future to those who are leaving the Hostel. I know that the friendships and lessons learned here will serve you well throughout your life. In the future you will look back to your time at NPBHS in a way that is special to boarders and it is this affection that gives the school its very special character.

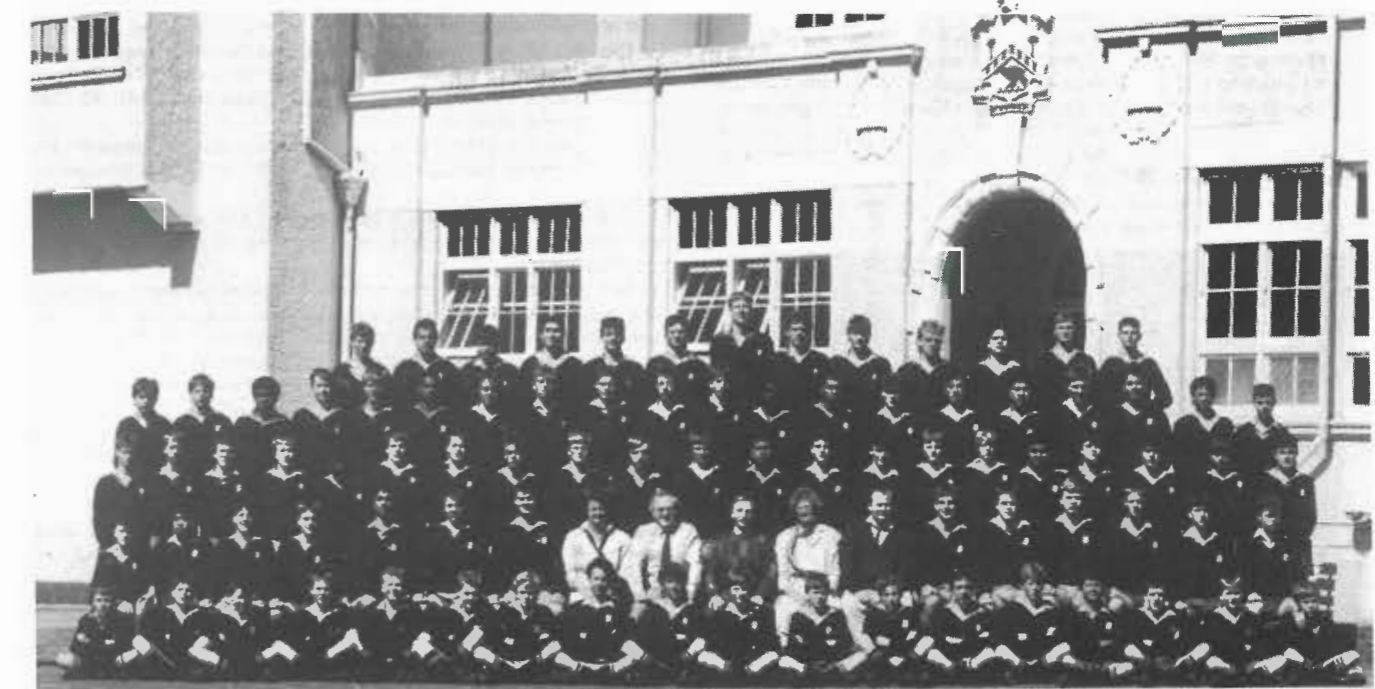
To those who are returning for 1990 I hope you have a pleasant, safe and enjoyable holiday so that you return to school ready to give of your best in every undertaking.

M. R. GRIMWOOD, Senior Hostel Master.



### CARRINGTON HOUSE

**Back Row, left to right:** G. Meredith, M. Cummings, C. Scadden, S. Howard, H. Smith, D. Bluck, J. Stewart, S. Kennedy, W. Amer, C. Hodges, B. Robertson, S. Boni, C. Lee, J. Lindsay, M. G. Jonas.  
**Fourth Row:** C. Feather, J. Dimond, A. Jamieson, N. Walter, G. Dodd, J. Urwin, J. Dawn, N. Murray, R. Washer, J. Gibbs, L. Walton, C. Norris, D. Pease, J. Harris, S. McCallum, A. Mildenhall, R. Day, M. Litherland, B. Herbert.  
**Third Row:** S. Bunyan, W. Pease, G. Rolfe, G. Clarke, M. Andrews, D. Robertson, C. Taylor, J. Schrader, I. Redington, J. Timikata, B. Beaven, D. Commerer, J. Guillain, M. Garven, S. Kidson, D. Smith, C. Austin, G. Bryant, S. Lowe.  
**Second Row:** S. Jones, C. Pease, E. James, J. Burton, S. Davies, C. Thompson, B. Bellamy (Head Boarder), Mr A. Josephs, Mr J. Morris, Mr P. Ryder, Mr M. Grimwood, Mrs J. Bradfield, Mr D. Cook, A. Harvie (Head of Niger), B. Pitts-Brown, B. Schrader, A. Mills, M. Ediriweera, C. Mullin.  
**Front Row:** G. Cadman, R. Taylor, S. Chadwick, V. Yu, H. Gibbs, C. Baxter, G. Jamieson, P. Morrissey, H. Bryant, C. Traill, G. Clarke, M. Gibbs, C. Amon, C. Foreman, M. Webster, C. Hall.



### MOYES HOUSE

**Back Row, left to right:** M. C. Best, B. T. Cribb, R. J. Lees, G. Tiaon, S. T. Granville, B. A. Sims, R. M. Opie, R. D. Thorne, B. M. Granville, D. W. Stewart, L. G. Percival, R. J. Mills, K. G. H. Diack.  
**Fourth Row:** A. Aakjaer, B. R. Tannahill, N. Ronald, P. M. Howse, N. L. Hills, T. Tumuken, R. Klinkert, P. G. Vyver, M. G. Muir, S. C. Darke, K. R. Helms, D. A. Paul, P. N. Kaloris, J. A. Lash, A. T. Te Kanawa, T. Lopu, M. J. Cheer, S. C. Puketapu, J. B. Hewitt, G. L. Rawlinson.  
**Third Row:** T. Garwood, R. B. Hutchinson, W. A. Bean, A. J. Howse, A. W. Darcy, R. N. Coley, J. M. Bryant, A. D. Huston, A. J. Hills, B. R. Eden, J. W. Harre, J. S. Naviti, D. R. Mulligan, M. R. Locker, P. T. Mills, S. L. Garwood, L. Sio, S. Campbell, M. D. Boyde, N. M. Tinkler, J. H. Alldridge.  
**Second Row:** B. J. Mulligan, J. H. W. Hepi, T. I. Carey, A. B. Berntsen, N. Pal, D. W. Cole, B. R. Bellamy, Mrs J. Morris, Mr J. Howes, Mr M. Grimwood, Mrs J. Bradfield, Mr G. Giddy, S. L. McClintock, M. W. Lees, S. C. Brimelow, B. K. Honeyfield, A. R. Young, D. J. Goddard.  
**Front Row:** K. T. Coley, W. J. Muir, N. R. Sutton, A. S. Brears, I. D. Broome, D. A. Greenough, T. J. Cawley, C. W. Barton, K. R. Mulligan, S. M. Lees, J. D. Huston, Z. K. Green, G. T. Ewington, K. B. Collins, W. F. Campbell, R. T. Young, J. B. Willan, B. R. Coley.





### SPEECH AND DRAMA FESTIVAL

The Taranaki Secondary Schools Speech and Drama Festival this year was held in July at two venues - the State Insurance Theatre and the War Memorial Hall. Eleven schools met to participate in fields ranging from debating to speech making, to drama.

NPBHS was well represented with a range of students in every category.

On the first day of the event, our junior debaters, debated against Waitara High School, winning with the topic: That sport is an over-rated activity. The team was Hayden Chisholm, Shane Grant and Andrew Hill. Next up were our senior debaters, Thomas Buchanan, Greg Pritchard and Paul Maxwell, who also won, against Hawera High School, with the topic: That money is the source of all good. Junior prepared speeches was the next category, where we were represented by Shane Grant; he spoke on House Hunting. Meanwhile at the other venue, Shane Davis came second in the senior prepared speeches, form five category, with his topic of Phobias. That ended the first day.

Friday, the second day, did not see a NPBHS representative until after lunch, when Hayden Chisholm competed in the junior impromptu speeches and the senior section of this category was represented by Manoj Ediriweera. Unfortunately neither was placed in the top three.

Drama was next, and our team of Stuart Haynes, Brent Goldsack, Alistair Stevenson and Simon Berndt received third place with their skit based on the television programme "Open All Hours". The last competitor for NPBHS was Jason Renau, who spoke on Hypnotism, being awarded third place in the senior prepared speeches, form six and seven. We were also represented by MCs and Chairpersons by Paul Maxwell and Neil Holdom.

So we had wins in the debating and placings in the speeches and drama as well as having representatives in the organisation. Congratulations to all who participated and thank you to the teachers who helped and supported us all.



### THIRD & FOURTH GENERATION BOYS

**Back Row, left to right:** Hamish Gibbs [Roger (64-69), James (23-28)], Jayson Bryant [Don (51-54), Jack (29-32)], James Gibbs [Roger (64-69), James (23-28)], Brett Honeyfield [David (60-64), Ken (28-29)], Allen Mills [Warrick (56-60), Hugh (22-23)], Guy Bryant [Michael (57-61), Ray (28-29)], Andrew Bretherton [Philip (58-61), Paul (31-34)].

**Middle Row:** James Alldridge [Graeme (65-67), Monty (43-45)], Craig Taylor [Kevin (62-66), Kenneth (38-40)], Nathan Betts [Maurice (61-65), Stan (1925)], Darren Commerer [Richard Soundy (60-63), Richard Soundy (33-35)], Greg Pollock [Bryan (65-67), Fred (38-40)], Daniel Thomas [Graeme (58-59), Geoffrey (23-24)], Steven McCallum [Graham (55-59), Don (26-29)], Mr Ryder.

**Front Row:** Kyle Hinz [Garry (63-64), Trevor (40-42), Ella Hinz (nee Earp) (08-09)], Hamish Bryant [Michael (57-61), Roy (28-29)], Kerrin Brown [Murray (63-65), Barry (44-46), Gilbert (12-15)], Darren Brown [Murray (63-65), Barry (44-46), Gilbert (12-15)], Chris Foreman [Peter (51-52), Arthur (20)], Richard Taylor [Kevin (62-66), Kenneth (38-40)], Duane Bretherton [Barry (50-53), Paul (31-34)].

**Absent:** Simon Strombom [Ian (60-64), Claude (23-26)], Nathan Walter [John (59-63), Jack (15-16)], Duncan Pease [Robert (54-57), Herick (16-17)], Clinton Pease [Murray (57-60), Robert (15-16)], Aaron Wood [John (60-63), Clyde (Alexander McDiamid)], Thomas MacDiamid [Bruce (57-62), Neil (15-25), Alexander (87-92)].

All in all, NPBHS has three fourth generation boys and twenty third generation boys.

### SAILING ON THE SPIRIT OF NEW ZEALAND

Since the dawn of time, man has been driven to the sea by fascination so, being a man myself, the prospect of sailing into the sunset seemed like great fun.

Just before the May holidays I went on a ten day voyage on the Spirit of New Zealand. This is a one hundred foot Barquentine, or in English, a big boat with three masts. When I arrived in Christchurch, it was wet and cold which was no great encouragement, but the next day the weather cleared, and the wind had weakened so it was a good day to learn how to use fourteen sails and sixty odd ropes, and to find out what they all did.

On our journey we only got four full days sailing in, but in that time I learned a lot. One day, while sailing (this happened to be our roughest day) the royal sail (on the top yard twenty-eight metres above deck) decided to get caught in some rigging. Ha, ha: who cares - until it is you who must go up and untangle it!! (Remember that you travel much further than the boat when it rocks!)

Speaking of these testing situations which tend to leave one with powerful urges for bodily relief, if you choose to go on a voyage, which I strongly recommend, do some yoga, as marine toilets require the operator to be able to sit with his knees up his nose!

With only four out of ten days sailing, we were able to spend some time at Akaroa on Banks Peninsula. While there, we spent time racing small boats (great fun) while also enjoying beautiful, and unique scenery.

On the second to last day, the crew let us play with their five million dollar responsibility. We sailed along the east coast of the South Island almost to Dunedin and would have sailed into Otago Harbour but for a lack of breeze. Thus we had to motor in through all the navigational obstacles, of winding channels and numerous sand banks and mud flats with regular motorpower that was probably to the Spirit of New Zealand Trust's advantage.

Despite the fatigue, the nausea and the challenges that make one quake inside - the experience has so much to offer - I recommend the opportunity to anyone at NPBHS.

CHRIS KING, Form Seven.

Chris was one of four NPBHS students who this year sailed on the Spirit of New Zealand.

### FOUR GENERATIONS

Ella Hinz, almost ninety-six years old, is the only surviving female 'old boy' of this school.

Ella Hinz was the first of four generations that not only came to this school but are also still alive - the only reported case in New Zealand. Mrs Hinz came to school in 1908-1909. Trevor Hinz 1940-42, Gary Hinz 1963-64, Kyle Hinz 1988-.

Mrs Hinz was at school when Mr Pridham was Headmaster. She has not revisited her old school since 1912 when she brought her younger sister in for registration.

That was until October this year when Mr Kirk arranged for her and the other three generations to return to their old school as guests of the Headmaster.

Mrs Hinz during this time told of her school life eighty years ago and helped update the school's historic records about room positions, discipline, how the co-educational system used to work.

Mr Pridham was the Headmaster here during Mrs Hinz's time as a student and her invaluable comments about him are the school's only record of what he was like as a person.

Mr Pridham was a man of real drive and energy. He was very kind and was always interested in what everyone was up to, even after they left school. He believed that the pupils of his school should earn their livings as 'white collar' workers. He didn't think that education was needed for manual work. This is very similar to the English Grammar view.

Kyle Hinz is currently a fourth former at New Plymouth Boys' High School - the fourth, but hopefully not the last, of a truly remarkable family.

### IMPRESSION OF JAPAN

After ten and a half hours on flight TE33, the twelve students from Boys' and Girls' High Schools and our teacher of Japanese, Miss Scott, were filled with excitement, uncertainty and wonder. (I should point out that Miss Scott was not filled with wonder because she has lived and studied in Japan). As the trip unfolded, the uncertainty grew to certainty, the excitement to jubilation and the wonder to sheer awe. This trip to Japan had highlights every day, but there were probably two overall that I will live to remember always.

The Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum was dedicated to the Atomic Bomb dropped at eight-fifteen am on Monday, August 6, 1945. The museum showed the devastating effects on this city. There were displayed pictures and wax models of people and how the skin 'peeled' off them leaving behind open, bleeding and seeping wounds. Their hair looked like nylon burnt by fire. Women had the pattern of their kimonos burnt into their bodies. It told us of the screams of children burnt to death and pinned under houses and buildings that had collapsed. One of the most intriguing things was how shadows were imprinted on to the concrete steps and wooden buildings and even a shadow can be seen of someone sitting on the steps of the Sumitomo Bank'. The heat was so intense that coins in the Mitsubishi Steel Mill, 1.1 kilometres away had melted into a lump of copper. The blast from the bomb which ripped clothes and burned the skin from people, ruptured and burst intestines, hearts and lungs. Then the effects of radiation were shown and how it shrivelled and burnt off the skin, melted hair and ate away teeth, bones and organs. Plate glass windows melted into lumps of glass, not breaking in the pressure of the blast, but in the intense heat i.e. three hundred thousand degrees celsius. This visit sobered even the most jovial among us.

On a happier note was a visit to the Tokyo Stock Exchange. Arriving just before trading was due to start, we witnessed the quiet, lifeless hall with few people about, change into a hive of yelling people creating an atmosphere that can't be described. This fifteen metre tall hall with over one thousand seven hundred employees, is the third largest Stock Exchange in the world. Each day ten trillion yen of stock is traded, a hundred times more than all three of New Zealand's Stock Exchanges put together! A guided tour rounded off this once in a lifetime opportunity.

Other highlights of our trip would be Tokyo Disneyland, the Mitsubishi Shipping Yard, Hiroshima's trams, the Tokyo Railway System, Toshiba Manufacturing Plant, the Sunshine Hotel that is sixty stories high, Yokohama Expedition, traffic jams that lasted for hours, Kyoto with its many magnificent temples and last but not least, to me, an education system of very uneven quality.

BRENT GOLDSACK, 7D4.



Gordon Slater.

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Miss Scott and students who travelled to Japan in term one.

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### LIBRARY

Use of the library continues to grow as students become more aware of the resources available. The library has been fortunate this year to gain the part-time services of Mrs A. Ryder who is a resource person. This has meant for the first time the vertical file is fully updated and catalogued, and lists of books available in subject areas are being drawn up.

Mrs J. Van Beers continues with the efficient running of the library which after four years is still in excellent condition thanks to her watchful eye and the very careful treatment it receives from the students.

My thanks also to the Librarians for the work they have done this year, especially to the Head Librarian, Troy Penberth who has continued to give dedicated service to the library.

Again my concern is with unreturned books. These are often lost to the library. In these times of cost cutting it becomes more and more difficult to replace lost and damaged books. It is the responsibility of all students to use and promptly return to the library any books they borrow.

A. ELGAR, Teacher-Librarian.

### LOOSE

After Regional and Provincial Tournaments the New Zealand Secondary Schools Rugby Team was selected and met at Fort Dorset in Wellington on Wednesday, September 27 to prepare for the test match at Athletic Park against Australia.

Each day was full with intensive training in preparation for the test. In a warm-up match on the Thursday against the Centurians, a team which contains ex-Wellington representative players, we put together a good performance for our first game as a team to win thirty-seven to twelve.

On Sunday, October 1, we left for Athletic Park and the test. To see this park is an awesome sight and to play for your country on the park is a great thrill. It was a hard fought game which was a great experience and one I will never forget. The New Zealand Secondary School Team ran out to win twenty-five to six. One real pleasure in being selected for such a team is meeting players and making friends from many different schools.

To be selected in the New Zealand Secondary Schools Rugby Team for a second time was both an honour and a privilege and I would like to thank those people, players and coaches, who helped my selection.

G. SLATER.



### THIRD FORM CAMPS 1988

In the penultimate week of term three third formers again went out on camps. There were the usual camps at Mayor Island, Ruapehu, Uruti, cycling around Mt Egmont, tramping around Mt Egmont and there was a school-based camp. The Hauraki Gulf sailing expedition had to be cancelled. Instead boys sailed in local waters and developed their surfing skills.

New "camps" included activities based at River Valley Lodge near Taihape and a group walked the Matemateonga Walkway, jetboating up the Wanganui River to the beginning of the track. Our first international group of third formers went to Sydney with Mr Rose as leader. Similar camps are planned for 1990.

Outdoor education also includes three fourth form camps based at TOPEC, a Group Leaders camp there at the beginning of the year and a sixth form camp there at the end of the year, as well as numerous field trips.

### RIVER VALLEY 1988

Well it sounds a lot better than Taihape but that is where it is - Taihape the last point of civilisation and then we turn inland.

When the bus went into the camp all of us, bus driver included were convinced that we had driven off the edge of the earth; boy it was steep. The lodge was really flash and made up for the slow trip, but we weren't here to sit around in a flash lodge! - white water rafting they had said and that is what we set out to do.

The bloke that ran the camp showed us the little rafts and we were soon having fun in the river - emphasis on the 'in'. Do what you like as long as you don't go past the tree and get into the dangerous rapids around the corner.

Hey there's a raft going around the corner! Well what can you expect from Clark, Caldwell and Baty. Boy can that bloke swear, I hope he belts them with the paddle he's carrying. I don't think it will be worthwhile not doing as I am told when he's around.

Tuesday was OK if you got any sleep. We went for a walk up a big hill. Some jokers found it hard going especially in the rain, but we got there and back.

Wednesday. The river was too high for rafting but we spent the time learning to ride and abseil. Clark nearly pyked out but he got down all right but he was awfully white and shaking. You should see Chadwick go down. He's almost as fast as Clark Anderson and that's fast.

Duncan McDonald fell off his horse; I didn't so he's a wally and I'm not.

Thursday. To the river - wow we had a great time. Ours was the best raft by far; we pinched the oars of all the other rafts. The rapids were good too and we managed to throw all the teachers in the river. Then we had a water fight. It must have gone on for an hour. We won of course, but then I told you we were the best raft.

It was a long walk up from the river but we had an excellent day. I turned the hose on Miss Herbert over the top of the shower - not really worth it as she didn't squeal much, but she blamed Clark Anderson - that has to be a plus.

Friday. Home on the bus. I wish some people would keep their breakfast in the guts and not spray it all over the floor. Serve them right for eating all those extra sausages - didn't even chew them up properly. I reckon this was a good way to end off the year.

R.H.



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### RUAPEHU CAMP REPORT

Being a South Islander and not knowing the North Island very well I knew I would get just as much from the third form camp as the boys, and I did! We set off Sunday morning for Mokau - the lads were sent for a run along the beach with Mr Fitzgerald, while the rest of the adults had a leisurely cup of tea in the store - yes I knew I would enjoy this. The Waitomo Caves were a real bonus apart from the American tourist who was in our boat. The guide had told us to be quiet - but this ninety-three year old insisted on being "gosh totally amazing". His thirty year old daughter spent the whole time trying to keep him quiet - the glow-worms were bored and had switched off!

From the cave we went through the museum and AV theatre, then off to some hydro dam somewhere in the North Island. I was completely disoriented. We all piled onto a huge swingbridge which Mr Cook had great pleasure in getting on to swing; the only reason I got off was that I realised that my life insurance premium was not paid up!

We then went on to Rotorua Boys' High School where we had a huge meal. The food was outstanding thanks to Mrs Bublitz and her excellent camp organisation. Everyone went swimming, including the non-teaching staff, and we all slept soundly in the gym. Staying at that school made all of us really appreciate what we have at NPBHS.

Monday morning: up the gondolas and down the luge; the company specially opened the luge for our group as it was raining - but this made it more fun - lots of people came off and got wet. This is where I noticed something was different. Most bus drivers sit in their bus and read their paper, while they wait. Our bus driver, and parent help, Mr and Mrs Erb and Mrs Ryan were part of the reason we had such a great camp. Everything we did, they also got involved in - the luge, tramping, cooking etc. and they were good fun. This included moral support for me when Mr Erb and I were left on the side of the road by Mr Fitzgerald and Ms Scott, at 11.00 pm! There was a pitch black overcast sky and threatening thunder storms! We were left on a deserted country road!

After the luge we went to the heated swimming pool and later returned to our camp at Erua Lodge. The rest of the week was just a blur - we were so busy out and about - up and down mountains - through the Chateau and down the Tongariro River in a raft. On the way home we called into the Military Museum at Waiouru and had a cafe lunch followed by ice-cream and chocolate bars at Wanganui.

The highlights: Excellent well-behaved keen boys - all forty of them!; a team spirit by all the enthusiastic adults; Mr Cook's skilled mountain craft and knowledge; AMAZING organisation by Mrs Bublitz!; food - choice and heaps of it. (NB: Mr Cook, Ms Scott, Mr and Mrs Erb and I have already booked ourselves to go again in 1989).

G. SMITH.



### SYDNEY 1988

#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

At 3.00 a.m. a bright summer's morning with sunrise still some five and a half hours away, saw us board our charter bus for the journey to Auckland International Airport. Arrival as planned and 9.00 a.m. Baggage check, customs and on to our Air New Zealand 747 for the short trip of two and a half hours, allowing just enough time for an excellent lunch before arrival over Sydney and an unsurpassed aerial view of the city and its suburbs. After clearing customs and immigration our bus took us to our 'base' for the week at Dulwich Hill Youth Hostel. After unpacking and showers it was time for our evening meal before a brief stroll and look around the area and a welcome night's sleep.

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Breakfast and a short walk to the railway station for a ride in the double deck trains to Flemington for Paddies Markets. Imagine a hall twice as big as the 'gully' full of stalls and packed with bargains and bulging with around forty thousand eager shoppers. Our boys had a ball and after lunch we headed into Sydney to explore the "Rocks".

#### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28

A major excursion by train to the Blue Mountains and breathtaking scenic drive to the Scenic Railway and Gondola for the hair raising descent and rides out across the valley, a sheer drop of three hundred and five metres.

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Train to Circular Quay and a walk across the Harbour Bridge, including a visit to the Bridge Museum before lunch and a welcome swim at Milson Point Pools. What a view! Dinner at the Big 'M' and ascent of Sydney Tower - at three hundred and five metres. It's quite a way up.

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Train to Blacktown and its international ice skating rink. Shopping in the Blacktown Shopping Centre and dinner out before a return to Dulwich Hall, tired, weary and happy.

#### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1

A train strike today, but never mind; we can cope with the 'free' buses. It's just a matter of getting on to them. A guided tour of the Sydney Opera House, hydrofoil to Manley for the great surf, dinner out, and crowded bus back.

#### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2

Train and bus to Birkenhead Point and Legoland and playtime! In the afternoon it's the Monorail and ferry to Taranga Zoo before an earlier evening meal and packing ready for Saturday.

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

Check out at 10.00 a.m. and a train to the Powerhouse Science Museum. A marvellous museum covering all things of great interest especially to our boys in the air conditioned comfort. Outside for lunch and it's thirty-six degrees celcius. A short walk to Darling Harbour, the Underwater World and China Town. After this a stroll to Central Station and Airport Express Bus to Kingsford Smith International Airport. Check in at customs and time for a little last minute shopping and it's on to our Air New Zealand 767 for the evening meal and flight during which our boys were allowed into the cockpit, and in too short a time our descent into a clear Wellington sky at midnight Sunday morning. A quick customs and immigration clearance onto our waiting charter bus, and return to New Plymouth Boys' High School at 6.15 a.m.

A great week and a well earned rest.

M. ROSE.



### Cycling Around The Mountain.

An enjoyable time was had by all. The week started in wet weather but improved. Events of special note were - frolicking in the surf at Opunake, and chasing freshly dagged sheep out of a woolshed so we could sleep!

K. LOCKHART.

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### WELLINGTON THIRD FORM CAMP 1988

Two weeks before the holidays, over the period from November 28 to December 2, a group of twelve third formers and two teachers, Mr Kirk and Mr Moore, who claimed themselves to be adults, travelled down to Wellington in a somewhat decrepit mini-van. We travelled southbound after getting off to a fairly late start.

Our first stop was at Patea, and we continued on to Levin for lunch. After a break of an hour or so we proceeded on to Wellington, with Mr Moore at the wheel. An hour or so out of Wellington we made a stop at an excellent car museum which exhibited many very early classics all restored to their former glory. Also displayed were many sportier later models.

We travelled for another hour before arriving at our accommodation for the week. We unpacked, sorted out rooms and met back in the management suite which our senior colleagues resided in. We were promptly allotted duties for each day of our stay, which included cleaning the van, preparing the meals and supper etc. We settled down for our first night at around 10.30 pm.

Tuesday morning arrived eventually and that day we visited the BNZ building, Parliament and spent some time in town by ourselves. Over the next three days we visited Mitsubishi Motors, where we received an extensive tour of the assembly line, the Stock Exchange, the Meteorological Office, the National Film Unit, Avalon Studios, the Naenae pools and Labyrinth Challenge - a war type game in a large maze. We also visited a look-out over the Wellington city and waterfront. This look-out was situated at a great altitude and the approach road was very steep. The trip thoroughly tested our nerves, our driver and the pulling power of our van.

We found of particular interest on this camp the BNZ building, where we received an extensive guided tour. Parliament was also very enjoyable. Here, we were shown around by Harry Duynhoven. To our disappointment, however, the normal sitting of Parliament this week had been cancelled. Our group also enjoyed the Labyrinth Challenge, where we all participated in a most exciting game.

On the Friday we travelled home and arrived at around 2.00 pm. On behalf of all the members of our camp we would all like to thank Mr Moore and Mr Kirk for taking us on a most worthwhile, educational and enjoyable camp.

By SHANE GRANT & ANDREW MARTIN.





## "PARLIAMENT WEEK"

### Student Forum — Thursday, August 10, 1989

Surprisingly enough, Jason Ruakere and I had never heard of Parliament Week, let alone the student forum which is the main event of the week, before being approached about it this year. Possibly this may be because our province had not, up to now, been invited, as only six to seven regions are selected each year.

Basically, the purpose of Parliament Week and the student forum is to encourage young people to gain a better understanding of Parliament and how it functions. The organising committee invites two participants from each of the fifty schools selected countrywide. All expenses of the day are paid by the Government and Air New Zealand.

We left New Plymouth Airport enroute to the capital city about 6.55 am and arrived about forty minutes later. After being driven to Parliament House from the airport we found a full programme had been arranged for us for the day. This included the opportunity to see around even some of the 'strictly off limits' areas around Parliament House and to watch Parliament in action.

After a detailed tour the forty or so of us involved took seats in the debating chamber as the forum began. We all had a key question to put to a panel of four politicians comprising of the Education Minister Hon. Phil Goff and Labour MP Ms Tennet, National MPs Mrs O'Regan and Mrs Shipley.

An Order Paper had been drawn up for us, on which was set out the questions already submitted by the students attending the forum. Along with this we were also instructed in the protocol essential in delivering questions. My question, relating to what I felt was the breakdown of law and order in New Zealand was put to Mr Goff. It was a real pity that, throughout the day we were all pushed for time in order to get through all the activities planned. Because of this, Jason was unable to pose his important question on bi-culturalism to Mr Goff.

This however was more than made up for by the superb lunch provided by Bellamy's in the Banquet Hall of the Beehive, with New Plymouth MP Harry Duynhoven. Other highlights of the day included meeting numerous old boys of our school, visiting the now legendary favourite fish and chip shop of the Prime Minister, standing an arm's length away from the Prime Minister and meeting so many interesting and friendly students from around the country.

If you ever get the chance to be selected for this forum, it is really worth your time thinking up a hot topic to go and debate, and go for gold. I assure you of an experience you won't forget.

PETER WHYTE.



Harry Duynhoven (BHS Teacher till 1986).  
Jason Ruakere. Peter Whyte.

## DEBATING

This was to be the year of the Big Three - Grant Smith, Thomas Buchanan and Paul Maxwell, all experienced speakers, able to talk about everything, everyone and nothing, all at the same time. We first had to debate against Waitara High School in the Westpac Jaycee Secondary Schools Debate. The topic was "That The Driver, Not The Car, Is The Killer". Despite much verbal battle and humour NPBHS as the negative team lost to Waitara by one point and that meant we were eliminated. Thomas Buchanan was given as best speaker and invited to take part in the National Bank Secondary Schools Debating Tour debate in New Plymouth as a member of the Secondary Schools team. Thomas's arguments were annihilated, destroyed and held up to ridicule in an excellent debate "That We Need A Rude Awakening".

The Secondary Schools Speech and Drama Festival in July saw NPBHS debating against Hawera High School "That Money Is The Source Of All Good". Greg Pritchard had a fine debut in the winning team with Paul Maxwell and Thomas Buchanan.

Junior debating is flourishing with a strong junior team in the Speech and Drama Festival of Hayden Chisholm, Shane Grant and Andrew Hill. They won their debate against Waitara on the topic "That Sport Is An Over-rated Activity".

The Utility Period debating group has had very loud and strong debates and the members have contributed to the Junior Team's success and were able to see other debates at the Festival.

Debating is an art of being rude "nicely" and "intelligently". This year has been most enjoyable for participants and audience members.

M. CRAWFORD.



### DEBATING TEAM

Back Row: T. Buchanan, Mrs M. Crawford (Coach).  
Front Row: P. Maxwell, G. Pritchard.

## ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT 1989 FIELD TRIPS

Once more, all of our students from form three through to form six have been privileged to take part in exciting and interesting visits and to be treated as VIPs.

Visits during 1989 have included:

New Zealand Steel at Glenbrook - always an excellent visit with total and overwhelming contact with noise, heat and sound. The new process is now up and running and both hot and cold rolling mills are working well. Our thanks to Mrs Pat Glenny and tour guides for yet another great visit to one of the world's most modern fully-integrated steel mills.

Air New Zealand Jet Base Auckland. Twenty-four form three boys together with Mr Krook and I flew from New Plymouth to Auckland on a special education fare to tour the expansive Air New Zealand Jet Base at Mangere. After being issued with visitors name-tags, we had morning tea with club sandwiches and cream cakes before touring the plant and being shown right through a 747 including the 'upstairs' and cockpit. Just to give some idea of the size of the facility - there are bicycles available to enable staff to get about! After lunch a short bus took us to the International Terminal for a comprehensive behind-the-scenes look at the facility which is the largest single employer in Auckland. After thanking our guide we checked in at the Domestic Terminal before our return flight to New Plymouth. It was a thoroughly enjoyable and educational day.

These visits are a privilege gained by NPBHS and enjoyed through the goodwill of New Zealand Steel and Air New Zealand to whom our grateful thanks go.

M. ROSE.

## THE AWARDS DINNER

Eighty-four people attended the Awards Dinner which was held in the Boarders' Dining Room. After toasts to the School and School Institutions, Gordon Slater and Darrin Bride were presented with the Sportsman of the Year trophy and Paul Maxwell received the award for Performing Artist of the Year.

Graham Mourie delivered an excellent after-dinner address which was at the same time both humorous and thought-provoking. The gathering was entertained by a group of Pacific Island students and by Paul Maxwell whose "Ode To The Sports Awards Dinner" is printed below.

### ODE TO THE AWARDS DINNER

Why are we here? You well may ask  
Getting here was quite a task.  
Mothers fussing, they proudly gloat,  
Over their son's new Tiger Coat.

What do we do to earn this thing?  
Some of us run, some of us sing.  
Huffing, puffing, hemming, hawing  
Fine for some but to others - boring.

The College games were fought with pride  
Wolfie's boot kicked for a damn good side.  
Gordy showed us all his skill,  
The Palmy victory lingers still.

The cricket's played, home and abroad,  
The energy quivered when Boys' High roared.  
Back at home when they go to bat  
They are sometimes faced by a rat.

Lay-ups jamming Angelo's call  
The basketballers got the hang of the ball.  
None went of Napier just for the ride,  
They made a hero out of Darrin Bride.

The Debaters talk and yell the best  
We've put our skills to the test.  
But - if words and facts were knives,  
We'd be lucky to have our lives.

Under Big RM there is the Band,  
Now they deserve a thorough hand.  
They play that music well, and loud,  
For our enjoyment - to make us proud.

### TIGER JACKET AWARDS 1989

Cricket: Glenn Hooper, Dylan Cleaver, Andrew Harvie, Todd Burbridge, Michael Hall, Mathew O'Dowda, Jason Holland, Anthony Ruakere, Robbie Campbell, Mark Jonas.

Swimming: Dennis Ruakere, Nico Buyck.

Athletics: Justin Lofton-Brook, Michael Adlam, Nitij Pal. Gary O'Neill.

Group Leaders and Councillors: Marshall Couper, David Bublitz, Thomas Buchanan, Brent Goldsack, Brad Fougere, Darrin Bride, Dylan Cleaver, Jonathon Dunlop, Scott Cleland, Steven Fitzpatrick, Neil Penno, Troy Penberth, Darryl Moles, Chris Lim, Paul Maxwell, Gordon Slater, Paul Newsome, Blair Hickey, Simon Strombom, Manu Scott, Andrew Wall, Gareth Thomas, Todd Wolfe, Sean Wilson, Grant Smith, Teri Wilson, Mark Sheridan, Mark Scott, Brendan Bellamy, Spence McClintock, Matthew Lees, Andrew Harvie, Campbell Thompson, Grant Holmes.

First Fifteen Rugby: Gordon Slater, Todd Wolfe, Jason Holland, Tony Kana, Craig Trigger, Mathew White, Michael Adlam, Dennis Mohi, Blair Pitts-Brown, Ryan Wheeler, Dawson Tamati, Scott Chadwick, Andrew Harvie, Scott Lines, Paul Laurence, Shelton Brimelow.

Wrestling: Brett Robertson, Jeremy Fraser.

Debating: Thomas Buchanan.

Basketball: Blair Hicks, Campbell Thompson, Daryl Moles, Darren Bride, Malcolm Opie, Shaun Luke, Justin Lofton-Brook, David Bublitz, Jeremy Burton.

Soccer: S. Bance, P. Veric, S. Bani, G. Metcalfe, G. McKenna, S. Doorey, S. Pelham, A. Simons, S. Strombom, L. Rattray, G. Hooper.

Badminton: Rhys Alexander, Shawn Keightley, David Sutcliffe.

Hockey: Jason Miller, Hamish Kynaston, Nathan Betts, Dion Jordan, Aaron Jordan, Dylan Cleaver, Andrew Taylor, Brad Whitter.

First Fifteen Rugby: Matthew O'Dowda.

Head Librarian - Services to the School: Troy Penberth.

Cadets: Darryl Maiden.

Tennis: Chris Patten.

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Hockey, soccer, cricket, chess,  
Muddy pitches - what a mess!  
Putting our fitness to the test,  
To find out which of us is best.

At Mabin's command we took to the stage,  
Where coffins and stiffs were all the rage.  
With a hack hack hack, chisel and saw,  
Dracula's fangs with Vampires galore.

Now Trout you see - he is our man,  
Dedicated service, that's his plan.  
He takes our books out and in,  
We're always greeted with a grin.

The coaches we have got to praise,  
For giving up those many days.  
They helped us cultivate our skills,  
Without enormous bloody bills.

Team work, commitment, dedication, skill,  
Whether running round or standing still.  
It's one for all and all for one,  
Competition and Grunt, but above all fun.

T.T., Lynn, and Captain Kirk,  
They're the ones that make us work.  
They'd be on our backs if we were late,  
These are the men we love to hate.

Graham Mourie's a Rugby Great,  
He's present to help us celebrate.  
The awards that we have won this year,  
Sir - We're honoured to have you here.

The School salutes you - one and all,  
For getting up and answering the call.  
Excellence is where it's at,  
You've achieved it, mate - that's a fact.

The Tiger Jacket, the award we've won,  
Is the thing that binds us, makes us one.  
In the future and when we're old,  
We'll look back in the cupboard and remember -  
The Black, White and Gold.

PAUL MAXWELL.

Public Speaking: Jason Renau.

Skiing: Todd Wolfe, Stefan Quin.

Music: Stephen Bremner, Gareth Thomas, Chris King, Robert Lyall, Paul Lester, Richard Thomas, Tim Harland, Tim Baker, Matthew Dobson.

Music Production (Stiff Luck) and Debating: Paul Maxwell.

Music: Evan Davies.

Cross-Country: Justin Lofton-Brook.



NATHAN BETTS



## SENIOR PRIZE LIST 1988

### FIFTH FORM PRIZES: SUBJECT PRIZES

|   |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| Accounting:   | Roger Donaldson        |
| Art:  | Tao Wells              |
| Engineering Shopwork - Best Student, (Trade Tools Prize) and Best Practical Work (Olex Canzac Cables Ltd. Prize): | Shane Yeates           |
| English (Daily News Prize) and History: Fifth Form Certificate English (Parent-Teacher Association Prize):        | Vaughan Spurdle        |
| Geography:  | Nicholas Autridge      |
| Horticulture Best Student (Duncan & Davies Prize):  | Peter Chisnall         |
| Horticulture Best Practical Aptitude (Alexander Trust Prize):   | Robert Mills           |
| Latin and Technical Drawing:  | Iann Redington         |
| Maori:  | David Lash             |
| Mathematics:  | Jason Renau            |
| Music:  | Steven Denne           |
| Science:  | Christopher O'Halloran |
| Taranaki Mathematics (Parent-Teacher Association Prize):  | Brett Honeyfield       |
| Taranaki Science (Parent-Teacher Association Prize):  | Russell Weir           |
| Woodwork Theory   | Ryan Davies            |
| Woodwork Practical (Scott Commercial Prize):  | Gregory Dick           |
| Workshop Technology:  | Mark Stevens           |
| <b>EFFORT AND PROGRESS</b><br>(Parent-Teacher Association Prize):   | Alan Doy               |
| (Wadsworth Prize):  | Christopher Reynolds   |
| (Wadsworth Prize):  | Allen Mills            |
| (Wadsworth Prize):  | Jason Ruakere          |
| (Wadsworth Prize):  | Jamie Lobban           |
| <b>EFFORT AND PROGRESS IN WORK EXPERIENCE CLASS</b><br>(Parent-Teacher Association Prize):                        | Philip Newman          |
| (Parent-Teacher Association Prize):   | Aaron Jurd             |

### PUBLIC SPEAKING

|   |               |
|---|---------------|
| Certificates: Third and second in Oral Reading: | Brent Beaven  |
| Second:   | Millen Baird  |
| First Prize:                                    | Jason Renau   |
| <b>ESSAY</b><br>Certificates: Third Prize:      | Stephen Denne |
| Second and third in Oral Reading:               | Leighton Hunt |
| First Prize:                                    | Peter Whyte   |

### ORAL READING

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| Certificate: First Prize: | Roger Donaldson |
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### SPECIAL PRIZES

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|---|------------------|
| Best Perseverance and School Spirit demonstrated in a Form Five or Six Maori student (Laurie Herdman Memorial Prize):   | Jason Renau      |
| Best Performance in Work Programme in Work Experience class (Parent-Teacher Association Prize):   | Aaron Saotui     |
| For the student who, by virtue of his reliability, ready co-operation, earnest work habits and honest and cheerful disposition, is a positive example to students who are not among the most able Academic Form Five students (Norman Wright Memorial Prize): | David O'Donnell  |
| <b>GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE</b><br>Third Aggregate:  | Brent Beaven     |
| Second Aggregate (First in Japanese):   | Jason Brown      |
| First Aggregate (Hatherly Memorial Cup and Prize, first in French); (French Embassy Prize and first in Economics):  | Jeffrey Schrader |

### SIXTH FORM PRIZES

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| <b>SUBJECT PRIZES</b><br>Accounting (Tabor Prize):                 | Brent Goldsack   |
| Chemistry (Tabor Prize):   | Adrian Graamans  |
| Computer Studies (Tabor Prize and Warren Moetara Memorial Trophy): | Paul Goodsell    |
| Construction Theory (Tabor Prize):                                 | Shaun Skegdwell  |
| Construction Project (C. E. Millward Prize):                       | Scott Meuli      |
| French (French Embassy Prize):                                     | Grant Brinkhurst |
| Geography (Tabor Prize):   | Timothy Baker    |
| History (Tabor Prize):   | Paul Newsome     |
| Horticulture, Best Student (Duncan and Davies Prize):              | Matthew Lees     |
| Horticulture, Best Practical Aptitude (Alexander Trust Prize):     | Michael Sharp    |

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| Industry Technology, Theory and Project (James Clouston Memorial Prize):    | Garith Thomas     |
| Music (Tabor Prize) and Most Outstanding Brass Player (Port Nicholson Cup): | Stephen Bremner   |
| Physical Education (Tabor Prize):   | Todd Wolfe        |
| Physics, Most Improved Student (Hurle Cup):                                 | Keith Cross       |
| Practical Art (Tabor Prize):  | Gareth Thomas     |
| Technical Drawing, Theory (Tabor Prize):                                    | Jason Fever       |
| Technical Drawing, Project (L. V. Giddy Memorial Prize):                    | Raymond Landon    |
| <b>EFFORT AND PROGRESS</b><br>(Wadsworth Prize):                            | Christopher Lim   |
| (Wadsworth Prize):  | Nicholas Andrew   |
| (Parent-Teacher Association Prize):   | Spence McClintock |
|   | Campbell Thompson |

### PUBLIC SPEAKING

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| Certificates: Third and first in Oral Reading: | Timothy Baker   |
| Second:  | Marshall Couper |
| First Prize:                                   | Thomas Buchanan |

### ESSAY

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| Certificates: Third: | Darrin Bride    |
| Second:              | Jeffrey Crombie |
| First Prize:         | Paul Maxwell    |

### ORAL READING

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|----------------------|---------------|
| Certificates: Third: | Mark Sheridan |
| Second:              | Mark Brooker  |
| First Prize:         | Tim Baker     |

### SPECIAL PRIZES

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|---|----------------|
| Highest Aggregate for a 1988 Sixth Former in 1987 School Certificate Examination (Hatherly Memorial Prize) and Taranaki Mathematics Association Prize for Performance in 1987 School Certificate Mathematics: | Kim Rutherford |
| Creative Writing (Ward Cup and Prize):  | Louis Rattray  |

### GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

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|---|-----------------|
| Third Aggregate (Tabor Prize), first in English and first in Latin: | Marshall Couper |
| Second Aggregate (Tabor Prize), first in Biology:                   | Paul Maxwell    |

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| First Aggregate (Tabor Prize and Harrison Cup, first in Mathematics, first in Physics and Donald Mackie Memorial Prize for top mark in 1987 School Certificate Mathematics): | Kim Rutherford |
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### SEVENTH FORM PRIZES

#### SUBJECT PRIZES

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| Accounting (Legal Old Boys' Prize), Economics and English (White Memorial Prize): | Cameron Marshall |
| Art History and Practical Art:  | Kevin Leong      |
| Biology (Walter Crowley Weston Memorial Prize):                                   | Gregory Scriven  |
| French (French Embassy Prize), Japanese (Japanese Embassy Prize) and Music:       | Duncan Haynes    |
| Geography (David Bennett Prize):  | Karl Wipatene    |
| History:  | Duane Burt       |

#### EFFORT AND PROGRESS

|                                     |                |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| (Wadsworth Prize):                  | Matthew Revell |
| (Wadsworth Prize):                  | Mark Low       |
| (Parent-Teacher Association Prize): | Craig McKenzie |
|                                     | Stuart Wilson  |

#### PUBLIC SPEAKING

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Certificates: Third:  | Howard Silby |
| Second:   | Paul Shearer |
| First Prize, Excellence in Oratory (Wade Scott Cup) and third in Essay: | Paul Fenton  |

#### ESSAY

|  |               |
|--|---------------|
| Certificate: Second:   | James Stewart |
| First Prize and Best Senior Original Work (Heurtley Memorial Prize): | Kevin Leong   |

#### SPECIAL PRIZES

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| Best Cadet (Wadsworth Cup and Prize):  | Edwin Grainger |
| Best Polynesian or Melanesian Student (Maori and Island Affairs Prize):  | Nixon Toremana |
| Choir General Excellence (Faull Challenge Cup), Most Outstanding String Player (Hatherly Memorial Prize), Best Performing Artist of the Year (Colleges' Cup) and Excellence in Humanities (Sheila Prentice Cup and Prize): | Duncan Haynes  |
| Head Boarder (Eggleton Cup and Prize) and for an Outstanding Record of Service to the School (Parent-Teacher Association Silver Jubilee Trophy and Prize):   | Martin Bates   |

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):

Karl Wipatene

### GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| General Excellence (Fookes Cup and Prize):  | Gregory Scriven |
| Proxime Accessit (McLeod Memorial Prize, in conjunction with the Clement Cave Scholarship); first in Mathematics with Calculus:   | Lee Middleton   |
| Dux (Academic Excellence Cup and NPOB Association Prize, in conjunction with the Clement Cave Scholarship); English (John Brodie Memorial Prize in English Language), first in Chemistry, first in Physics and first in Mathematics with Statistics (Harrop Prize): | Howard Silby    |

## JUNIOR PRIZE LIST

### THIRD FORM PRIZES

#### SUBJECT PRIZES

|  |                 |
|--|-----------------|
| Art and Technical Drawing:   | Mark Rosser     |
| Business Studies:  | Daniel Chadwick |
| English:   | Hayden Chisholm |
| English:   | Matthew Cheer   |
| Japanese (Japanese Embassy Prize):   | Brooke Goodey   |
| Maori:   | Duncan Bluck    |
| Metalwork:   | Craig Falconer  |
| Woodwork, Best Student:  |                 |
| Woodwork, Best Design and Craft, (Robert Connell Memorial Prize and Trophy): | Reuben Thorn    |

#### EFFORT AND PROGRESS

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Prizes (Parent-Teacher Association Prize): | Mark Johnson     |
| (Parent-Teacher Association Prize):        | Brendan Larsen   |
| (Parent-Teacher Association Prize):        | Darren Rankine   |
| (Parent-Teacher Association Prize):        | Leon Allen       |
| (Parent-Teacher Association Prize):        | Jack Hepi        |
| (Parent-Teacher Association Prize):        | Joseph Whittaker |

#### CERTIFICATES

|                                       |                |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| Latin, English:                       | Simon Angelo   |
| Mathematics, Social Studies, Science: | Hamish Archer  |
| Social Studies, English:              | Colin Barton   |
| Social Studies, English:              | Grant Dowman   |
| Maori, Mathematics:                   | Tony Field     |
| Social Studies, English:              | Kerry Frank    |
| Social Studies, Science, English:     | Michael Gordon |
| Science, Social Studies, English:     | Shane Grant    |
| Latin, Business Studies:              | Andrew Hill    |
| Science, Social Studies, English:     | Nathan Hills   |
| Social Studies:                       | Paul Howse     |
| English, Maori, Technical Drawing:    | Jamie Huston   |
| Mathematics, English:                 | David Irving   |

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| Business Studies, Social Studies, Technical Drawing: | Allan Murray     |
| Metalwork, Social Studies:                           | Mathew Old       |
| French, English:                                     | Gregory Packer   |
| Metalwork, Business Studies:                         | Matthew Peacock  |
| Art, Science:  | Hone Rata        |
| French, Business Studies:                            | Jason Ritchie    |
| Science, English:                                    | Duncan Robertson |
| Social Studies, English:                             | David Smale      |
| English, Mathematics:                                | Nicholas Thomson |
| English, Mathematics, Social Studies:                | Wade Watkins     |
| Social Studies, English:                             | Brooke Wolfe     |
| Science, English:                                    | Albert Yu        |
| <b>PUBLIC SPEAKING</b><br>Certificate: Third equal:  | David McIntosh   |
| Third equal and second in Oral Reading:              | Demian Chapman   |
| Second:  | Adrian Edser     |
| First Prize and second in Essay:                     | Shane Grant      |

#### ESSAY

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| Certificate: Third:                         | Michael Coronno |
| First Prize:                                | Jaracz Heather  |
| <b>ORAL READING</b><br>Certificates: Third: | Carey Davis     |
| First Prize:                                | Simon Angelo    |

#### SPECIAL PRIZES

|  |                 |
|--|-----------------|
| Most Improved Woodwind Player (Boyd Trophy): | Hayden Chisholm |
| Most Improved Brass Player (Gibbs Cup):      | Darren Rankine  |
| Junior Chorister (Urquhart Trophy):          | Stuart Haynes   |

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|---|-----------------|
| Best Aptitude and Training in a Junior Cadet (NZ Army Association Shield):                                      | Daniel Chadwick |
| Best Perseverance and School Spirit exhibited in a Form Three Maori student (Parent-Teacher Association Prize): | Simon Puketapu  |

### GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

|   |               |
|---|---------------|
| Third Aggregate: First in French (French Embassy Prize):                      | Jason Horsley |
| Second Aggregate:   | Andrew Martin |
| First Aggregate: First in Latin, Mathematics, Music, Science, Social Studies: | Simon Rae     |

### FOURTH FORM PRIZES

#### SUBJECT PRIZES

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| Art:                                    | Matthew Henry    |
| English:                                | Simon Adams      |
| French (French Embassy Prize):          | Evan Davies      |
| Horticulture (Duncan and Davies Prize): | Greg Pollock     |
| Latin:                                  | Simon Spurdle    |
| Maori:                                  | Anthony Ruakere  |
| Metalwork (Trade Tools Ltd Prize):      | Nigel Murray     |
| Music:                                  | Hamish Wilson    |
| Science (first equal):                  | Matthew Mitchell |
| Technical Drawing:                      | Phillip Tully    |
| Woodwork:                               | Rodney Macks     |

#### EFFORT AND PROGRESS

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| Prizes: (Parent-Teacher Association Prize): | Simon West       |
|   | Aaron Walsh      |
|   | Jeffrey McLeod   |
|   | Colin Sutherland |

#### CERTIFICATES

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| French, Mathematics:                        | Michael Best    |
| Japanese, Business Studies, Social Studies: | Fraser Bint     |
| Mathematics, English:                       | Joe Bray        |
| Horticulture, Social Studies, Science:      | Guy Bryant      |
| English, Social Studies:                    | Aaron Cleland   |
| Mathematics, Latin, Business Studies:       | Shane Davis     |
| English, Mathematics:                       | Darryl Goddard  |
| Business Studies, English:                  | Dallas Jamieson |
| Business Studies, Maori:                    | Dennis Mohi     |
| English, Social Studies:                    | Nathan O'Keefe  |
| Mathematics, English:                       | Paul Rust       |
| Business Studies, Mathematics:              | Craig Taylor    |
| Social Studies, English:                    | Jamie Urwin     |
| Art, English:                               | Paul Vyver      |
| French, Business Studies:                   | Nathan Walter   |
| Social Studies, Art:                        | Justin Whalley  |
| Social Studies, Art:                        | Bevan Wilkes    |
| Science, Mathematics, English:              | Richard Wilson  |

#### PUBLIC SPEAKING

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Certificates, third equal:  | Hamish MacKenzie  |
| Third equal and third in Oral Reading:                            | Evan Davies       |
| First Prize (Moss Cup) first in Oral Reading and second in Essay: | Romesh Anandaraja |

#### ESSAY

|   |                |
|---|----------------|
| Certificate, third:   | Fraser Bint    |
| First Prize (Rex Dowling Memorial Cup); second in Public Speaking and second in Oral Reading: | Nicholas Thorp |

#### SPECIAL PRIZES

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|---|----------------|
| Best Junior Original Work:  | Nicholas Thorp |
| Best Junior Cadet (Ladies Challenge Trophy):  | Daryll Maiden  |
| Best Perseverance and School Spirit exhibited in a Form Four Maori student (Parent-Teachers Association Prize): | Leroy Tapara   |

#### GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

|  |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| Third Aggregate (First in Business Studies and Wattie Wilkie Memorial Prize for Most Progress in Form Four Mathematics): | Romesh Anandaraja |
| Second Aggregate (First in Social Studies and first equal in Science):   | Bevan Smith       |
| First Aggregate (First in Japanese (Japanese Embassy Prize) and first in Mathematics):                                   | Chris Bougen      |

#### CAVE BURSARIES

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| For Academic, Sporting and Cultural Excellence in Form Three: | Simon Rae         |
| For Academic, Sporting and Cultural Excellence in Form Four:  | Romesh Anandaraja |



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"My dog's getting old - he slowed me up at the end of the Cross-Country - he had no sprint."



Mr Laurenson near the date of his departure.

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**MATHEMATICS ACHIEVERS IN THE NATIONAL BANK COMPETITION:**  
Callum MacKenzie, Grant Reeve, Wade Watkins, Matthew Birch, Richard Austin and Mr Carter and Mrs Foley.



## STUDENT REP REPORT

Tomorrow's Schools, the thing of the future, is now the Schools of Today.

A school year has nearly passed since student politics has come into the education system. It was a year that has been filled with uncertainty, challenges, joy and hard work - a year which no-one knew what the Board's reactions and feelings to a student rep would be. But the year is now over, and I can look back and say, even in the black moments, like fighting the government for funds in its penny-pinching exercise, the uncertainty and the huge amounts of stress that Headmaster and Board members have been through, it is the positive aspect that I will always remember.

I could write a book on the problems that this school has faced or is facing. I won't. But instead I will write a few words on the positive aspects that I have seen and been involved with.

★ The number of nominations that the school saw proved that there are many people that are interested in their son's education.

★ The time and effort that has been given by the Board is amazing but the Chairman, Mr Wolfe and Headmaster's effort, time and energy is astronomical.

★ The ninety percent return of our community survey showed the support and concern that our community has for us.

★ The Charter Committee showed that teachers, parents, students, PTA and Board members can all work together for good and have views that are similar.

★ The Board's reaction to their student rep was amazing and I can live with the feeling that student rep's will be a success if NPBS Board of Trustees have anything to do with it.

The five points are just the scratchings of the surface of what I see NPBS making a very successful education era.

In closing I would like to say thank you to Mr Wolfe, Mr Ryder, Board Members, Teachers and especially the school for the hardest, yet most rewarding, year of my short life.

BRENT GOLDSACK.



## SCIENCE FAIR RESULTS

Seniors: First in class - Craig Purdie. Also judge's commendation (third in fair). A chemistry computer programme showing molecular motion.

Second in class - Brent Beaven. Absorbition of Chlorophyll.

Juniors: First in class - Hamish Archer. Bio feedback.

First in class - Jason Tan. Observational drawing of leaf.

Second in class - Warren Ritson, Darren Rowland, Paul Avery, Kelvin Coley, Andrew Eagles, Graeme Clarke, Aaron Wood. Merit - Wade Watkins, David Irving, Simon Angelo.

The boys are to be commended for their large number of quality exhibits. School obtained more than their fair share of prizes.

## SCIENCE QUIZ RESULTS

This involved a fourth form team of four boys from every Taranaki school.

The NPBS team of Hamish Archer, Philip Meredith, Simon Rae and Andrew Hill had little trouble in disposing of the competing teams. Well done for retaining the cup.

K. R. LOCKHART.



MARCO EMERINS

## SPEECH COMPETITION FINALS 1989

Adjudicator: Mrs I. Gaskin.

Chairman: Brendon Bellamy, Head Boarder.

| SPEAKER             | TOPIC  |
|---------------------|--|
| Form Three:         |  |
| 1 David Thomas      | Nursery Crimes                                     |
| 2 = Andrew King     | Money  |
| 2 = David Bremner   | Fred Allen   |
| 4 Paul Avery        | Can History Repeat Itself?                         |
| Form Four           |  |
| 1 Daniel Macintosh  | How to Attend a Meeting                            |
| 2 Hayden Chisholm   | Rugby  |
| 3 Shaun Philp       | Graffiti   |
| 4 Shane Grant       | Moving House                                       |
| Form Five           |  |
| 1 Romesh Anandaraja | Speeches   |
| 2 Shane Davis       | Phobias  |
| 3 Mark Andrews      | The Formation of the New Plymouth District Council |
| 4 Nicholas Thorp    | Why Do We Laugh?                                   |
| Form Six            |  |
| 1 = Kelvin Feek     | Why?   |
| 1 = Naiva Ronald    | Vanuatu  |
| 3 Jason Renau       | What is Hypnotism?                                 |
| 4 Millen Baird      | Skiing   |
| 5 Nigel Tapsell     | Wife Battering                                     |
| 6 Jamie Lobban      | Farming  |
| Form Seven          |  |
| 1. Paul Maxwell     | Drilling in the Marine Park                        |
| 2 Gareth Thomas     | Prehistoric Man                                    |
| 3 Grant Brinkhurst  | Fairy Tales  |

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## PARENT TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

The PTA this year fielded the largest team of committee members in its history - with brilliant results! The extra numbers meant a better spread of the work-load amongst the parents with the innovative steps of splitting into formal sub-committees - as follows:

### CLOTHING

The Head Boy's mother, Mrs Raewyn Wolfe, once again controlled this lucrative and important work throughout the year. The hiring out of blazers and jackets and the buying and selling of other clothing is an important service to the parents and families as well as being the major source of income for the year.

### CATERING

Countless sporting, social and school functions were serviced by this committee throughout the year. Mrs Wolfe and her loyal team provided food and refreshments of top quality ranging from mini-banquets to more traditional hot drinks and sandwiches according to the occasion.

### EDUCATION

This new committee was formed early in the year with John Eagles the Convenor and it immediately became involved with "Tomorrow's Schools".

(1) It organised a very successful 'Meet the Candidates' evening prior to the election of the Board of Trustees.

(2) It hosted a Parents/Teachers evening in June when Mr Walsh and other members of the Stratford Addiction Services Centre presented its programme on Good Health (Drug Abuse) prior to holding courses for third and fourth formers.

(3) It provided a substantial input to the formation of the School Charter involving consideration of the Mission Statement, goals of the School and Description of the School.

(4) It dealt directly with the School on procedural and policy matters of concern to parents - e.g. Parent Interviews efficiency.

(5) Once again the PTA provided generous sponsorship in funding a supply of books as prizes at the Annual School Prizegiving. It also made a fresh award of the Silver Jubilee Trophy which was first bestowed last year on the occasion of the PTA's twenty-fifth Anniversary.

### FUNDRAISING

This has always been a priority with the school and we produced two very successful returns.

(1) Umbrella Sales - A novel, distinctive and parochial design of an umbrella was marketed with considerable success. It features the School Crest and Colours.

(2) Trailer Load of Groceries Raffle - This began as the brainchild of Mrs Wolfe and her committee and ended up as a brilliant project. It promised to be a simple exercise but with certain bureaucratic restraints it tested the team fully. The result was due to the work of a hard core of people on that committee including in particular Rachel Lewis, Marc Muir, Phil Holland, Brian Lash, Graeme Earl and other volunteers.

### MAINTENANCE

Clearly this was the main area of the PTA's activities this year which must be regarded as the highlight and deserving of the highest accolades. In particular - Murray Pease, Graeme Earl, Stuart Angelo, Geoff Ward, Brian Edlin, Ron Mandell and Brian Lash supported Richard Kara - the master mind of the total project.

(1) Swimming Pool - Waterblasting, sanding, vacuuming, painting (various coats). Important contribution by teachers and students.

(2) Footpath - Nigger to Swimming Pool (concreting a professional footpath hitherto too difficult to navigate).

(3) Pavilion - (Cricket and Hockey Fields) - Reconstruction beginning under contract plus PTA involvement with labour.

(4) Achievement by Richard Kara and his team is unprecedented. — Support team - Murray Pease, Brian Lash, Graeme Earl, Stuart Angelo, Geoff Ward, Bryan Edlin.

(5) PTA own premises - storing of resources.

B. COLEY.

### INTERNATIONAL WRESTLER

Bryan Wilson, form four, was one of two young New Zealand wrestlers to be selected to train in the United States through most of the first term. He was based on Flagstaff Junior High in Phoenix, Arizona and represented that school in inter-school fixtures. In 1987 he was a member of a New Zealand team of sixteen which made a five week tour in the States. He is the Taranaki Champion in the fourteen to sixteen year old fifty-five kg division.

## WHANAU TE REO O TARANAKI

Early last year Whanau Te Reo o Taranaki culture club formed. The name of the group was chosen because it represents the voice of the family.

The group consists of students from Boys' High, Girls' High and Spotswood College. The group is tutored by Eugene Cassidy and assisted by Mrs Cathy Kinge. Practices are held twice weekly for an hour or two after school.

The Kaupapa (topic, message) of our waiata (action song, haka, chant etc), are based on the rangatahi (youth) of the present and of the future. A lot of our waiata express concern about drugs, alcohol and its effect on society (particularly on youth). We also learn traditional waiata which is important to our identity.

The group achieved success by winning last year's Regional Cultural Festival in New Plymouth and from there we went to Manuariki to take part in the Nationals. Although we came fourth equal in the intermediate section we gained second placing overall in the junior and senior section. All in all it was a most enjoyable weekend. To build up for these competitions live-ins were held at local marae. There we learned our programmes for the competitions, Maori etiquette and we were also entertained.

JASON RUAKERE.



Sun umbrellas of course.



### BMX RACER

Kelvin Giddy of the fourth form with some of the trophies he has collected in his chosen sport. Kelvin has been racing for five years with considerable success. Currently in his age-group of fourteen year olds he holds ninth ranking in the New Zealand section and second place in the North Island section.

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## OLD BOYS' SECTION

**Brian Bellringer** was deservedly awarded a QSM in the Queen's Birthday Honours for his outstanding service to the community and to sport. Brian has an excellent record as a cricket administrator with both the Taranaki and Central Districts Cricket Associations and has served on the New Plymouth City Council since 1968. He has chaired the Council's Parks and Recreation Committee since 1977 and was elected this year to both the enlarged New Plymouth District Council and the Taranaki Regional Council. He has over the years supported his old school as a member of the Board of Governors, as a rugby coach and as Treasurer of the Old Boys' Association.

**Brian Rudd** and **David Lean** have both received national awards for the long and outstanding service to Surf Life Saving. Brian has retired from his position as General Manager of the Taranaki Savings Bank while David, the current Mayor of New Plymouth is seeking election as Mayor of the enlarged New Plymouth District Council and to the Taranaki Regional Council.

The three male contenders for the position of Mayor of the New Plymouth District are in fact all Old Boys of NPBHS. They are the incumbent Mayor of New Plymouth **David Lean**, high polling City Councillor and well-known New Plymouth Pharmacist **Ian Lobb** and **Bert Squire** who chairs the present Council's Transport Committee.

One Old Boy local body politician who has no election worries is **David Walter** who has already been declared Mayor of the enlarged Stratford District Council. On the New Plymouth scene a number of prominent Old Boys are contesting positions in the various wards of the New Plymouth District. They include the School's Deputy Headmaster **Lynn Bublitz** who is currently a New Plymouth City Councillor and Chairman of its Cultural Committee, **John Honnor** a long serving City Councillor and currently Chairman of the New Zealand Surf Life Saving Council, former staff member and late Deputy Principal of Devon Intermediate **Ian Jones**, well known accountant, City Councillor and former rugby player **Stan Florence** and current Chairman of Clifton County **Tom Watson**.

Old Boys featuring prominently in the Taranaki Regional contest are **Ross Allen**, **Brian Bellringer**, **John Honnor**, **Bert Squire**, **David Lean**, **Ian Lobb**, **Harvey Wellington**, former staff member **Darcy Ranger** and current staff member **Rob Rowlands**.

The advent of Tomorrow's Schools has seen a transition to a Board of Trustees. It is pleasing to see former Board Chairman **John McIntyre** co-opted and keeping a watchful eye on the School's grounds while former Board members **Neil Wolfe** and **Don Slater** are heavily involved. Neil is the new Chairman and Don is chairing the Boarding Committee. Neil maintains his interests in a wide variety of sports and is currently President of both the New Plymouth Jockey Club and NPBHS Old Boys' Association. Don continues his great interest in rugby and is still Chairman of the Moa-Nui Dairy Company. Tomorrow's Schools however has seen the loss of **Bob Bowler** and **Harry Russell** from the High School Board secretariat. Both these men worked hard for their old school. With the demise of the Education Board **Phil Phillipps** departs for Rotorua where he will take up a position with the new Ministry of Education.

**Jack West** remains the archivist supreme and is busy assembling information on Old Boys who died in World War II and are buried in Commonwealth graves throughout the world. **Ray Cocksedge** of Okato is one of the school's many benefactors. Ray kindly supplied pongas for propping up the ailing terraces on the Gully Ground.

Enjoying their retirement are **Alaric Wilson**, formerly Principal of the Taranaki Polytechnic and **Rendell Brine**, formerly SM at NPBHS. Both are recent additions to the membership of the New Plymouth Probud Club. Staff members **Max Carroll** and **Dave Mossop** have both become involved in golf administration as has **Phil Barnes** and **Ken Holyoake**. All four are on the committee this year of the New Plymouth Golf Club whose current captain is another Old Boy in **Tom Moorhead**. Tom is still with PSIS and his golf is still of a very high standard but not quite up to that of his son Grant.

**Grant Moorhead** left NPBHS at the end of 1987 already an accomplished golfer. Since leaving school Grant has progressed to become to Number One player in the province. He has won numerous club and provincial titles, won the New Zealand Junior Championship and tied for first place in the New Zealand Amateur Stroke Play Championship. It was unfortunate that he should lose the sudden death play-off and be eliminated in the quarter-finals of the match play but he certainly gained from these experiences. Grant competed in the International Friendship Inter-Collegiate Tournament played at the Tanagura Club in Japan and finished a most creditable third with rounds of seventy-seven, seventy-five and seventy-six in this most prestigious event. In winning his club title he defeated another well-known Old Boy in **Phil Barnes**. Grant now looks forward to playing Number One for his province in this year's inter-provincial tournament.

Old Boys will be delighted at the return of **Gary Robertson** to the New Zealand Cricket team and wish him well on the tour of Australia. Gary has a wonderful record for Central Districts and has most deservedly been awarded a benefit this season by the Central Districts Association. **Stephen Robertson**, younger brother of Gary, has also performed well as an opening batsman for both Taranaki and

Central Districts and is also developing as a bowler. **Karl O'Dowda** has continued his rapid rise in New Zealand Cricket. He made his first class debut for Central Districts last season and then gained selection in the New Zealand Youth team which had a most successful tour of the UK. **Stu Dempster** headed off for England during the winter and played Cricket for the Wimbledon Club in London where he knocked up four centuries.

**Richard Purser** is still the master of racquet sports. Now resident in Auckland, Richard is best known, as is his younger brother Bryan, as an International Badminton player, but on a recent trip overseas he won the World Amateur Masters Squash title. **Bryan Purser** is now a successful business man resident in Hamilton. **Rhys Powell** has recently become a proud father but is still the Number One Squash player in Taranaki. Rhys is, in fact, the only current A grade player resident in the province.

**Andrew Little** appears on TV probably more than most of our Old Boys. Andrew is currently in his second year as President of the New Zealand University Students Association and hopes to complete his BA LLB at Victoria next year.

Recent announcements of engagements include **Roger Armstrong**, **Stephen Brine** and **Geoff Hall**. Roger is currently practising Dentistry in Melbourne and will return to New Zealand in February for his wedding. Stephen is well advanced in studies for a PhD in Chemistry at Victoria, whilst Geoff has completed a BA and hopes now to train as a secondary school teacher.

On the rugby scene **Andrew Slater**, head boy 1987, has made his debut for the Taranaki A team this season as has **Thomas Trowern** in his first year out of school. These two along with that other fine young player **Jody Brewer** all play for the Old Boys Club in New Plymouth. Also making appearances for Taranaki again this season has been Old Boy and Opanake Policeman **Malcolm Greig**. **Trent Scott** continues to gain selection in New Zealand Wrestling teams while **Stephen Johns** continues to excel at Swimming, Surf Life Saving and Water Polo.

Old Boys will be pleased that present pupils can still be involved in cadets if they wish and that the new combined unit comprising detachments from both the School and the City is commanded by Old Boy and long-serving staff member **Murray Dobson**.

**John Harrison** has been awarded a prestigious fellowship to study at the University of California at Berkley. Dux in 1982, he has just completed a PhD in chemistry from the University of Canterbury. He will spend two and a half years at the Miller Institute for Basic Research in Science studying gas phase kinetics.

**Leigh Martin** (at school 1975-1977) is the second Old Boy to be selected for the National Band of New Zealand. Leigh joins Jeffrey Mulraney (at school 1967-1972) in the 1990 Band which is to perform at the opening of the Commonwealth Games. Leigh is a member of the New Plymouth City Brass Band. Jeffrey, who was first selected for a National Band in 1976, plays for Warnock's Wanganui Band.

**Lt Col Wayne Anker** has returned to New Zealand with the army after the closure of the base in Singapore, as has Officer Commanding 141 Flight, Squadron Leader Steve Bone.

## AUCKLAND OLD BOYS NEWS

**Patrick Connell (1956-61):** Administration Manager for the Aotea Centre project.

**David Besley (1944-46):** Beltons Real Estate - Now United Realty - Head Office.

**John McKenzie (1940-44):** A Past President of the Auckland Branch, a leading Solicitor and yachtsman. Died at the end of 1988.

**Alister Fookes (1955-59):** With the Goodman Fielder Wattie group. Was appointed Managing Director of Harvey Farms Consolidated Ltd during the year.

**Albert Wendt (1952-56):** Auckland University staff. Professor of English whose novels and short stories make first class reading.

**Brian Sykes (1942-45):** Still enjoying retirement in the Bay of Islands.

**John Morine (1955-59):** With Hay Management Consultants Ltd.

**Richard Purser (1955-59):** Was a School Tennis champion and later a New Zealand Badminton champion. With Skeen's Sports in Remuera.

**Graeme Peterson (1953-59):** With Watty (NZ) Ltd in Otahuhu. Was a First Fifteen hooker at School.

**Wayne Cartwright (1955-59):** Professor of Marketing at the Graduate School of Business at Auckland University.

**Harold Titter (1944-48):** Brought out of semi-retirement by the Government and appointed Commissioner to run the Auckland Area Health Board - immediate task was to slash \$45 million from the Board's annual expenditure!

**Pym Baxter (1952-54):** Prudential Insurance Agent.

**Laurie Barclay (1946-51):** Farming at Waiuku and nearing retirement as an International jumbo pilot with Air New Zealand.

**Graeme Brakebush (1949-50):** With Citizen Watches Head Office.

**Ian Brakebush (1950-53):** Farming at Omaha (outside Warkworth).

**Clyde Colson (1951-55):** Chartered Accountant on Auckland's North Shore.

**Dick Still (1948-52):** Recently set up as a Chartered Accountant in Howick.

**Dennis Swann (1949-52):** Now back in Auckland as an area Manager for Westpac Banking Corporation.

**Alan Fleming (1948-51):** Farming at Mangatawhiri.

**Selwyn Hetherington (1944-48):** Senior partner with Wynyard Wood, Barristers and Solicitors, in the city.

**Garry Hyde (1952-56):** Panelbeater in Papakura and also taking up the rural life at Bombay.

**Bill Bamford (1957-61):** Continues to be very active in his own printing business - Impressions International.

**John Kirkby (1958-62):** A law partner with Rennie Cod Garlick and Sparling.

**Warwick Lobb (1957-61):** Still refereeing in addition to a busy commercial life as Secretary for the Mainzeal Group.

**Ian Montgomerie (1957-60):** Chairman of the Auckland Milk Corporation and still farming near Mangere airport.

**Roger Duncan (1958-62):** Now Finance Director with McKechnie Pacific and so maintaining his links with New Plymouth.

**Ross Hickey (1956-57):** Deputy Principal at Avondale College.

## WELLINGTON OLD BOYS

**Allan Andrews (thirty):** Still active, playing three rounds of golf a week (handicap fourteen), gardening and some contract bridge.

**Jim Rowe:** Elected to Wellington Regional Council, having retired last year as Executive Director of New Zealand Employers' Federation.

**Lyn Papps:** Sadly stricken with a stroke and hospitalised since earlier this year - recently retired as Chairman of the ANZ Bank.

**Bill Wilson:** Member of the Waitangi Tribunal and a litigation partner at Bell, Gully, Buddle, Weir; Tim Fookes also a partner and Dick Simpson a consultant in the same firm.

**Barry Boon:** A Senior Partner in Chapman, Tripps, Sheffield, Young having completed thirty-four years with same practice.

**Cam Barrett:** Practising in Wellington as an anaesthetist.

**Malcolm McCaw:** Senior Partner in Deloitte Haskins, Sells; member of New Zealand Wool Board.

**Ken Comber:** Executive Recruitment Consultant with Cooney and Associates.

**Old Boys in the House:** John Terris and Merv Wellington.

**Bob Eagley:** QC - now living at Waikanae.

**John Hanning:** Senior Partner with Perry Castle.

**Murray Jensen:** Long-serving General Manager at Trust Bank Wellington.

**Tony Looparg:** Doing Management Consultancy work in Wellington.

**Frank Oldfield:** Now a Senior Manager with the Reserve Bank.

**Bob Parker:** Still with Bank of New Zealand HQ as is Ross Garner.

**Sir Peter Quilliam:** Retired from High Court but still very active in legal circles.

**Bill Sheet:** Senior Partner in Gibson Shast, Lower Hutt.

**Ian Silver:** Tax Partner in Ernst and Young.

**David Underwood:** Senior Partner in his own accounting practice.

**Bill Wakelin:** Partner with Consulting Engineers, Morrison, Cooper Ltd.

**Air Marshal Sir Ewan Jamieson:** Living in Heretaunga and now retired as Chief of Defence Staff.

**Phil Hogg** and **Graham Duff** work for Sharebrokers Ord, O'Connor, Grieve.

## OLD BOYS AT SCHOOL IN THE 1980s

Old Boys studying at Victoria University include Nigel Webb, Ismail Kalsakau, Ross Pennington, Simon King, Peter Smale, Andy Laurenson, Rod Snodgrass, Charles De Burger, Chris Hogg, Blair Pritchard, Sean Coley, Leighton Upson and Alan Benton.

Present New Zealand Students Association President Andrew Little returns to Victoria to continue his Law Degree.

Dux in 1984, Peter Nielsen, is at present working for National Mutual but will return to University next year to continue his Economics Studies.

Dion Wiggins runs his own computer programming/consultancy firm in down town Wellington, while Brian Burroughs works for Government Computer Services.

Greg Cockerill is at Wellington Polytechnic studying Graphic Design.

James Dalmer has been sighted in Wellington and is working for H and R Block.

## OLD BOYS' GOLF TOURNAMENT

Once again fine weather blessed this annual event. Colin (Crafty) Croad won the Alexander Trophy and Gary Cave the Peter Powell Memorial Cup for the best gross on a count-back from Phil Barnes and Tom Moorhead. Other major prizewinners included George Sibsten, Brian Broome and Ron Lawrence from a field of sixty-two.

The organiser of the tournament, Max Carroll, thanked the sponsors, Western Bottling Co, Masters Ltd and MFL President Neil Wolfe presented the prizes.

## "EXTRAORDINARY REUNIONS"

On Waitangi weekend this year seventeen members of the NPBHS 1948/49 First Fifteens gathered in New Plymouth to celebrate their seventh re-union since leaving the school. This year is especially significant being forty years on since the 1949 side disbanded and since the coach Mr Yank Kerr completed fifteen years at the job before handing over to Mr J. J. Stewart.

The local organisers were: 1948-49 Captain Brian Novak still an Accountant in New Plymouth; Bruce Kerr son of Yank; and Rob Meredith (Legs) now retired school teacher in New Plymouth. Also from New Plymouth were Garth Deakin and Jim Crocker Probation Officers (unusual careers for two of the most colourful characters at NPBHS in the late forties) and Colin Croad (Crafty) a retired Stock-Agency Manager. From out of town were Graham Ramsden (Wide-Legs) now farming at Woodville; Don Krus farming at Stratford; Alan Townsend farming at Morrinsville; Alan Luxton Herd-Tester and Company Mangaera Cambridge. From Auckland were Andrew Miller accountant; John Reid, Pharmaceutical Company Manager; Dom Fleming (Pin-Head), Managing Executive of UEB; Trevor Wynyard (Transplant) Sales Representative; Harold Titter Accountant - and Commissioner of the Auckland Health Board. From the far North - Ohawai - came Colin Julian (Happy) farmer and from Wellington Jim Ross (Speedy) Assistant Director General of Education.

Unable to attend were Roy Taylor (retired Colonel) Auckland; Bruce McMurray farmer Inglewood; Tony Hooper Professor of Anthropology, Auckland; Bob Heale retired Training College Lecturer; Geoff Gundeson Accountant, Auckland and Bruce Brown, New Zealand High Commissioner in Ottawa.

In those days the game against St Pat's, Silverstream, was always played at Hawera and the school travelled down by train. The rugby was open and wingers were expected to score tries. The sheer pleasure of old friends gathering together to recall old-times and keeping track of each other has provided the momentum for a series of reunions which few school groups anywhere in the world could equal. The Headmaster and his wife joined the crowd and the link with current school is keenly appreciated. Each reunion is going to be the last but rumour has it that the crowd will gather yet again, perhaps in Northland.



1948-49 FIRST FIFTEEN REUNION

**Back Row (left to right):** G Deakin, C. Julian, D. Fleming, D. Kurse, A. Millr, B. Kerr, C. Croad, B. Novak, J. Reid.  
**Front Row:** R. Meredith, T. Wynyard, A. Luxton, G. Ramsden, A. Townsend, H. Titter.  
**Absent:** J. Ross, J. Crocker.

**Professor William Robert (Bill) Geddes**, seventy-three, noted anthropologist died on April 24, 1989 after a short illness in Sydney. As a young man he enjoyed an outdoor life tramping and climbing on Mt Egmont. He took an MA (Hons) in philosophy at Otago University, working as a reporter for The Daily News during his holidays.

During World War II he served with the Fiji Commandos in that country and in the Solomons. At one stage, with another New Zealander, he made up the sole defence of the village of Deuba.

The village was to become the subject of one of Professor Gedde's first publications "Deuba - A Study of a Fijian Village", published by the Polynesian Society of New Zealand.

Professor Geddes was to become an editor for the society creating another link with his home town. Many of the society's works were printed by Thomas Avery and Sons of New Plymouth.

After the war Professor Geddes used a Rehabilitation Bursary to study at the London School of Economics.

He was later appointed as lecturer at Canterbury and Auckland Universities before taking the Chair of Social Anthropology at Sydney University in 1959.

His field work and subsequent books included studies of the Land Dyaks of Borneo and the migratory Miao tribes of northern Thailand.

**Les Murray**, seventy-four, died on March 16, 1989. He was a former Taranaki Newspaper Limited advertising manager and joined the company in 1932. During the war he saw service with the RNZAF as a radio technician on the island of Emirau in the south west Pacific. In retirement he was a Bible in Schools teacher and was active at St Andrew's Church. He was also a keen member of the Japan Society and was chairman of the New Plymouth St John Ambulance Association from 1972-1977.



**SIR RONALD SYME**

**ROMAN HISTORIAN IN THE TACITEAN MOULD  
A TRIBUTE FROM THE TIMES**

Sir Ronald Syme, OM, the eminent historian of classical Rome, died on September 4, aged eighty-six.

He was born in Eltham on March 11, 1903 and attended New Plymouth Boys' High from 1918 to 1920. He was Dux in 1919 and 1920 and a scholarship winner in both 1918 and 1920. He is the school's most outstanding scholar. He topped the scholarship list in 1920 being two hundred marks clear of the next candidate. From school he went to Victoria University College, Wellington, and Auckland University College.

In 1925 he went to Oriel College, Oxford. He did not read Classical Moderations, but carried off some of the highest classical prizes. He was also fluent in many modern European languages and had an extensive knowledge of Balzac.

A first in Greats and two years research work were followed in 1929 by his election as Fellow and Tutor in Ancient History at Trinity College. Three chapters in the *Cambridge Ancient History* on Roman frontier policy constituted his first notable contribution to Roman History. They already displayed the mannered style which marks his writings and which inspires in readers admiration or antipathy. Its abruptness, epigrams and wit derive principally from Tacitus, the pregnant epithets from Gibbon and irony from both; but it remained wholly individual.

Syme's first great work was *The Roman Revolution* (1939), both a narrative and an analysis of the fall of the Republic and the foundation of the Principate. Employing new prosopographic techniques fashioned in Germany, rather like the methods of Namier and his school, he stripped away from the tradition the facade of propaganda or ideals, and delineated factions greedy for wealth or power. The most remarkable work in its subject since Mommsen, this book stamped him as a great historian.

War then broke out. Syme's languages included Serbo-Croat, acquired while he was studying Rome's Danube frontier. He was therefore appointed Press Attache at Belgrade in 1940, and after Yugoslavia was overrun, at Istanbul. In 1942-5 he was Professor of Classical Philology at Istanbul, conveniently near the region of which his knowledge might be useful.

He was back at Oxford in 1945, and from 1949 to 1970, held the Camden chair of ancient history with a Fellowship at Brasenose College. His second masterpiece, Tacitus, appeared in 1958 in two volumes. It illuminates every aspect of Tacitus's work and goes far to justify his historical interpretations against modern critics. Some ancillary papers (*Ten Studies in Tacitus*) came out in 1970. In the interim he had also produced a brilliant little work, *Colonial Elites*, the product of wide reading in modern as well as ancient history, and *Sallust* (1964) derived from his Sather lectures at Berkeley University.

But his attention was then directed to post-Hadrianic history, to which he applied his prosopographic methods with skill facilitated by an exact and capacious memory, and he was prolific in articles in which the gaps in evidence were often filled by imaginative conjectures. He was particularly concerned in the largely literary problems of the date, authorship, sources and purpose of the *Historia Augusta*, to which he devoted *Amianus and the Historia Augusta* (1968), *Emperors and Biography, Studies in the Historia Augusta* (1971). The *Historia Augusta*, a call for clarity (1971) and the collection of *Historia Augusta Papers* (1983). The results were perhaps not commensurate with the immense learning and ingenuity they displayed, and he had now come almost to caricature his own stylistic mannerisms.

The range of Syme's work was in some ways restricted. After the 1930s he wrote little on military history. He placed much less emphasis than scholars under Mommsen's influence had done on the study of Roman public law. Administration, economics, religion and ideas interested him less than politics, the play of personalities and social conditions.

Syme took little part in University affairs except as an invaluable adviser to and Delegate of the Clarendon Press. He also devoted much time to UNESCO. He was knighted in 1959. The award of the OM in 1975 was a fitting crown.

He had become a Fellow by Special Election at Wolfson College, which gave him a home that he prized for the rest of his life. His scholarly output was undiminished. He published *History in Ovid* in 1978, *Some Arval Brethren* in 1980 and the *Augustan Aristocracy* (1987). Most of his articles were reissued in *Danubian Papers* (1971) and *Roman Papers* in three volumes (1979-83):

Syme was affable in manner. He loved to take colleagues for brisk walks on which he was more apt to expound his own ideas than to listen to theirs. Yet he was a very private person. He remained a bachelor.



Sir Ronald Syme

Dr Monty Barak, an illustrious Old Boy who has given his name to one of the houses of the school, died on June 8, aged eighty-four. He was a world expert in dry cell batteries and was the school's first Rhodes Scholar.

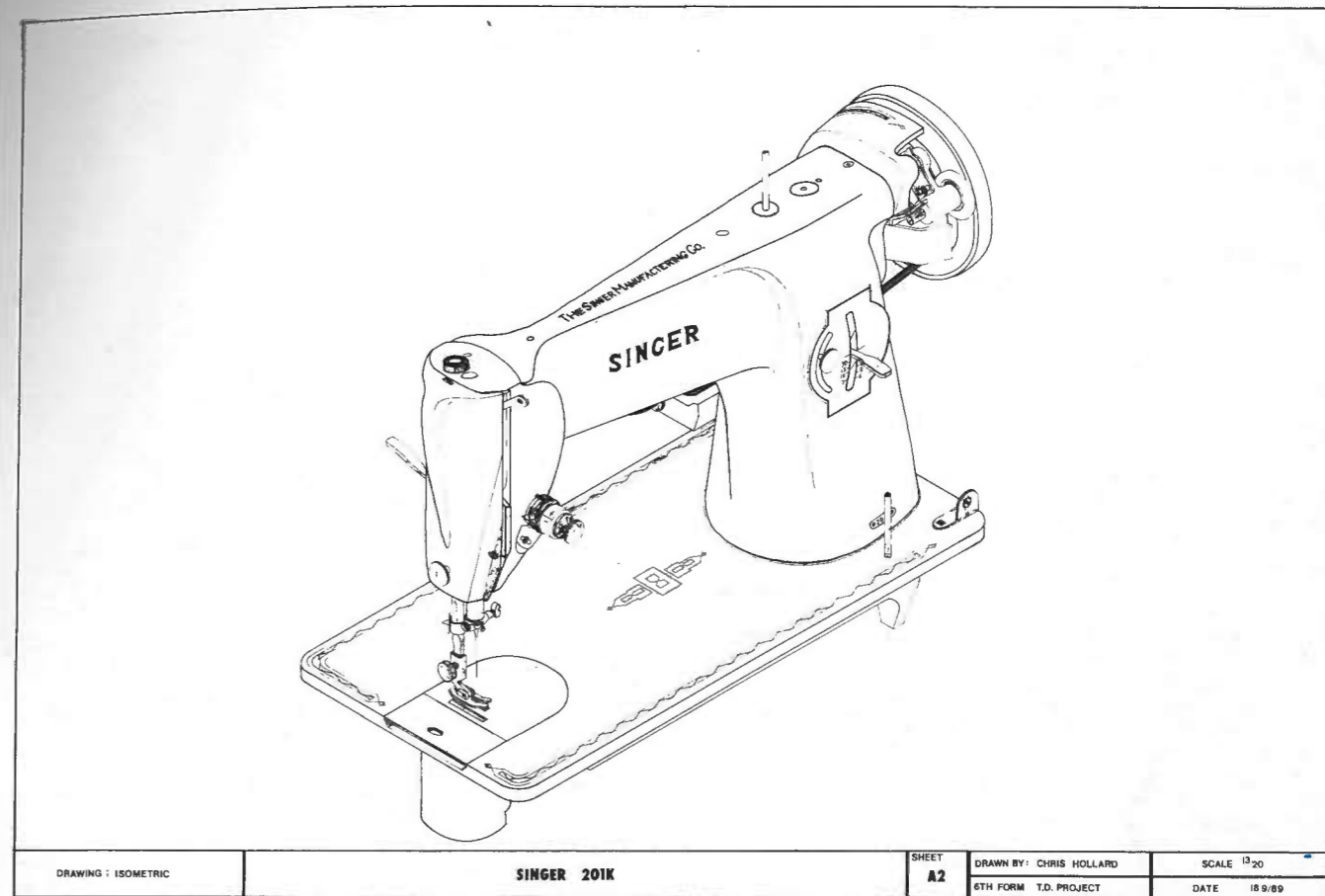
He attended School from 1916 to 1921 during which time he became a prefect, a member of the First Fifteen, Head Boarder and Dux.

Dr Barak earned his PhD in electrochemistry and in 1929 won a Fellowship to Princeton University in the USA. When he returned to England he became a lecturer at King's College in the University of London.

Dr Barak went on to work for thirty-five years at Chloride Electrical Storage Company as Chief Chemist. He retired to live in Burgess Hill, Surrey, in his early seventies. Dr Barak is survived by his wife.



Dr Monty Barak



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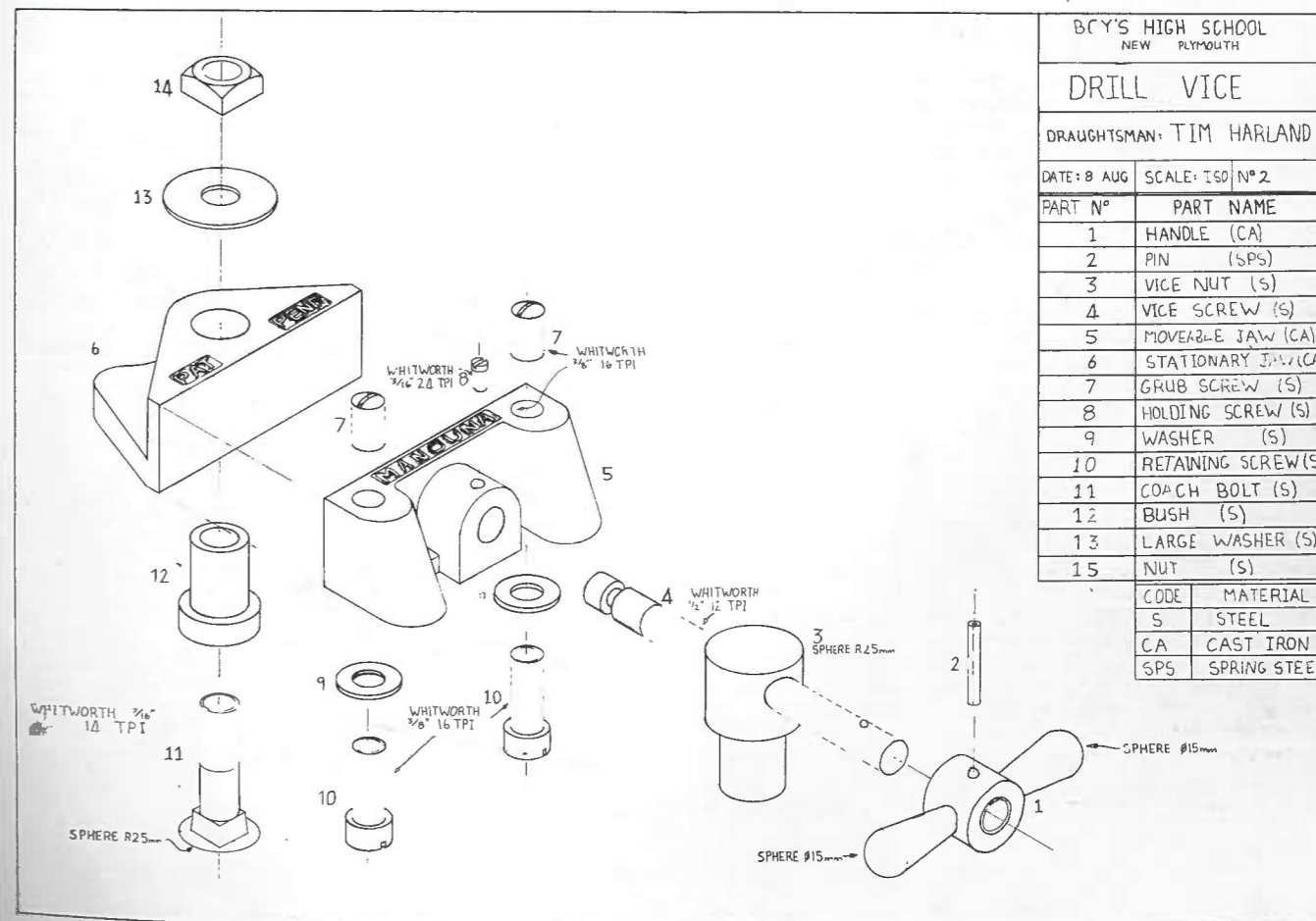
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