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THE HEADMASTER COMMENTS

No year in education should ever be easy. Obstacles, challenges, uncertainties and change are the stuff of life and schools are as prone as any other institution. But for principals, Boards of Trustees and senior staff especially, 1990 has been a tough year which none of us would want repeated.

The extra burdens are easily identified at NPBHS: pressure from yet another year's roll growth (at 1 136 we had 40 more students than were anticipated and there followed the inevitable strain on accommodation), the endless frustrations arising from the government-driven reform of administration; professional responses to new directions in education; and stress within the office staff caused by illness and a forced reduction in hours because of limited grant income.

All year the Board, its newly-appointed bursar, Mr Ron Goodare, and his staff have struggled to create and operate a new financial system using untried software and a computer network - sufficient to cope with a \$3,000,000 business excluding teachers' salaries (and all without any transitional arrangements as we disentangled ourselves from the High Schools' Board Office). At the same time property management and records assumed new and complex dimensions while assurances of Ministerial support for Hostel maintenance diminished!

Government's commendable decision to allocate considerable funds to deal with the massive problem of deferred maintenance on school buildings also required comprehensive reactions, the Board and staff have pulled out all the stops to ensure that the politicians and senior Ministerial officials are well aware of the acute need for Pridham Hall to be structurally strengthened and up graded in order to eliminate earthquake and fire risk and to bring the grand old building (classified as an historic place) up to an appropriate and acceptable standard.

Accountability and performance appraisal are more than catch-cries of the new reform and properly teachers and managers are at the heart of the matter. Within the professional staff an annual system of review has operated at NPBHS since 1980. Each Head of Department prepares a full report featuring teacher performance based on lesson observation, students' academic performance and quality of note records, curriculum development and resource needs. These reports are discussed with me, the Deputy Headmaster or the Senior Master and necessary reactions made.

This year the same review process has continued, but with a much more detailed appraisal of teaching and management performance involving a critical element of self-appraisal. We have prepared appraisal documents and trialled them and the experience has demanded a lot of time, thought and work! We are all learning in the process, but I am convinced that we will give better service to the students and each other as a result of the review and the setting of performance goals extending into 1991.

And how have the boys fared while all this has gone on? The art has been to minimise the impact of the labour upon them and largely we have succeeded. For day boys and boarders it has been 'school as usual' beginning with responses to new staff. Mr Miles Carter chose to step down as HOD Mathematics and Physics and I thank him for bearing with the complication of the dual role so cheerfully. His successor in Mathematics, Mr Peter Mathias, comes to us from Inglewood with a fine record as an enormously hard worker. Music students, saddened by the departure of Miss Mabin - whose quality of teaching and commitment to NPBHS were outstanding, have rejoiced at the return of Mr Don Boyd to the Music Department. Music-making continues to flourish and the young jazz sextet won the Taranaki finals of the Westpac Competition, while the concert at the Open Weekend in June delighted a full house. Two young Old Boys - Mr Geoff Hall and Mr Ken Mitchell bring added vigour to the English Department and the sports programme, and both will blossom here.

At public examinations we continue to perform at the level of the best New Zealand schools. The University Bursary pass rate for the sixth consecutive year exceeded 70 percent and top marks in English, Biology, Statistics, Calculus, Accounting, History, Chemistry and Physics exceeded 80 percent. 1989 was not a peak year for us at School Certificate but the results were sound and 49 candidates or 23 percent passed (a B2 or better) in six subjects; 48 or 23 percent passed in five subjects and 56 or 36 percent passed in four or three subjects. Top marks in English, Mathematics, Science, History, Geography, Economics, Workshop Technology, Accounting, Japanese, Horticulture and Draughting all exceeded 80 percent. Many boys, as usual, won distinction and merit awards in national competitions in Mathematics, Chemistry and Physics.



Within the curriculum some pertinent developments have occurred. After a shaky start, workshop technology which stresses design and making and which is internally assessed has seen a growth in confidence in both students and teachers. Some outstanding work is being achieved. Science, too, has moved to internal assessment and under the direction of Mr Mossop and Mr Lockhart the staff have prepared a mass of material. Japanese sees our first Form Three students of 1986 reach Form Seven - all of them competent and some extraordinarily proficient. The Languages Department, under the enthusiastic guidance of Mrs Atkinson continues to expand and it is appropriate that our newest classroom should be designed for language use and Taha Maori in particular. Mr Ruakere of the Board has worked hard to ensure that the room has a traditional welcoming porch and is well equipped. We are indebted to the Taranaki Polytechnic and its Trade Training Department for building the porch and to the Taranaki Maori Trust Board for its generous grant for electronic equipment. At dawn on September 8 the room was blessed and named by kaumatua of the local Iwi and Mrs Egan and the students of Maori and French gleefully took possession of Kokiri Te Reo when term three began.

This year, too, German and Business Studies have been added to the Form Six programme, as has Photo-journalism. Mr Paul Ryder has linked the course members to the editorial and publishing team of The Whistle and the newspaper has never been more professional or popular. Advertising income not only enables free distribution but has largely funded a new computer with desk-top publishing software, and layout is now cabled directly to the publisher!

Happily the fit, physically skilful and highly motivated boys, continue to thrive at NPBHS and certainly 1990 will be remembered as a very good year for sport. Mr Carroll's annual survey indicates some 60 percent of the boys are involved in organised sport which receives powerful support, thankfully, from teachers and parents. The tennis team led by Chris Patten is undefeated; the First Cricket XI with their captain Jason Holland, also keeping wickets for the Taranaki Senior side, play well and the First Soccer XI continues to play with credit in the Taranaki Senior league. Four boys have won New Zealand representation: Dion Jordan (under 18 Hockey), Judd Flavell (New Zealand Secondary Schools' Basketball team), Malcolm Opie (Emerging Players Basketball) and Brent Quigan (under 17 Rugby). And of all the team sports, we have excelled at hockey, basketball and rugby. The First Hockey XI, coached by Mr Geursen have climaxed an outstanding season by being co-winners of the prestigious India Shield Tournament at Hamilton. Mr Hill again took

our senior basketball team to the national finals and at the Christchurch Tournament we won the second section. The First XV under a new coaching partnership of Mr Jeremy Rowlands and Mr Anthony Josephs, played 21 games without loss and rank as one of the top New Zealand school sides. They shared the Taranaki Under 21 competition but best of all won all six inter-school games, a feat not achieved since 1974. The home games on the Gully attracted huge crowds and provided a feast of entertainment. At the game against Te Aute College, the spectators were estimated at more than 2000 of whom many were old boys who relished not only the match but the conduct of the boys and condition of the school.

Our charter features the development of talent and citizenship and it gives me a lot of pleasure in assembly to acknowledge the good deeds of boys. Among the many examples, is the excellent practice of direct student effort to upgrade the school's amenities. In term one \$8000 was raised for sports and computer equipment as well as funds for the School Council. In term two the Work Day, staged to raise money for the building of a native timber floor for the gymnasium produced not just \$18,000 but much appreciated service to the town's citizens, business houses and organisations. Boarders collected for the blind, the Salvation Army, Save the Children Fund and the IHC and Mr Smith's Business Studies class did a great job cleaning up the New Plymouth-Oakura highway. Our Pacific Island Students have been excellent aisles-men at St Andrew's Church; have sung beautifully for a variety of groups within the town and with the students from Girls' High provided superb hospitality for more than 200 guests in the Main Hall in July. Our seniors, as usual, have provided a lot of service. Worthy of special mention are the well-supervised dances crowned by the outstanding Ball designed and organised by Head Boy, Jason Renau and his committee.

Good schools have always enjoyed close community links and we benefit greatly from the support, interest and confidence of parents. Our Board of Trustees is dedicated, sensible, good-humoured and determinedly unruffled by the rush of events. Mr Neil Wolfe's enthusiastic chairmanship helps ensure that and I am enormously grateful for his ready availability and support. Our Hostel Committee,

under the chairmanship of Mr Don Slater continues to ensure the powerful promotion of boarding aided by the good management of Mr Grimwood and Mrs Bradfield and their staffs. Mr Geoff Ward leads a remarkably active PTA whose good works abound and whose link with the Board on matters of property through the services of Mr John McIntyre and Mr Murray Pease is of critical value. Old Boy and citizen interest is at a new height and it is predictable that the Old Boys' Association is well advanced in its planning for the 110th Jubilee.

My thanks, of course, must go to my teaching colleagues who set such high store on the interests of the boys. That spirit of service extends to the office staff, the caretaking and grounds staff, the hostel and cleaning staff. Paramount are the selfless acts of the boys themselves. We are grateful especially to the Heads of Houses, prefects and Jason Renau - Head Boy and Allen Mills - Head Boarder, in particular. All of these things are faithfully recorded in The Taranakian so well edited by Mr Clareburt.

Before concluding I wish to return to the theme of administration reform. The rush of change, the frequent lack of planning, the uncertainty and for a while the inadequacy of funding, the staggering lack of transitional arrangements, elements of the Charter - all have produced frustration and resentment - but notwithstanding these valid criticisms - once the period of adjustment is over - the advantages will become more obvious. Having direct control of our finances and with our secretarial services on the spot is a huge gain. The clearer definition and wider communication of the school's purposes are real credits. The value of having student representation on the Board is overwhelmingly indicated. It remains to be seen whether Boards will next be given control over teachers' salaries. There is apparently a lot of opposition from teachers and Boards and many principals - but I am by no means certain it would spell the doom of schools. I note that good independent schools cope remarkably well with none of the muck-talked-about loss of co-operation in evidence. I would like to see the move trialled in a number of willing schools. The reform is perhaps not yet complete but perhaps we shall have to await the new direction set by a new government!

T. T. RYDER, Headmaster.



STAFF NOTES

1990 was the year when 'Tomorrow's Schools' became today's schools. New Plymouth Boys' High School, not surprisingly, outwardly bears a close resemblance to the school in any other year. Except for appraisals and goal setting as part of the professional development cycle the changes had little effect on day-to-day teaching.

The major change was to the administration of the school. No longer are we run by the Board Office in Liardet Street, as the administration was moved to the school placing pressure on office space as the three people employed to do the tasks had to be accommodated. This started the game of office roulette. The positions of Board Secretary held by Bob Bowler, and of Executive Officer held by Ray Davidson, were abolished and a Bursar, Ron Goodare appointed. It has been a busy year for him as the new system has developed. Board Chairman, Neil Wolfe, played a major part in ensuring the changes were smoothly instituted. The burden of change fell heavily on the Headmaster's shoulders. He faced the challenge with his usual thoroughness and determination. The school continues to flourish.

Music has flourished in the school over the last few years too and it was pleasing to welcome Don Boyd back to the staff to lead the Music Department.

The success of the school is determined by the energy of its staff. Don certainly has energy, and this year two young new teachers, Geoff Hall and Ken Mitchell, have contributed to the school's greater character too. Ken, a teacher of English and Social Studies, has encouraged the triathletes, coached cricket and rugby, and even managed a rock band. Geoff whose initial position was as a relieving teacher of Geography and English has had his position confirmed. A Taranaki cricket and rugby representative, Geoff has assisted with rugby coaching. Both have promising careers ahead of them.

As the year concludes the staffroom will lose two teachers both of whom leave on promotion. Judith Barnes has been appointed Head of Commerce at New Plymouth Girls' High School. Flora Gilkison leaves to Head the Social Science and Economics Department at Sacred Heart College. Both have contributed substantially to the life of the school. Flora has managed a hockey team, was Chairperson of the PPTA, taught Economics, History, Social Studies and Business

STOP PRESS:

MR BUBLITZ TO LEAVE ON PROMOTION

There are some teachers so much part of the school that any thought of their leaving is preposterous. Such a teacher is Mr Lynn Bublitz. NPBHS without "Bubilo" would be like NPBHS without the Gully Ground. But go he must to become a Principal in January 1991.

He has been for nearly twenty-five years as a master, body and soul, part of the place. An Old Boy from the 1950s, he returned to teach in 1966 as a science and biology teacher in the day school and a boarding master in Pridham House, now demolished. Married to Robyn, also on the staff since 1984, their family began while he was a housemaster of Pridham. In 1977 a series of promotions saw him established as Deputy Headmaster, one of the youngest in the country. He has served with four of the school's seven headmasters - Mr Webster, Mr Alexander, Mr Cramond and for the last thirteen years I have had the pleasure of working with a jovial, talented, loyal and top professional whose insight, skill, human compassion and great good sense have endeared him to thousands of boys and made him companion and mentor to well over two hundred teachers.

He is a time tabler, organiser, communicator, enthusiast, raconteur, trouble-shooter, father and brother-figure, counsellor and promoter to a host of students, parents, Old Boys and colleagues who have relished the man, forgiven the school, shared the laughter, accepted the sensible solution and marked him down as a man and teacher to turn to when in need.

Every good school is made so by good teachers and Lynn Bublitz is one of the best. He has served NPBHS through tough times and glorious times but his humanity and humour have remained constant. Inglewood High School has gained a headmaster of great potential and the time has come for us to salute one of the men who certainly has made the school on the hill one of New Zealand's best.

T. T. RYDER, Headmaster.

Studies and gave valuable assistance to 'The Taranakian'. Judith taught Economics and Accounting, and had oversight of the business management of the Stationery Shop, the profits from which have been used on many projects around the school. Both teachers have also been involved in the third form camp organisation. All this and raising families too!! We wish them both all the best.

Bernadette Egan, who for two years has taught part-time the Maori Language classes, leaves to a full-time position at Hawera High School. Her efforts, and rapport with the boys has ensured the teaching of Maori is well and truly cemented into the school curriculum. The completion of the language room Kokiri Te Reo signifies this. We wish Bernadette well at her new school.

Staff families have again increased. Murray and Karen Watts have a son, Ryan, born in February and Jed and Julie Rowlands welcomed their first child - a son, Logan, whose impending arrival meant that Jed could not accompany the First XV, the team he coaches, on their visit to Auckland where by beating Grammar they recorded a clean-sweep of all college matches, a record that Jed and assistant coach Anthony Josephs will work hard to maintain.

Much work this year has been given also by staff in the implementation of curriculum changes in Geography, Social Studies, Science, Horticulture and Languages. New courses added to the school's curriculum include: Transition - a variety of courses which is aimed at assisting the transition from school to 'work'; Seventh form Horticulture; Sixth form Sports Education, Business Studies and Photo-journalism. All are reflecting a nation-wide broadening of the curriculum. The school however still emphasises the importance of the 'basics'.

The oversight of the Mathematics Department, an important subject in this area, is now the responsibility of the newly appointed Head of Department, Peter Mathias, who came to us from Inglewood High in term two. In addition to his departmental responsibilities Peter has assisted with basketball, but his most valuable contribution is through his experience with the newly introduced computer system in the school's management. He has given freely of his time and talent in this area.



NEW PLYMOUTH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES 1990

MASSEY UNIVERSITY

Peter James Buxton - B.B.S. - 1984
Grant Harry Cooper - B.Sc. - 1979
Jon Andrew Dannatt - B.A. - 1986
Steven John De Grey - B.V.Sc. - 1983
Neil Leonard Downing - B.Tech. - 1984
Brent Wilson Dunnet - B.Tech. (Hons), Second Class (Div.2) - 1985
Christopher David Gaze - Dip.Agr. - 1986
Paul Nigel Hayton - B.A. - 1984
Douglas Laurence Herbert - B.Sc. - 1985
Dean Ronald Larsen - B.Agr.Sc. (Hons) First Class - 1985
Richard John Lloyd - M.Sc. (Hons) Second Class (Div.1),
Biochemistry - 1979
Craig John Miller - B.Sc. - 1983
John Priestly - B.Sc. - 1966
Nigel John Rex - B.Tech. (Hons) Industrial Technology - 1985
Steven George Rodgers - B.B.S., Dip.Bis.Studies - 1985
Peter Craig Sampson - B.Hort.Sce. - 1984
David Bruce Sharman - B.B.S. - 1983
Geoffrey Paul Smillie - Dip.Dairy Tech. 1978
Ian Stevens - B.Ed. - 1974
Peter James Winter - B.B.S. - 1973
Richard Cyril Waite - B.Agr. - 1980

UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO

Kevin Allum - B.Soc.Sc. - 1986
Jeffrey Norman K. Bellringer - B.M.S.
Mark Nathan Billingham - B.C.M.S. with First Class Hons - 1985
John Junior Hellesoe - M.A. with First Class Hons in Politics (one paper in History) - 1982
Lain Clifford Jager - B.Soc.Sc. - 1986
Raymond Joe - B.Sc. - 1984
Kalfau Kaloris - B.Soc.Sc. - 1985

LINCOLN COLLEGE

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Allan Bryan Mills - Dip.F.M. - 1984
Paul Henry Nelson - Dip.Hort.M. - 1977
Paul Edwin Williams - P.G.Dip.Agr.Eng. - 1975

UNIVERSITY OF CANTERBURY

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Brent A. Cathie - B.E. (Elec) First Class Hons - 1986
Richard Graves - B.Sc. - 1986
Nicholas P. Greig - B.Sc. - 1979
Jonathan D. L. Lyall - B.E. (Elec) - 1984
Nigel S. Marsh - B.E. (Mech) - 1985

UNIVERSITY OF AUCKLAND

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Gregory Paul Reynolds - B.A. - 1986
Jamie van den Heuvel - B.Sc. - 1986

UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO

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Peter William Groves - B.Com.
Brent Paul Wallwork - B.D.S. - 1981
Lane Cameron Lawson - B.Com. - 1982
William Lawson - LL.B. - 1984
Paul James MacKenzie - B.Com. (Hons) - 1985
Christopher David McMahon - B.Sc. (Hons) - 1978

VICTORIA UNIVERSITY OF WELLINGTON

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Kerry Ronald Dohig - B.C.A. - U.E. - 1983
John Michael Doorbar - B.A. - U.E. - 1980
Jason Scott Findlay, B.C.A. - U.E. - 1983
Rodney Maurice Hawkes - B.A. - U.E. - 1974
Daniel Keenan - B.A. (Hons) - U.E. - 1968
Adrian John Kelly - B.A. - U.E. - 1984
Spencer Charles Lilley - Dip.Lib. - U.E. - 1980
Roderick James Snodgrass - B.C.A. - U.E. - 1983
Michael James Watson - B.A. - U.E. - 1976

(Unless otherwise stated year shown is last year at school).



HEAD BOY'S REPORT

Tihei mauri ora,
Tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou,
E nga taurira, e nga kaiako, e nga matua katoa o Niu Paremata kura.
tuarua mo nga taitamariki ma,
Tena koutou katoa.
Haere e nga mate, haere, haere, haere ki te po.
Ka nui te hari me te koa mo nga wahi i teneiu tau.
I tenei tau e huia tuia tui tuia me kura tuia tui tuia.
Tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa.

1990: It's our school and we made it our year. I said this as a line of request to the school of 1990, as the newly announced Head Boy for 1990, a position that I have given everything to. From that first assembly to the group leaders' camp, through the sports competitions in and out of the school, through the cultural achievements, through to the last day of the year. It has been an honour and a privilege to be the Head Boy of NPBHS.

The inter-house competition: This is where each house has the chance to exploit their strengths and use their force against each other, in an all out battle for the Cramond Cup. As the year progressed it became more and more obvious that yet again, Hatherly with their superior organisation and preparation, however biased, was to be top house, again, really unrivalled since the new house system came into effect in 1988. Well done Hatherly House.

I once said at the annual Awards Dinner, that we were a school of partnership, made up of the two main areas in which we excel, sports and culture.

In respect to sport, 1990 has seen an excellent year for team and individual codes. Going through each of the major codes, we see the First XI Hockey team coming first equal in the Indian Shield competition, as well as having some exciting college matches. The First XI Soccer team also had another good season, both in college matches and in their respective Taranaki league. Basketball had an exciting year, maybe a little disappointing for the team at the National Competitions, but nevertheless a great credit to the coach and the team; well done for your fine school spirit and all round performance. But rugby has to take the prize for excellence in achievement, because not only did the First XV come first equal in the Under 21 division in Taranaki, but they also achieved six wins from six college matches, and that alone is a goal unreached since 1974. Then on a slightly chilly September afternoon, we flanked the terraces, day boys on one side, boarders on the other, to witness a game of passion, of pride and of conflict, won again by the day boys, but only just, score 10-9. That determination to win by the boarders almost had it for them. Individuals who excelled, included Brent Quigan, Malcolm Opie, Michael Collins and Jason Holland. They all played double roles, by not only representing their school but also representing their country. Well done to them and in particular to Jason Holland whom I shall mention again later.

As I said, this partnership is made of two sections, the second being the cultural side. Without any major drama in 1990, music and debating took the leading role in the cultural aspect of school activities. The school's music sextet, won the Taranaki section of the Twenty-fifth National Secondary Schools Musical Competition, an outstanding team of musicians achieving an excellent accolade. Also strong at NPBHS is debating, where under the leadership of myself, the senior team reached the finals of the Plate Competition of the region. Although we had no major drama or musical, we still had a variety concert.

1990 saw the second year for the Board of Trustees and as part of that, the Student Representative, Peter Whyte, has carried on the role that Brent Goldsack initiated last year. The Board was harmonious in the building of Kokiri Te Reo. In an early morning opening, the Board accompanied by language department staff, some senior students and Maori elders, held an opening for the new room. This is a large step for the Maori of NPBHS and the end of a lot of hard work for a lot of others. It was a moment of pride for myself and many other people.

The PTA has had a busy year, with the major fundraising effort being for the new gymnasium floor. Very active, the PTA has continued in its effort and work around the school, every thing that the PTA does is much appreciated by the school.

The school council, another valuable asset to the school, continued to provide teams and individuals with subsidies for their various activities. The council also actively, partook in the annual red nose appeal, regular mufti days and the selling of raffles. It also initiated discussions and plans to help combat the number of bikes being stolen.

The seniors of 1990, being conservation conscious, chose the general theme of Greenpeace, and more specifically, Utopia, the ideal world, for the idea behind the 1990 Senior Ball. Many months of planning, organisation, canvassing the city for props and materials, and finally a very busy Saturday saw the ball night as a night for all to remember.

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Although 1990 saw the initiation of links with high schools of the area other than just Girls' High, head girl, Leah McFall and her ladies joined us for many luncheons, dances, and meetings, with return visits, ending with an exciting game of netball, which we won. Thank you to the Girls' High seniors for an interesting social year.

The hostel obviously represents the school's heart, because not only does it lie in the heart of the school, physically, but it also keeps the school spirit alive. Although Hatherly House has an advantage in organisation and preparation, this fact should not deter a day house from striving for the Cramond Cup. All power to Allen Mills and his prefects. They work twenty-four hours a day, under many different conditions. I see the hostel as more than just another part of school; it has become part of the tradition and that is something no-one can change, ever.

Now onto two personal matters, the school returned in the second term, to read in the Whistle, that Jeffrey Schrader had been seriously injured in a car accident. Little did the general school know, this had happened two weeks previously. Taking this into consideration, it should also be known that close friends of Jeff had formed a support group, and were visiting Jeff whenever possible. To Barry, his twin brother, and their family, this was a time of uncertainty and hope.

And to the present I return. Congratulations goes to Jason Holland for his contribution to sport at NPBHS, not only this year but also over the past five years, deservedly winning the Sportsman of the Year award for 1990. It seems a bit strange, congratulating myself on winning the Best Performing Artist award, so instead I will thank the school for the award.

Well there comes a time when all you can say is thank you, to the people around you. Can I begin with my family first. Thanks for the support and patience, it has not been easy at times, but we made it through. To Mr Ryder and all the staff, thank you for all your help, guidance, and friendship throughout the year. I have valued everything you have told me. Finally to the seventh form, and in particular the Heads of Houses, thank you for the support, encouragement and most of all friendship which you have all given to me. I appreciate it all.

One last note, to the Head Boy of 1991: I wish you luck and goodwill for your year in the position. It is not just a job so do not treat it like one. Give it the respect it deserves. For all the other students and staff leaving at the end of this year, I wish you well in your chosen futures, and to those returning, please maintain the same high standards and continuous successes, that have created the tradition, making NPBHS the institution it is today. Not just a school, but a place to be proud of.

JASON RENAU, Head Boy 1990.



GROUP LEADERS

Back Row: T. Wells, J. Burton, S. Hine, J. Lofton-Brook, R. Alexander, R. Campbell, C. Reynolds.

Third Row: R. Mills, A. Taylor, B. Honeyfield, M. Dingle, S. Brimelow, L. Rattray, D. Lash, T. Hafland.

Second Row: S. Kara, B. Schrader, J. Ruakere, M. Adlam, D. McLellan, S. Fitzpatrick, J. Holland, S. Bance, B. McGrath, V. Spurdle, N. Buyck.

Front Row: H. Kynaston, C. Pollock, A. Mills, J. Renau, S. Chadwick, R. Wheeler, P. Whyte, D. Aim.



Chris Pollock (Head of Barak), Allen Mills (Head Boarder), Ryan Wheeler (Symp), T. T. R. Ryder, Jason Renau (Head Boy), Peter Whyte (Student Rep.), Scot Chadwick (Donnelly).

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MUSIC NOTES



This year has seen a change of captains at the helm with the leaving of Miss Mabin and the return of Mr Don Boyd who has returned from Hamilton. The Music Department has flourished under Miss Mabin and many boys will have fond memories of all the happenings which she managed to find boundless energy to put on stage. So in some respects 1990 has been a relatively quiet year with term one focusing on the annual music festival at the Girls' High School.

Term two must be seen as the term of competitive events, as the boys entered a jazz combo in this year's Westpac School Music Competition, and also a choir in the Secondary School's Choral Competition. The jazz combo was formed from a very able group of fifth form boys and along with recent trends in curriculum used some class time each week in order to rehearse. Stuart Haynes (piano and tenor sax); Hayden Chisholm (alto and soprano sax); Michael Clentworth (trumpet and cornet); Mark Bremner (cornet and flugel horn), Simon Rae (electric bass); and Jerome Parli (drums) excelled themselves by winning with a very balanced and professional rendition of "Basin St Blues", "A Day In the Life of a Fool", and "A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square."

Term two also saw the staging of a variety concert which involved nearly every performing group in the department including a string ensemble led by our new string teacher Janet Ruakere. This group is small, but with time and energy will grow and mature. The school could do with more string players. The choir under the energetic leadership of Mrs Meryn Ashworth also made its mark this year in performing both in the choral competition and also tackling some rather adventurous part singing at the Senior Prizegiving with "Ain't She Sweet".

Special thanks must go to our part-time teachers who put in so much of the ground work and also support our boys when they perform on stage. Mr Paddy Dwyer, Mr Warren Orr and Mr Stewart Maunder have on numerous occasions helped swell the ranks and provide musical leadership and stability.



Back Row: Matthew Mitchell, Stuart Haynes, Tim Harland, Simon Rae.
Front Row: Paul Lester, Michael Clentworth, Don Boyd (Director), Gavin Hanson, Aneel Hay.
Absent: Mark Bremner, David Bremner, Hayden Chisholm.

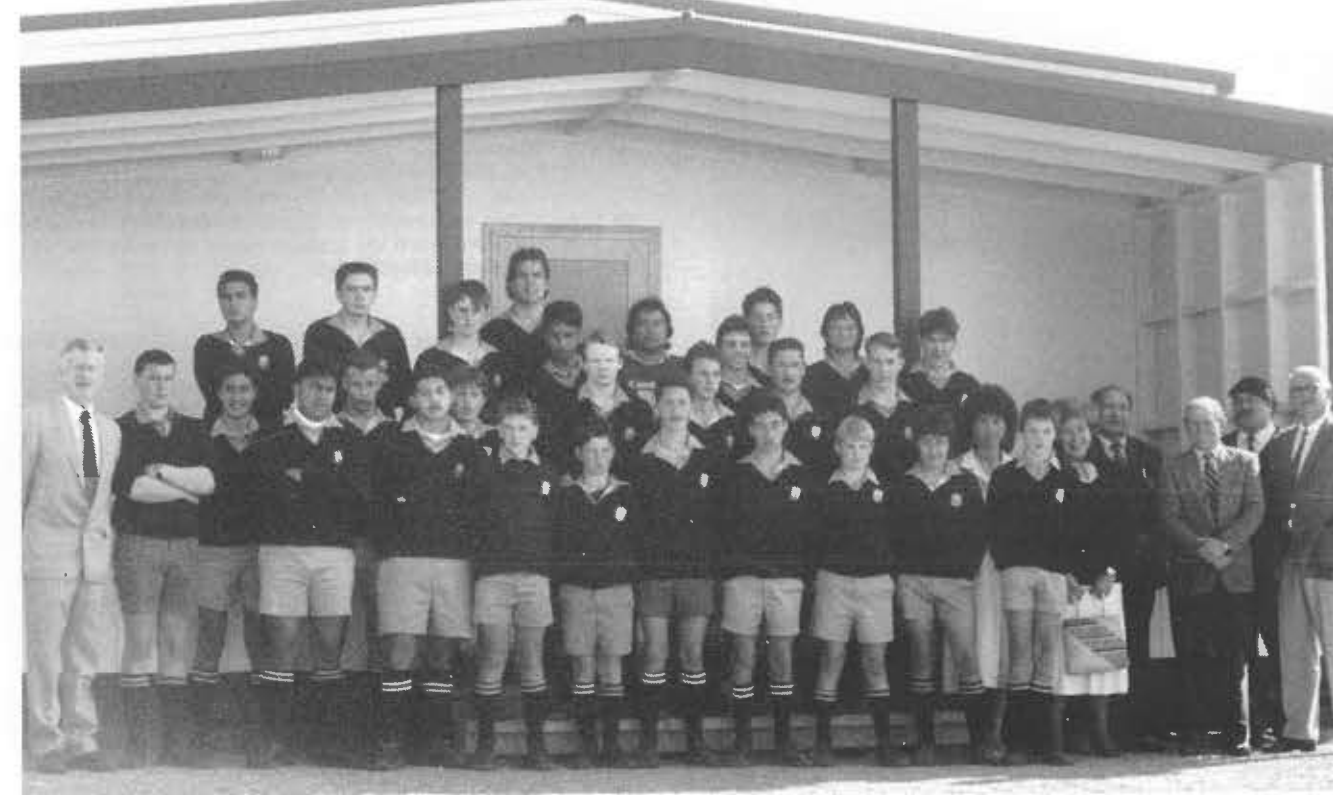


Back Row: Simon Rae, Nicholas Kilmister, Richard Thomas, Matthew Mitchell, Stuart Haynes.
Middle Row: Don Boyd (Accompanist), Thiran Jayasundera, Andrew King, Jacob Waterman, Michael Clentworth, Tim Mitchell, Kari Gorringer, Meryn Ashworth (Director).
Front Row: Michael Frampton, Jason Burbidge, Richard Dryden, Kerrin Luond, Matthew Dravitzski.
Absent: David Bremner, Mark Bremner, Hayden Chisholm.



CONCERT BAND

Back Row: Chris O'Halloran, Andrew Taylor, Matthew Mitchell, Stuart Haynes, Andrew Rae, Tim Mitchell.
Middle Row: Jaron Burbidge, Paul Wolfram, Ashley Taylor, Michael Clentworth, Michael Frampton, Aneel Hay, Don Boyd (Director).
Front Row: Matthew Dobson, Andrew King, Simon Rae, Thiran Jayasundera, Nicholas Kilmister.
Absent: David Bremner, Mark Bremner, Hayden Chisholm.



Opening of Kokiri Te Reo "Thrust of the Language".



Ki a Lynn Bublitz,
 He tino hoa koe ki te iwi Maori me te Pakeha ki nga tauira me nga kaiako hoki a tenei kura,
 Tuarua o Niu Paremata mo nga taitama.
 To nohonga ki konei mo nga tau e rua tekau ma iwa mai i te 1955 ki 1959, he akonga me 1966 ki 1990, he kaiako.

He mihi aroha nui ki a koe mo to taonga.
 Ka mahue mai ki a matou katoa i roto i te kura.
 He pounamu, he tangata: he taonga nui ko koe tenei.

Kia mahue koe to matou kura a ki te haere ki nga mahi hou, he whakapika.
 "Whata ngarongaro he tangata, toitu he whenua".

Kaore he tangata, i whiua he tino maha nga taonga, ki nga tangata tokomaha, ko koe ano.
 Kaore tenei kura, e wareware i a koe.

Ma te atua koutou ko to whanau e manaki,
 E tiaki hoki i nga wa katoa tena ano hoki koe.
 Ka kite ano Lynn,
 Naku te korero na nga tuawhiti hoki, kiaora ano koe,
 Na to tatou kura, kiaora ano keo e pa.

NA JASON RENUA.

To Lynn Bublitz,
 You are the friend of the Maori and the Pakeha, the students and the staff of this school.
 New Plymouth Boys' High School.
 You have been for twenty-nine years, from 1955 to 1959, as a student, and 1966 to 1990, as a teacher.

We give our sincere thanks to you, for the gift you have left to us all, the school.
 Knowledge and Man: a great Treasure.

You are departing our school and entering a similar vocation, in fact a promotion.
 "People leave, but memories remain."

Never has one man, given so much, to so many people, as you have.
 You will not be forgotten by this school.
 Lots of love to your family,
 May the good Lord support and care for you at all times.
 See you again Lynn.
 Good luck and best wishes from me and the seventh form.
 Good luck and best wishes from our school.

JASON RENUA.





Third formers' first day.



School spirit urged them on.



Victorious sextet.

EXTRACTS FROM THE SCHOOL DIARY

JANUARY

- 28 Mon 'A new decade' 'Sesquicentenary' 'Commonwealth Games' 'Our Year'. A year of hope? celebration? commemoration? Seniors return in the morning. Huia tuia, tui tuia.
- 29 Tues That memorable first day for third formers, and fourth formers return too. Classes begun by period two.
- 30 Wed Full school functioning ...

FEBRUARY

- 5 Mon Commander John Clarke (Old Boy) of Endeavour addresses school.
- 7 Wed Waitangi Day 150 years since initial signing.
- 12 Mon First XI vs Auckland Grammar.
- 15 Thurs Group Leaders camp at TOPEC begins.
- 21 Wed Swimming Sports.
- 22 Thurs Raffle distribution. Third form parents evening.
- 28 Wed Student Trustee Candidates Forum (Peter Whyte elected).

MARCH

- 2 Fri Hostel boys sell the remainder of the raffle tickets.
- 7 Wed Certain Sounds entertain. Tennis at Wanganui. "The rat is dead" - back locker of lab.
- 8 Thurs Athletics Day. Brief rain, then cleared.
- 14 Wed Girls' High present "A Typical Day at BHS".
- 27 Tues 60 Blood Donors. Gideons present Bibles.

APRIL

- 6 Fri Assembly theme: The Changing Face of Europe.
- 9 Mon Easter Readings begin.
- 20 Fri Mufti Day for Greenpeace.
- 23 Mon Taranaki Schools Music Festival.
- 24 Tues Mass 'Hepatitis B' inoculations. Anzac address by Major Harry Russell.

MAY

- 2 Wed Cross-Country races through afternoon.
- 4 Fri The term ends on the right note with items from the Stage Band.
- 14 Mon New term. Whistle # 1 issued.
- 23 Wed Seventh Form Multi School Dance.
- 29 Tues Second mass Hepatitis B inoculations.
- 31 Thurs Haka practice. Emergency Drill.

JUNE

- 6 Wed Senior Exams begin.
- 7 Thurs News that BHS Sextet first in Taranaki Music Competition.
- 20 Wed Sports Exchange vs Hamilton BHS.
- 21 Thurs Mufti Day in part for Raphael child, India. Form four and five dance.
- 22 Fri Open Weekend Hostel and Concert.
- 25 Mon TOPEC Camp form four begins.
- 29 Fri 110 performers from GHS at assembly.



GHS entertain at assembly.

JULY

- 5 Thurs Two day mid-term break begins.
- 17 Tues Kanto Exchange Students arrive - here till 11th August.
- 18 Wed Sports Exchange vs Wanganui Collegiate.
- 25 Wed Fine day for First XV vs PNBHS on Gully Ground.
- 26 Thurs Speech and Drama Festival begins.
- 27 Fri Work Day - for new Gym floor.
- 30 Mon Teacher In-service Day - all Taranaki schools.
- 31 Tues Very fine day saw First XV defeat Te Aute 24-6 on Gully Ground.

AUGUST

- 1 Wed Sports Exchange with Wanganui Boys' College.
- 2 Thurs Do you remember Iraq invades Kuwait? Thousands of trapped 'hostages'.
- 4 Sat Pacific Island Night.
- 7 Tues Manx Band entertains junior school.
- 10 Fri Farewell to Kanto Students.
- 11 Sat The Ball.
- 14 Tues Sam Hunt comes to school.
- 15 Wed Sports Exchange with Collegiate.
- 16 Thurs Whistle # 2.
- 17 Fri A busy term ends ...
- 18 Sat At Auckland Grammar, third formers lost 7-8, First XV won 4-0.

SEPTEMBER

- 8 Sat Kokiri Te Reo opened (New language classroom).
- 10 Mon The term begins in a blaze of sunshine and kowhais. TOPEC Camp form four begins. House competitions this week.
- 18 Tues Careers Evening.
- 19 Wed Speech Night Finals in Library.
- 20 Thurs Rugby: Day Boys 10, Boarders 9.
- 26 Wed Exams fifth form/seventh form begin.

OCTOBER

- 3 Wed PPTA Raffle distributed for Gym floor.
- 10 Wed Awards Dinner.
- 17 Wed Sixth exams begin. Forum of politicians for seventh formers.

Crystal ball predictions ...

- 25 Thurs Tennis at Palmerston North.

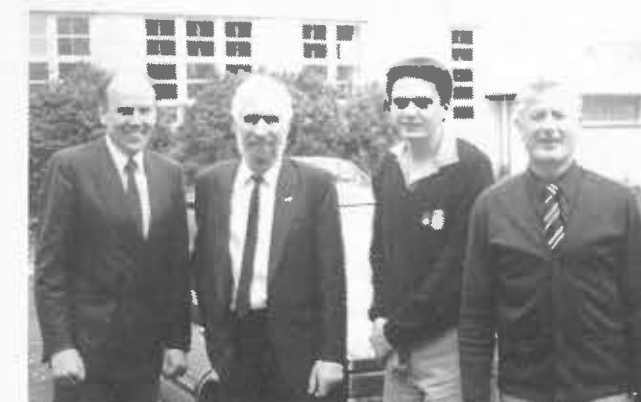
NOVEMBER

- 5 Mon TOPEC (form six) begins.
- 8 Thurs Senior Prizegiving. J. Laurenson QC guest speaker.
- 12 Mon Form three and four exams begin.
- 19 Mon School Certificate begins.
- 26 Mon Form three Outdoor Education Programme begins. Form four Alternate Programme begins.

DECEMBER

- 6 Thurs Junior Prizegiving.
- 7 Fri The End.

Charles was executed for the first time in 1649.



Former Minister of Finance Mr Caygill shares a joke with former local MP and staff member, Harry Duynhoven, the Head Boy Jason Renau and Headmaster.



Mr Hill: Full of grace and joie de vivre.



Mr Farmer and Mr Evans attach the long-awaited Centennial Gymnasium sign while being closely checked by the carver, Mr Robin Mason.

SWIMMING SPORTS



NPBHS SWIMMING 1990

Back Row: P. Veric, E. Ansari, B. Sims.
Front Row: J. Newell, K. Miles, M. Clentworth, B. Honeyfield, A. King.

SWIMMING SPORTS 1990

The Annual Swimming Sports were held on Wednesday, February 21st for the fourth time in our new pool. It was a very enjoyable day for all with excellent school participation and great home spirit shown by all four houses. Rhythmic drumming, very vocal support, especially created house signs, and signature tunes for each house over the public address system gave additional interest in the highly competitive swimming. The sports were very well organised and the day was sunny and warm.



Amphibians can walk on both water and land.

SWIMMING SPORTS RESULTS 1990

CHAMPIONS

Senior: Nico Buyck 1st, Paul Veric 2nd, Jeremy Fraser 3rd.
Intermediate: Andrew King 1st, Michael Clentworth 2nd, Mathew Peacock 3rd.
Junior: Jared Newell 1st, Elliott McConnell 2nd, Shannon Olsen 3rd.

NEW RECORDS

Elliott McConnell set a new mark of 31.4 seconds in the 50m Freestyle and equalled the 100m Freestyle record of 1.11.10.
Barak House set a new record of 2.52.00 in the "A" House relay bettering the old mark by two seconds.

HOUSE POINTS

Barak - 1322 points, 1st; Hatherley - 1247 points, 2nd; Donnelly - 1161 points, 3rd; Syme - 1009 points, 4th.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS — JUNIOR

50m Backstroke: E. McConnell 1st, A. Handley 2nd, J. Newell 3rd 39.32; 50m Breaststroke: J. Newell 1st, E. Ansari 2nd, S. Olsen 3rd; 50m Freestyle: E. McConnell 1st, J. Newell 2nd, M. Powell 3rd; 100m Freestyle: E. McConnell 1st, J. Newell 2nd, S. Olsen 3rd.

INTERMEDIATE

50m Backstroke: A. King 1st, S. Howard 2nd, M. Clentworth 3rd; 50m Breaststroke: M. Peacock 1st, G. Martin 2nd, A. Morgan 3rd; 50m Freestyle: A. King 1st, C. Read 2nd, M. Clentworth 3rd; 100m Freestyle: A. King 1st, M. Clentworth 2nd, S. Howard 3rd.

SENIOR

50m Backstroke: N. Buyck 1st, J. Fraser 2nd, T. Velvin 3rd; 50m Breaststroke: P. Veric 1st, N. Buyck 2nd, J. Lash 3rd; 50m Freestyle: N. Buyck 1st, J. Fraser 2nd, B. Honeyfield 3rd; 100m Freestyle: N. Buyck 1st, B. Honeyfield 2nd, P. Veric and J. Fraser 3rd equal.

OPEN

4 x 1 Medley: N. Buyck 1st, P. Veric 2nd, M. Clentworth 3rd; 50m Butterfly: N. Buyck 1st, M. Clentworth 2nd, P. Veric 3rd.

RELAY

Group Relay: B8 1st, H1 2nd, H3 3rd; Medley: Donnelly 1st, Barak 2nd, Syme 3rd, Hatherley 4th; 'A' House: Barak 1st, Donnelly 2nd, Hatherley 3rd, Syme 4th.



ATHLETICS



ATHLETICS 1990

SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIPS — HELD THURSDAY, 8TH MARCH

Judging from the number of phone calls the School Office had to field early Thursday morning there certainly was some doubt as to whether the Sports would go ahead. Presumably a light drizzle had something to do with it! However the repercussions of postponing it meant that, unless there was a heavy downpour, the Sports would go ahead. Fortunately that never eventuated and, in fact, it turned out to be an excellent day. [The rain that began the next day proved to be the start of the Anniversary weekend floods!]

Hatherly once again proved to be the dominating force, mainly due to the Seniors setting the example to the Intermediates and Juniors. In the championship events Hatherly Seniors amassed 238 points to Barak's 128, Donnelly's 60 and Syme's 46. In the non-championship events they amassed 341 points to Syme's 239, Donnelly's 231 and Barak's 207. The margin was accentuated by the fact that Hatherly had only half the numbers of the rest of the Houses. The overall results of the Inter-House competition appear below.

On an individual basis, new seventh former Kyle Brennan, formerly of Reparoa, proved too strong for the resident athletes and took out the Senior Championship. Matthew Old with five wins out of six events entered dominated the Intermediates whilst Duane Bristowe took out the Junior Championship.

The relays proved to be a benefit for Hatherly, although Barak, who in the Intermediates were impeded at the second changeover whilst they were leading, might perhaps have fancied their chances, particularly with Old yet to run. Old had earlier lowered the 200m record for the Intermediates from 23.35s to 23.20s. It was the only record to be broken.

While the championship athletes were doing their thing, the non-championship athletes were also putting on an impressive display. The call would go out and students would pour off the terraces to run, leap, and put the shot. Combined, that sounds as if it would make for an interesting event!

All in all it was a successful day and all concerned deserve congratulating. Well done.



ATHLETICS TEAM

Back Row: Justin Lofton-Brook, Lloyd Percival, Reuben Thorne, Jeffrey Niwa.
Third Row: Matthew Gibbs, Mark Miller, Michael Adlam, Bradley Cribb, Duncan Robertson.
Second Row: Mr R. Cooper (Manager), Vishal Chand, Simon Gibbs, Brent Beaven, Tony Carey, Paul Drake, Tony Feek.
Front Row: Brooke Wolfe, Dwayne Bristowe, Kyle Brennan, Matthew Old, Wade McFarlane.



ATHLETIC CHAMPIONS

Left to Right: Matthew Old (Intermediate), Dwayne Bristowe (Junior), Kyle Brennan (Senior).

TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS RESULTS — ATHLETICS

RESULTS OF INDIVIDUAL ATHLETES ACHIEVING 1ST TO 3RD PLACINGS:

SENIORS			
Peter Kaloris	1st	SB Long Jump	5.85m
	1st	SB Triple Jump	12.55m
Jeffrey Niwa	1st	SB High Jump	
	2nd	SB Shotput	
Kautu Temakei	1st	SB Discus	
	3rd	SB Shotput	
Charles Ioane	1st	SB Javelin	
	3rd	SB Discus	
Mark Miller	1st	SB 400m	55.5m
Justin Lofton-Brook	2nd	SB 800m	
	2nd	SB 1500m	
Kyle Brennan	3rd	SB 1500m	4.35.4
Brent Beaven	2nd	SB 3000m	9.49
	2nd	SB 400m	57.2
Michael Adlam	2nd	SB Triple Jump	11.50m
	3rd	SB 100m	
John Timakata	3rd	SB 200m	
Steve Bari	2nd	SB Javelin	
Jason Salisbury	4th	SB Long Jump	
INTERMEDIATES			
Matthew Old	1st	100m	
	1st	200m	24.1
	1st	Long Jump	
Reuben Thorne	1st	Triple Jump	11.65m
	1st	Javelin	
Bradley Cribb	1st	Discus	33.70
Brooke Wolfe	2nd	200m	
	2nd	Long Jump	
Dene Hickey	2nd	800m	2.15.02
	2nd	Hurdles	
Duncan Robertson	2nd	400m	
Matthew Gibbs	3rd	100m	
JUNIORS			
Tony Feek	1st	1500m Walk	
	2nd	High Jump	
Simon Gibbs	1st	Long Jump	4.97m
William Talau	2nd	Javelin	
Duane Bristowe	2nd	Triple Jump	10.25m
	2nd	Discus	
Wade McFarlane	3rd	800m	
	3rd	1500m	
RELAYS			
Junior Boys	1st	Vishal Chand, Vance McAllister, Scott Taylor, Simon Gibbs.	
Senior Boys	1st	Michael Adlam, Peter Kaloris, Mark Miller, John Timakata	
Intermediate Boys	3rd	Matthew Gibbs, Duncan Robertson, Brooke Wolfe, Matthew Old.	

Congratulations should also go to the students who were prepared to compete for their school and who, although not finishing in the first three, gave of their best.

RICHARD COOPER.

The full results are as follows:

OVERALL HOUSE CHAMPION

Hatherly - 1796 points, 1st; Donnelly - 1479 points, 2nd; Barak - 1229 points, 3rd; Syme - 1104 points, 4th.

TSS CHAMPIONSHIPS, SATURDAY 17TH MARCH

The School sent a reasonably strong team to the championships and met with success in the following events:

JUNIORS

Tony Feek	1st	1500m Walk	8:32.2
	2nd	High Jump	1.45m
William Talau	2nd	Javelin	28.1m
Wade McFarlane	3rd	800m	2:22.7
	3rd	1500m	4:56.4
Duane Bristowe	2nd	Discus	34.26m
	2nd	Triple Jump	10.25m
Simon Gibbs	1st	Long Jump	4.97m
	3rd	Triple Jump	9.64m

INTERMEDIATES

Bradley Cribb	1st	Discus	33.70m
Reuben Thorne	1st	Triple Jump	11.65m
	1st	Javelin	40.88m
Dean Hickey	2nd	800m	2:15.2
	2nd	Hurdles	16.2
Matthew Old	1st	100m	11.8
	1st	200m	24.1
	1st	Long Jump	5.86m
Brook Wolfe	2nd	200m	24.7
	2nd	Long Jump	5.56m
Duncan Robertson	2nd	400m	55.3
Matthew Gibbs	3rd	100m	12.1

SENIORS

Peter Kaloris	1st	Long Jump	5.85m
	1st	Triple Jump	12.55m
Jeffrey Niwa	1st	High Jump	1.71m
	2nd	Shot Put	11.51m
Kautu Temakei	1st	Discus	35.74m
	3rd	Shot Put	11.48m
Justin Lofton-Brook	2nd	800m	2:04.5
	2nd	1500m	4:24.7
Kyle Brennan	3rd	1500m	4:35.4
John Timekata	3rd	200m	24.4
Mark Miller	1st	400m	55.5
Brent Beaven	2nd	400m	57.2
	2nd	3000m	9:49.0
Charles Ioane	1st	Javelin	47.42m
	3rd	Discus	30.54m
Steve Bani	2nd	Javelin	45.20m
Michael Adlam	3rd	100m	11.6
	2nd	Triple Jump	11.60m

Also to compete for the School were Juniors: Scott Taylor, Cressy Wells, Vishaal Chand, Vance McAllister, Lloyd Percival and Jay Chapman.

Whilst NPBHS did not dominate the individual sprints, its depth came through in the relays. Both the Juniors and Seniors won their relays, and the Intermediates were storming home in first place when a dropped baton in the last changeover ruined their chances. They had until then built up such a lead that they were still able to finish in third place, after scrambling around in the grass for the baton!

It was a good day's competition and our thanks must go to the Taranaki Athletic Association who provided all the officials, judges, recorders, announcer and starter for the events. They ran a very smooth operation.

RICHARD COOPER.



NPBHS ROUND-THE-LAKES RELAY TEAM — WANGANUI

Back Row: Mr R. Cooper (Selector), Willie Stanley (J), Mark Miller (S), Brent Beaven (S), Justin Lofton-Brook (S), Chris Hall (J), Dylan Cawley (F3)

Front Row: Paul Swanson (F3), Anthony Darke (F3), Paul Drake (J), Wade McFarlane (J), Andrew Proffit (F3)

Absent: Kelvin McDowell (S), Mr D. Drake (Team Manager)



Gil Coombe putting the shot.



Richard Taylor in action.



A new sport for NPGHS but a very popular one for Juniors and Seniors.

TRIATHLON

The 1990 Secondary Schools Taranaki Triathlon Champs were held at Ngamotu Beach on March 28. Most Taranaki secondary schools were represented, however, Boys' High was the dominant force, in both numbers and performance.

The course was short, (300m swim, 12 km cycle, 3 km run), but fast and of the 'sprint' variety. In the junior boys' section Greg Feek achieved a creditable second place, while Paul Swanson, though finishing much further down the field, produced a gutsy performance after swimming almost twice as far as any other competitors.

In the intermediate section NPBHS cleaned up the first four places: Michael Clentworth, Royce Sharrock, Damon Green and Nicholas Kilminster finishing with five minutes of each other.

In the senior boys' section Scott Chadwick fought off a strong challenge from Kyle Brennan to take the overall men's title with places four and eight going to Boys' High Seniors. The teams section also saw a clean sweep with Boys' High taking the first five placings with the Hota-Loften-Brook-Norden team proving too strong for the competition.

This is the first time NPBHS has been represented as a school at these champs, and managed to secure the Tarini Trophy from Stratford High's grasp of the last two years. These results prove that there is a considerable depth of talent at NPBHS in this popular modern sport.

K. MITCHELL.

SECONDARY SCHOOLS TRIATHLON CHAMPS

On July 7, for the first time six triathletes represented the school in the New Zealand Secondary Schools Championship in Palmerston North.

This year there were two events, the first being the Sorelli Winter Triathlon, and the event we entered in, the Avanti Duathlon (Biathlon).

Fortunately the conditions had improved from the previous day, but we still had to contend with a competitive field, as the first placegetter in the Duathlon was in the National team to represent New Zealand.

With Paul Swanson in the Junior section and the Senior's comprising Scott Chadwick, Blair Laurence, Adam Hills, Alan Doy and Kyle Brennan, receiving placings between 11 and 23, the school came second behind Palmerston North Boys' High.

We would like to thank Mr Mitchell for his support throughout the event.

ALAN DOY.

YACHTING REPORT

Inexperience thwarted the efforts of a very young yachting team this year. The team competing at the Waitara Secondary School Regatta was Matthew Mitchell (captain), Mark (fish) Jones (vice-captain), Tony Fields, Curtis Marsh, Timothy Mitchell, Michael Clentworth, Mark Bremner, Aaron Wood and Andrew Kemsley. Inconsistency meant that we gained a poor result.

At Port Taranaki a revitalised team won twice against the Waitara team but because of gear failure narrowly missed out on beating Spotswood and gaining a position in the National finals.

The team at Port Taranaki was: Skipper: Matthew Mitchell (captain); Crew: Tony Fields; Boat: Que Sera; Skipper: Mark Jones (vice-captain), Crew: Aaron Wood, Boat: Takapiu; Skipper: Curtis Marsh, Crew: Mark Bremner, Boat: Salubrious.

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SURFING



NPBHS SURFING TEAM 1990

Left to Right: Jeremy Fraser, Stephen Latham, Tao Wells, Jon Darling, Mr R. M. Turner.

SURFING REPORT

The Inter-Secondary Surfing Competition was held on a fine, sunny day with small but consistent waves. NPBHS only managed second this time. Opunake won it for the first time. Well done, Opunake. R. TURNER



The long and the short of it.



Fraser Marshall attempts the high jump.

Hamlet stabs through the arras. It was curtains for Polonius.



BADMINTON



Back Row: Stephen Barkley, Shaun Keightley, David Sutcliffe, Mr T. G. Heaps.
Front Row: Alastair Hunt, Paul Drake, Rhys Alexander (Captain), Duncan Scott, Sean Dingle.

BADMINTON

1990 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, Miss Scott and Mrs Publitz each Wednesday after school in the gymnasium. We are very grateful to those three staff members for the time given throughout the winter season. There was also the school team who practised every Monday night under the guidance of Mr Heaps.

The school team, chosen from well attended trials held in mid-March was: Shaun Keightley, Rhys Alexander, David Sutcliffe, Stephen Barkley, Alastair Hunt and Sean Dingle. Even though most of the team members had had some experience at inter-school level, the team was still young and this year was to be seen as one of consolidation. Also selected were two fourth formers, Paul Drake and Duncan Scott who were to represent school at the Taranaki Inter-Secondary Schools Championships in the Junior Competition.

Hamilton Boys' High School was the first inter-school match played at the Star Gym in New Plymouth in mid-June. Having lost heavily in 1989, the team was keen to even the score which they did handsomely, winning 9-6, Keightley and Alexander especially showing good form by both beating the Hamilton No. 1 Lance Harvey.

Wellington College, again in New Plymouth, were our next opponents. Our win here was more comprehensive, with the final result 11-2, but both Keightley and Alexander were involved in long struggles with Wellington's No. 1, Simon Kent, Keightley losing 18-14, 11-15, 15-12 and Alexander winning 15-12, 12-15, 15-9.

In mid-July we entered four players in the Taranaki Secondary Schools Badminton Championships played for the first time in our gymnasium. Keightley and Alexander were the seniors, Drake and Scott, the juniors. The results were an improvement on the preceding year with the senior pair runners-up in the doubles and Keightley a singles semi-finalist, and Paul Drake and Duncan Scott to win the junior singles and the pair being runners-up in the doubles.

Also in July, the New Zealand Secondary Schools' Badminton Championships (Taranaki Division) were played in Stratford. Having reached the central zone final in Rotorua last year, hopes were held for a similar performance this year. However, it was not to be.

We came up against a strong Spotswood College team who had not entered in 1989 and we lost 6-2.

For the first time in 1990 inter-house badminton was played as part of the inter-house competition. The first round, on July 11th, saw Barak vs Hatherly and Donnelly vs Syme. In the former Barak won the singles 3-1 and the doubles were split 1-1 to give Barak a 4-2 win. Donnelly beat Syme 6-0. In the final round on July 25th, Donnelly very narrowly defeated Barak by 118 points to 95 points after the matches were 3-3. Syme beat Hatherly 6-0, producing these final places: Donnelly 1, Barak 2, Syme 3, Hatherly 4. This is a very good development for badminton, and it is to be hoped that it continues.

Early in the third term the school championships were held. Winning the Cook and Lister Cup for the senior singles was last year's defeated finalist Shaun Keightley who narrowly beat last year's champion Rhys Alexander 10-15, 15-6, 15-8. In the junior singles, for the Isaac Cup, Alastair Hunt beat Paul Drake 15-11, 15-10.

The following players represented Taranaki at junior level in 1990: Under 16 team: Alastair Hunt, Sean Dingle, Paul Drake.

Results from Taranaki Age Group Championships in 1990: Winner Under 16 singles: Sean Dingle; Winner Under 16 doubles: Sean Dingle and Alastair Hunt; Winner Under 16 mixed doubles: Sean Dingle and partner; Runner-up Under 16 mixed doubles: Alastair Hunt and partner; Winner singles plate: Duncan Scott; Shaun Keightley, Rhys Alexander, David Sutcliffe, Stephen Barkley, Alastair Hunt and Sean Dingle received honours awards this year.

It has been a mixed season, but the experience gained will stand all team members in good stead when they return in 1991.

T. HEAPS.

VOLLEYBALL



NPBS VOLLEYBALL 1990
Back Row: Mr R. M. Turner, Edwin Talekai, Matthew Old, Tao Wells.
Front Row: Tim Timukon, Justin Lofton-Brook, Ivan Groot, Naiva Ronald.
Absent: Scot Langlands.

TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS VOLLEYBALL COMPETITION

As hosts of the competition and in order to make up an eight draw we were able to enter two teams in the competition.

The 'A' team, playing in Pool 'B', won its three matches and earned a place in the semi-finals against Waitara High School, which came second in Pool 'A'. Unfortunately it lost to Waitara, who went on to lose to Spotswood College 'A' in the final, 4-15, 11-15. The 'A' team, however, went on to win a close match against Hawera High School, (16-14 in the deciding set), to finish in third place.

The 'B' team, playing in Pool 'A', had to play against both eventual finalists, but they did beat Francis Douglas. They went on to win the play-off for fifth place, beating Spotswood College 'B' team, 15-4, 15-3.

For both teams it was their first experience of competition play and as the expression goes, it was a real learning curve for them. In light of that, the School can be proud of their efforts. Justin Lofton-Brook, Tao Wells and Sean Luke also deserve credit for their part as managers of the teams, which freed Mr Cooper to run the tournament.

Grateful thanks to those students who helped referee and score the games. Your services were much appreciated.

Team members were: Team A: Jason Tan, Chris Surgenor, Grant Aitken, Andy Kinsella, Paul Avery, Warren Campbell, Cressy Wells, Jamey Kerr, Nicholas Davis.

Team B: Lloyd Percival, Damien Percival, Aaron Morgan, Jon Morgan, Steven McCallum, Greg Feek, Richard Taylor, Oliver Stone, Hamish Bryant, Ivan Bruce.

RICHARD COOPER, Coach and Organiser.

CYCLING



CYCLING A
Left to Right: Mr Hendry (Coach), S. Hata, A. Murray, H. Archer, C. Flay (Captain), J. Lloyd, Mr Mitchell (Manager).

CYCLING 1990

Thanks to the ANZ Bank and to Mr Mike McRedmond the Boys' High School team competing at Levin in the Inter-College teams race was one of the most impressive looking teams there.

Our school had two teams racing. The 'A' team (Chris Flay, Slade Hata, Jeremy Lloyd, Hamish Archer and Allan Murray) recorded a smart 25 mins and 56 secs for the 16 km race but this was not good enough to win a place. Auckland Grammar, the winners, took only 23 mins and 23 secs.

The school 'B' team: Nigel Oldridge, Justin Gardiner, Andrew Mellsop, Adam Hills and Paul Rust did well to record 27 mins and 48 secs.

Over thirty different colleges competed this year. Our cyclists were well to the fore in local club racing during the year.

The most successful was Allan Murray who won his club and Taranaki Championship titles, was second in the West Coast North Island Centre Championship, second in an Auckland Hill Climb and second in two criterium races at Levin and Palmerston North. His hopes of winning a National Championship at Wanganui on September 29th were dashed when he crashed 200 metres short of the finish.

Others to record good results were: Nigel Oldridge: New Plymouth and Taranaki Under 14 years Champion; Jeremy Lloyd: Winner of the New Plymouth Club season's Points Cup; Hamish Archer: New Plymouth Club Under 16 year Time Trial Champion; Chris Flay: Boys' High School Team Captain Winner of the New Plymouth Club's Adlam Cup for Consistent Fast Time Placings; (both Chris and Allan were in final of West Coast Champs. Chris is also Taranaki Sprint 200m Champ and Allan Taranaki 2000m Champ); Slade Hata: was always up with the leaders. His best ride was at Wanganui where he took third fastest time honours beating most of the North Island's top novice riders.

D. MITCHELL, Coach.



CYCLING B
Left to Right: Mr Smith (Manager), Mr Hendry (Assistant Coach), A. Hills, J. Gardiner, A. Mellsop, P. Rust (Captain), B. Kooy, Mr Mitchell (Coach).
Absent: N. Oldridge.

He had a good I dear who was doing it.

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THIRD CRICKET XI

Back Row: Cameron Hart, Andrew Young, Martin Taylor.
Middle Row: Richard Young, Anthony Mildenhall, Jamie Houston, Mr M. C. Carroll.
Front Row: Blair Horner, Paul Busing, Paul Whittaker (Captain), Duncan Robertson, Chris Taylor.

THIRD XI

When school resumed in February the Third XI was selected from a group of promising fifth and fourth form cricketers. The team fulfilled this promise by completing the season undefeated and by becoming the outright winners of the North Taranaki Fourth Grade Competition. Chris Parker, Andrew Mildenhall and Duncan Roberts spearheaded the attack but were ably assisted by Cameron Hart, Richard Young and leg spinner Blair Horner. In a team where every player was capable of scoring runs Captain Paul Whittaker and Matthew and Chris Taylor added stability. Paul Busing was a capable wicket keeper. The highlight of the season came when the team defeated Pio Pio College on our top field. Paul Whittaker top scored with 25 and Andrew Mildenhall took six wickets for 25.

M. CARROLL.



THIRD FORM BOARDERS CRICKET XI

Back Row: Ronald Gatenby, Jeremy Ashton, Keryn Amon.
Middle Row: Paul Tannahill, Ricky Tito, Ross O'Halloran, Christopher Metcalfe, Richard Muller.
Front Row: Mark Shrider, Corey Helms, Simon Edgecombe, Jeremy Goodin, James Kihfuss.
Absent: Simon Gibbs.

FORM THREE BOARDERS REPORT — CRICKET

The third form boarders cricket team has not had a particularly successful year. This has not been due to any lack of enthusiasm but to the fact that there were some particularly strong opposition teams and that several of the better players from the third formers were selected to play in higher divisions. Despite losing virtually every game, the team remained determined and by the end of the summer skills had undoubtedly improved. The team is hopeful of a better performance during the spring.



FOURTH GRADE ESSEX CRICKET XI

Back Row: Mr Smith (Coach), D. Green, P. Harmsen, G. Feek, J. Coley, G. Sole.
Front Row: C. King, D. Rolands, P. Lister (Captain), C. Donlan, P. Little.
Absent: Mr Mitchell (Coach), S. Bungard, Alridge.

FOURTH GRADE ESSEX

The team played well this season despite our number of losses. The bowling has been dominated by Grant Sole and Chris King who took endless wicket counts. Grant again has held the batting line-up together along with Damion Green and Greg Feek. The most improved player who has shown a lot of enthusiasm and effort is Peter Little. He has shown skill and determination and has greatly helped the team. Many thanks go to Mr Smith, Mr Mitchell and Dean Magon who have given up their time to coach us. Thanks to the rest of the team for your support.

P. LISTER.



FOURTH FORM MIDDLESEX XI

Back Row: James Alldridge, Bryce Herbert, Aaron Morgan, Regan Washer, John Morgan, Steven McCallum, Peter Van Praagh.
Middle Row: Paul Vyver (Coach), Richard Taylor, Karl Collins, Hamish Bryant, Michael Webster, Ivan Broome, Brett Mulligan.
Front Row: Garfield Cadman, Kelvin Coley, Campbell Feather (Captain), Jonathan Willan, Bevin Coley.

FOURTH GRADE MIDDLESEX

The fourth form boarders of the previous year had demolished everyone in the fifth grade and this year were put in the fourth grade competition as a result. Thus we had three Boys' High teams in the draw including the Third XI. Starting off with a good win over "NPBHS Gold", the team went through the competition having its ups and downs with a loss to the school Third XI and Francis Douglas College Second XI by one run. Eventually we ended up third overall with a record of four wins, two losses. Some excellent performances were put in by Ivan Broome, Campbell Feather, Richard Taylor and Bryce Herbert. Overall they were a joy to coach and they always put in their best and enjoyed themselves at the same time.

PAUL VYVER.



FOURTH GRADE KENT CRICKET XI

Back Row: Andrew Kemsley, Shaun Crofskey, Graeme Martin.
Middle Row: Mr A. D. Butler, Richard Willan, Thomas Garwood, Matthew Duncan (Vice-Captain), Craig Baxter, Craig Rooks.
Front Row: Chris Amon, Steffan Beaurepaire, Mark Boyde (Captain), Kyle Dawson, Matthew Gibbs.

New sports are entering NPBHS. Michael Yiannet practising with Jaracz Heather, a 2nd Dan Black Belt.



CHESS

Back Row: Shanan Holm, Mr J. K. Rook, Philip Tully.
Front Row: Kelvin Coley, Jason Paul, Jason Tan, Bevin Coley.

CHESS MEETING

NPBHS/WANGANUI BOYS' COLLEGE — AUGUST 1ST 1990
 The School Chess team met their Wanganui College counterparts on August 1st, 1990 in the library. Although Wanganui arrived late, each player managed to finish two games. Clocks were used for the first time this year, so that all games would finish on schedule. Our team is very strong this year, and four members also belong to the New Plymouth Chess Club. The school won the event 9-3. The team was: Jason Tan, Bevin Coley, Kelvin Coley, Shanan Holm, Philip Tulley and Jason Paul.



TENNIS



NPBHS TENNIS TEAM

Back Row: Scott Hine, Hamish Mills, Stefan Darke.
Middle Row: Andrew Eagles, Nicholas Thorp, Millen Baird, Aaron Hine, Aaron Walsh, Mr J. Sims.
Front Row: Chris Taylor, Paul Drake, Chris Patten, Ben Cooper, Graeme Clarke.

HAMILTON TENNIS TRIP

FEBRUARY 1990

Senior results: NPBHS won five matches to four. Chris Patten proved to be too powerful for the opposition. I was also impressed with Chris in the way he helped the less experienced players with coaching tips and moral support. The rest of the senior team included: Scott Hine, Millen Baird, Nick Thorp, Aaron Walsh and Hamish Mills. Chris Patten is ranked fourth in his under 16 group in the country.

Junior results: NPBHS won six to three. We have two very good juniors - Aaron Hine and Ben Cooper. With more coaching we will see an improvement in Paul Drake, Graeme Clark, Andrew Eagles and Chris Taylor. Both senior and junior teams won all their doubles matches.

What really impressed me was the ability of all team members to fight back and win matches from difficult positions. Good team spirit and very pleasant lads.

J. SIMS.

TENNIS

We arrived at Wanganui Collegiate at around 10.10 am and immediately we were impressed by the good condition of their courts.

School had a very young team full of inexperienced players, but this did not show when they started the doubles. School annihilated Wanganui in this contest losing only one out of six matches. The combinations of school were superior even though Wanganui Collegiate have a tennis coach who trains their players once a week.

After the completion of the doubles, came the singles where again school came out on top convincingly. We won eleven out of twelve singles.

The final result was 16-2 to school - a very commendable result with an inexperienced line-up. It was a very gutsy effort by NPBHS and the tennis team is now unbeaten going into its final match of the season with Palmerston North Boys' High School in the third term.

J. SIMS.

PALMERSTON NORTH TENNIS TRIP

An emphatic win. Our team comprised six juniors and six seniors. Our juniors won all their singles and doubles matches. Result 9-0.

Junior Six: Aaron Hine, fourth former; Ben Cooper, third former; Paul Drake, third former; Andrew Eagles, third former; Graeme Clark, third former; Kris Taylor, third former.

Our senior team won three of out their nine matches but the juniors did the damage. Our Captain Chris Patten won his singles and teamed up with Millen Baird to win their doubles. The cunning team of Walsh and Thorpe won their doubles.

Senior Team: Chris Patten, Captain; Millen Baird, Hamish Mills, Aaron Walsh, Nick Thorpe, Stefan Daibe.

Team result: 12-6 to NPBHS.

A historic season. A first. A clean sweep of our college matches. We beat: HBHS, Wanganui Collegiate and PNBHS.

SQUASH

Squash continued to be offered as a sporting option for the utility period during term two of this year. Experienced squash players attended Kawaroa Park or the YMCA depending on their membership whilst "new chums" were allowed to try out the game for a few weeks before committing themselves to a membership fee.

Leading players at Kawaroa Park were Stefan Gray and Martin Robinson, both graded "D" on the computer grading list whilst M. Gray, P. Baty and D. Drinkwater showed good improvement as the season progressed.

At the YMCA a smaller but no less enthusiastic group attended comprising M. Ermerins and D. Wheeler who tried, without success, to topple Richard Morse from his "Top Dog" position. In fact it was interesting to see C. Patten, nationally ranked tennis player for his age group, trying out squash one week and receiving the same treatment from Richard. Horses for courses!

Lack of competition play disappoints us though many of our better players compete within their clubs. Nevertheless squash players like golf and tennis players seem to continue these days into their fifties and sixties so perhaps for some we may be starting a life long interest. We hope so.



CROSS-COUNTRY



NPBHS CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONS 1990
Left to Right: Wade McFarlane (Junior), Justin Lofton-Brook (Senior), Paul Drake (Intermediate).

TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS' CROSS-COUNTRY 1990 RESULTS

Saturday, October 13th, saw our runners competing at Francis Douglas College on a firm track against the rest of the Taranaki schools. Overall Francis Douglas proved to be strongest, winning both the junior and intermediate events, but we proved the best in the senior division. Justin Lofton-Brook led the way with yet another impressive display of front running, which saw him net his sixth title - surely a record that will stand for a long time.

Whilst we must credit "Lofty" with his win, we must also appreciate the efforts of all the runners who competed for the School, for they also gave of their best. They were prepared to put themselves on the line and face the challenge. And for that they can stand tall.

RESULTS

Juniors - 2nd overall in the teams' event: Wade McFarlane 2nd, Anthony Drake 9th, Dylan Cawley 14th, Rohan Singh 15th, Tim Cooper 29th, Cameron Tinkler 31st. Wade led most of the way, but was beaten in the end by a FDC runner.

Intermediates - 2nd overall in the teams' events: Chris Hall 11th, Steven Crawford 16th, Matthew Peacock 18th, Willy Stanley 21st, Royce Sharrock 30th, Sean Jones 35th. FDC runners finished 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th in this race!

Seniors - 1st overall in the team's event: Justin Lofton-Brook 1st, Kyle Brennan 5th, Brent Beaven 8th, Mark Miller 15th, Scott Chadwick 21st, Ryan Wheeler 23rd.

R. L. COOPER.



Justin Lofton-Brook - retained his championship title.



NPBHS CROSS-COUNTRY JUNIOR TEAM 1990
Left to Right: Paul Drake, Wade McFarlane, Andrew Proffit, Chris Hall.
Absent: Mr D. Drake (Team Manager).

NEW ZEALAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPS

BLENHEIM, SATURDAY, 16TH JUNE

Four of our juniors represented the school at this year's national championships, competing in a race which had four hundred starters.

Paul Drake came 101st, Chris Hall 117th, Wade McFarlane 187th and Andrew Proffit 327th.

For Wade and Andrew it was very much a case of gaining experience, as both had only just turned fourteen and they were competing against students who would have been fifteen and a half at the time of racing. It was also a solid effort from Paul and Chris.

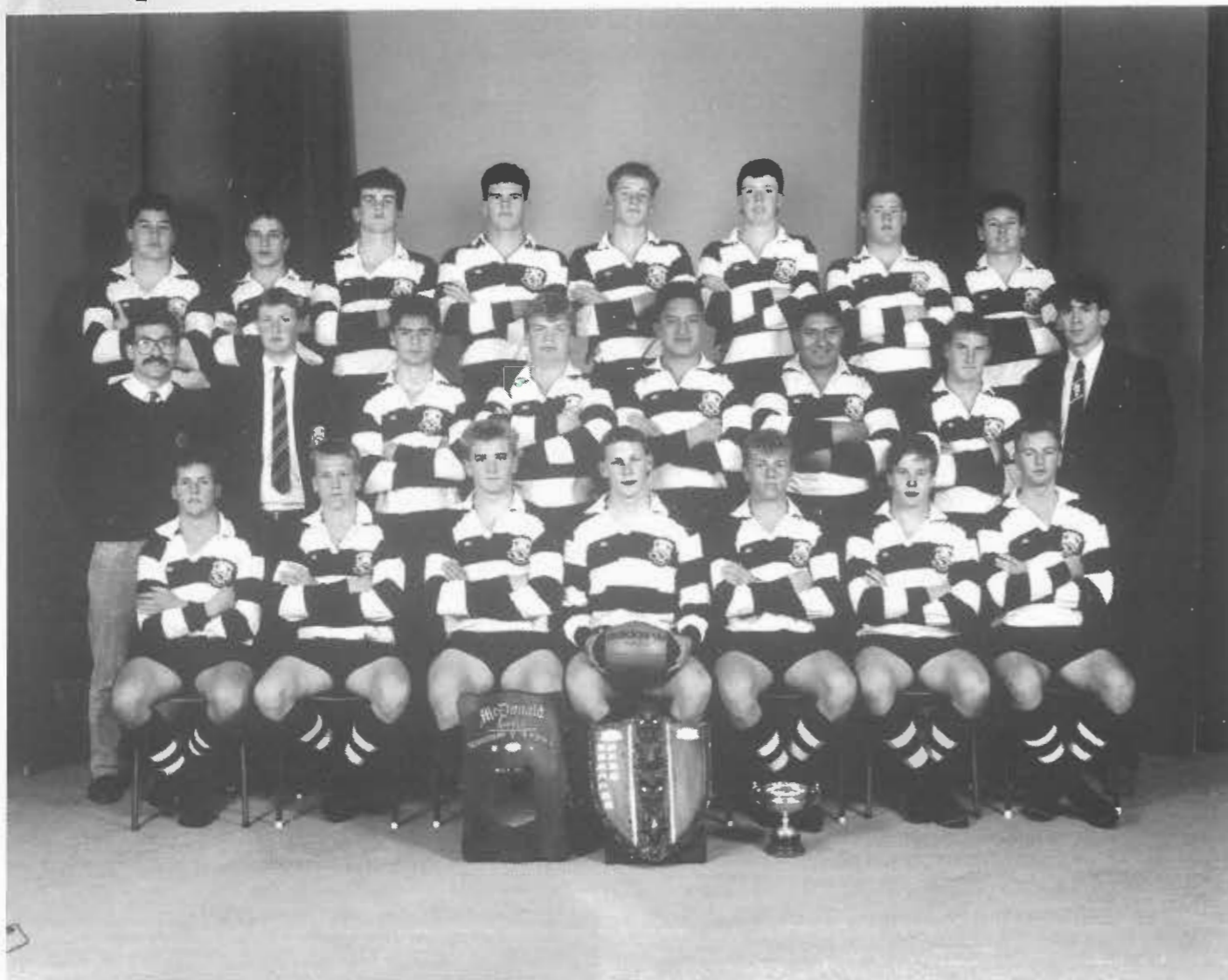
Thanks must go to Mr Dennis Drake who managed the team, and to the School Council for subsidising the travel costs.



Mr Mitchell, a staff member now, ran the same cross-country course many times as a pupil.



RUGBY



FIRST XV

Back Row: D. T. Mohi, M. J. O'Dowda, S. J. Lines, L. D. G. Jones, R. J. Wheeler, K. J. Brennan, R. C. Campbell, M. J. Adlam.
Middle Row: Mr A. Josephs, R. J. Mills, D. R. Magon, S. C. Brimelow, A. G. Ruakere, E. P. Talakai, M. J. Collins, Mr J. Rowlands.
Front Row: B. G. Quigan, C. R. Taylor, B. N. Schrader (Vice-Captain), J. J. Holland (Captain), P. G. Vyver, S. Q. Chadwick, B. D. Magrath.

FIRST FIFTEEN

The loss of a number of key players this year was balanced by the arrival of some very good players from other schools. From the first pre-season game the team showed that they had the important ingredients of any successful team: team spirit and a desire not to let any of their team mates down. This team spirit was certainly strengthened by an overnight camp at TOPEC just before our first game.

We again played in the local U21 competition and went through unbeaten. However, we had three draws with a very good Clifton side, one of these being the final. Due to this we shared the title with Clifton. At the other end of the scale to these hard fought draws was our 128-3 win over Waimate. Altogether during the season we scored 607 points for, of which Jason Holland scored 207, and had only 76 scored against us.

In our college games we performed very well and went through unbeaten, a record that is difficult to achieve and one the team can be proud of. Because they performed so well most members of the team were selected in representative teams.

The full list of achievements is:

Michael Collins (North Island U16), Dean Magon, Michael Collins (Taranaki U16), Matthew O'Dowda, Denis Mohi, Craig Taylor, Jason Holland, Brent Quigan, Ryan Wheeler, Scott Chadwick, Robbie Campbell, Lee Jones, Scott Lines, Barry Schrader (Taranaki Secondary Schools).

VERSUS HAMILTON BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

Being the first game to be played in front of the school this year, the team was keen to do well. We weren't sure what the opposition would be like. The ground was very soft due to overnight rain and there was a worry that this would affect our fifteen man game. However, after only five minutes play Craig Taylor charged down a kick, gathered the ball and scored under the posts. Hamilton didn't recover from this and we went from strength to strength. The whole team played well with the forwards being completely dominant. The backs used their steady supply of ball imaginatively and ran in two further tries, one to Jason Holland and the other to Michael Adlam. The final score was 36-0. Jason Holland ended the day with 20 points.

Edwin Talakai and Barry Schrader were rewarded for their good driving and bustling play with a try each. This was the start we wanted for our college season and we hoped we could go on from here.

The team was: Paul Vyver, Michael Adlam, Matthew O'Dowda, Denis Mohi, Jason Holland, Craig Taylor, Brent Quigan, Ryan Wheeler, Scott Chadwick, Kyle Brennan, Lee Jones, Scott Lines, Shelton Brimelow, Barry Schrader, Edwin Talakai.

VERSUS ST PATRICK'S SILVERSTREAM

Games away from home are always difficult. You have to overcome the problems of not sleeping in your bed, changes of pre-match routine and a crowd that is against you. Despite knowing these things and trying to gear our build up to overcome them, we found we didn't play as well as against Hamilton.

St Pat's were keen to make up for last year's defeat and fancied themselves to win. We started well but they held us out and started to get back into the game by completely dominating the lineouts. In the other areas we matched them in the forwards but it was in the backs that we had the advantage.

We used the little ball we got wisely and showed excellent skills to create three tries - two to Michael Adlam and one to Matt O'Dowda. After leading 11-3 at half-time we managed to hold on and win 15-10.

Even though disappointed in the way the team went, it was good to win, especially down at Silverstream, where no matter how good your team is, it's always difficult.

The team was: Paul Vyver, Michael Adlam, Matthew O'Dowda, Denis Mohi, Jason Holland, Craig Taylor, Brent Quigan, Ryan Wheeler, Scott Chadwick, Kyle Brennan, Lee Jones, Scott Lines, Shelton Brimelow, Barry Schrader, Michael Collins.

VERSUS WANGANUI COLLEGIATE

We went to Wanganui hoping to improve on our efforts against Silverstream. We knew they didn't have as good a side as last year but we didn't want to be over confident.

The game never got going with both forwards and backs going through the motions, doing only enough to stay in the game. No tries were scored due to the good defence from both sides, but two good penalty kicks from Jason Holland enabled us to come out with a 6-3 victory.

As a team we were pleased to have another win but were very disappointed with the way we played. How can we perform better away from home??? When the answer to this question is found we will be able to enjoy our return trips a lot more.

The team was: Paul Vyver, Michael Adlam, Matthew O'Dowda, Denis Mohi, Jason Holland, Craig Taylor, Brent Quigan, Ryan Wheeler, Scott Chadwick, Kyle Brennan (replaced by Robbie Campbell), Anthony Ruakere, Scott Lines, Shelton Brimelow, Barry Schrader, Michael Collins.

VERSUS PALMERSTON NORTH BOYS' HIGH

At last another home game. We had reports that PNBHS weren't having a good season but expected them to be a very gritty and physical side. However, it wasn't long before it became obvious we were going to do well against them. We started well and put a lot of pressure on their side. With the forwards playing extremely well, no doubt helped by the return of big Edwin Talakai, there was a steady supply of good ball to the backs. We again used it well, taking all the right options and doing moves that had the opposition wondering what we were going to do next. Two tries to Blair Magrath, and one each to Craig Taylor and Denis Mohi, with Jason Holland converting three of them, gave us a 22-3 lead at half-time.

The second half was much the same as the first with the forwards continuing to dominate in all areas. We scored another three tries, two more to Denis Mohi and one to Matt O'Dowda. Jason Holland converted one of them and with a penalty try being awarded, ended the game at 42-3. This was one of the biggest scores against PNBHS for many years and was a performance to be proud of.

The team was: Matthew O'Dowda, Michael Adlam, Blair Magrath, Denis Mohi, Jason Holland, Craig Taylor, Brent Quigan, Ryan Wheeler, Scott Chadwick, Robbie Campbell, Lee Jones, Scott Lines, Michael Collins, Barry Schrader, Edwin Talakai.

VERSUS TE AUTE COLLEGE

Te Aute have always been difficult opponents. They are very intimidating with their hakas and physical play and we knew that if we gave them any room to move or any reasons to be confident, we were in trouble. Again it was a home game and with the whole school on the terraces expecting to watch another good game, the pressure was on us to perform.

Although initially the forward battle was very even and the Te Aute pack looked dangerous, the school pack gradually started to get on top and with our backs tackling everything in sight, the game shifted our way. Our loose forwards who were now combining very well put a lot of pressure on Te Aute both in defence and attack. The backs moved the ball well and were rewarded with three very good tries, one each to Matt O'Dowda, Denis Mohi and Jason Holland. Jason converted two of them to give us a 16-6 lead at half-time.

In the second half we continued to make all our first tackles and Te Aute's backs soon ran out of options. We only scored another nine points through a try to Scott Chadwick and a conversion and penalty to Jason Holland but we should probably have scored more. However, the final score of 25-6 against Te Aute is a very good one and the team could feel proud that they had won all their home games and had entertained the large crowds that were coming to watch them.

The team was: Paul Vyver, Michael Adlam, Matthew O'Dowda, Denis Mohi, Jason Holland, Craig Taylor, Brent Quigan, Ryan Wheeler, Scott Chadwick, Robbie Campbell, Lee Jones, Scott Lines, Michael Collins, Barry Schrader, Edwin Talakai.



Brent Quigan waiting for the ball.

VERSUS AUCKLAND GRAMMAR

It had been sixteen years since the First Fifteen had come to their last game against their hardest rivals with an unbeaten record. We knew that to beat Grammar would be a tremendous way to end the season but it would be a very difficult task.

When we arrived and went to look at the ground our confidence wasn't helped when we saw a field which could only be described as a 'bog'. We started the game well putting early pressure on Grammar but it wasn't long before their big physical forwards has us working hard to get any good ball for the backs. Conditions made it difficult to move the ball but when our backs did try they were able to make a lot of ground whereas the Grammar backs struggled to get anywhere. After one such breakout and a good forward rush, Craig Taylor gathered the loose ball and dived over for a try. The rest of the half see-sawed and both sides tried unsuccessfully to score points. So at half-time we were ahead 4-0.

The second half was much the same as the first, our loose forwards were at their bustling best with Ryan Wheeler playing one of his best games. Scott Lines was throwing himself about like a loose forward and it was obvious that we weren't going to let Grammar score very easily.

The last ten minutes seemed to take forever but in the end we held on to our 4-0 lead. Jubilation was the best way to describe how the team felt. This gave us a six out of six record and was a fitting conclusion to a great season for this very good team.

The team was: Paul Vyver, Michael Adlam, Matthew O'Dowda, Denis Mohi, Jason Holland, Craig Taylor, Brent Quigan, Ryan Wheeler, Scott Chadwick, Robbie Campbell, Lee Jones, Scott Lines, Michael Collins, Barry Schrader, Edwin Talakai.





SECOND XV RUGBY 1990



NPBS SECOND XV
Back Row: David Sutcliffe, Jason Ruakere, David Stewart, Charles Ione, Jackie Faulkner, Peter Kaloris, Taani Smith.
Middle Row: Mr Wild (Coach), Jason Norden, Brett Granville, Reuben Thorne, Chris Plowright, John Herbert, Harry Paka, Mr Jones (Assistant Coach).
Front Row: Fraser Bint, Kelvin McDowell, David Sampson, Ian Reddington (Captain), Brent Bevin, Jason Harris, Aisea Vailahi.

1990s Second XV was a relatively new side with only five players returning from last year's squad. The start of the season didn't look good as small numbers showed up for practice, however, as the First XV squad sorted themselves out and other players were drafted in, this problem was overcome.

The Seconds also had a new coach in Richard Wild. The former coach, Jeff Jones, stayed on to assist.

Early season trainings were hard and fast: This paid dividends as the team showed superior fitness over others early in the season.

Our first competition game was against Francis Douglas College. It was played at Rugby Park on the main ground as the curtain-raiser to the Fiji vs Taranaki match. Boys' High dominated especially in the forwards, who, although being smaller, continually won ball for the backs. This possession was spun wide all day and some sparkling tries were scored. Boys' High ran away with the match 30-12. Supposedly this was the first early season win over Francis Douglas First XV for six years. The rest of the competition seemed fair with only Hawera and perhaps Stratford being threats. We scored doubles against Stratford and Inglewood. Hawera however did manage two victories over us, one being from a last minute penalty. The second game was a decisive win to them.

Opunake who started in the B1 grade were promoted to the fourth grade competition and became a total farce as they were allowed to retain their table points from the lower grade making them almost unbeatable.

The team still continued to play consistently despite losing Julian Lash to an apprenticeship, and other players through injury. The forwards were a dominant force in almost every game and strong performances from Michael Collins earned him First XV honours. Brett Granville, Brent Beaven, David Sampson, David Stewart, Reuben Thorne and Jason Norden showed reliable form in the forwards. Kelvin McDowell, Iann Redington and Jason Harris were consistent performers in the backs and this earned Kelvin McDowell Taranaki Secondary School honours. The younger backs, Brooke Wolfe and Fraser Bint, also impressed and benefitted from early promotion to the First XV grade.

Overall the team performed very well compared with past Second XVs and the coaches must be thanked for this. As captain of the team I'd like to thank all those involved with the team players, coaches, coaches wives' and supportive parents.

I. REDINGTON.

Man is only a nackered ape.



NPBS THIRD RUGBY XV 1990
Back Row: Brett Honeyfield, Aaron Walsh, Scott Granville, Nick Thorpe, Tony Earl.
Middle Row: Daniel Smith, Laine Hopkinson, Bradley Cribb, Stephen Barkley, Duncan Robertson, Grant Rawlinson, Mr A. Elgar (Coach).
Front Row: Matthew Gibbs, Paul Howse, Allen Mills (C), Hayden Smith, Kylie Le Bas.
Absent: Roger Coley (C), Daryl Strong.

THIRD XV REPORT

The final statistics reveal that the Third XV had a very good season with ten wins and two losses. The team scored 175 points including 29 tries and had 40 scored against them including only four tries. The disappointment was the loss of the opening game to FDC 4-3 which effectively ruled us out of the competition unless we could beat Stratford (the eventual winners) twice in two weeks. The first game was lost 7-3, but the return match on the racecourse at open weekend was the highlight of the season a 6-3 win the claim the top dog trophy which we finished the season with.

Laine Hopkinson was top points scorer with 71, while Matthew Gibbs topped the try scorers with 24 points. Of the squad only two players failed to score a try, Brett Honeyfield, probably the hardest working and most consistent player on the paddock and Captain Roger Coley whose example was an inspiration and was certainly responsible for the win over Stratford. The Captaincy was assumed by Allen Mills when Roger Coley left to go overseas on an AFS Scholarship and he too led by example. Nick Thorpe was clearly the most improved player of the season while congratulations are due to Stephen Barkley, Scott Granville, Kylie Le Bas and Grant Rawlinson, who made the Taranaki Under 16 Team, and to Scott Granville who made the Central Region side.

My thanks to the boys for their participation at practice and their enthusiasm for the game and to those parents who regularly provided support and transport.

A. ELGAR.



Scott Chadwick ready to lend a hand.



NPBHS FOURTH XV RUGBY 1990

Back Row: John Harre, Shaun Keightley, Bryan Sims, Sean Jones, Tony Carey.
Middle Row: Dene Hickey, Paul Whittaker, Michael Best, Andrew Young, Mark Boyd, Mr B. A. Sloan (Coach).
Front Row: Chris Amon, Andrew Howse, Paul Neilsen (Captain), Karl Guillaine, Carey Davis.

The Fourth XV for 1990 started out with a lack of any organisation. This was emphasised by two very heavy losses in the first two games. But slowly the team came together and pushed the better teams close. Our only success was a 12-11 win over Hawera Seconds when everything seemed to click. With more concentration and dedication the team could have won perhaps half its games.

Finally, a big thank you to Mr Sloan for all his efforts and patience throughout the season.

Seasons Record: Played 14, won 1, lost 13, for 46, against 330.
 PAUL NEILSEN, Captain.



NPBHS B2 DIVISION RUGBY 1990

Back Row: Darryl Goddard, Paul Mills, Kent Helms, Duncan Bluck, Nathan Brown, Grant Rolfe.
Middle Row: Peter Grimwood, Simon Puketapu, Darren Brown, Richard Lees, Ryan Klinkert, Guy Bryant.
Front Row: Nigel Dasler, Colin Austin, Nathan Walter (Captain), Scott Lowe, Duncan Pease.

Although this season was not as consistent as it should have been, it was enjoyed by all. Teamwork was the main area in which we improved towards the end of the season, with our results showing this.

We came second in our division which was an extra bonus. All our games were hard fought battles and the team did extremely well with a number of members playing out of position or being out through injury. We looked very promising at the start of the season with a few talented individuals, however, we lost a couple of our better players to the Fourth XV and that slowed us down a bit. But the team stuck together and didn't lose heart so special thanks must go to Mr Bellingr for his patience and tolerance when things weren't too good! I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank the team for an enjoyable season which was one of the better ones I have had. Thanks must also go to the parents of dayboys in the team who transported us to our away games.

We look forward to the next season.

N. WALTER, Captain.



NPBHS C DIVISION GOLD RUGBY 1990

Back Row: Gavin Jones, Keryn Amon, Brad Kisby, Michael Lobb, Steven McCallum, Karl Buckthought, Grant Aitken.
Middle Row: Mark Urwin, Philip Mitchell, Mathew Cameron, Cameron Twigley, Grant Sole, Jamie Hutson, Mr Giddy (Coach).
Front Row: Peter Van Praagh, Karl Collins, Campbell Feather (Captain), Tony Philp, Richard Taylor.

C DIVISION — UNDER 15 GOLD

Campbell Feather captained the Under 15 Gold side which completed an excellent season - played 14, won 13, lost 1, points for 482 (92 tries) points against 42.

The first round of games consisted of seven very comfortable wins - IHS 68-4, BHS White 44-0, HHS Red 50-10, OHS 33-0, Stratford HS 21-0, Okato 48-0 and HHS Blue 54-0. The final two games produced two outstanding performances against other top sides 35-3 against FDC in very wet conditions and 37-0 against Waitara HS after leading 33-0 at half-time in what was the best performance of the season.

The forwards developed into a very good unit with Peter Van Praagh and Richard Taylor always performing well.

The backs were by far the fastest and most skilled in the competition. Winger Steve MacCallum fully deserved his 26 tries mainly due to his strong running. Goal kicker Mark Urwin provided 101 points.

Thanks to all the parents for their assistance with transport, support on the sideline and the inevitable advice. Special thanks to the managers Mr Philp and Tony for the half-time service and end of season function.

G. GIDDY.



NPBHS C DIVISION WHITE RUGBY 1990

Back Row: Shannon Bradley, Regan Washer, Jon Morgan.
Third Row: Quentin Chard, Shannon Dick, Aaron Morgan, Michael Jones, Gene Paul.
Second Row: Shane Chadwick, Clinton Pease, Brendon Cairns, David Greenhough, Paul Busing, William Muir.
Front Row: Scott Taylor, Tayman Cawley, Dion Herlihy (Captain), Simon Lees, Hamish Bryant.

C GRADE BLACK RUGBY

The season began with several members in the team lacking fitness, confidence and motivation. This wasn't helped by several players defecting to C Grade White for, what they thought, was a 'better' team.

Although the team improved dramatically as a unit, specific forwards who really developed as players were: J. Hastie, K. Brown, R. Willan, C. Baxter and W. Stanley. Part of the reason for their progress was due to the outstanding example set them by the forward and vice-captain N. Cleland.

In the backs, the key members were K. Gyde whose tactical kicking and tackling under pressure were faultless, and A. Mildenhall, a mature and thinking full-back who could read play exceptionally well and could also score tries. M. Litherland also developed as he gained confidence into a strong running try-scorer.

Thanks are owed to D. Aim and J. Aitken for time spent improving skills and fitness.

K. MITCHELL.



NPBHS D DIVISION GOLD RUGBY 1990

Back Row: Glen Bullen, James Newson, Trevor Read, Nathan Wipatene, Ricky Beale, Andrew Bluck.
Middle Row: Viv Wilson, Ben Kershaw, Kerry Clegg, Daniel Fitzsimmons, Michael Webster, Vance McAllister, Jarrod Newell
Front Row: Greig Wilson, Grant Hassall, Mark Latham, Cameron Tinkler, Kelvin Coley.
Absent: Clinton Rowe.

D DIVISION GOLD

The team this year turned into a good, reasonably balanced side, with the greater strength being shown in our forwards, and some of our hopeful forwards therefore being made to play in the backs, as it was in this department that we lacked the numbers and size and overall strength. They still moulded into a fairly good unit.

We had a very successful year with only two losses and one draw against us. One of the losses, played midweek against Stratford, was maybe somewhat doubtful, as is the first round we won 26-0 only to lose this particular return game 0-12. The only other loss was to Hawera High School who scored in the dying seconds of the game 0-4. We also drew with them 4 all in the opening round.

This loss came after the mid-term break and with our bye was the third week in a row without playing a game, so the boys lacked their usual fitness and fire.

The team was well led by their captain Mark Latham, and supported by the team, with those in particular to stand out being Ricky Beale, Vance McAllister, Clinton Rowe, Cameron Tinkler and Glen Buller with Ben Kershaw proving very good with his boot, converting many of the tries scored throughout the season. Overall the season was an enjoyable one with good commitment shown by most of the team members.

Many thanks to all the regular parents that supported every Saturday and the midweek game both on the sideline and for their help with transport. The coaches job is made much easier with such support.

Thanks also to the other boys who helped out when we were short due to illness etc.

Many thanks boys for making the season an enjoyable one.

VIV WILSON.

Euthanasia in the wrong hands could be fatal.



NPBHS D GRADE BLACK RUGBY XV 1990

Back Row: B. Cave, T. Rampton, D. Percival, J. Ashton.
Third Row: J. Rice, R. Williamson, R. Harre, A. Eagles, P. Mohi.
Second Row: Mr G. Clareburt, N. Davies, H. Thompson, B. Howse, A. Rooks, P. Tannahill.
Front Row: L. Kuklinski, D. Coleman, S. Gibbs (Captain), B. Metcalfe, D. Muir.



NPBHS E DIVISION GOLD RUGBY 1990

Back Row: Damon McKnight, Blair Sutcliffe, Craig Robertson, Ross O'Halloran, Paul Phillips, Aaron Brown, Terry O'Kane (Coach).
Middle Row: Leyton Thorne, Ryan Corbet, Shane Hickey, Rodney Struthers, Andrew O'Kane, Joshua Klenner.
Front Row: Adair Brimlowe, Gareth West, Daniel O'Neil, Matthew Allen, Richard Muller.



NPBHS E DIVISION BLACK RUGBY 1990

Back Row: B. Hassall, K. Balsom, R. Letica, J. Goodin, K. Luond.
Middle Row: T. Dymond (Captain), D. Morrissey, D. Filer, R. Burton, C. Helms, D. McGuigan, Mr M. Letica (Coach).
Front Row: A. Proffit, J. McLuskie, J. Kihfuss, S. Collins, B. Sutherland.



NPBHs E DIVISION WHITE RUGBY 1990

Back Row: Steven McKinnley, Grant Broad, Dylan Cawley.
Middle Row: Garfield Cadman, Anthony Darke, Hayden Handley, Paul Wolfram, Mr M. Luke (Coach).
Front Row: Mark Schrider, Phillip Dickinson, Ricky Tito, Jason Robertson, Richard Dryden.

A varied season started off with a team of fifteen, unfortunately I was unable to keep everyone together for various reasons. Hence the need to borrow players from the other two teams during home games.

For that I thank the coaches and players from the E Grade Black and Gold teams.

I would also like to thank the parents for their support on Saturday mornings. To the team, thanks for an entertaining season, we may not have won any games, but you sure showed plenty of team spirit during the games you did play.

Good luck for next season.

M. F. T. LUKE, Coach.

THIRD FORM RUGBY

Trials for this team were held in late July and twenty players were selected to play in the annual fixtures against the third formers of Wanganui Collegiate and Auckland Grammar.

The first game resulted in a resounding 48 to 6 victory over Collegiate. The team combined very well. The scorers were: Nathan Wipatene (two), Simon Gibbs, Keryn Amon, Scott Taylor (three), Henry Thompson, Carl Buckthought and Damien Percival. Shannan Dick kicked four conversions.

After an exciting, and closely-contested game at Auckland, Grammar eventually won by eight points to seven.

Grammar had the better of the first half and led four to three but our team took new heart at half time and quickly moved to a seven-to-four lead when Gareth West scored on the short side. We held a decided territorial advantage until just on full time when Grammar scored a fine try. Brad Cave and Keryn Amon played strongly in the forwards, and in the backs Simon Gibbs and Gareth West kept control of the game.

Under difficult conditions Shannan Dick kicked a penalty goal.

M. CARROLL.



NPBHs F3 RUGBY 1990

Back Row: John Hastie, Michael Jones, Shannan Dick, Brad Cave.
Third Row: Scott Taylor, Karl Buckthought, Damian Percival, Nathan Wipatene, Vance McAlister.
Second Row: Mr M. C. Carroll, Jarrod Newell, Simon Gibbs, Henare Thompson, Nicholas Davis, Glen Bullen, Roddy Shorter.
Front Row: Grant Hassell, Daniel O'Neill, Keryn Amon (Captain), Gareth West, Haydn Handley.



NPBHs F3 BOARDERS XV RUGBY 1990

Back Row: C. Metcalfe, M. Connor, D. Percival, K. Buckthought (Vice-Captain), J. Hastie.
Third Row: B. Howes, K. Amon, J. Ashton, M. Jones, C. Helms.
Second Row: B. Schrader (Coach), A. Darke, R. Burton, J. Goodin, N. Tinkler, J. Newell, H. Handley, C. Taylor (Assistant Coach).
Front Row: R. Muller, D. Cawley, S. Gibbs (Captain), J. Kihfuss, P. Dickinson.

NIGER TROPHY GAME

The two teams took to the field right on cue at 10.00 am and NPBHs performed a well drilled haka that delighted the good-size crowd.

We had the kick-off and both teams quickly settled into a well disciplined routine. It was only three minutes into the game when a fumble by PNBHS allowed our captain Simon Gibbs to snatch up the loose ball and run more than half the length of the field to touch down under the posts but unfortunately he wasn't able to convert his own try.

PNBHS quickly came back with a try in the corner and they too missed the conversion and the score was tied.

It wasn't too long before we were on the attack again and after some good forward pressure Keryn Amon went over near the corner, leaving a difficult kick that wasn't successful.

Before half time PNBHS crossed our line for the second time to even the score. Another try was repeated a few minutes into the second half and this time the conversion was successful and so we were now six points in arrears.

Each team went on to cross each others line once more, Karl Buckthought was our try scorer, and so the final score was 18-12 to PNBHS.

Both teams are to be congratulated on their good open, hard play. A lot of those present for the game commented that better rugby is seldom seen at any level of competition. PNBHS deserved their win as their lighter forward pack used superior skills to drive us backwards on a number of vital occasions. The odd handling error at the back of our scrum brought penalties or let the opposition through to put pressure on our defence.

The whole of our team played very well but two players deserve special mention: Simon Gibbs who did an outstanding job as captain was also well positioned to gain ground whenever he was in possession of the ball and Keryn Amon who frequently used his weight and strength to drive up the field and gain valuable ground - as a result he was our teams 'Man of the Match'.



RUGBY 1990

1990 has been a very successful year for NPBHs rugby teams. This year the school had thirteen teams in competition - three in E Division, two in D Division, three in C Division, one in B2 Division, two in B1 Division, plus the First and Second XV.

All teams performed with exciting play and good team spirit. Notable successes in Secondary Schools competition were Championship winners E. Division Gold coached by Mr T. O'Kane and C Division Gold coached by Mr G. Giddy. The Third XV Colts remain holders of the Top Dog Trophy for another year.

The Second XV won more than half of their games whilst the First XV under coach Jed Rowlands had an excellent unbeaten season, winning all college games and the Taranaki Rugby Football Union Under 21 Competition. This team produced very exciting fifteen-man rugby. It has been fifteen years since the First XV last won all its six college games. Many of the First XV players gained representative honours with selection for the Taranaki Secondary School team for the Northern Region Tournament and a tour to NSW, Australia. These were: Captain Jason Holland, Vice-Captain Barry Schrader, Lee Jones, Scott Lines, Robbie Campbell, Ryan Wheeler, Scott Chadwick, Kelvin McDowell, Craig Taylor, Denis Mohi, Matthew O'Dowda.

Other boys gained selection for the Under 16 Taranaki Rugby team to play in the Central Region Tournament at Levin. They were: Scott Granville, Dean Magon, David Sampson, Brooke Wolfe, Jason Norden, Reuben Thorne, John Herbert, Kyle Le Bas and Michael Collins who was also selected for the North Island team.

Congratulations to all who participated in rugby throughout 1990. Finally, my thanks to all involved with rugby throughout 1990.

J. JONES, Master-in-charge Rugby.



School support for the First XV remains strong with the school haka performed many times this season.



NPBHs SKI TEAM 1990

Back Row: Tao Wells, Mr R. M. Turner, Todd Velvin.
Front Row: Mark Gane, Guy Young, Brooke Wolfe.

SKI REPORT

An experienced ski team competed in the annual Secondary Schools Skiing Competition held at Ruapehu in September.

Although each team member performed very well individually, overall the team was unplaced. However, the perfect days and excellent skiing conditions made up for this.

R. TURNER, Manager.

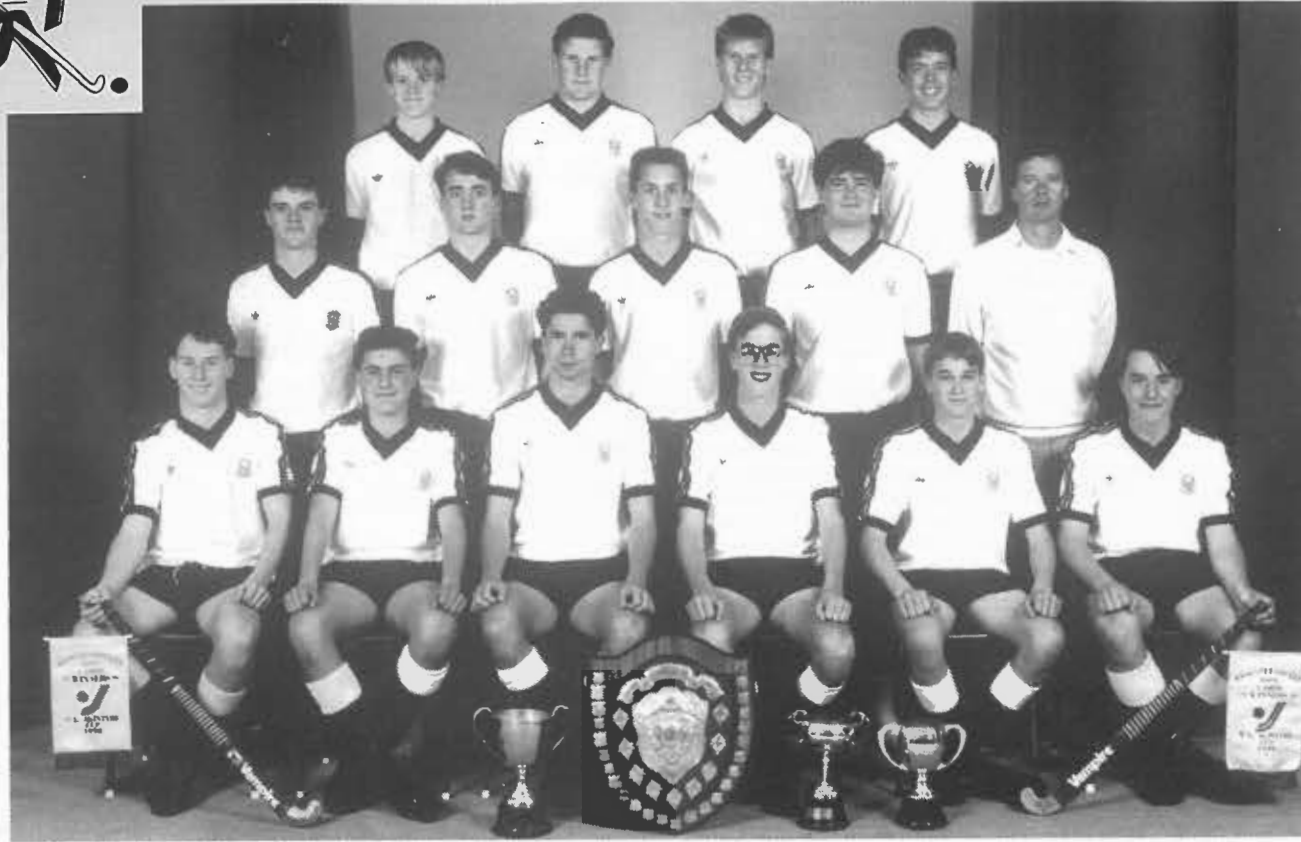


My eyes were glued to the TV

"I feel strongly either way on this" - Mr X.



HOCKEY



FIRST XI HOCKEY

Back Row: R. Gatenby, B. Whitter, N. Hills, N. Betts.
Middle Row: S. Campbell, M. Dingle, M. Taylor, D. Jordan, H. Geursen.
Front Row: H. Kynaston, J. Aldridge, A. Jordan, A. Taylor (Captain), R. Day, K. Simpson.

HOCKEY REPORT

Hockey in the school this year has been stronger than it has for a number of years. More boys are playing hockey and a good number are playing Representative hockey.

This improvement is due to strong support by staff Mrs Gilkison, Mrs Barnes and Mr Dobson and outside coaches, Mr Bruce Davies, Mr Kinera and Mr Stewart. Their time and effort is of great value and importance to the development of hockey and I am very grateful for this effort.

FIRST XI

The year started with high expectations as most of last years team was back and the talent shown during the trials by young players meant that the team should develop well.

Even though the team had a number of set backs losing players due to injury and illness they still had a very successful year. Once again winning the local competition, winning three out of four college games and winning the NZSSHA 'Indian Shield' tournament.

Statistics for the year: Played 24, won 19, lost 1, drew 4, goals for 159, against 27. Top goal scorers: Martin Taylor 40, Aaron Jordan 31, Nathan Betts 19, Andrew Taylor 18, Kalley Simpson 18.

COLLEGE GAMES — HAMILTON BOYS

Hamilton Boys are at present going through a rebuilding stage and this year we were too strong for them. A good all-round team effort with goals by Martin Taylor (two), Andrew Taylor, Kalley Simpson, Aaron Jordan and Nathan Betts. Result 6-0 win.

WANGANUI COLLEGIATE

As usual Wanganui Collegiate had a very strong team and we arrived with a weak team due to the flu epidemic which was going through the school.

We played very well and put Wanganui under a lot of pressure. Their goalkeeper played a very good game stopping a number of good shots and on the fast break Wanganui had the skills to capitalise. Result 0-6 loss.

This year we were very lucky to play Wanganui Collegiate a second time. This game was as part of our build up to tournament and held in the last week of term. A very close game with Wanganui scoring first from a penalty corner. Aaron Jordan played a very good game and scored from a field goal. Result 1-1 draw.

WELLINGTON COLLEGE

Wellington arrived on one of the only dry Sundays this term and it looked as if we might have a dry game but this was not to be with the heavens opening Sunday night and 24 hours of non-stop rain.

Wellington opened the scoring with two quick goals due to poor defence. After this we settled down to play very controlled hockey and dominated the game. Martin Taylor scored twice and with goals by Kalley Simpson and Andrew Taylor the win was assured. Result 4-2 win.

WANGANUI BOYS

Once again we were too strong for Wanganui dominating the game with Martin Taylor having a field day scoring seven goals, Aaron Jordan three, Andrew Taylor, two, Nathan Betts and Richard Day one each. Result 14-1 win.

INDIA SHIELD TOURNAMENT

This was a large tournament with twenty teams involved. Our aim was to equal or better last years third place result.

In pool play we managed to beat Te Awamutu 8-0, St Peter's School 8-1, Taradale 2-1, Matamata 10-0. These results placed us at the top of our pool so we had to play Lindisfarne in the quarter final who we beat 3-0.

In the semi-final we had to play Hastings Boys who played a very hard physical game and had the ability to keep coming back once we had scored. At full-time the score was 2-2 so we had to play extra time with both teams scoring a goal each. This meant that we had to have a penalty stroke competition which we won 4-1. Greg Paynter stopped two strokes to win the competition.

The final with Napier was a very exciting game. We had the better of the first half leading 3-1. Kalley Simpson scored twice and Nathan Betts once. In the second half Napier played very well to draw level with us. Richard Day scored from a very well worked penalty corner with five minutes to play. Napier scored just before full-time to draw the game 4-4. Drawing the game means the NPBHS and Napier Boys share the India Shield as joint winners.

The school has never won this tournament so this is a very pleasing result for the team after the many hours of practice and hard work. Martin and Andrew Taylor were both selected into the tournament team.



NPBHS HOCKEY SECOND XI 1990

Back Row: G. Pollock, G. Pryce, S. Rae.
Middle Row: R. Gatenby, B. Larsen, A. Rae, B. Waldie, C. Nielsen.
Front Row: R. Simpson, L. Hunt, S. Darke, S. Darth, G. Clarke.

SECOND XI

This year the Second XI has been very competitive. It had a good mix of senior and junior players. Mr Bruce Davies did an excellent job coaching the team this year. The team ended the year coming fourth behind the First XI.

The team would like to thank both Bruce and Mrs Neilson for the coaching and managing of the team.

REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS

Dion Jordan: New Zealand Under 18 team to tour Australia. Taranaki Colt and Under 17. Due to ill health Dion was not able to fulfil his representative duties. At present Dion is recovering very well and we look forward to him again playing for school, Taranaki and New Zealand; Aaron Jordan: Taranaki Senior Men and Taranaki Colts; Martin Taylor: Under 17; Nathan Betts: Under 17; Kalley Simpson: Under 17; Nathan Hills: Under 17; Greg Paynter: Under 15; Shane Campbell: Under 15; James Aldridge: Under 15; Ronald Gatenby: Under 15; Robert Simpson: Under 15; Rodney Fisher: Under 15; Brian Thornhill: Under 15.

SPECIAL THANKS

The school would like to thank Mr and Mrs M. Betts for all their help this season and for donating the new warm up tops for the First XI. The tops are an excellent idea and help to present the team in a professional way.

HOCKEY REPORT

At the recent THF Prizegiving Aaron Jordan was named as Player of the Year for the secondary schools section as well as Senior Men's Player of the Year.

This is the first time that a school boy has been named Senior Men's Player of the Year.

Dogs need a little tab on the collar so if anyone finds your dog he will look at the licence and try to find your dog.



NPBHS HOCKEY GOLD 1990

Back Row: G. Ewington, K. Moorhead, T. Lewis, D. Kinera, N. Nobbs.
Front Row: R. Johnston, B. Thornhill, N. Withers, M. Hugill, S. Davies.

GOLD TEAM

The Gold team had a very good season being coached by Mr Kinera and captained by Neil Withers. They won a number of games and in their final game gave the Second XI a good run for their money.

The team would like to thank Mr Kinera for his time and effort and Neil Withers for all his organisation.



NPBHS HOCKEY WHITE 1990

Back Row: M. Hoult, G. Jamieson, W. Campbell.
Middle Row: M. Allen, D. Rowland, T. Jayasundgra, M. Corcoran.
Front Row: R. Fisher, N. Brisco, A. Jamieson, M. Gane, C. Mullen.

WHITE TEAM

The White team played with a lot of character and although they did not win a lot of games they improved as the year progressed. Alistar Jamieson did a lot of work organising the team and Mr Stewart did a good job coaching.

Mere is very manure for her age.



SOCCER



Front Row: T. Tumukon, S. Bance, C. Miles, L. Rattray (Captain), S. Pelham, G. Young, S. Bani.
Back Row: M. Bannister, P. Veric, M. Old, G. Metcalfe (Vice-Captain), T. Pitoi, M. Keast (Coach).
Absent: G. Mackenna, R. Aerts, A. Cosgrove.



NPBHS SECOND XI SOCCER 1990
Back Row: Matthew Mitchell, Justin Whalley, Simon Adams.
Middle Row: Mr Glass (M/Charge Soccer), Michael Kinnell, Andrew Cosgrove, Jay Frewin, Alf Cosgrove (Coach/Manager).
Front Row: Johnson Naviti, David Foreman, David Newman (Captain), Hamish McKenzie, Leota Sio.
Absent: Jeremy Wesley, Adrian Hogwood.



NPBHS UNDER 17 SOCCER 1990
Back Row: Bevan Smith, Michael Shearer, Fraser Marshall.
Middle Row: Greig Metcalf (Assistant Coach), Evan Davies, Stephen Muir, Colin Barton, Mr Glass (Coach/Manager).
Front Row: Simon Spurdle, Damon Griffiths, Craig Healy (Captain), Nigel Sheridan, Christopher Bruere.

UNDER 17 SOCCER

1990 was a good year for this team as they eventually won their league and played all season with skill, enthusiasm and good natured determination. The team was managed and coached by Louis Rattray and Greg Metcalf in the early part of the season before I returned from injury, and I was delighted to meet such a well organised and pleasant "bunch". I am grateful to both Louis and Greg for their efforts, loyalty and help.

Unfortunately the South Taranaki teams of Hawera and Opunake found it difficult to travel and we gained some wins by default. However, we had convincing wins over Woodleigh. Opunake, Hawera and beat a well organised Bell Block side on two out of three occasions. Our chief goal scorers were Damon Griffiths, Matthew Cheer and Evan Davies with quite a few of the rest of the team getting the odd goal! The team was very capably led by Craig Healy who played a "sweepers" position all season and led with skill and enthusiasm.

The season finished with two strong seven-a-side teams playing at the race course to be pipped by the Taranaki Representative Players team. It was fitting that P. Veric and K. Miles of the First XI captained these two sides as they had played with many of our teams over the last three years and indeed many of the Under 17 side played up a grade this season for the First and Second XI teams. I found it a pleasure and a privilege to be associated with such a good team and will be disappointed if many of them do not end up in the First XI next year!

P. GLASS.



NPBHS UNDER 16 SOCCER 1990
Back Row: Asbjorn Aakjaer, Scott Avery, Matthew Duncan.
Middle Row: Mr A. Bone (Coach), Albert Yu, John Duff, Duncan Scott, David Smale.
Front Row: Richard Young, Karl Guillain, Matthew Birch, Craig Cubie, Stephen Bungard.

UNDER 16 SOCCER

RUNNERS-UP IN SEVEN-A-SIDE TOURNAMENT

1990 was not a successful year in terms of games won but was still a very enjoyable and challenging year to most of the players on the squad. The challenge of fully committing oneself to the team in attending practice sessions was not well met by some of the squad. Those that made the effort to attend - such as: Matthew Birch (captain for the season), Scott Avery, Hone Rata and Albert Yu to name a few - were the ones to achieve most in their Saturday games. Yet again it was apparent that those who put the most into the team reaped the most themselves.

The best games of the season would have been the three we played with less than a full squad on the field. These games showed the members determination and brought out the very best teamwork and communication on the pitch but also showed up the weakness in most of the team's fitness, with the exception of our left wing and possibly most consistent player Dave Smale. The ability to give 100 percent for the complete game is essential to really get the most (enjoyment) from each game.

I would like to thank the parents who turned up to support their sons and the team as your presence is always encouraging and most welcome.

A. BONE Coach/Manager.

The Black Prince died of an immortal disease.



NPBHS UNDER 15 SOCCER 1990
Back Row: B. Venema (Coach), Karl Gorringe, Stephen Roguski, Stephen Bunyan, Stephen Starke, Chris Foreman.
Middle Row: Rohan Singh, Leith Gray, Andrew Bean, Tim Cooper, Vincent Yu, Justin Walker.
Front Row: Phillip Dasler, Ivan Broome, Paul Drake, Kerry Gorrrie, Vicheel Chand.

UNDER 15 SOCCER

The Under 15 Soccer team was made up of a squad of 16 boys all very keen to play. On Saturdays it was a tough task for the coach to make the final line up and to disappoint a couple of boys (half) a game.

As far as the results were concerned it wasn't a very convincing season, we ended in the middle of the table. In the seven-a-side tournament we played with two teams: "NPBHS Gold" and "NPBHS Black". "Gold" took the runners-up position and "Black" the last position.

Overall it was a good season because the boys enjoyed their games, at times combined very well and showed their individual skills. Paul Drake as Captain appeared to be a good leader and organiser, well done.

B. VENEMA.



NPBHS UNDER 14 SOCCER 1990
Back Row: Daniel Brighurst, Neville Garven, Mark Connor, Edmond Ansari, Shawn Madigan.
Middle Row: Simon Edgecombe, Matthew Dravitzki, Kane Rattray, Richard Hooper, Leyton Coltam, Kim Tan, Mr J. Sims.
Front Row: Jonathan Day, Hamish Mellsopp, Michael McKenna, Phillip Clarke, Paul Woodham.

We started the season with sixteen players and ended up with sixteen! This meant that some players had to miss games but such was the team spirit no one failed to turn up to watch a Saturday game when they were not playing. Our team was mainly a group of students who had no exceptional skills (apart from Michael McKenna, an Under 14 Taranaki Representative Player. Well done Michael!) They had tremendous team spirit which grew throughout the season.

In our first round of games we drew three, won one and lost three. In the second round we only lost one game to the top team by one goal. We came third in the seven-a-side competition at the racecourse.

Well done to all the boys. The lads who improved most as the season progressed were S. Madigan, D. Brighurst, L. Collan and S. Edgecombe. Thanks to our captain Troy Adamson who organised everyone. I look forward to coaching the team next year.

J. SIMS, Coach/Manager.



FIRST BASKETBALL TEAM

Back Row: A. Hill (Coach), S. Hine, M. Opie, H. Mills, A. Fearné.
Front Row: J. Flavell, N. Pulu, J. Niwa, S. Luke, R. Arbaugh, D. McLellan.

NPBHS A BASKETBALL REPORT

The 1990 season started as soon as the boys were back at school. With the return of at least five of last year's team, the season was looking hopeful. Also a great joy to the players was the return of Coach Angelo Hill. After the fourth placing from the previous year the team had set its goals on winning the National Championships. As usual the year of basketball started with the local 'A' grade competition and this year was a very successful one for School as they rallied to win all their first round games to take out the first section of play. Because of this School now earned top spot in the men's premier grade. Other than these games there is very little competition for schoolboy talent around Taranaki - only the annual fixture with Francis Douglas.

This year we won both games, but still the build up to the Regionals was not there, so we went off to Hamilton to face probably the best schoolboy team in New Zealand, Church College, winners in 1987 and 1988 and third last year. This school is very serious about basketball and would be an ominous opponent. The game resulted in a win to Church College by 46 points. This was just what the boys needed to get out there and get 'fit', so they were pounding the pavements until the Regionals came around on the weekend of the 14th of July at Levin. We played six straight games winning all. This meant we had won the right to fourth ranking at the Nationals, also giving us the easy section of the draw. We also had three players in the Tournament team - Jeff Niwa, Malcolm Opie and Judd Flavell who was named Most Valuable Player of the Tournament.

So we set off to Christchurch on the 12th of August, along with support from Manager Mrs Helen Hicks, support crews and cooks Mrs Penny Pulu and Mrs Diane Opie. The Nationals were held a week early as in previous years there were complaints of valuable holiday time being taken up. After a very distracting and jumpy flight to Christchurch we set out to achieve the goal of the year - to win the Nationals. We started off well, beating Nayland College 70-55 in the first game and Logan Park High 71-69 in the second. Then came the

most important game of the tournament to see if the boys went into the top of bottom eight. The game was against St John's Hamilton and after a very slow start the boys didn't spark and this meant that with the 71-61 loss to St John's they went through on a count-back along with Logan Park to play in the top eight. So this meant that we could only manage ninth in the whole tournament.

We beat Nelson College 77-60, Whangarei 94-81 and Otago Boys' High 60-48. This showed the pride the boys had in the game and the school.

The highlight of the tournament was the selection of Judd Flavell for the Tournament team.

Many thanks to the parents who supported us throughout the year and to the coach Mr Hill. Also a special thanks to Mr Joe Hicks for his support and sponsorship.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR

Malcolm Opie - National Under 20s Men's Squad; Judd Flavell, Jeff Niwa and Malcolm Opie - Regional Tournament Team; Judd Flavell - National Tournament Team.

SCORES IN REGIONAL

Vs Spotswood College 104-39; vs Horowhenua College 88-50; vs Queen Elizabeth College, PN 76-61; vs Francis Douglas 81-75; vs Opunake High School 66-48; vs Queen Elizabeth College Final 69-65.

NATIONAL SCORES

Nayland 70-55; Logan Park 71-69; St John's 61-71; Nelson 77-60; Whangarei 94-80; Otago Boys' High School 60-48.

TEAM MEMBERS

Malcolm Opie, Jeff Niwa, Judd Flavell, Justin Lofton-Brook, Ryan Arbaugh, Aaron Fearné, Scott Hine, Dwayne McLellan, Hamish Mills, Nelson Pulu, Shaun Luke, Anthony Ruakere, Jerrey Burton (Captain). Angelo Hill (Coach), Mrs Helen Hicks (Manager).



NPBHS BASKETBALL B 1990

Back Row: Jeremy Coley, Nicholas Thomson, Aaron Hine.
Middle Row: Mark Powell, Andrew Kinsella, Damon Green, Mr P. J. Mathias.
Front Row: Chris Lee, Mark Jones, Aaron Fearné, Damian Muir, Jamie Kerr.



NPBHS UNDER 16 BLACK BASKETBALL 1990

Back Row: Mark Powell, Damon Green, Aaron Hine, Andrew Kinsella, Regan Yarrow, Tony Crossan.
Front Row: Jamey Kerr, Jeremy Coley, Aaron Fearné, Damian Muir, Oliver Stone.



NPBHS BRICKLAYERS — BASKETBALL 1990

Back Row: Allen Mills, Kyle Brennan, Brett Granville.
Front Row: Paul Vyvers, Ian Reddington, Brett Honeyfield, Hayden Smith.



NPBHS UNDER 16 WHITE BASKETBALL 1990

Back Row: Hamish Mills, Ivan Bruce, Alton Mathews, Christian Hansen, Stuart Jones, David Smale, Scott Hine.
Front Row: Greig Wilson, Carl Andrews, Callum McKenzie, Paul Drake, Peter Little.



NPBHS UNDER 16 GOLD BASKETBALL 1990

Back Row: Stephen Rowlands, Ben Harland, Steven McCallum, Jeremy Brown, Steven McKindley.
Front Row: Richard Taylor, Regan Washer, Ivan Broome, Nathan Burrows, Steven Jones.



NPBHS UNDER 14 WHITE BASKETBALL 1990

Back Row: Nelson Pulu, Roddie Struthers, Cressey Wells, Nathan Wipatene, Jamie Watkins, Gareth West, Jeff Niwa.
Front Row: Gareth Mowat, Ben Cooper, Paul Mohi, Joshua Klenner, Blair Cowley.



NPBHS UNDER 16 GREEN BASKETBALL 1990
Back Row: Steven Harding, Reuben Thorne, Troy O'Rourke.
Middle Row: Ryan Arbaugh, Michael Gordon, Bradley Cribb, Jud Flavell.
Front Row: Duncan Robertson, Michael Webster, Michael Brookes, Jason Ritchie, Taryn Jordan.



NPBHS UNDER 14 BLACK BASKETBALL 1990
Back Row: Chris Metcalfe, Keryn Amon, Michael Jones, Damien Percival, Karl Buckthought, Malcolm Opie.
Front Row: Ricky Tito, Anthony Darke, Simon Gibbs, Ronald Gatenby, Hayden Handley.



NPBHS UNDER 14 GOLD BASKETBALL 1990
Back Row: Shaun Luke, Paul Swanson, Duane Bristowe, Tony Rampton, Mathew Curson, Shaun Hickey, Duane McLellan.
Front Row: Seamus Collins, Ryan Crofskey, Thomas Henderson, Michael Moller, Daniel O'Neill.

THIRD AND FOURTH FORM BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

OPUNAKE AUGUST 8TH, 1990

School was able to take an experienced and skilful team to the Tournament again this year. Well rehearsed team moves gave us the dominance over the whole tournament and the benefit of the considerable coaching effort that has been made this year was clearly evident. We were able to include third formers in this year's team so we will be able to take experienced players again next year.

The final between Boys' High and Inglewood. It was a well contested final right to the last whistle but we were able to maintain an early advantage and ran out winners by ten points.

The team was: Jeremy Coley, Mark Powell, Jamey Kerr, Andrew Kinsella, Aaron Hine, Daman Green, Nathan Wipatene, Tony Rampton, Ben Cooper, Damian Percival.



NPBHS PISTONS — BASKETBALL 1990
Back Row: Kyle Dawson, Tony Earl, Stewart Haynes, Gareth Mowat.
Front Row: Brooke Wolfe, Laine Hopkinson, Todd Velvin, Craig Mowat, Paul Neilson.

This year there were seven teams from the school and one independent team composed of boys from the school entered in the junior competition. This level of involvement can happen only because of the high level of commitment of the first five who act as coaches for these teams.

We selected out a top Under 16 team and they have more than justified their selection; they made the final for the Under 16 Grade and many players from this team played in the school B team which competed in the Men's B Grade competition where they won most of their games. The most pleasing aspect of this team's performance has been their growth in the understanding of the game and their mastery of complicated offensive moves.

The Under 14 teams have all competed strongly in their competition, both the White and Gold teams being semi-finalists. The way these teams improved in skill and team work is a credit to their coaches: Jeff Niwa, Nelson Poluto, Shaun Luke, Duane McLellan, Malcolm Opie and Jeremy Burton. The foundation that these boys have laid for us means we can look forward to another good year next season.



Photographic Installation: J. Burton, J. Timakata: 7 Art.



Duane Agate: 5 Art.



Nigel Dasler: 5 Art.



Keeping the Family Warm: M. Loveridge: 7 Art.



D. Agate: 5 Art.

PRIDE OR PREJUDICE

New Zealand, Aotearoa, land of the long white cloud, or is it land of the long black shroud?

As the century clocks over a mere century and a half, we as a country have created a treasure chest of riches, in traditions, images and customs, which have become firmly set in the collective memory, but in the evolution of characteristics of our nation lies an underlying factor, prejudice. Prejudice against those factors of our society which have a black mark against them, these black marks are present, because the factors have on occasions, formed a split society. A split which causes the people's pride in themselves and subsequently in their country, to be clouded with issues of debate and issues of prejudice. But as every cloud has that silver lining, so too does this blinding ignorance have a solution.

Whether you are a man, or a woman, whether you are a member of the young, middle aged, or older generation, whether you class yourself as a Maori, Pakeha or a New Zealander, we are all a part of a nation which has been built on spirit. That is the spirit of faith, the spirit of trust, and the spirit of hope. Perhaps the most debated issue in our short but by no means sweet history is, the Treaty of Waitangi. That document, that commitment, that piece of paper which was signed by two completely different cultures, is one of these factors which has a black mark beside it. The confrontations, injustices and prejudices towards this document, has clouded the vision of all who live under it. The problems and prejudices are clouding the fact, that we have our own culture, this fact unfolded for us at the opening ceremony to the Commonwealth Games. We saw and the world saw that New Zealand no-longer lives in the shadow of any other culture, because we have our own. And this fact is the solution to the problem. The idea that the answer lies in the hands of the beholder or the individual, means if we are to succeed as a nation, then we have to be one nation. Now, if that has to mean we are, one people, one nation, or two people - one nation, then so be it. But that factor of one nation, has to survive.

There is a whakatauki, a proverb of the Maori: "He totara mahi, rua he kai na te ahi." A totara tree split in two, is food for the fire, or to put it more simply, Unity is strength.

I want this generation of New Zealanders to be able to stand up and say, we had the determination and the spirit, to judge this prejudice differently, and in unity with all others, no matter what gender, no matter what age, and no matter what race. This is not going to happen by itself, because we are all involved. This prejudice should never over rule the feelings of pride when we watch the All Blacks on the rugby field or when we follow the progress of Steinlager on the oceans of the world, or when we see Dame Kiri take the stage, or Sir Howard Morrison, as they both did in the Commonwealth ceremonies. This is the moment when there's a tear in your eye and a lump in your throat, this is the moment which should never be clouded by any prejudice, whatsoever.

Let us celebrate, New Zealand, 150 years old, united in pride and hope. Be proud, because prejudice is not the answer! If this is allowed to continue, then this country will die as a nation - in a black shroud
 JASON RENAU, Winner Senior Speech Contest.

PRIDHAM HALL

Old and musty creaking with every step.
 The very smell of antiquity fills your nostrils
 With its probing, penetrating tentacles.
 Surrounding you with its families of many generations
 Nourishing them on the lessons learned by the
 Now forgotten names that line the hall.
 The furniture is as old as its surroundings
 Wobbling with age.
 Will this be the last year for the great
 Mother of New Plymouth Boys' High School?
 Her nurturing touch never to be felt again
 Cracking now as she will soon be deemed unsafe
 But her spirit will never be forgotten by
 The many people who passed through her
 Former grandeur.

ANEEL HAY, Form Three.

RUGBY COACH

The Coach eyes over the prop, what a sight,
 Jersey in tatters, pants too tight.
 Too much weight, not much height,
 Big black eyes from last weeks fight.

Head gear on, mouthguard in,
 Tell the lawyer who's his next of kin.
 Quickly take a swig of gin,
 Tell the boys they're going to win.

First scrum down, one and all,
 But our hooker has missed the ball.
 Rude names to him we all did call,
 Sit on the halfback he's quite small.
 Tackle the lock, make him fall, no,
 Changed his mind, he's too tall.

He sits in the sin-bin, tears in his eyes,
 Watching the other team score all the tries.
 Here you'll see him game after game,
 Thinking of some poor player to blame.

P. ALEXANDER, Form Four.

COMPETITIVENESS

How many of you have entered a competition with the object of beating someone else whether it be for personal pleasure, to show your academic superiority, or on the sportsfield as an individual or as part of a team? If your answer was yes to any of these you have been touched by competitiveness.

Like it or not we live in a society where winning is everything. The pressure to compete successfully is bred within us. Whether we choose to accept it or not, we are victims of competitiveness.

This love/hate drive of our society has been called a social disease, a driving force, but no-one can deny it has put the world where it is today, for better or for worse.

It surrounds us, a second shadow in the workplace, on the sportsfield, at school and even at home.

The most demanding competitive warfare takes place in an area we all know well. School!

It is a proven fact that at school under peer, parent and teacher pressure, pupils can thrive on competitiveness, cringe from it, or just accept its presence and ignore it. At school its presence can be felt in competing for grades, trophies and cups, places on the honours boards and at New Plymouth Boys' High School, Tiger Jackets!

Competitiveness in schools can lead to cheating in exams, stealing of notes and a feeling of failure.

However on the positive side, by instilling the desire to excel, can breed a more academic student.

At home the student is faced with the all familiar:

"Have you done your homework!"

The parents who place the pressure on you to compete can be classed in one of three categories.

- Those who wish to relive their scholastic successes;
- Those who wish their children to do better than they did;
- And those who don't really care.

So you can see that the driving force of competitiveness can be triggered from the home environment.

Competitiveness can be a very positive resource both at school and the next step forward, the workplace. In the enclosed environment people will do anything to improve their career, financial or social status. They will embezzle, make false statements, accusations or even commit other more serious crimes to compete successfully.

But the most significant achievement of competitiveness is the development of advanced technology to further our progress. Some notable advances have been made in the computing, electronic, medical and space exploration fields resulting directly from one country trying to outdo another. But it is also competitiveness that increases our defence capabilities, because of leaders' greed or insecurity about land.

The simple human desire to beat other people can be a laudable quality but it can become an underhand 'dog-eat-dog' environment on the sportsfield. This has been shown by Ben Johnson and other sporting personalities. However, on the positive side, competitiveness on the sportsfield can lead to better times and a sense of pride for oneself, one's team and one's country shown in New Zealand by Susan Devoy, John Walker and the All Blacks.

So as you have seen, competitiveness has its positive and negative aspects at school, in the workplace, on the sportsfield, and at home. It is sometimes moral, sometimes immoral, but always present. It has led to great advances and great crimes. But always remember: do your best, and you'll always be a winner!

ANEEL HAY, Form Three.

I FEEL STRONGLY ABOUT ...

I feel strongly about life ...
 Life is never-ending ... almost
 Life is continual ... almost
 Life is like a pendulum,
 It keeps going on and on, until it finally
 Stops.
 If we could only swing the pendulum
 Before it stops, we could live
 Forever.
 Then life would be never-ending
 Life would be continual
 Life would be like perpetual motion
 Life would keep going on and on
 And never stop.
 And we would be yearning for a life that does
 Stop.

MATTHEW BIRCH.

HEY MR APATHY

It's time

Someone stood up
 And said something
 But I won't
 And you won't
 And they won't
 Because
 We're all dead
 Like the Politicians
 Who fight for what they want
 And not for what they believe
 But it's not their fault
 It's ours
 For not telling them what we believe
 Maybe our children
 But by then it will be too late
 Because

It's time now.

HAMISH KYNASTON, Form Seven.



D. Aim: 7 Art.

"EYE SEE"

I'm looking at you, you can't see me but I can see you. I'm watching your every move, right now your eyes are darting across the room making sure you're alone, BUT YOU'RE NOT.

Are you shaking yet, you are, ha, I can tell - remember I'm watching you, you think you're safe in your little house.

In fact eye watch you all the time day and night, I'm with you 24 hours, 12 months, a whole year, and year after year.

I see you in the morning getting dressed. I see things that you do, you wouldn't tell anybody.

But after a while you will die and I'll go on to someone else, see your time's limited to ... about 60, 70 years and after that I keep in living - I can't die, I'm immortal.

You can't see me but I am there with you so don't shake.

SCOTT MISCALL, Form Four.

ASSEMBLY

New
 Massive
 Honours all around
 Sun shining in my eyes
 Head Boy says to stand
 5000 bottoms rising out of their seats
 All the teachers file on stage
 "Tena katou e noho"
 5000 bottoms sit down
 Assembly again

NATHAN BRISCO, Form Three.

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Soviet Collapse?

by R. Donaldson



Mr Sokolov- Soviet Ambassador, Wellington 1990. Photo: B. NIXON

As you enter Wellington via the highway to Lower Hutu, you may notice the American Embassy compound, a large area, surrounded by high steel fences, patrolled by Embassy guards. The Soviet Embassy compound on the other hand is surrounded by only a low brick wall topped by a small iron picket fence. Nor is there a security guard to be seen. The Whistle reporters entered unchallenged until they entered a reception area. Whilst an early arrival caused a minor hiccup, they were quickly conducted to a comfortable room for their interview with the Soviet Ambassador, Mr Sokolov, who arrived shortly thereafter. The aim of the interview was to discover if the Soviet Union could sustain itself as a political entity, or whether it would disintegrate under the pressure of nationalism arising in the various states. This, of course led to discussion of the political situation within Lithuania and Azerbaijan republics, and also to a fascinating explanation of Soviet internal politics. On the issue of Lithuania, the Ambassador made it clear he believed that the Lithuanian state government had gone about the issue of secession in the wrong manner. He pointed out that, according to Article 72 of the Soviet Constitution, the right to secede is guaranteed. "Each Union Republic shall retain the right for a free secession from the USSR". However, the Ambassador pointed out there is no legal framework in place to deal with a secession. Previously, the USSR had a totalitarian government, during which time the individual states would not have entertained the notion of seceding from the USSR, so the issue did not arise. However, in February, a bill to deal with this was placed before the Soviet Parliament. However, this bill has not yet become law. The Ambassador feels that Lithuania should have contributed to this bill rather than strike out on its

own, heedless of the issues surrounding the secession. In Lithuania, these issues are highly complex, partly because of the nature of the Soviet Federal system. The population of Lithuania is composed of 80% Lithuanians, 8% Polish, and 9% ethnic Russians. This, of course, gives rise to conflict on ethnic grounds. The vast majority of Russians wish to remain in the Soviet Union. Since this portion of the population numbers some 300,000 persons, the issue of what to do with these people is no small one. It is further complicated by the Belorussian territories embraced by Lithuania. After Lithuania joined the USSR, it was "given" a large area of Belorussian territory-Belorussia being a state within the Russian Republic. Belorussia, somewhat understandably, is upset about the prospect of Lithuania leaving the Federation with a portion of its territories and population. Furthermore, the capital of Lithuania, Vilnius, and the surrounding area was a gift from the Soviet Union in return for a protocol of understanding on military cooperation signed in 1939. As Lithuania proposes breaking the terms of this accord, there would then be grounds for the return of this territory. Of course, this also presents the problem of finding a new capital for the country. A third difficulty is the Polish population. Previously, they moved to have a 'sub-parliament' within the state (a state within a state), which has been rejected out of hand by the Lithuanian government. Since a portion of Lithuania was formerly a part of Eastern Prussia, which is now in Poland, it is reasonable to assume that this was done with a view to seceding from Lithuania to join with Poland-which raises the issue of security. It is not impossible to imagine a belligerent Poland attempting to retake portions of Lithuania by force. After all, Lithuania was continually attacked by its

England. However, it is a well recognized fact that big businesses support governments and not all politicians have the courage of their constituents' convictions. The Whistle hopes that Greenpeace will be able to use our paltry \$500 to good effect. Incidentally, the money has been partially raised through a multi-day and the remainder through the proceeds of advertising.

The Whistle is set to donate a sum of \$500 to the Greenpeace organisation as a gesture of support for the current Greenpeace campaigns (see pages six and seven for details.) In keeping with the paper's developing national and international foci, The Whistle will be supporting a range of worthy causes in future editions. A major current concern is that of industrial pollution. Greenpeace is a major force, if not the

major force, responsible for pressuring governments to legislate against businesses which, for the sake of expedience, continue to foul waterways and the atmosphere. Quite ruthless measures need to be adopted if this sort of wanton destruction is to be halted. One would therefore think that Margaret Thatcher should easily be able to check the environmentally hazardous production processes that continue to plague

England. However, it is a well recognized fact that big businesses support governments and not all politicians have the courage of their constituents' convictions. The Whistle hopes that Greenpeace will be able to use our paltry \$500 to good effect. Incidentally, the money has been partially raised through a multi-day and the remainder through the proceeds of advertising.

Poll Tax - Protection For The Rich?

by B. Beaven

Over the past month there have been violent riots in the heart of what is looked at as the commonwealth's most stable cities, the heart of the commonwealth itself. London. The riots are a reaction to the implementation of the new 'poll tax' by Mrs Thatcher's Tory government. But despite the riots Mrs Thatcher shows no sign of backing down on the tax which replaces local property taxes with a flat levy on all adults of voting age. It has come into effect in England and Wales. At least two British newspapers called for a repeal of the tax, which has sparked protest marches across the country. The Guardian newspaper said in an editorial "... at least the shattered shops can call in the glaziers. There is no such urgent remedy for the second disaster - the poll tax itself".

Since the introduction of the poll tax, Mrs Thatcher's popularity has dropped to an all time low. Opponents of the tax have called it unfair as the flat rate imposed by local councils applies to all regardless of income. It is being imposed at a time of high interest rates and rising inflation. It is hoped that the government of New Zealand takes what has occurred in England as a warning. For surely the implementation of such an immoral tax here would be greeted with as much enthusiasm as it was in England. And for a government that has already dropped low in the opinion polls this would spell certain disaster.

As we went to press we learned of Jeff Schraeder's recent car accident. He has been seriously injured, and we wish him all the best in what will be a slow recovery process.

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FATHER CHRISTMAS

This may come as a shock to many of you here today, but you simply must be told. This is a tale of deceit and corruption involving millions and perpetuated by generations of parents through time.

Father Christmas is a fraud. All of us here today have become victims of this vicious cycle. Throughout childhood we were subjected to a wave of propaganda. It began every year around October. Surely you can remember. Your Mother used to say "He knows when you're behaving and when you're not." Every time you'd step out of line your Mother would remind you of these two feared words and feared they were. "He knows," she would say.

And then of course there was the greatly anticipated sports club Christmas function. You know the thing I mean. All the lads would turn up for an afternoon tea and in the middle of the proceedings, he arrives in his full finery, flowing beard, the works. Don't you remember how it felt? Here he was, in person, right here at your sports club. Obviously someone in this organisation had real clout with the big guy.

What about the traditional department store scene? You'd wander in eyeing the toys while being towed along by Mum and there he was, again, sitting there on his throne. What luck. You've got a second chance to impress this guy. Could he forgive you for that unfortunate episode with Archibald Jones's pet mouse? Would he be prepared to overlook just that one time last Thursday week when expressing your displeasure to little William Sans, your choice of words was perhaps a little rash?

So what do you do? You climb up on his lap; he asks you your name and if you have been a good boy. You reply "Yes! Yes! Santa," believing all the time that he knows how good or otherwise you've been. He asks you what you want and quickly you whisk out the wish list. You ask him politely if he would check it off when the big night comes and you carefully point out your address at the bottom.

Christmas television! Yes this is a prime example of the conspiracy. They actually tell you his progress across the nation. You sit there simply captivated, waiting to discover his estimated time of arrival around your way, hoping against hope that the couple of misdemeanours of the last week or so aren't going to count against you.

We come now to the unbelievable ritual that accompanies his arrival in our houses. I am of course referring to the absolute necessity of providing milk and biscuits to the man. Not one or two biscuits but more often a small mountain and then there's the milk. The fact that it came out of a Baileys liquor bottle should have been suspicious right from the very beginning, but no, ever-trusting, you simply rationalised that Father Christmas, being the celebrity that he is, was particularly brand conscious.

Call it creative justification if you must, but it suited us all to simply leave this unchallenged.

And explain this if you can - our house doesn't have a chimney! Really if you sat down and thought about it the commercialism of the guy should have given the game away right from the beginning. But no, still the believers believed.

Until that fateful day. It was a Friday night, only a day or two out from Christmas and Mum took you to town to get those last few things she needed for Christmas dinner. Mum parked the car and together we wandered down a side street completely oblivious to the drama that was about to unfold as we entered the main shopping mall. There he was, outside the shoe shop, and there he was at the bottom of the escalator, and outside the ice-cream parlour, and again beside the lift.

With one glance, without having to move your head, you could see five of them! You turn to your Mother accusingly. She must have some answers. There is something dreadfully wrong here. "Mum," you said, "how could this be?"

Mum gave you that knowing look - the expression only mothers can give. The previously unthinkable is thought. Could it be that after years of dedication and unquestioning loyalty to the gift-bearing God that it has all been simply a trick? More importantly how could your parents have done this to you?

It comes to you in the moment of horror, how could you have been so stupid? It all adds up. The Baileys milk, the chimney, the commercialism. It all makes perfect sense now, it's all so clear.

Right now I suspect you'll be feeling the same devastation I felt on that fateful day. This is a tough job but someone had to do it, you needed to know.

Father Christmas is a fraud, despite everything you've always believed in. Go ahead, kick your sister, break your toys, shout and scream because no longer do you live in fear of that all-seeing God. Live it up a little because Father Christmas is a fraud.

SHANE GRANT,
Second in Form Five Speech Contest.

I FEEL STRONGLY ABOUT ...

I feel strongly about
The things that aren't open
Thoughts and feelings that can never be spoken

Morals and ideas that are not black and white
The internal struggle the external fight

A touch unsure
A tear unseen
Innocent and pure
A bonding between

A mother and daughter
A sister and brother
A broken family apart from each other

A happy movie
A sad ending
The adventure of life
A hope never ending

A thought of destiny
The future unfolding
Life rushing by
For time has no holding

Thoughts of wonder
Thoughts innocent and pure
Things I feel strongly about
Ideas unsure

PAUL GOLDSWORTHY, Form Five.

THE FORGOTTEN CHILD

A small rowboat was bobbing away like a broken straw in the glistening ocean. How it got there, is a mystery. Its tiny shape floated perilously on the rolling swells. One minute it was perched high above a mountain of shimmering water, the next, hidden from view by the same mound of living liquid.

Where had it come from? Was it a survivor from a doomed vessel which now lay cowering beneath the tons of unforgiving ocean, its submerged decks left to rot in the dungeons of Davey Jones' Locker. Maybe it was a luckless fishing boat which had been tormented by a raging storm and mercilessly destined to drift on the never-ending oceans. Where it had come from, we may never know.

But it was here, now, drifting listlessly across the endless seas. Might it ever reach land, feel the reassuring comfort of sand firm beneath its fragile hull, or would the summoning of a tempest unleash its awesome power upon its defenceless body, bearing it upon mighty avalanches of seething, angry water and finally to smash it against the rocks. The fate of this tiny craft lay unsealed.

As it drifted closer its unpretentious shape crept into view, the weather beaten boards semi-clothed by a skimpy coating of yellow ochre. Strangely it bore no markings or remains of a name, not the slightest clue that it had ever felt the joy of a christening. A boat without a name drifting abandoned in the vast ocean, unwanted and forgotten.

The fury of the sun had whitened the wooden planks which lay exposed within the craft. It bleached them as it would the bones of a long perished creature. A pair of oars lay askew in the humble interior, and they were its only meagre possessions. A sinewy strand of rope dropped forlornly over its bow, the end of it trailing in the water.

Waves lapped rhythmically against the pitiful hull and tiny droplets of water trickled like tears down the painted boards. The immense ocean glistened under the relentless sun. It slithered and swirled undecided of which direction it would flow, or if it would remain motionless. A dab of shiny metallic film decorated the top of each wave and each swell causing them to scintillate as they writhed beneath the blazing sun.

A fish leapt freely out of the water near the boat's prow and fell back into the sea with a resounding 'plop'. But the boat stared straight ahead, without emotion, unnoticed and unseeing.

The barren azure sky did not capture the essence of birds and did not feel their lively beat of wings. It was only blemished by a few desolate strands of cloud that hovered above the western horizon.

But the little boat did not seem to notice this. It did not seem to heed the cruel, ruthless sun, or the fish, but merely slipped away silently to seek its forlorn fate upon the lonely seas.

JASON TAN, Form Four.

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STORY

The sounds were brief and not loud; a scuffling, a thud, a short cry. Something smelt bad, manoeuvring round the bend in the tunnel, the torch light wavered and dimmed. The cold metal wall reverberated as he encouraged the torch to stay bright. It did.

The smell was becoming worse. So concentrated he could almost feel its foul odours condensing in his lungs. It was then that he saw its gigantic shadow looming on the side of the tunnel, the producer of the mysterious scuffling. The rat, terrified of the light scampered away, and moments later, he heard a short cry and a soft thud. Rats' feet are not terribly well adapted to traversing metal air-conditioning ducts at high speed, he thought with a smile. At least one mystery had been solved.

He had been contacted by the University. Several days ago, several rats had escaped in freak circumstances into the air-conditioning ducts. It was thought that although rat poison had been left in several places along the ducts, the escapees were still alive. The Professor who had been conducting the experiments on the rats was anxious that they might start breeding, and besides, he said, they were quite valuable to his overall research into chemical intelligence. So he wanted them back, preferably alive.

The tunnel began to slope downwards. By his reckoning he was on the far western side of the building. The nearby tunnel opening was the one closest to the nearby wood. He heard the scuffling again. His torch light again flickered but quickly regained its composure. The air was becoming lighter and crisper, the dimness of the tunnel slowly lifting. In the distance he could see the light filtering in and the criss-crossing of the grill. As he came close he saw an amazing sight, a brownish furry body propped underneath the air duct grill holding it open.

A flash of movement caught his eyes and glancing down he saw another rat, this one very much alive, trembling in terror. Carefully he picked it up, cradling it in both hands. The Professor said the rats had become very domesticated from laboratory life and the constant surrounding with humans. "The Professor will be glad to see you back, won't he?" he murmured. The rat turned its head towards him, a strange expression crossing its face.

OW! Pain raced through his thumb as the rats' teeth bored into him. The rat, dropped in both surprise and pain, made a dash for the open grill and freedom.

As he followed slowly, his thoughts went back to the rats' facial expression just before it bit him. It was more than terror or fear. It was a kind of intelligence, as if the rat had somehow understood what he had said. Looking at the grill he saw how it had been opened. A lab screwdriver had been wedged in the top by something (a rat?). It had come loose, obviously when a rat had been passing underneath, crushing the hapless creature to death. The smell of the corpse was nauseating.

Just then he looked up and saw two pairs of small red eyes flash at him from the undergrowth, then, they were gone. Shaking his head in disbelief he wondered if it was not just humans that were doing the research and experiments in this campus.

BEVAN SMITH, Form Six.

LOVE

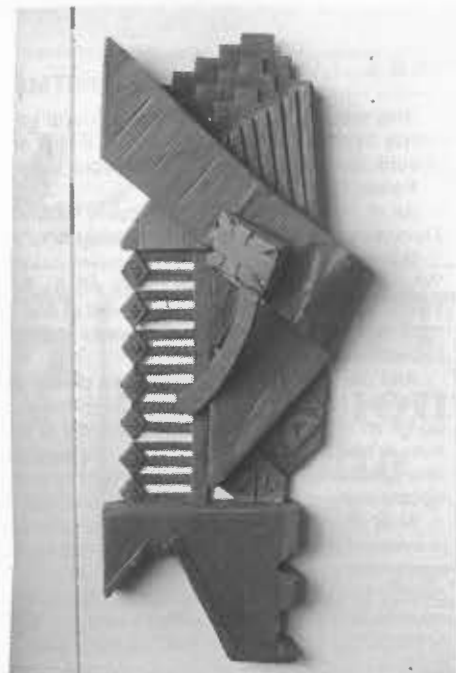
God picked you out of all the rest,
because he knew I loved you best.
I'll give you my heart of solid gold,
for you to cherish, love and hold.
Look after it like I have done,
for now you have two and I have none.
When I go to heaven and you're not there,
I'll carve your name in the golden chair.
And if you're not there on judgement day,
I'd know you've gone the other way.
And just to prove my love is true,
I come below to be with you.

PHILLIP WILLIAMS, Form Four.

SPRING

The petals are gripping for life but are
forced to release their grip, by the mighty
but gentle wind.
The coldness presses against my body.
Branches reaching for life giving sun-light.
The blossoms releasing a spring smell into
the pure air.
While the green leaves sprout as the blossom
flutters from the tree.
The blue sky hanging behind setting a magnificent
sight.

HAMISH GRAY.



D. Agate, M. Cheer: 5 Art.

PATIENCE

Three birds were descending out of the sun, the sun that was the mother of all life, the life that was most abundant around the hills and plains of Taranaki, the plains where the barn waited.

It was alone, in the middle of the field with nothing but the sound of the wind and the heat of the sun for company. There wasn't much left of the barn except for the blackened walls and charred rafters that were slowly being eaten away by the elements. The walls were slowly being reclaimed by the land, for there was moss, small clumps of moss that were clinging to the boards and slowly growing. They had grown in all directions, starting first in the shaded damp areas and then expanding, spreading in all directions slowly and steadily smothering the boards.

The sun beat down on the rafters of the barn as it had when there was a roof to shelter the contents of the barn, but now there was nothing to shelter and nothing to shelter with. Thousands of bales of hay had been through the barn when it was intact, its purpose to keep them safe from the elements and the sun. The sun rising in the east and setting in the west had always been and the barn had always been there, waiting.

As the three birds swooped down from the scarlet setting sun and headed into the rotting remnants of the rafters, the cicadas began their twilight serenade. The grip of night slowly tightened, and the area, as the final glimpse of light faded behind the hills, became silent and calm.

The barn had been alive in its day, seeing many a harvest come and go as well as having within its walls numerous bales of hay for the stock in the neighbouring fields. It had kept those bales safe and dry from the violent storms that had come whistling over the southern ranges, carried on the southerly wind. It had also fallen to these storms when on one fateful night lady luck had frowned down on the barn.

The night was darker than most with the storm clouds smothering the light of the moon and the ground alive with the falling of heavy rain. Thunder was echoing around the hills which meant there was lightning and it was lightning that struck the roof of the barn instantly turning it to flame as the barn and its contents began to burn.

That was in the past but in the present it was obvious that time had taken its toll, with the old walls slowly falling inwards and the beams of the roof sagging in the middle. The barn had no further purpose to the farmer but to nature's creations it was invaluable.

Birds roosted amongst the dilapidated crumbling rafters while in one dry sheltered corner, a family of felines that pranced among the overgrown interior of the barn had lived for several weeks.

The night was calm and peaceful as the creatures of the night went about their stealthy silent business. The barn stood patiently, waiting. It had nothing in the future but a slow inevitable demise that would eventually come, and it would only come slowly as the beams of light crept over the eastern horizon heralding the birth of a new day.

The three birds stirred, stretched and swooped off into the morning sun as the morning light touched the beams of the barn. It could only watch another morning, that was just the same as yesterdays, come and go, as it stood like a member of the old guard, quietly and patiently.

PAUL AVERY, Form Four.

REALITOLOGY — THE SCIENCE OF EVERYDAY LIFE

My speech is on speeches. Hah! Had you going! How many times have you, the fickle readers, groaned in utter boredom when you read those words? Don't you wish there was a name you could call the author? Well, now you can with my new 270-volume book, 'Realitology', i.e. the science of everyday life. Within its pages are thousands of words, giving names to things and events that are part of life. Like the way you jar your leg when the top step of the stairs mysteriously vanishes while climbing them in the dark. Let's sample a few shall we?

For instance, a 'Scullet' is the last teaspoon in the washing-up that is ALWAYS left in the sink and can only be found by pulling the plug out and searching through all the grotty muck and foam for about two minutes.

In the kitchen appliance section, there's 'Throcking!' Throcking is the action of repeatedly trying to get your pop-up toaster's lever to stay down. The machine's resistance to your endeavours is caused by the fearsome 'Throckmorton', the spirit of a deceased axe-murderer that inhabits the timing mechanism of your toaster. This enables the darn thing to either burn your bread to charcoal, or not cook it at all.

The term 'fring' refers to the noise a light-bulb makes when it blows.

The list goes on and on. How many of you have wondered what a 'Quenby' is? No-one? Well, maybe you have, because a 'quenby' is a stubborn spat on a window that you spend half an hour trying to clean off before discovering it's on the other side of the glass.

Here's a common one - 'Meath'; warm and clammy. It's descriptive of the way your hands feel after the hot air auto-drier has turned itself off.

'Nasebies', are the n' abbreviations in sentences that replace 'and' in the vain belief that it will make the good or service it is advertising sound chummy or endearing, e.g. fish 'n' chips, mix 'n' match, bondage 'n' discipline etc.

For all those Freemasons out there, here's one 'Patea'. 'Patea's' are lumps of something gristly and foul-tasting concealed in a mouthful of pie. They are placed there by Masons as part of a secret Mason recognition ceremony.

If the victim is not a Mason, he (or she) can resort to three options: a) swallowing the patea bravely, usually bringing tears to the eyes; b) chewing on it for up to twenty-five minutes before resorting to a) or c) choking on it fatally. However, if the victim is a Mason, the secret Mason patea-greeting of fellow Masons is as follows:

Place a small blue hanky on your head, then remove the patea with the special silver tongs provided, using the left hand - cross the room to your Mason host by hopping on one leg and greet him in the correct manner by ramming the patea firmly up his nose, crying "take that, you smug Masonic b..."

Many of you will be familiar with 'Nottages'. They are awful situations that, until recently, were completely avoidable. Say, for example, your greenhouse is cluttered up with loads of cardboard and string you've never found a use for, so you burn it all. Two days later, you desperately need to wrap a large parcel for your mother's birthday. Not to worry! There's some cardboard and string in the green .. um ...

'Oshkoshes' are the noise you make when you're being grossly flattered. ("hey, that's a great speech!") And you say "Oshkosh, goshkosh, it was nothing...")

There are many "Manukauss" out there. "Manukauss" are small oddly-shaped pieces of cheese that enable you to grate your fingers quickly and without fuss.

"Hawkes Bay's" are also common. They're people who answer questions on the radio with stupid, wrong and supposedly hilarious punchlines and then wonder why they don't get the prize, e.g. "Who plays Taranaki's best music?" The Hawkes Bay says "Radio Rhema. Hur, hur, hur .."

The idiot section (some 14 volumes) contains such gems as 'Meathops' - people who go to the scene of a horrific airplane crash with a picnic hamper and 'Whangamomona' one whose idea of a laugh in the loo is to push the button in mid-pee and then sees if he can finish before the flush does. Ho, ho.

To finish off, here's one of the most common of all - 'Tingrith', the awful sensation of silver paper against your fillings. Zap! Ow!

Well, I hope you've enjoyed this wonderful romp through the world of realitology. The book is available from me at \$10 a volume. Only \$750 for the whole set! Oh! by the way, who can guess what you call those push-taps in restaurants and public loos that drench your trousers and leave your hands bone-dry? Yes, that's right! 'New Plymouth'. Thanks for reading and may you never be visited by the 'Throckmorton'.

JEFF STONE, Form Five.

THE MIME CLOWN

A small rowboat was bobbing along like a broken straw on the glistening ocean. It held no oars or no name and seemed to hang just above the waves as if floating. Its paintwork seemed to glow and its occupant seemed lifeless. He, it was definitely a he, was no more than a silhouette against the setting sun.

I clambered into the water and onto a small island covered in dense pohutukawa. There was something about the boat that was surrounded by mystery.

I scurried between the trees to the other side of the island ascending to the top of the cliff that overlooked the wonderful Pacific.

Still the boat seemed aloft the waves and gleaming with pride, but the occupant was no longer still. He was now moving about the boat in a funny sort of way. He exaggerated his moves as if dancing, and it was then that I suddenly felt cautious towards the thing, its occupant was merely a shadow and its movement was a dance.

Curiosity set me wild as I scurried down the carved out cliff face to the rocky shore below to get a closer look. The shadow was now starting to fade as the day slowly subsided into evening but it seemed more lively now and took up a more positive shape, a mime clown and his dance was no longer a dance but a mime and he was performing to me.

I slowly sat down on a boulder at the edge of the shore and watched his act.

Concealed in the boat were a countless number of props that were all tinted, different shades of green, yellow, red and blue that made the show that much more magical. But it wasn't long before daylight ran out and so did the shadow, but I assumed he would be back the next day so I trod off back to the bach feeling boosted with active strength and excitement.

Tomorrow came and went, so did the next day, and the next and the next until I gave up with the idea that my shadow was coming back, but then on the afternoon of my departure he showed up again, the boat as magical as before and him as talented.

Again I sat down to watch the beauty of the art he was portraying, as spellbound as before, fascinated by what I was seeing.

His movements were so relaxed and peaceful and the masks he wore were so finely carved and shaded that he seemed to be a figure of my imagination, but no sooner had I come to the conclusion that he was real and that what I was seeing was real a small and almost seemingly harmless whirl-pool dragged under the rowboat and the clown and no sooner had they disappeared a small mask rode to my feet on the white wash.

JAY CHAPMAN, Form Three.



Duane Agate: 5 Art.

THE YOUNG AND THE OLD

Many people think the old are decrepit and in homes.
Like they should be locked up, not seen.
These people that put down our nation's elderly
are the ones that should be to blame for the old people's loneliness.

Old people have the right to live decent lives just like the young,
They can go to dances and socials, people forget old are part
of the community as well.

An elderly couple walk down the street all jazzed up
Ready for a night on the town.
A group of teenagers look strangely at the couple
Started throwing rude comments at them.
The couple young at heart went by without the batting of an eyelid.

Old people deserve the right to go anywhere,
Whenever they please and not be to discriminated
by the young who should know better than to put down and
put the Old in hiding.
The people who shaped this country
And made it the wonderful country it is today.
MATTHEW DRAVITZKI, Form Three.

PERFECT

The clouds descend over the streets, choking the wind as it
gasped for the last few fragments of filth in the gutters. She almost
paused to adjust her hair in the reflection of the window, then check-
ed herself and continued walking.

Everything was perfect. She had liked the man on the phone, his
voice was deep like the machine on the radio, he was polite and Mar-
tin was a lovely name. She smiled inwardly at her pleasure - it was so
long since she had been asked out. She would enjoy a light lunch at
Mario's, then perhaps a walk home along the beach and then, who
knows? He had even sent her a black rose so he would recognise her
- shrimps, that's what she would have.

Her pupils swelled as she entered the darkened interior of Mario's
and her lips smiled as she awaited to be greeted. A man with a deep
voice approached her, greeted her and smiled.

Her smile waned - no-one was here and she was so looking for-
ward to lunch. She asked the bartender and he only looked at her
curiously. She sat down and began to wait, each long minute becom-
ing more disappointed and vexed with Martin's non-appearance.

Martin stood in the door, also disappointed - it had happened
before. He smiled at everyone outwardly. He knew she had 'non-
sight'. Anything she did not like in the world she was oblivious to - she
could not see it, hear it or feel it. Martin's skin colour was not her own
and she did not like it.

The candle at her table flickered and died at the hands of a sudden
cough of wind. She flicked through the paper but failed to see the pic-
ture of the murdered girl, nor the words that told the killer was not
found. She did see there was a movie on at three - that's what she
would do. She had plenty of time and the weather was so nice she
could still walk home along the beach. The dead girl was very pretty.

Everything was perfect again; the sand was warm underfoot and
the seagulls screeched loudly as they rode the wind. She did not see
them wheeling, plunging for fish each time poisoning themselves on
the black, shiny surface of the sea. Each time coming closer to death
in man's precious oil.

She did not see nor smell the piles of blackened filth along the
tideline, which had been spewed upon the sand by the dying sea, on-
ly to be sucked in hungrily when the tide was high. And the wind,
finally free to do its worst, whipped up the sand stinging her bare legs.
But she saw none of it, nor did she notice she was truly alone on the
beach.

She rolled her trousers down and continued her homeward daw-
dle, daydreaming and occasionally gazing across the blue waters of
the sunlit and perfect sea.

She closed the front door on the dusk and on the hungry wind,
flicked on the television and threw her jacket into the bedroom, glanc-
ing as she did so in the mirror. Tomorrow was the same as today, the
same as yesterday, it had been the same for nearly as long as she
could remember.

She knew not, what she looked like. If her world was so perfect
why now did she weep, so, so bitterly?

HAMISH KYNASTON, Form Seven.



C. Vivian: 7 Photography.

THE JOURNEY OF AN OLD MAN

He had a cigarette stuck to his lips like a growth. Wisps of smoke
were visible in the dazzling mid-afternoon sun that poured through the
enormous window. His old grey-haired face was brightly lit and all his
wrinkled, prune-like features were clearly illuminated. His dark
knowledgeable eyes were embedded deep within his head and they
looked calm and tranquil, as if he had nothing to care about. He didn't.
Except for maybe his cigarette.

Steadily he climbed the stairs, smoking. The misty smoke trail that
followed him was unusual. Misplaced. Strange within the present en-
vironment. The immaculately clean stairway and corridor recently built
and in great condition, with brilliant summer sunlight flooding inside.
Then there was this little, hunched old figure, in suit and tie, clamber-
ing up the stairs. With effort and determination he went slowly and
carefully, step by step through his tiresome journey. His age had
caught up with him, and the smoking had certainly been his disadvan-
tage. He had seen better days. Painfully he raised his leg up, over the
final step and carefully planted his foot, securely, before bringing up
the next and landing it next to his other. Triumphant the ancient man
gave a little smile, and paused momentarily to catch his breath.

Lifting his arm, he quickly plucked the smouldering cigarette from
his lips and breathed a sigh of relief. From this came the same old
gust of tobacco fumes, that floated up and drifted off behind him. His
teeth didn't sparkle, not even in this sunlight. A dull yellow was seen
for a short moment and then the smoke was returned and left to grow
some more.

He continued. Lumbering down the corridor on exhausted legs, he
constantly inhaled and exhaled, through his nose. The stench of
smoke began to overpower the unbearable odour of soap and
detergent. The combination filled the bright sunny corridor. He never
seemed to care, or even worry and he continued to sway and hobble
down the corridor with a trail of smoke behind him. Again he stopped
for a brief moment. This time, however, he fumbled through his
pockets and revealed a key, a large shiny key that he held carefully
and almost struggled to lift. Strength was not a quality that he obtain-
ed. However, pointlessly, without much thought, he exhaled and
limped off down the corridor towards the door. It was large, hard and
wooden, with a small piece of reinforced glass positioned above the
handle. As he approached it, he slowly lifted his arm, exhaled, and
directed his trembling feeble hand at the keyhole. Inserting it, he turn-
ed the key, withdrew it and then placed it in his pocket. Slowly, with
great effort he opened the door and entered. His journey was com-
plete.

MATTHEW CHEER, Form Five.

FRUSTRATION

Left, lonely, sorry, an orphan passing neglect
The threatening dark blanket hung dry
As these black hours loomed away
Eye drops of rain, microscopic in the air
Invisible to others - on the ground.

No-one notices quietness, quaintness
The silence strangled under countless volume
With every notch, louder but simpler
A pounding like a fist penetrating the chest
Increases, with despairing, frustration.

SCOTT KARA, Form Seven.

THE AFTERNOON TEA

Inside the hall
the electric light glows
but only dimly

The widow, with her best brown dress
sits drinking weak tea
the children, too young
sit laughing in the corner
eating scones

The lamenting family
the awkward friends
the role-playing minister
talk with idle emptiness

As they leave the last one turns out the light
without a second thought
and locks the oak door.

VAUGHAN SPURDLE, Form Seven.

BLACK OUT

Where's all the colour?
All I saw was a colourless mass.
All my self-confidence is gone.
I can barely summon up enough courage to go to town.
I'm lost inside myself not knowing what to do.
I feel the sun beating down upon my face, though I long to lay my
eyes upon its colour once more.
My feet scuffling along the pebbly path.
My hands reaching out for support.
I wonder what will become of me.

HAMISH GRAY, Form Three.

"WAKE JEFF GOD"

A brother called Barry
to a brother named Jeff.

One caught in a storm about brother
- his mate
another caught in a car crash coma
alive on a bed of sense
with no physical hope
to portray a brothers way
as if they couldn't care

That car that hit you
a key to your fate
unlocking unknown cares
close family fear

You are my mate
we watched your brother play
quiet then, like now
back then a wide it woke
if only
today

Like ancient scales
your balance could fall
crippling with your deathly riches
but to come to equilibrium
a brothers will, Gods will
a heavyweight your will.

SCOTT KARA, Form Seven.

THE BELL BIRD

The young Bell Bird sat high up in the shimmering forest canopy.
Her colossal Kauri was King of all the Flora whilst she was the
Princess of the Fauna. As she sat there, the sun filtered through the
dancing leaves and shone off her deep green feathers. She sang to
all the bush's inhabitants and one by one they came to let her golden
song, wafted by a gentle breeze, surround them. For these were the
golden years, nature was in total equilibrium, and these birds feared
none.

The white foaming breakers crashed against the glistening black
sand and a long fluffy cloud, like an apron from a perfectly sym-
metrical cone that rose from the land, and created the paradise here.
Aotearoa had been found. The canoes were hoisted on to the beach
and the weary travellers found a large green fern and fell asleep under
it.

No birds sang that night, nor for many moons to come. Something
had invaded their Paradise. Bell Bird had never seen anything like
them. They were large and walked on two feet like the temperamental
Moa, but like the playful seals that frolicked in the rocky surf they had
no feathers. No, they were very different, and for the first time the
birds knew fear and all was quiet in the forest.

After many days the new inhabitants had almost finished their
primitive dwellings. But their stores were almost depleted. Five brave
warriors headed out to look for food. Suddenly they topped the brow
of a ridge and up ahead they saw a herd of Moa. At first they
not believe their eyes, one of these birds would feed the tribe for
days and the down would be given to the Tohunga in a ceremony to
mark their arrival at the new land. Still the Bell Bird did not sing.

Many centuries had passed, the Bell Bird sang once more though
always with the melancholy of its ancestors in its song, when a sailing
ship with tall strong masts, and clean white sails ploughed its way
through the ocean towards the land, towards that towering peak
covered with a long white cloud. As the long boats pulled up on the
glistening beaches the captain saw what wealth the land had and set
about claiming it for his king.

After years of bloody feuding between the two peoples, over rights
to the bounteous land, they signed a treaty for peace. The Bell Bird
looked on sceptically.

The forest was slowly destroyed. The Bell Bird? Well she sat in her
Kauri looking out over the razed landscape. As she looked downward
a saw bit into her King of the Forest and the sad Bell Bird, was silent
and would not sing.

SIMON BERNDT, Form Six.



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EPIGRAM

Odi et amo T. Rydrum quare faciam requins.
Nescio sed noster rector est et excrucior.

I like and hate Mr Ryder, why should I do this, you may ask.
I do not know, but he is our head and I am tortured by it.

By: EVANUS SAEVUS — SIMANUS SAPIENS,
(Sixth Form Latin - with apologies to Catullus).

DIE MAUER, DIE NUN GEFALLEN IST

Die Berlinmauer baute im Jahren 1961 und sie hat immer die Teilung von dem Deutschen Volk dargestellt. Aber, sie ist jetzt nicht mehr und heute können wir uns freuen, weil ein Volk, das einmal geteilt war, zusammen ist. Leute, die Angst haben, sage ich Ihnen: "Warum haben Sie Angst?" Das Deutsches Volk hat jetzt etwas, das jedes Volk haben soll, "Einheit". Deutschland von gestern ist nicht Deutschland von heute. Vergessen Sie das nicht! Deutschland von heute ist ein verantwortlicher Buger von der Welt. Dire Deutsche haben gutes Gedächtnis wie i jemand. Lassen Sie die Vergangenheit Ihre Ansicht nicht trueben! Die Zeit für Verzeihung ist gekommen.

THE WALL WHICH HAS NOW FALLEN

The Berlin-Wall was built in 1961 and it has always represented the division of the German people. But, it is now no more and today we can be happy because a people that was once divided is together. People who are afraid, I say to you, "Why are you afraid?" The German people now have something that every people should have: "Unity". The Germany of yesterday is not the Germany of today. Don't forget that. The Germany of today is a responsible citizen of the world. The Germans have as good memories as anyone. Don't let the past cloud your opinion. The time for forgiveness has come.

PETER SPELLMAN, Form Six.

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ESSAY

He smiled at everybody, but it was a weak, unintentional smile, provoked by the awareness that every pair of eyes in the room was upon him. He held the smile for several seconds, but then it happened. His face crumpled, twisted into an ugly bundle of flesh and skin. His eyes screwed up until they seemed to be sealed closed. The mouth, particularly the lips, were pulled into a tight opening over his teeth, and the incisors and canine teeth showed from beneath the white upper lips. A sob protruded from the thin aperture of his mouth. It was a sad, almost afraid sound, but that was impossible, for we knew he had no fear. The sob echoed around the room, reinforcing itself in our minds. It made us feel happy, even pleased to see such a man in such a mode. It must have been a very unfamiliar feeling to him.

His head rose from its position near to his chest. He blinked back a couple of tears, sniffed, wiped his eyes and clicked feebly but proudly to attention. His eyes met O'Reilly's, who had never taken them off him since he came through the door anyway.

He stiffened as O'Reilly raised his hand. In it he held up a red card. Next to him, Murphy did the same, and so on down the table. Only one white, not-guilty card was held up, and it was his brother that did it.

Once everybody had done so, O'Reilly replaced his red card with a black one, and so it was passed. He sobbed again, breaking down, falling to his knees. For some reason, this had a pronounced effect on the council. All eyes left the pathetic little figure collapsed on the floor, looking anywhere but him. Faces almost monitored his own - sad, sorrowful and even mournful. It seemed strange that those who had condemned him were now full of remorse. Except for O'Reilly, who was still staring fixedly at him, not a soul was focussed in his direction. All were looking at the ceiling, out the window, down at the table, anywhere but at him, or at each other.

Suddenly, he stood up, full of purpose and strode back towards the door. He opened it and paced in the direction of the stairs. The door closed behind him, but we could hear his feet up the cold, hard, wooden stairs. He walked above us, a door opened and then closed vigorously. A drawer opened, there was a fiddley, muddled noise, and the drawer was shut.

The shot, when it came, although expected, was sudden, brief and deafening. The council, as always, was moved momentarily, and then chairs scraped across the wooden floor, noisily, hurriedly, and the members got up and left, each at 10 minute intervals.

Upstairs he was left as he was for the innkeeper to deal with.

The IRA has its own code of honour.

SIMON BANCE, Form Seven.

UNTIL THAT LIGHT BLOWS DOWN

The day was freak
wind woefully from the south
climaxed like a snail
from sunrise slowly on

Aeolian it moved
across the arable land
blowing out a fire
of the melting sun
cast like iron
on the darkened Taranaki coastline

on it's way
it lifts the wave
like a puckered lip
on liquid mirrors
screwing then forgetting
'til shallow shore
aborts the oblivious waves
for another

Wind broken, the sunset
reaching through the sky
like cast iron roofs
symmetry of New Plymouth
until that light blows down.

SCOTT KARA.

REVENGE

Revenge is a cancer of the mind, gradually eating and gnawing until all that is left is a tainted patch of empty space.

The weak succumb to the powerful clot revenge, only the strong can resist the tentacles of revenge seek out any trace of hatred. Its relentless torment does not recede until the task of vengeance is complete.

Its presence contaminates even the most carnival-like atmosphere with its gutter-like stench. Revenge, its all enveloping darkness prohibits you from logical thinking.

It taints the mind
It knots your stomach into a neverending maze of dead ends, and pathways to nowhere. Do the Kennedys, the Kings and the Mandelas seek revenge?

I seek revenge.
I will avenge.
I seek revenge.
I will avenge.

ANEEL HAY, Form Three.

TO SAY GOODBYE

A doorway
in the arms of a porch
A porch
warm in white sheets
on a winter night.

SCOTT KARA.

RAIN

I was coming to the conclusion of my stroll in the park when I felt a rare cold pellet land upon my head. Panic began to overtake me. Then I saw a score of rain drops plummeting toward the ground, exploding their transparent bodies. The plummeting pellets were like cold sun beams penetrating the ground. As the worms rejoice, its the birds hunting time. Another sudden rush of icy cold rain came pouring down, and I'm drenched from head to toe.

HAMISH GRAY, Form Three.

ONE TREE HILL

Smoother than the sound of Mozart horn concerto, the low rolling sandhills of a once green forest, now desolate and forbidding. The twisted shape of a tree is silhouetted against the grey, sad sky, as twisted as the minds that destroyed the beauty of the tall majestic forest. The dull, polished white of ancient land dwellers is periodically uncovered by the warm, soft, caressing wind. A tree spirit drifts over the dunes towards the one place of relief from the dry ochre of the sands.

A lonely mound of green forces up through the brown sands. The tree spirit wanders aimlessly, towards the brow of the hill. She stops periodically, looks around and then continues. At the top, an echo of the wind, drifting through the trunks of countless trees is heard and then is gone. All that is left is one - one solitary tree and an obelisk to the people of this desolate land. No birds grace the skies of this land. No more is the sound of cicadas heard droning in the heat of the day. The giants of the trees are gone.

Oppression grows deeper and deeper, the temperature, hotter and hotter. As she nears the tree the feeling of hope begins to ebb, despair washes in of the will of these small twisted remnants of the once great forests. Finally she gains the top, touches the tree and fades. All that is left now are rows of steel and glass towers, towers with hearts of stone. O tree spirit, I'll see you again when the stars have fallen from the sky, and the moon has turned red over One Tree Hill.

MATTHEW MITCHELL, Form Six.



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THE HOSTEL 1990

Before I started to write this report I went back to last year's report to see what I had written for that and found that very much of what I said for the 1989 Taranakian could very well have been reprinted for this year.

We started the year with a role of 181 - the biggest for many years and had a slightly different arrangement with the senior prefects having a Head Boarder (Allen Mills) and a Head of Moyes and a Head of Carrington (Robert Mills and Brent Beaven respectively).

Once again the boys gave all inter-house activities their best shot and as a result we are again at the top of the points table. As usual swimming was first up and it was a real boost to morale when we came in second place - two better than last year. The boys achieved this by total participation and commitment. Again we managed to win the athletics and one of our real assets was a new form seven student, Kyle Brennan, who was to become the school's Senior Athletics Champion. (Kyle also played for both the First XI and First XV). To enable us to select the school team for the Taranaki Cross-Country Championships our own Cross-Country was held in the last week of term one and we came out fighting. The boarders put so much into the event that they won every age group competition and, of course, the whole competition.

During the May holidays the senior dormitory in Moyes House was refurbished and the boys arrived back to find the carpet layer putting the finishing touches to a dorm that now rivals Niger House for comfort and convenience.

We started the second term two prefects short because Jayson Bryant had left us to undertake training as a helicopter pilot and Jeffrey Schrader had been involved in a tragic accident while training for rugby on the first Monday of the May holidays. Five months later, as I write this, he is still in a coma in hospital. To fill these vacancies Brian Sims and Johnson Naviti (one of our Island students) were elevated to prefect status.

As usual Queen's Birthday saw the annual rugby game between our third formers and those from Palmerston North Boys' High School for the Niger Trophy. We were the hosts and met our visitors at 5.00 pm on Sunday, fed the boys, gave them a good night's sleep and were on the Gully by 10.00 am on Monday to witness a hard, clean, exciting game. Our Captain, Simon Gibbs, was the first to put points on the board when he intercepted a pass in the PNBHS back line. From here on the game seesawed back and forth with each team taking the lead in turn but, unfortunately, when the final whistle blew it was PNBHS that was in the lead and so for the first time in five years we are without the trophy.

Our whole team played a very good game and the coaches, Barry Schrader and Craig Taylor, must be congratulated for the part that they played to ensure that our team was match fit. All team members deserve special mention but it was Keryn Amon, one of our props, who was our man of the match - he played a very good forward game that kept his opposite numbers busy and on many occasions made a lot of ground for us.

I must congratulate the members of the College House team on their fine gamesmanship and the PNBHS parents for their friendly manner and the spirited support of their team.



Head Boarder: Allen Mills.

At the end of term two and the beginning of term three we played the winter inter-house sports competition and after good wins in both junior and senior rugby, senior basketball and junior hockey and three third places we came out with the best points aggregate and so remain at the top of the inter-house points table.

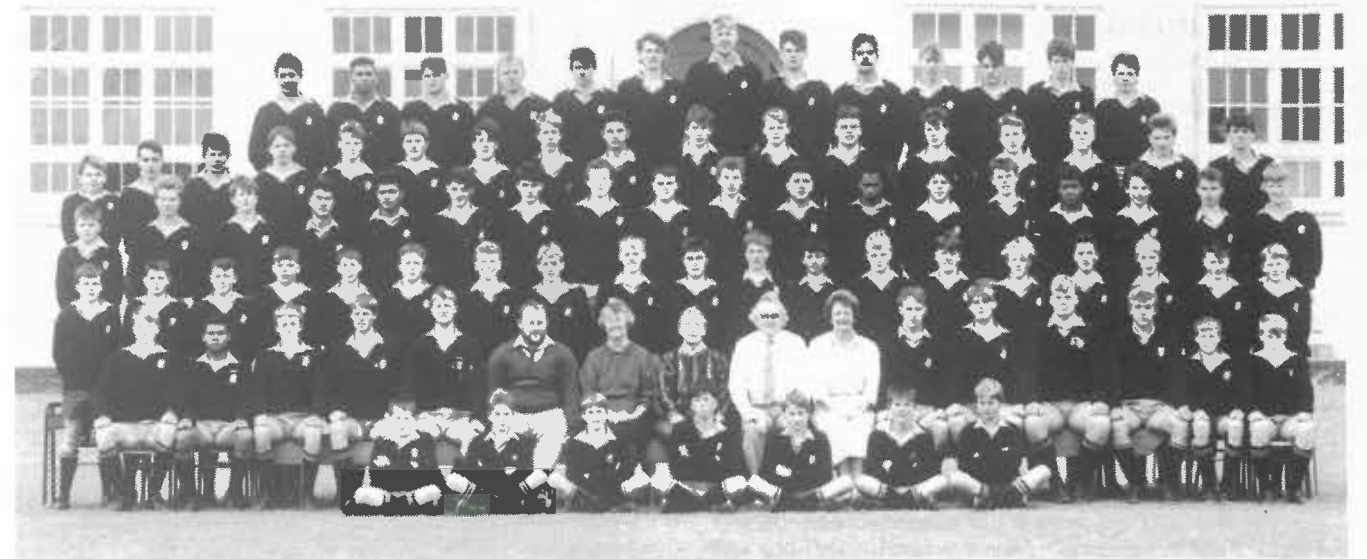
I have enjoyed this year and now really feel part of the Hostel. My job is made much easier because of the dedicated and understanding help I get from the masters and matrons. The prefects, too, make a major contribution to the smooth operation of the many facets of Hostel life and this year, under the leadership of Allen Mills, they have done a particularly good job. The Moyes House prefects were under the leadership of Robert Mills whose team was: Brett Honeyfield, Shelton Brimelow, Brett Granville, Andrew Howse, Paul Vyver and Johnson Naviti. In Carrington House Brent Beaven was assisted by: Barry Schrader, Jeremy Burton, Ian Redington, Heydon Smith, Craig Taylor, John Timakata and Brian Sims.

I would like to wish everyone a Happy Christmas, a safe return to those who will be with us next year, and best wishes for the future to those who are leaving us.

M. R. GRIMWOOD, Senior Hostel Manager.

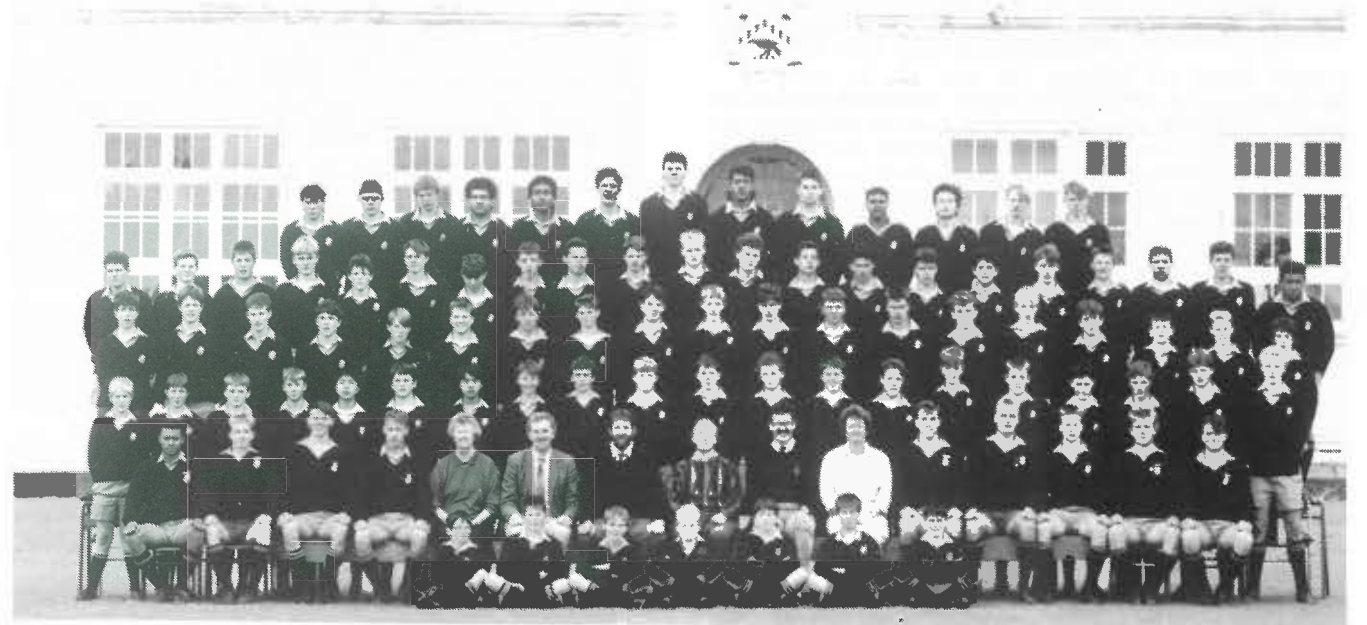


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MOYES HOUSE

Bottom Row: Paul Tannahill, Adair Brimelow, Kerrin Luond, Campbell Huston, Dylan Cawley, Hayden Handley, Richard Muller.
Second Row: Adam Hills, Johnson Naviti, Andrew Howse, Brett Honeyfield, Robert Mills, Mr Giddy, Mrs Bradfield, Mr Grimwood, Mr Howse, Mrs Morris, Allen Mills, Brett Granville, Shelton Brimelow, Paul Vyver, Anthony Darke, Jarrod Newell.
Third Row: Kelvin Coley, William Muir, Brett Mulligan, Peter Van Praagh, Cory Helms, Bruce Howse, Ivan Broome, Allan Brears, Ronald Gatenby, James Alldridge, Raymond Harre, Warren Campbell, Tayman Cawley, Richard Young, Karl Collins, Nicholas Davis, Jeremy Goodin, Nicholas Sutton, Jonathon Willan.
Fourth Row: Matthew Dravitzki, David Greenough, Jamie Huston, Jumpei Kirimura, Leota Sio, James Hewitt, Karl Buckthought, Andrew Bean, Shane Campbell, Jeremy Ashton, Tomasi Iopu, Timothy Tumukon, Mark Boyde, Darryl Goddard, Tassi Pitoi, Colin Barton, Grant Rawlinson, Simon Lees.
Fifth Row: Bevin Coley, Glen Ewington, Richard Willan, Brad Tannahill, Thomas Garwood, John Harre, Tony Carey, Ben Hutchinson, Damien Percival, Kent Helms, Paul Mills, Bradley Cribb, Stefan Darke, Paul Howse, Nathan Hills, Mathew Cheer, Andrew Young.
Sixth Row: Simon Puketapu, Peter Kaloris, Mark Muir, David Stewart, Richard Lees, Reuben Thorne, Malcolm Opie, Scott Granville, Lloyd Percival, Michael Best, Ryan Klinkert, Mark Connor, Asbjorn Aakjaer.



CARRINGTON HOUSE

Bottom Row: Richard Dryden, Phillip Dickinson, James Kihfuss, Corey Mullin, Jason Robertson, Mark Schrider, Blair Sutherland.
Second Row: John Timakata, Craig Taylor, Hayden Smith, Allen Mills, Mrs Bradfield, Mr Cook, Mr Kirk, Mr Grimwood, Mr Josephs, Mrs Morris, Brent Beaven, Jeremy Burton, Iann Redington, Barry Schrader, Brian Sims.
Third Row: Paul Wolfram, Garfield Cadman, Ricky Tito, Mark Gane, Albert Yu, Douglas Tasker, Vincent Yu, Graeme Clarke, Michael Webster, John Hastie, Christopher Metcalfe, Andrew Bluck, Ross O'Halloran, Chris Foreman, Hamish Bryant, Richard Taylor, Robert Burton, Cameron Stantiall, Raymond Willemsen, Campbell Feather.
Fourth Row: Bryce Herbert, Steven Bunyan, Duncan Pease, Simon Gibbs, David Maxwell, Simon Edgecombe, Chris Amon, Shane Chadwick, Elton James, Gordon Jamieson, Clinton Pease, Scott Lowe, Duncan Robertson, Matthew Gibbs, Craig Baxter, Grant Lineker, Steven Jones, Jonathan McLuskie, Hamish Mellsopp.
Fifth Row: Matthew Garven, Neville Garven, Kerron Amon, Anthony Mildenhall, Christopher Traill, Julian Dimond, Colin Austin, Alistair Jamieson, Aaron Morgan, Tristan Lewis, Regan Washer, Duncan Bluck, Jon Morgan, Michael Jones, Grant Rolfe, Karl Guillain, Jason Harris, Guy Bryant, Steven McCallum, Greg Paynter, Harry Paka.
Sixth Row: Mark Andrews, Daniel Smith, Andrew Mellsopp, Taasi Pitoi, Kautu Temakei, Chris Plowright, Kyle Brennan, Charles Ioane, Sean Jones, Steve Bani, Chris Lee, Mark Litherland, Nathan Walter.

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UTOPIA, THE IDEAL WORLD

The social event of the year, the senior ball, was a night all involved can be proud of. The lights and glitter of the hall, the beauty of the ladies' gowns, and the smart black and whites of the gentlemen, combined to create a memorable night.

Preparation started twelve weeks before, with the setting of the theme, generally Greenpeace, specifically, Utopia, the ideal world. Then the fun started, creating ideas and plans into reality, but with the initiative of a few leading figures and the help of a lot more, everything finally came together a few hours before the night got under way.

A night to remember, Utopia, the ideal world, how the world should always be.

Thanks to all involved for your dedication, patience and help.

JASON RENUA.



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SAM HUNT

Sam Hunt came to school on Tuesday, 14th August, and was surrounded by the seniors in the Main Hall. He gave an exuberant poetic performance enjoyed by all present. One reason he writes poetry is to plot his journey he said. He claims that the poems are "all out there" and he just writes them down. He is the first one up to hear them and record them. There was instant rapport with his audience, right from his praise of Taranaki water which he drank liberally. Obviously the poems were personal, covering a great range from the death of his father, the birth of his son, jumping on the grave of "Sugar Daddy", Patea and its river so sluggish like some with wearisome jobs, Minstrel meets the King (his brother) and At the Quarry Face

Sam said that poems need to be heard just as a painting needs to be seen in full original colour, not as a black and white photograph. The audience would agree that the poems did live with their author's presentation.



Sam Hunt and friend.

ROCK GROUP

PERFORMANCES IN ASSEMBLIES AT BOYS' HIGH, GIRLS' HIGH AND SPOTSWOOD

Following the combined NPGHS and NPBHS Rock Band, "Painted Zoo" departed for Wellington to compete in the regional secondary schools battle of the bands against thirty other bands from schools throughout the Wellington region.

In the heats we played "With Or Without You" by U2. The second time we played this song, it was close to perfection or so the faces of the audience showed.

The success in the heats enabled us to clinch a spot in the finals on Saturday night, along with fifteen other bands. The finals night was nerve wracking, with 1200 critical Wellingtonians glaring down on the fifteen hopefuls. We were last on in the first half of the programme and literally melted the town hall down with our emotional "With or Without You" and contrasted that by whipping the crowd into a frenzy with the ecstatic "Johnny Be Good".

The band that won was "No Time For Talking" from Nelson which played two original songs, rallying the crowd similarly to us. This band was very good and underlined the quality of New Zealand music, even at secondary school level. Their style was typically New Zealand, being very alternative and they had a big sound considering there were only three band members on bass, guitar and drums.

Although we didn't come anywhere, probably because we didn't have an original song, we had a good time and thoroughly enjoyed this new experience. On behalf of all the band members: Paul, Vaughan, Matthew, Richard, Stu, Vicki, Andrea and myself I'd like to thank Mr Mitchell for enthusing and believing in us. Thanks.

SCOTT KARA.

MATHEMATICS

1990 was another year in which our students became involved in the wider mathematical activities, both competitive and creative, which ensure the subject remains vibrant and of interest to the pupils beyond the classroom. In March, Mr Mathias arrived from Inglewood High where he was the Head of Department to become the new Head of Mathematics at NPBHS. His enthusiasm and high degree of organisation were quickly recognised by both the staff and pupils, and his presence will ensure mathematics at the school had a sound future.

It was also the first year the school had entered two complete classes of pupils (sixty in number) to sit School Certificate Mathematics one year early in form four. These pupils, if successful, will have in the future the opportunity to take extra and further advanced mathematical studies of both interest and examination orientation.

In April there were two major events involving both our senior and junior pupils. The school entered pupils from forms three to five into the National Bank Junior Mathematics Competition. Paul Swanson (form three) won a Certificate of Merit; Kelvin Coley (form four) won a Top One Hundred Certificate; Bevin Coley (form four) won a Certificate of merit. The form five pupils had a good degree of success with Matthew Cheer, Philip Meredith, Grant Reeve all winning Top One Hundred Certificates and Scott Avery, Andrew Martin, Simon Rae and Darren Rankine winning Certificates of Merit. Later that month our senior students attended a lecture at Sacred Heart School on "Interpreting Data and Graphs". Another lecture was held in October at NPGHS for the senior students on "Probability: How to gamble if you must" and this was well received.

In late July Mr Mathias took two teams to St Mary's Stratford for a Calculator Quiz. The Number Two Team - Scott Avery, Grant Reeve, Wade Watkins and Matthew Birch came first out of 18 teams, and were well ahead of NPGHS, Inglewood and St Mary's. Following this success quite a number of pupils sat the Australian Westpac Mathematics Competition at the end of July. Special praise must be singled out to Grant Reeve of form five for winning a prize! This represents a major achievement in a competition which stretches even the most able. Distinctions were obtained by Paul Swanson and Bruce Howse of form three, Callum Mackenzie, Kelvin and Bevin Coley, Duncan Coleman and Vincent Yu of form four, Scott Avery, Vaughan Astwood, Philip Meredith, Simon Rae, Mark Hills, Leon Allen and Andrew Martin of form five and finally Stephen Denne and Brent Beaven of form seven. Thirty other pupils also received credits which represented a very good effort overall.

To round off the term two activities the annual Taranaki Mathematics Association "Maths Fair" for forms one to four students was held at New Plymouth Girls' High School in August and was well supported by our school. There is a tradition for our pupils to submit models, games, puzzles, posters and written work for display. Bryan Thornhill and Craig Nielson of form three won joint second prizes for their model and six other form three pupils (B. Hassall, B. Kooy, P. Wolfram, J. Doy, W. Collier, E. Ansari) and one form four pupil (C. Wingate) won Certificates of Merit. The school entered four teams in to the popular quiz competitions, two at each form level and achieved runner-up in both competitions.

In all it was a year that showed we have pupils who are prepared to take their mathematical skills and use them in situations of fun and competition outside the classroom to great effect! P. GLASS.



LIBRARIANS

Back Row: Jay Chapman, Nathan O'Keefe, Robert Lancaster, Matthew Dobson, Daimon Sammons.

Middle Row: Mrs J. Van Beers (Librarian), Lee Noyes, Peter Bray, Joe Bray, Nathan Nobbs, Mark Hunter, Chris Kerr, Mr A. Elgar (Teacher/Librarian)

Front Row: Geoffrey Thompson, Kerry Jones, Jamie Lobban (Head Librarian), Chris Traill, Toby Clarke.

Absent: Alan Newson.

OUTDOOR EDUCATION

From the 26th of November to the 1st of December, 1989, third formers had the highlight of their year - a week of camps. The camps were: The Matemateaonga Walkway led by Mr Mossop, the Ruapehu Camp led by Mrs Bublitz, River Valley Lodge Camp led by Mr Harland, Auckland Camp led by Mr Rose, Wellington Trip led by Mr Moore, Around the Mountain Cycling led by Mr Lockart, Uruti Camp led by Mr Hannah, Surfing Camp at Raglan led by Mr Cooper and a school based activities led by Mr Giddy.

Many factors influence such outdoor pursuits including weather, food, the individual mix of pupils and teachers and the challenges and interests of the themes of the camps. Pupils often admit to having great times, sometimes complain but the opportunities for learning about getting on with other people, and being independent in a different environment are very valuable experiences that will be remembered long after classroom lessons are forgotten.

1990 camps planned are Cycling Trip around the Mountain, Mt Taranaki Camp, Rangitikei Camp, Ruapehu Camp, Surfing Camp, Uruti Camp, Waikaremoana Camp, Wellington Camp and the school-based camp.

A special fourth form programme is again being arranged.

TOPEC (Taranaki Outdoor Pursuits and Educational Centre) based at the Meeting of the Waters is used by Group Leaders. The fourth form on two occasions in the year and the sixth form at the end of the year.



Comraderie around the camp fire. Tough but worth it!

FORM FOUR ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMME 1989

MONDAY 24TH NOVEMBER - FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER

This year the school ran an Alternative Form Four Programme for the week coinciding with the Form Three Activities Week.

The week started with a Drug Awareness programme for all form four pupils. It was an excellent day run by some interesting people from the Stratford Drug Rehabilitation Unit.

Mrs Carter also began her Careers Programme on the Monday and all classes had a one hour careers session, which took place over the week. This turned out to be very worthwhile.

Mr Maaka organised two sports afternoon programmes. A round robin Softball tournament was held on Tuesday and a Top Town Teams competition was organised for the Thursday afternoon. Due to some excellent organisation by Mr Maaka, both afternoons turned out to be the highlight of the week with a lot of fun and competition enjoyed by all, both students and staff.

Wednesday morning saw the whole of form four marched down to the Mayfair Picture Theatre to view the film "Mauri". The teachers accompanied 250 boys and all shared in a unique New Zealand produced and acted film which was culturally very enlightening.

Friday capped off a busy week. Orienteering organised by Mr Sole occupied periods one and two. Mr Dobson invited all of form four to view the form five Workshop Technology Displays held in the Library during period four. The quality of craftsmanship was excellent and the form four students appreciated this.

Finally, period five Friday, all students gathered in the gymnasium for a Martial Arts display organised by Jarrox Heather and his band of men. It was an entertaining exhibition as was the Big Time Wrestling Display by volunteers from the audience.

All in all, students and staff had a purposeful and varied week where the emphasis was on maximum participation, minimum skill and maximum enjoyment.

B. SLOAN.

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RIVER VALLEY THIRD FORM CAMP

As the bus reached the top of the hill down to the Lodge even the wallies sitting at the back of the bus were brought to a respectful hush and those afraid of heights visibly paled.

The camp had promised the opportunity to fall off a horse, fall down a cliff and raft a river. It delivered on all its promises. There were three cheers and extra hay for the horse that face planted Feek.

After encouraging the timorous quiet fellows like Latham and Nordon to abseil everybody agreed that the second promise had been fulfilled. Fortunately we had Troy Penberth with us and he was frequently off early to try to catch his namesake. On the way back to breakfast, working his way across a steep bluff he took a quick trip to the river. Our rafting trip was delayed while the guides took time out to rescue a flying trout which had become marooned on a rock in the river.

Finally we set off down river. When we were not negotiating the rapids we were in a continuous water fight. It seemed like a five hour trip under water. In misty rain the camp packed up and set off home. The camp had been a good time for all. Again next year? Well, I'll think about it.

R. HARLAND.

THE MATEMATEAONGA WALK — NO PICNIC

The name means either "all dead" or "utter desolation" and that is what a few felt at various stages of the tramp. It was a moderately hard tramp of three and a half days from the Wanganui River to a connecting road at the back of Stratford. We bussed to Pipiriki and had spectacular jet boat rides twenty-five kilometres up the Wanganui River with its wonderful bush-clad sheer walls. Then we were landed on a grassy bank "completely alone in the wild" and facing a very hard two hour near-vertical climb with all our provisions - food, cooking gear, tents, warm clothing and "the rope".

The next day consisted of nine hours tramping, some of it over rough tracks with a number of diversions to get around massive fallen trees. Pouri Hut was a welcome sight/site! A beautiful early morning followed - sunlight, glistening leaves, views of ridge after ridge or bush with Ruapehu, Ngauruhoe and Tongariro rising up beyond. Wednesday was an easier day of five hours tramping with packs getting lighter and the track improving. Some took a one and a half hour diversion up to Mt Humphries and back. The last spell was taken for the day and five hundred metres further on we came across Omaru Hut! That evening we had a good variety session with an original ditty recording a noble exploit or otherwise of each member of the party. In quick time on the following day we walked out to the bus.

There was relief and also a sense of accomplishment - we had been on an adventure, had been away from all that we take for granted in settled society, had travelled back to the New Zealand setting as it was predominantly before European settlement.

Sounds more than sights remain strong ... the squish and squelch of boots in mud ... rustle of leaves on the track ... (a few) bird songs ... Mrs Ashworth's horror at an almost impossible climb ... the thud in the ears on the first day's climb ... the crunching of sticks ... the roar or hum of the fire ...

We had great meals! In some ways the tramp was like life! It is better to travel with a spring in the step than to trudge wearily. The thing valued most by one young trumper - the spirit of co-operation, of all working together. We survived the Matemateaonga Walkway! Thanks to Mr Mossop for being a great leader - from the back!

G.L.C.



Form Four Alternative Programme.

NEW ZEALAND REPRESENTATIVES



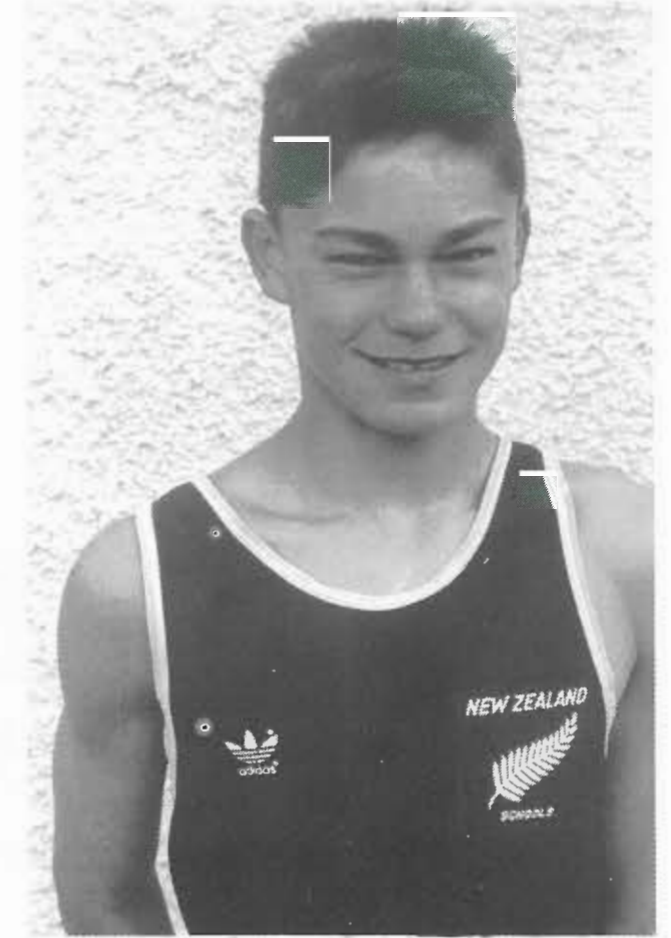
Malcolm Opie, New Zealand Emerging Players - Basketball.



Brent Quigan, New Zealand Under 17 Rugby.



Dyon Jordan, New Zealand Under 17 Hockey.



Judd Flavell, New Zealand Secondary Schools Basketball.

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ANZAC DAY ADDRESS

BY MAJOR H. RUSSELL, MC, TO THE NEW PLYMOUTH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL ON 24th APRIL, 1990

Mr Headmaster, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen, boys. Thank you very much indeed for the honour and privilege of being your guest speaker today. Laurence Binyon's verse "For the Fallen" has been quoted for as long as we have observed Anzac Day. The first line reads "They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old," and part of the inscription on the Citizens' War Memorial in Wellington says the fallen "gave up the years to be". In both of these lines we have the combined thought of youth and age, the one denied the other.

It is idle for us to wonder whether, for many of these young men who have died in battle, the legacy of years that should have been theirs, would have, in fact, been worth the inheriting. For some, yes; for others the passing years could have brought only unhappiness. Gallipoli veterans found themselves strangers in the prosperous land they now called "home". There was plenty of work for those prepared to get stuck in, but they could not. They were hospitalised or required continuing outpatient care. The years of prosperity into the 1920s became for them years of recovery from wounds or the after-effects of dysentery and disease. They were years of frustration and bitterness as well.

Few nations or people care to remember a defeat, let alone glorify it, and the eight months battle for Gallipoli in 1915 was a total failure involving the deaths of thousands of soldiers. The operation was both poorly conceived and poorly executed and in the words of Messrs Shaw and Gledhill, it was "the muddle that moulded a nation." Yet this campaign has been glorified in Australia and New Zealand and the day on which it began, April 25th, 1915, has become the great day of the Australasian year, with an emotional impact that few people outside of Australia and New Zealand can appreciate. Even many young New Zealanders do not understand it. The youth of today, to whom Anzac Day is merely a name, might well ask why the commemoration should persist year after year. They like it because it is a holiday. After all it was a defeat, not a victory, and no-one they might say, should keep alive anything but a victory, so that people will never forget who was the best.

However, we cannot shed our responsibilities that lightly and the disabled men from Gallipoli and the disabled men and women from all past and future wars must be looked after and, as we grow older, we must think a little less of our own comfort, and a little more of other people.

War in any form is ugly. It brutalises men, and brings suffering to the innocent. If the wars of the twentieth century teach us anything it is this: wars never turn out the way those who waged them thought they would. The goals they sought were distorted: the achievements both more or less than what was expected. Wars accelerate change but on the other hand they retard progress. They bring social changes and disruption, they divide families and communities and pose a threat to our normal way of life.

In this century's wars, the youth of our Commonwealth have perished in their hundreds and thousands. We might well imagine that such a sacrifice might have brought a respite for democracy, but alas, the road still winds uphill. Another generation has passed through the valley of the shadow, and mankind is not yet in sight of the level plain of peace.

There are two questions that will torment us for many years to come. We have heard the phrases so often that perhaps they no

longer mean as much to us as they should, and they are: "Have they died in vain?" "Has the world this time been made safe for democracy?" Let us for a few moments examine those two searching questions, for everything depends upon them.

No, they did not die in vain - and they gave everything that they had to give ... but one thing they could not give, and that was their own virtue, and unselfishness to those who followed them.

Democracy calls for qualities of no baser metal in time of peace than in time of war. And today in the great nations of the west we can see only too clearly those signs of decadence which unless they are soon checked will lead to the fall of democracy, not at the hands of any foreign conqueror but from the decay of its own foundations. For a civilised nation is founded upon a tradition of service, and without that tradition it will inevitably perish. Sir Arthur Bryant stated: "When a century ago, Disraeli said that a nation was made by its institutions and that if you destroy these you end up by destroying the nation itself," he was expressing a profound truth. It is comparatively easy to destroy the structure of an ancient free society, but it is very difficult to create a new one. Nations must either be governed by force or through traditional influences. If we wish to preserve freedom without which no worthwhile social habitation for man can ever be made, for every outworn institution we discard, we must set up another in its place equally capable of producing citizens who, out of devotion and loyalty will voluntarily subordinate their selfish wills to the needs of society. In the realm of the spirit that which counts is not what a man gets but what he gives.

Here then is the root of the matter: What is it that makes men give everything in time of war and yet unwilling to make personal sacrifices in so-called time of peace? Is it, as Sir Arthur Bryant suggests, because the people have forgotten how to sing at their work and because that work has no meaning for them, no place in the scheme of human salvation? Or did Shaw get nearer the truth when he wrote: "We are so dangerously uneducated in citizenship that most of us assume that we have unlimited right to change our conduct the moment we have changed our minds."

Whatever the reason, it is abundantly clear that mankind has not yet reached the state of unselfishness wherein his conscience is ready to replace the old restraints upon his conduct. We must not rashly jettison discipline before self-discipline is ready to take its place.

Unless humanity is intrinsically decent, heaven help the world. Indeed the old sanctions, religious and political have lost their power both to control and inspire. The fear of the Lord has given place to fear of the nuclear bomb. But whereas the former used to condition men's action through their open consciousness of original sin and the need for redemption, the latter merely inspires in them the primitive fear of physical destruction.

Patriotism does include a man's willingness to lay down his life for his friends, but it should mean also unselfish service given to his country in time of peace.

And finally let us do our best to recapture the lost graces of life, for it was those, above all else, that our young men died to preserve. They died to preserve, not a standard of living, but a way of life - traditions of justice, fair play and decency, straight dealing and honest craftsmanship. It is life that changes and spoils and corrupts, not death.

Let us ponder these things, and remember them whenever we honour ANZAC. For we can best remember and honour the fallen by doing our best, each and every one of us, to implement in our everyday existence, those ideals in which they believed and for which they died.

TRANSITION 1990

We started the year with orientation for the third form. Each boy was given his own school map and taken on a tiki tour to point out places of importance and interest such as classrooms, toilets, the tuckshop and the dreaded meatball alley.

New boarders were then orientated with their own town map complete with details of highlights, and we drove around the town in the school van seeing the sights. "What's On", was posted on the dining room board so boarders could take part in the many activities which run in New Plymouth. As for getting to them, NPBHS has that superb feature - LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION.

We then homed in on all seniors with the senior survival guide which had time management and study techniques.

Fourth formers got a special treat this year from the government in the form of LINK courses which are a brief introduction to what is available at the local Polytechnic - seniors have been enjoying these for eighteen months now and returning for advanced courses and also requesting their own topics. LINK costs \$5, may take place in or out of school time and a certificate is given at the end - very useful for the Curriculum Vitae. Two seniors have done LINK by correspondence with TCI very successfully.

CV forms have been issued to seniors. These show them how to assemble the necessary information to present themselves for jobs and courses. We give a very special deal. CV's are typed up free of charge and the boys are shown how to set up their personal files. We even buy in the plastic booklets to put them in so they are available below shop prices.

I have been delighted to see how many boys, junior as well as senior, have come to Transition to do careers and tertiary training research. They are investing a few hours in ensuring that their career choice will satisfy them in the long run, and are finding the most direct path to that career. The Government has mounted the Options programme - a major exercise. Transition will be presenting this after exams to all boys to show them the range of options available. Transition arranges mock interviews with members of social service clubs so boys can get the interview experience without risking losing a job or a place on a course. We get feedback from the interviewers so that we can give extra help to those who need it. We also arrange occupa-

SPEECH COMPETITION RESULTS

Adjudicator: Mrs I. Gaskin; Chairman: Allen Mills, Head Boarder

SPEAKER	TOPIC
Form Three	
1st Aneel Hay	Competitiveness
2nd Kim Tan	Adults
3rd Adrian Wilson	A Day In The Life Of Adrian Wilson
	Television
3rd Hayden Anglesey	
Form Four	
1st David Thomas	Towards More Creative Insults
2nd Michael Frampton	The ABC of Gardening and the Garden Centre
	Mother Theresa
	A Man's Best Friend
3rd Ashley Taylor	
3rd Andrew King	
Form Five	
1st Jeffrey Stone	Realitology
2nd Shane Grant	Father Christmas
3rd Shaun Philp	Motorists
4th Michael Katipa	The Decriminalisation of Marijuana
Form Six	
1st Romesh Anandaraaja	Party Political Speeches
1st Nicholas Thorp	Drift-net Fishing
3rd Evan Davies	Keeping Fit
3rd Dallas Jamieson	Drilling in the Sugar Loaves
Form Seven	
1st Jason Renau	Pride and Prejudice
2nd Hamish Kynaston	A Modern Fairy Story
3rd Gavin Hanson	Internal Assessment
3rd Millen Baird	God's Own Country

ESSAY COMPETITION WINNERS

Seventh Form: H. Kynaston, S. Bance, J. Renau; Sixth Form: G. Pollock, E. Davies, S. Berndt; Fifth Form: A. Martin, M. Cheer, J. Stone; Fourth Form: P. Avery, J. Tan, T. Cooper; Third Form: J. Chapman, B. Russell, S. Hickey.

Other English Prizes in Written Work: Best Creative Writing: S. Kara; Best Senior Original Work: G. Pollock; Best Junior Original Work: J. Tan.

Question from one science teacher to another: Do you have sex next period?

tional visits, to have a quick look at a job, or work shadowing where the student observes what a job involves for a longer period. By doing this students can discover whether a job is what they think it is rather than wasting time training for the wrong career.

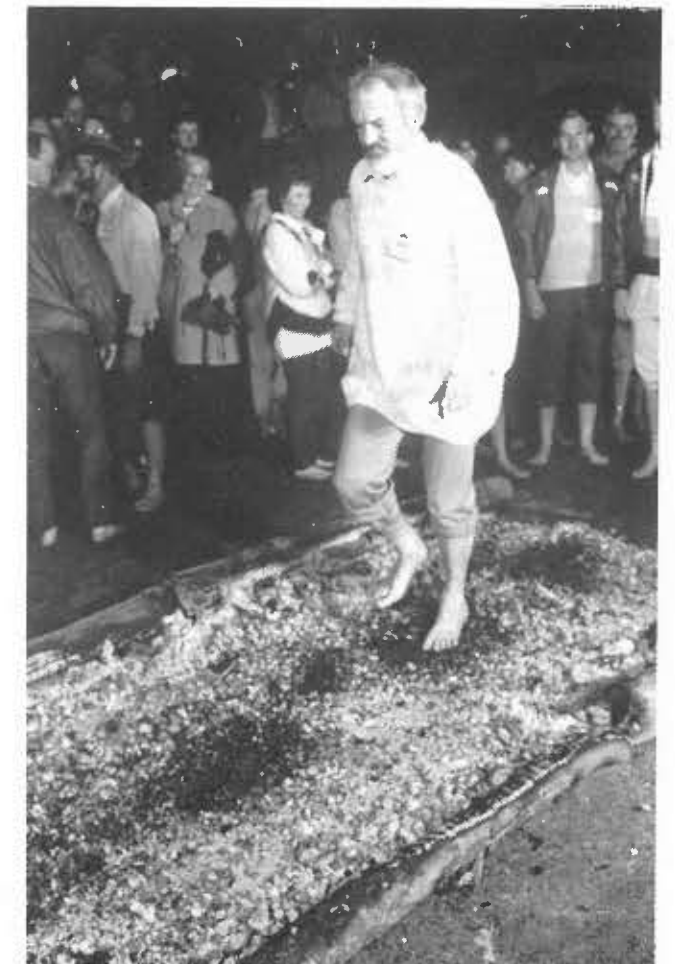
We invite in guest speakers on a weekly basis to give latest expert information on subjects of interest and to answer questions from the students.

This year groups of boys have been coming once a week for lifeskills classes. Some are so keen they like to come three times a week! The menu is:

- Subjects requested by students
- Banking and Budgeting
- Consumer Skills
- Personal Grooming and Health
- Self-esteem
- Relationships and Feelings
- Agression/Rejection
- Domestic Violence
- Death and Grieving
- Family Break-up
- Contraception and STDs
- Fatherhood
- Time Management
- Stress Management
- Study Techniques
- Flating
- Job Search Techniques
- Alcohol and Other Drugs
- Driving
- First Aid
- Treaty of Waitangi
- Goal Setting and Positive Thinking
- Insurance

We develop the topics relevant to the students. Hopefully after all this, students emerge knowing what they want and how to get it, and able to co-exist in a satisfying way with the rest of society.

R. CARTER.



Mr Mossop "fire-walking" - part of an in-service course.

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MACBETH TRIP

On Thursday 16th August ninety-eight boys, and four staff left school at 7.00 am for a trip to Downstage in Wellington to see a production of Macbeth. After lunching at Coastlands, Paraparaumu, we arrived for the 1.00 pm matinee, taking up over one third of the seating. The play was an interesting production - a little modernised. The witches arrived with suitcases complete with vanity bags and mirrors, and the wounded Scottish captain was wheeled in on a hospital bed.

Accepting these initial implausibilities we settled in to a powerful drama in which Cathy Downe's portrayal of Lady Macbeth was outstanding. Another fine performance came from Desmond Kelly who played not only Duncan, but the Doctor, an old man, the drunken porter and Siward. An older than expected Macbeth was convincingly played by Roderick Horn who when excited proved in his speech that the front rows of a drama are a much more dangerous place than the front rows at a film.

The boys' disappointment at Lady Macbeth's failure to appear naked in the sleepwalking scene, was offset a little by a humorous view of the seamier side of Wellington street-life as we piled back on to the bus.

We made a brief stop to boost McDonald's profits by several hundred dollars and went on to Boys' High school, arriving at 10.00 pm only to find the board meeting, and library phone unavailable for use.

It was a very worthwhile trip which awakened a number of students to the power and possibilities of the theatre.

A. ELGAR.

LOWER NORTH ISLAND JAPANESE SPEECH CONTEST

Leaving New Plymouth at 7.00 am on July 20th, Mrs Lilly and ten NPBHS Japanese students headed for Massey University, Palmerston North. We arrived about 10.30 am for a tour of the new Japanese owned International Pacific College at Aokautere. This is a most impressive educational institution with its own library, study rooms and dining facilities. It will soon have its own small gymnasium. There is hostel accommodation for over two hundred students including several New Zealand university students who 'work' as tutors for the overseas students at the college. The speech contest began at 1.30 pm at Massey University.

Our students were: Alistair Coles (form seven), Michael Frampton (form four) and Ashley Taylor (form four).

The speeches were between one and three minutes depending on the category. All three boys were successful in gaining dictionary prizes. The speeches in Japanese had to be memorised and delivery was of great importance - not an easy task in front of over one hundred and fifty people. Congratulations Alastair, Michael and Ashley.



NPBHS DEBATING 1990

Left to Right: Stephen Fitz Patrick, Rodger Donaldson, Jason Renau, Mrs M. E. Crawford.
Absent: Hamish Kynaston.



The intricate art of making makizush.

"Mrs Crawford is to be given \$2.00 for jam hunt today".

DEBATING

The art of "killing an opponent" using words is an entertaining and intelligent art. Debating is very strong at NPBHS with this year's senior team reaching the final of the regional plate competition in the Jaycees Competition, defeating Spotswood College and Wanganui Collegiate, and losing to NPGHS who reached the New Zealand quarter final.

The senior debating team has been ably led by the head boy Jason Renau, supported by Rodger Donaldson, Hamish Kynaston and Steven Fitzpatrick.

The school has started a friendly debating exchange with NPGHS at lunch time on topics such as "That men should take responsibility" and "That love is an overrated emotion". A senior team was also sent to Wanganui Collegiate at the time of the rugby inter-college fixture, and the school hopes to continue this as a regular event.

The Speech and Drama Festival for Taranaki schools involved a junior and senior team from NPBHS. The junior team members Paul Avery, Aneel Hay, Kelvin Coley and Steven Bunyan won their debate and show debating is a flourishing art in the junior school. The senior team was also successful and classes from NPBHS went to watch the "verbal massacres" which occurred in the debates and to listen to speeches and drama.

A healthy democracy requires people with the confidence and competence to debate and both the opportunity and encouragement are taken seriously at NPBHS.

M. CRAWFORD.

SPEECH AND DRAMA FESTIVAL

The Taranaki Secondary Schools Speech and Drama Festival sponsored by the Pukekura Lions was held on July the 26th and 27th at the State Insurance Theatre and the War Memorial Hall.

Many involved have commented on the very high quality of the participants. It has shown the youth of Taranaki in a very favourable light both as performers and audiences alike. Our school had been very fully involved both in participating and in organising.

Boys' High results: Form Six Prepared Speech: Dallas Jamieson (3rd) "Drilling In the Sugar Loaf Park"; Form Seven Impromptu Speech: Steven Fitzpatrick (1st) "I am Joe/Jane's Brain"; Form six Impromptu Speech: Romesh Anandaraja (1st) "Gangs"; Maori Prepared Speech: Junior: Dwayne McGuigan; Senior: Jason Ruakere. (No placings were given. This is the first year speeches in Maori have eventuated).

Junior Debate won by school (affirmative) vs Francis Douglas that "Anything worth doing is illegal, immoral or makes you fat". Hamish Kynaston, Steven Fitzpatrick (best speaker), Romesh Anandaraja.

The Loins Club seek entries for "The Youth of the Year Competition" - a speech contest of course.

AN EXCURSION

... and then there was the teacher who took his third form class to the Brooklands Zoo at the conclusion of a series of lessons on the theme of animals. The class assembled at the Memorial Gates, proceeded along Rogan Street and was carrying on down the main path to the kiosk when he spied a "short-cut" heading in the right direction. Off the class went into one blind valley and then another, finding new tracks known only to the local mountain goats, over grassy knolls, up a bank to some promising looking "steps" and did eventually make it to Brooklands Zoo some twenty minutes later. It took only fifteen minutes to get back by the "longer route". Everyone enjoyed the period at the end of the day, except perhaps those who had to carry their bicycles at various points on the "expedition".

The bicycles toppled over like dynamos

WESTPAC MATHEMATICS COMPETITION RESULTS

Some general information:
Approximately 450,000 students from throughout Australasia including about 22,000 from 280 New Zealand schools entered the examination this year.

The outstanding result from NPBHS was a relatively rare prize winner: Grant Reeve, form five, Prize Certificate and Pin.

This would place Grant amongst the top 12-15 fifth formers throughout New Zealand and amongst the top 200 fifth formers throughout Australasia.

The next category of certificate winners are the Distinction certificates awarded to the top 15 percent of students after the prizewinners.

Students to receive these are:

Form Three: Paul Swanson.

Form Four: Callum MacKenzie, Bevin Coley, Kelvin Coley, Duncan Coleman, Vincent Yu.

Form Five: Scott Avery, Vaughan Astwood, Philip Meredith, Simon Rae, Mark Hills, Leon Allen, Andrew Martin.

Form Seven: Stephen Denne, Brent Beaven.

The next category of certificate is the Credit awarded to the next 30 percent of students after the distinction certificate.

Students to receive these are:

Form Three: Bruce Hesse.

Form Four: Paul Busing, Duncan Scott, Troy Watkins, Darren Rowland, Greig Wilson, Damon Green, Paul Avery, Thiran Jayasundera, Rhys Watkins, Leith Gray, Blair Horner, Andrew Dodd.

Form Five: Albur Yu, Wade Watkins, Hamish Archer, Darren Rankine, Demian Chapman, Matthew Birch, Rob Aerts, Ruel Newsome, Kalley Simpson, Jason Horsley, Jason Paul, Daniel Chadwick, Stefan Gray, Shaun Philip, Matthew Garvin.

Form Seven: Craig Purdie, Christopher O'Halloran, Brett Honeyfield.

REPRESENTATIVE AWARDS

Special Awards: R. Mills - Head of Moyes House; B. Beaven - Head of Carrington House; B. Beaven - Contribution to Sport: Rugby, Athletics, Cross-Country; P. Whyte - Student Representative - Board of Trustees.

Athletics: K. Brennan, J. Lofton-Brook, M. Old, P. Kaloris, J. Niwa, K. Temakei, M. Miller, C. Ioane.

Cross-Country: J. Lofton-Brook.

Swimming: N. Buyck, P. Veric.

Debating: R. Donaldson, H. Kynaston, J. Renau, S. Fitzpatrick.

Rugby: P. Vyver*, M. Adlam, M. O'Dowda, D. Mohi, J. Holland, G. Taylor*, B. Quigan*, R. Wheeler, S. Chadwick, K. Brennan*, S. Lines, S. Brimelow, B. Schrader*, L. Jones.

Soccer: L. Rattray, S. Bance, P. Veric, S. Bani, A. Cosgrove, G. McKenna, G. Metcalfe, S. Pelham, T. Tumuka, G. Young, K. Miles, M. Old, T. Pitoi.

School Council: D. Aim, N. Buyck, R. Campbell, J. Holland, J. Lofton-Brook, G. Pollock, J. Renau, R. Wheeler, J. Wells, A. Mills, R. Mills, B. Schrader, B. Beaven, H. Kynaston, S. Chadwick, C. Pollock.

Hockey: B. Whitter, N. Hills, A. Taylor, H. Kynaston, N. Betts, A. Jordan, M. Taylor, K. Simpson, R. Day, M. Dingle.

Basketball: J. Burton*, M. Opie*, J. Lofton-Brook*, S. Luke*, J. Flavell, J. Niwa, N. Polutu, A. Fearne, S. Hines, D. McLellan, R. Arbaugh, M. Mills.

Cricket: A. Ruakere*, J. Holland*, M. O'Dowda*, M. Jones*, R. Campbell*, T. Earl, K. Bishop, L. Hopkinson, K. Brennan, K. McDowell.

Cadets: D. Maiden.

Rugby: E. Talakai, M. Collins.

Badminton: R. Alexander, S. Keightley, D. Sutcliffe, S. Barklay, S. Dingle, A. Hunt.

Debating: S. Fitzpatrick.

Soccer: M. Old, T. Pitoi.

Music: N. Kilminster, M. Bremner, M. Clentworth, H. Chisholm, S. Haynes, S. Rae.

Tennis: C. Patten, M. Baird, S. Hine.

Whistle: B. Nixon, M. Genz, R. Donaldson.

* Repeat Award.

EQUESTRIAN ONE DAY EVENT

The task of organising the 1990 Taranaki Inter-Secondary Schools' Teams Horse Trials was given to NPBHS. This privilege was earned by our 1989 team, as they won the event last year.

Many hours of careful planning and preparation by Sue Thorp, Bernadette Bruce and Johanna and Fridtjof Hanson led to this highly competitive event taking place on Tuesday, 17th April, at the AFFCO Farm, Waitara.

Each team which enters the competition consists of four riders who are required to compete in dressage, show jumping and cross-country phases. Vicki Gibbs was the manager of our team which included: Ryan Wheeler on Tobias, James Gibbs on Sonic Symbol, Christian Hanson on Moki, Ivan Bruce on Isabelle, Hamish Gibbs on Chatterbox.

This was the same team of experienced riders which earned first place in 1989. First place this year went to Hawera High, Opunake High came second and Spotswood College were third. Our team finished in fifth place.

The 1990 event was well supported by parents and school staff, and although the day was long and cold, it was very successful.

V. HERBERT.



OLD BOYS' SECTION

Current Office bearers of the parent branch of the NPBHS Old Boys' Association are: Patron: Jack West (27-31); President: Max Carroll (staff 1958-); Secretary: Robert Mills (72-76); Treasurer: Brian Bellringer (47-53).

Old Boys have always featured prominently on the staff of the school and this year we have Lynn Bublitz (55-59), Murray Dobson (58-60), Don Boyd (68-69), Rob Green (61-65), Geoff Hall (79-83), John Lander (80-84), Ken Mitchell (79-81), David Mossop (59-63), Jed Rowlands (74-75), Phil Sole (62-66) and Richard Turner (64-68).

John McIntyre, who continues to work unceasingly for his old school organised a reunion of local Old Boys who were at school prior to 1930 in the "Moyes era". John (37) was assisted by Jack West and on the day by the Headmaster Tom Ryder and President Max Carroll. The occasion was the annual Day Boys vs Boarders rugby match played on the Gully and won by the Day Boys by 10-9. About seventy-four Old Boys from this era attended the oldest of whom was Les Marfell, who was at school in 1912 and is now aged 92. A similar function is planned for those who attended NPBHS during the remaining part of the "Moyes Era" from 1930 to 1941.

A full scale reunion is planned for Easter 1992. This will mark the 110th anniversary of the founding of the school, 80 years of boarding and 80 years since the formation of an Old Boys' Association. It will also provide experience for a group of fairly recent Old Boys who we hope will form the core of an executive committee running the celebrations to mark the 125th anniversary in 2007. The executive committee for the 110th anniversary celebrations is: Max Carroll (staff) Chairman; Lynn Bublitz (55-59) Director; Tom Ryder (staff) Headmaster; Robert Mills (72-76) Meeting Secretary; Harry Russell and Rendell Brine (47-51) Joint Reunion Secretaries; Brian Bellringer (47-53) and Peter Darney (78-82) Finance; Cyril Henderson (57-61) Registration; Stephen Harrop (71-75) Publicity; Paul Van Praagh (71-76) Ball; Graeme Earl (61-63) Social Functions; Ross Crow (57-61) Accommodation and Photographs; Jed Rowlands (74-75) Sporting Activities; Allan Kirk (staff) Records and Displays; Terry Heaps (staff) Ceremonies; Murray Grimwood (staff) Hostel Liaison; Don Boyd (68-69) Concert; John McIntyre (37) Memorabilia; Neil Wolfe (55-59) Liaison with Board of Trustees; Jack West (27-31) Advisor.

A newsletter promoting the reunion has been posted to all Old Boys and contains a form for pre-registration and a request for information on the achievements of Old Boys.

A number of Old Boys featured in the New Year and Queen's Birthday Honours. Jim Graham (42-45) former chairman of the Dairy Board and elder brother of John (48-52) and Bob (49-53) received a Knighthood for his services to the dairy industry, MP John Terris (52-55) received a QSO, Harold Titter (44-48) a CMG for services to Health Administration, Peter Allen (25-28) a CBE for his services to Medicine and Radiology, Hugh Moss (33-37) (died June 1990) a QSM for Community Service and Det. Sgt Bob Stevens (55-58) a QSM for Police Work and Service to the Community.

Many Old Boys were successful in last years' local body elections and are featuring prominently in their service to the community. They include: Ross Allen (42-44) Chairman of the Taranaki Regional Council, David Lean (62-64) Mayor of New Plymouth and member of TRC, David Walter (52-55) Mayor of Stratford, Brian Bellringer (47-53) TRC and NPDC, Ian Lobb (53-57) TRC and NPDC, Tom Watson (40-41) Deputy Mayor NPDC, Lynn Bublitz (55-59) NPDC, Stan Florence (36-40) NPDC, John Honnor (51-53) NPDC, Harvey Wellington (52-54) NPDC and David Wilkinson (56-58) NPDC.

Old Boys everywhere were proud of the record achieved this year by the First XV under Jed Rowlands (74-75). A clean sweep in the college series is no mean feat and was well deserved. Old Boys to the fore in the rugby world this year were Lane Penn (53-57) All Black Selector and coach of the Developmental Team, Mark Donaldson (70-73) former All Black half-back now coach of Manawatu, whilst Andrew Slater (Head Boy in 1987), Malcolm Greig (74-78), Derek Sampson, Geoff Hall (79-83) and Bryce Robbins (72-73) have represented Taranaki in first class fixtures. Gordon Slater (85-89) continues to show tremendous promise and should gain higher honours very soon.

Four Old Boys with great interest and experience in surf lifesaving hold four of the top jobs on the sports national executive. They are David Lean (62-65) President, John Honnor (51-53) Chairman, Brian Velvin (61-63) Chief Superintendent and Murray Wood National Power Craft Officer. Gary Lightfoot (47-49) formerly of New Plymouth but now residing in Auckland has been made a life member of the NPOB Surf Club. John Gundesen (76-79) was in New Plymouth with an independent television crew filming the windsurfing event at Oakura. This will screen on TV3 in the Mobil Sports programme.

Grant Moorhead (83-87) was an accomplished golfer when he left school and soon became the provinces No. 1 player. He has now achieved one of his great ambitions by being selected in the four man New Zealand team to play in the Eisenhower Trophy event at Shirley which is a World Amateur teams Competition. Despite very trying condition the Old Boys' Golf Tournament played at Ngamotu was well supported. Brian Broome (36-39) won the McNaught Cup [best medal score], Gary Cave (64-68) the Alexander Salver [best stableford score] and Stephen Brine (79-83) the Peter Powell Memorial Cup [best gross score]. Ken Holyoake (64-68) will in all probability succeed Tom Moorhead (55-56) as Club Captain of the New Plymouth Golf Club.

A young Old Boy in Paul Tuffery (85-86) finished fifty-second in the World Junior Boys' Chess Championship held in Chile. Andrew Bunn (84-86) better known for his rugby and athletic prowess has turned to weightlifting. At the New Zealand Junior Championship Andrew lifted an 85kg snatch and a 120kg clean and jerk to win his section and bring back Taranaki's first gold medal in over a decade. His total was 25kg better than his previous best.

At the Oceania Games held in Suva Douglas Mace (83-87) won golds in the hammer (57.5m) and the shotput (15.6m). Douglas is now preparing for the National Championships in Dunedin next February. Triathlete Chris Mace (72-76) trimmed 34 minutes off his previous best when he finished tenth in a field of nine hundred in the Japanese Ironman contest.

Blair Hicks, Roger Harris (79-83), John Carr (79-83) and Rhys George have been featuring in National League Basketball with the highly performing Dow Elanco New Plymouth team. Brendon Boon (81-85) was in the New Zealand ski team which participated in the World Championship Event at Mt Hutt whilst Trent Scott (77-81) wrestled his way to another New Zealand title in the 68kg division and was judged the most scientific senior wrestler of the tournament. As a result Trent is in the seven-man New Zealand squad for the World Championships.

Featuring prominently in local cricket in the 89-90 season were Gary Robertson (74-78), Stephen Robertson (77-81), Steven Harrop (71-75), Karl O'Dowda (83-87), Jason Burbidge (84-87), David Burbidge (82-85), Alistair Jordan, Wade Alsweller (84-88), Dylan Cleaver (84-89), Stu Dempster (82-86), Russell Dempster (81-83) and Kelvin McKoy.

Colin Lees of Toko is this year District Governor for Lions International District 202D. Colin Kennedy (63) has been appointed Managing Director for the South Pacific region of the Paris-based multinational company La Societe de L'Air Liquide. Neil Walter (56-60) has been appointed New Zealand Ambassador to Indonesia. Barrie Garcia (44-47) has retired from his position as Circulation Manager for the Taranaki Daily News after 41 years with the company, while his younger brother Dennis (44-48) is still there in the important role of Editor.

The McIntyre's, Ian (65-68), Donald (69-71) and Victor (67-71) have switched their 395 hectare property at Waitui from bull beef and sheep to dairying, making it one of the largest dairying enterprises in North Taranaki.

David Lea (84-88) is spending \$40,000 on the 18 month flying course conducted by Massey University. At its conclusion David will have a Diploma in Business Studies, a Commercial Pilot's Licence and have clocked up 150 hours flying time. Tim Deighton (80-84) after gaining a Bachelor of Music with a first in Performance in 1988 joined the First Violin Section of the National Symphony Orchestra. He is now in the USA under a world-renowned string tutor at Hartford University in Connecticut where he will qualify for a Diploma in Performing Arts. John Harrison (Dux 1982) has been awarded a Prestigious Fellowship to further his studies at the University of California. Recently married in Auckland was Stephen Brine (Dux 1983) as was David Goodare (79-83) in Christchurch. Neil Wolfe (55-59) is Chairman of the School's Board of Trustees and is also Chairman of the Taranaki Jockey Club and has made very valuable contributions to both bodies. Richard Stening has been overseas for nearly four years. Although based in England he has found time to tour the continent of Europe and to explore Africa from Morocco to Cape Province. Receiving their degrees in May from Victoria University were Kerry Brine (81-85) B.Sc., Jason Findlay (80-84) BCA and Kerry Dohig (80-84) BCA.

During the year a number of Old Boys passed away. They include well-known New Plymouth Real Estate agent and former Taranaki tennis player Ash Roberts (35-39), Mathematics teacher Bruce Barnitt (28-33), well known Hawera identity Max Grace (35-36), former Policeman, wrestler and writer Bernie Drader, master cameraman Roy Charters (29-31), former long serving Board Secretary Owen Burford and prominent New Plymouth lawyer and community stalwart Hugh Moss (33-37). Hugh passed away just two weeks after receiving the Queen's Service Medal for Services to the Community. Former theatre and brewery manager and noted rates campaigner Zig Saunders has been our most recent loss.

Thanks to Rendell Brine for these notes. He would welcome further news of Old Boys.

OLD BOYS NEWS — WELLINGTON BRANCH

The Wellington Branch held a most successful cocktail party/reunion in the Wellersley Club on Friday, September 7th - with some eighty-five Old Boys in attendance.

Special guests at the function were the School's Headmaster, Mr Tom Ryder and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees and former Victoria University College student, Mr Neil Wolfe. It was particularly gratifying to learn from these two enthusiasts about the vitality and achievements of the present school and for the first time in years five young men, recent old boys - the youngest left in 1987 - were in attendance.

WELLINGTON OLD BOYS

Barry Boon: Senior partner in Chapman, Tripp.
Murray Jensen: Recently retired as General Manager, Trust Bank, Wellington.
Martin Alexander: In course of returning to New Plymouth.
Warren Allen: Recently elected Councillor of the New Zealand Society of Accountants.
Mike Bodnar: Still with TVNZ.
Ken Comber: Executive Recruitment Consultant.
Mick Dillon: Managing Director, Asianz Holdings Ltd.
Stuart Fraser: Still a Serving Officer in the New Zealand Army.
Ross Garner: With BNZ Wellington.
John Hanning: Senior partner, Macalister, Mazonbarb, Perry, Castle.
Phil Hogg: With Ord, Minnett in Wellington.
Tony Loozpar: Is a Management Consultant.
Malcolm McCaw: A very busy Company Director and Accountant.
Jim Rowe: Is busy in retirement.
Colin Sarten: With the Reserve Bank.
Bill Sugat: Senior Partner with Gibson, Sheat in Lower Hutt.
Dick Simpson: A consulting partner with Bell Gully.
Tim Fookes: A partner with Bell Gully.
Brian Lockstone: With Ansett New Zealand as PR Manager.
John Tannahill: Still a partner in his own law firm.
Barry Waite: With New Zealand Apple and Pear Board.
Jeff Weston: Clinical School, Wellington Hospital.

Also at the function - Merv Wellington, MP; Peter Bates, Eric Batten, Robin and Gary Benton, Malcolm Chapman, John Davies, Norman Gadd, Leo Gibbs, Martin Gibbs, Evan Haine, Knowles Hamilton, Neil Henderson, 'Hoppy' Hopkins, J. B. Johnston, Alan Martin, C. S. Morrison, Willie Morton, Gordon Page, Roger Papps, Norman Payne, John Perham, Grant Prudie, David Renwick, Peter Sole, Alec Stevenson, Ted Tarrant, David Thomas, Alan Thompson, Malcolm Tribe, Mylton Tuckett, Neil and Dennis Tuffery, Stephen Underwood, Bill Wakelin, Ian Weatherall, Arthur Wells, Alick Wilson, Barrie Wilson and Owen Winstanley.

The young old boys included - Philip Armstrong, BBS - Head Boy 1984 - in professional service in the capital; Murray Cox completing a medical degree; Chris Hogg doing a BA LLB; Ross Pennington - also

doing his LLB and Matthew Crow - all of 1987.

The Wellington Old Boys are strong on the ground and looking forward to the 1992 reunion.

AUCKLAND OLD BOYS

The Auckland Old Boys Association had another successful biennial dinner preceding the Grammar match with 65 Old Boys and guests in attendance. Ted Meuli (39-44) proposed a toast to the school in vigorous style and in reply Tom Ryder gave a full address on current pupils, their activities, current reform in education and the way ahead for a busy NPBHS.

A highlight of the evening was a presentation of a cheque for \$2000 donated by Auckland Old Boys towards the gymnasium floor fund.

Old Boys present were as follows:

1920s: Bruce Bell, Noel Gardiner, both in good health and in very good form.
1930s: John Friend, John McIntyre (up from NP), Les Palmer, Ron Taylor.
1940s: Harold Titter, John Reid, Ted Meuli, John Reid, Dennis Swan, Alan Stormont, Barry O'Meagher, Peter Badley, Graeme Douglas, Murray Hooker, Alan Fowles, Ian Manby-Cameron, Stuart Comber, Ron Harrison, Bill Thomson, Neil Lobb, Bill Shaw, Graeme Brackebush, Maurice Twomey, David Levene.
1950s: Warwick Lobb, Bill Bamford, Robert Geck, Keith Way, John Caldwell, Alan Faulk, Clyde Colson, Garry Hyde, Bill Moore, Graeme McGlashan, Ian Montgomerie, Pym Baxter, Rob Insull, Bruce Smith, Wayne Dyer, Jerry Philips, Cliff Evans.
1960s: Vince Leonard, Alan Horner, Dennis Horner, Dennis Dugan, John Syme, Ian McQuillan, Fred McNeil, Bruce Fraser.

No years mentioned: Don Fleming, Rex Burgess, David Besley, H. Berge, M. J. Roger, J. M. Novak.

Very few Old Boys of the 1970s/80s era are on our mailing list and anyone wishing to become involved should write to PO Box 14-451 Panmure.

Other Old Boys active in Auckland include Glenn Rush (57-61) who was in charge of the Commonwealth Games swimming venue, Gary Mace and John Syme with Fletcher Challenge as Chief Executive Officer, Forest Industries Groups worldwide activities and General Manager of Tasman Lumber respectively.

Paul, Brett and Rohan Meuli, sons of Ted Meuli and at school during the 70s are all in Auckland in various business activities while Ted is retired at Orewa.

Dick Still (48-52) now has his own Chartered Accountancy practice but found time to sail the Mediterranean during the winter months and therefore missed the dinner.

Max Carroll, current President of the Old Boys Association, outlined the programme for the 110th jubilee in 1992 and more than a few of us were at Grammar the following day to watch the NPBHS 1st XV defeat their old rivals - to complete an excellent weekend.



Reunion of Old Boys of the Moyes era.



BEST PERFORMING ARTIST:
Jason Renau.

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR:
Jason Holland.

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