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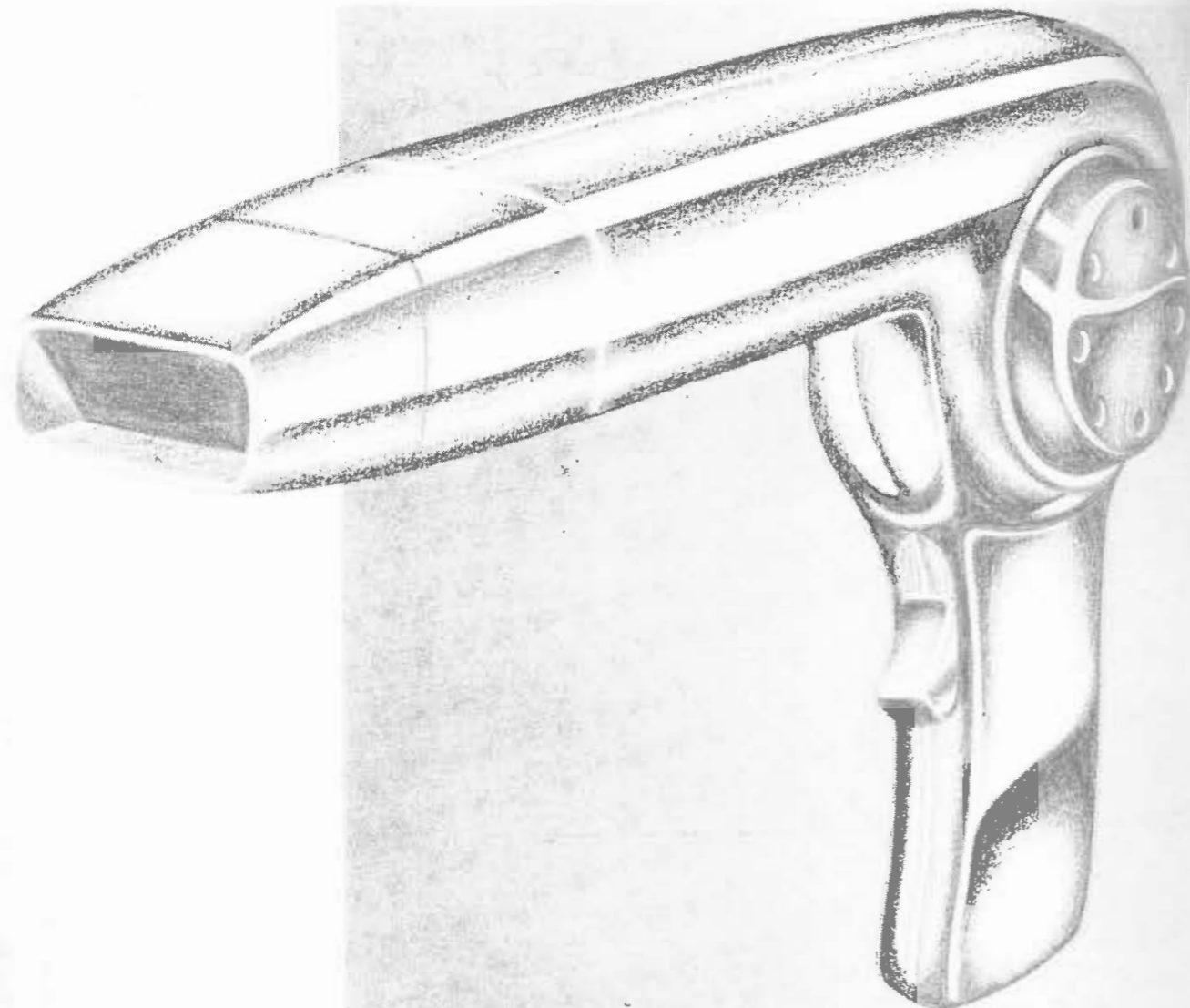
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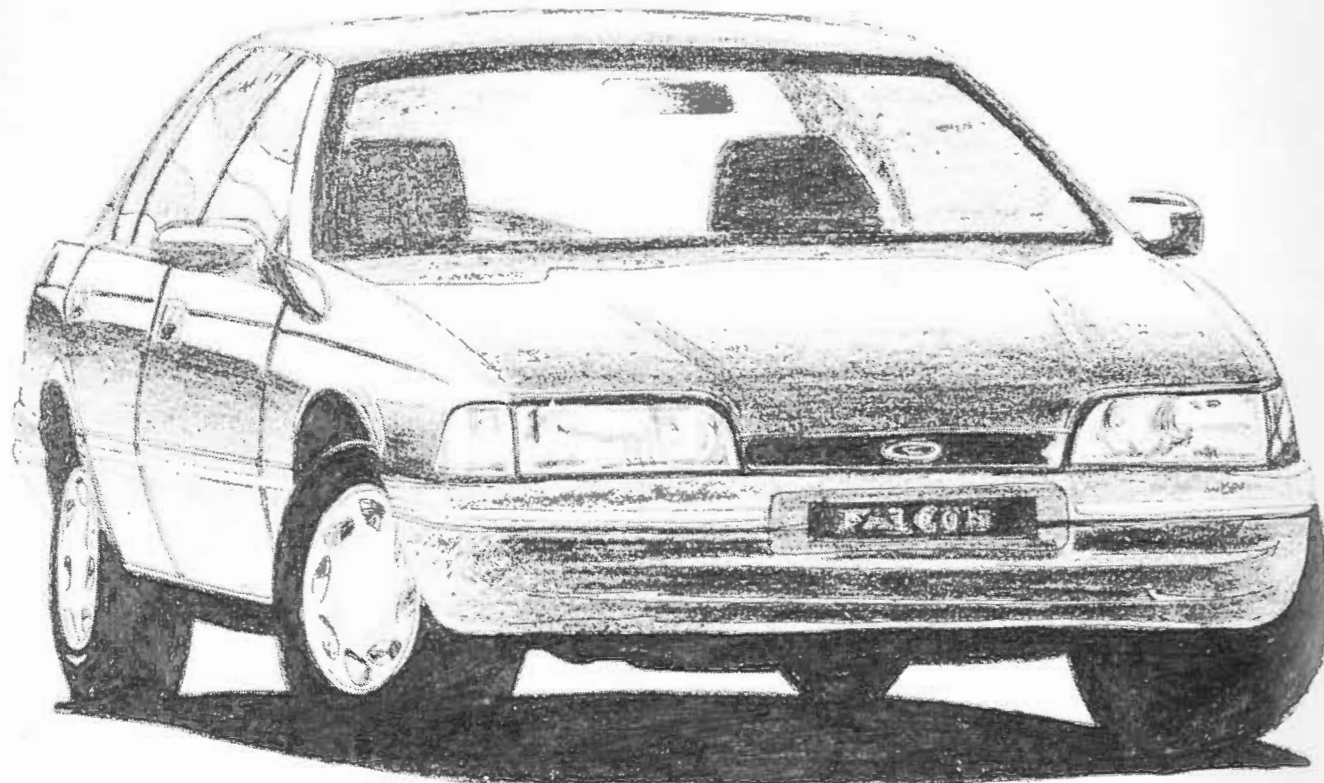
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As Chairman of the New Plymouth Boys' High School Board of Trustees I am pleased to give the following report on activities of the Board of Trustees during the 1993 year:

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Unfortunately during this year the Board lost the services of Mr Bill McKenzie, the Deputy Chairman and most experienced Board member who left New Plymouth for Tauranga. Mr Geoff Ward has been appointed Deputy Chairman and Mr Greg Eden, a New Plymouth Chartered Accountant, co-opted to replace Mr McKenzie on the Board of Trustees. Mr Ward has been appointed Chairperson of the Hostel Committee and Mrs Robyn Watkins the Chairperson of the Property Committee, Mrs Flora Gilkison is now Chairperson of the Policy Committee.

PROPERTY

Extensive renovations to Pridham Hall have now been completed and the renovated premises were handed over to the school by the Minister of Education Mr Lockwood Smith. The renovations have restored this fine building to its former glory and now it is again in full use. Two new classrooms have been completed in the area facing Webster field. One of these will be converted to a suite which will enable Home Economics to be taught on site saving pupils the inconvenience and time in attending New Plymouth Girls' High School. The Board would like to acknowledge and thank the New Plymouth Girls' High School for its close co-operation over the past few years. A new Physical Education classroom will be constructed adjacent to the gymnasium. The Student Service Areas first stage of alterations have been completed and are working well. Further additions to complete the student services are to comprise guidance, careers and transition are being investigated, planned and costed at present.

TECHNOLOGY

The library has now joined the modern technology area with all books now indexed on the computer. Considerable work and liaison with the Taranaki Polytech has been done to ensure the data base of information available to pupils is modern and up to date. All pupils should receive training in the use of this updated

facility. The Board is continuing to allocate funds for the upgrading of the school computers to ensure that pupils at New Plymouth Boys' High School are computer literate.

POLICY

The Policy Committee is reviewing all present policies of the School and is developing new policies in areas as required. School policy has been completed relating to sun hats and uniforms.

SCHOOL ACCOUNTING SYSTEMS

With the massive increase in accounting work necessary for the running of the school and the hostel the Board of Trustees is installing a new software system which will be up and running in the 1994 year. This will be of considerable assistance to the accounting staff.

HOSTEL

The popularity of New Plymouth Boys' High School boarding hostel continues. Promotion of the hostel at meetings at Toko, Waverley and South Taranaki continue each year and, together with a presence at the Mystery Creek Fieldays has ensured a regular and full request for places in 1994. Negotiations continue with the Ministry of Education regarding upgrading of the kitchen and other hostel facilities.

BOARD STAFF

Ron Goodare retired as School Bursar and Mr Les Emslie is a most capable, efficient and loyal replacement as Executive Officer to the school and secretary of the Board of Trustees. His experience, dedication to work each week for the school have lightened the load of Board of Trustees members. The Board of Trustees is again indebted to the sterling leadership of the Headmaster, T. T. Ryder, and the loyalty and ability of all teaching staff at the school. The non-teaching staff again in 1993 showed dedication to the School and diligence in their employment. The reward of being on the Board of Trustees at New Plymouth Boys' High School is the fine results achieved by the school during 1993.

J. H. R. EAGLES,
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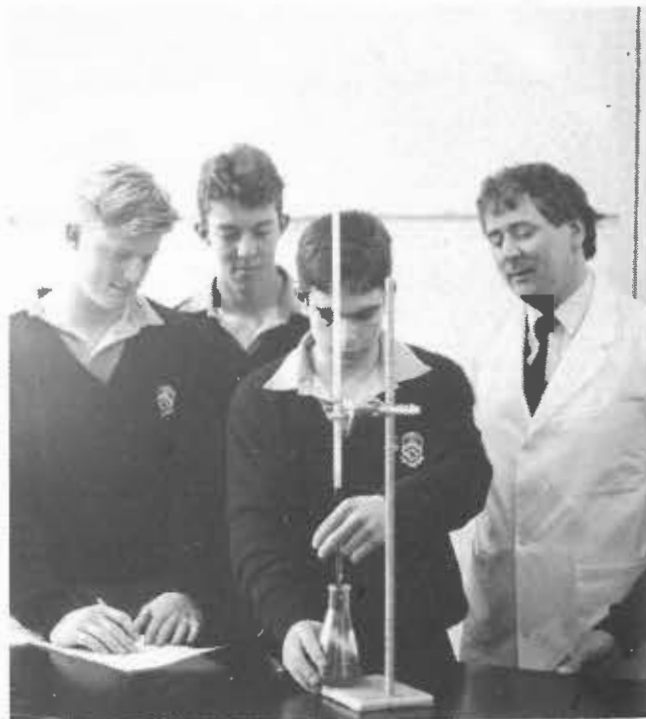
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The computer lab in action.



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Mr Clareburt happy in his work!



Mr Hall in Form 7 Geography.



Report time ... again!

THE HEADMASTER COMMENTS

"What's the limit?" is a question I'm often asked. It comes in a variety of forms, ranging from how many boys can the Assembly Hall hold, to how big the school should be, to how many more subjects can the school offer and how far can the boys and staff push the boundaries of performance?

Some answers are easy. The Hall was built to seat 1200 students and it will do that easily and thank goodness we can assemble the whole school and simply be together to deal with the mundane as well as matters of moment. Who knows what the perfect size for NPBHS should be? I used to ponder that, but providing we manage and teach well, challenge the boys, set and meet high standards and attend to the needs of individual boys - all will be well, but right now we are limited by law to about 1200 - or our capacity to provide adequate teaching spaces to allow our present curriculum to operate. The Ministry and the Government have said 'no' to more growth - while neighbouring schools have vacant accommodation, unless of course, the Board bears the expense of additional building - and there certainly is a limit to that!! We are even criticised for operating an enrolment scheme we would prefer to be without, but which circumstances make mandatory. Such is the price of success in today's world! Fortunately a drop in the numbers of available boys from New Plymouth's primary schools means we may be able to remove the restriction in 1994. Curriculum growth, which has been a feature of NPBHS since 1979 (12 subjects available in form six then, and 26 subjects available now) cannot continue if roll growth stops. Simply, more boys generate more teachers and their versatility allows us to extend the range of our programmes. Last year we introduced Maori Language and Drama into the senior school - but next year there is little scope for development - although to be fair the staff are not short of ideas!

As to the limits of staff and boy performance - happily, I see no boundaries. It is a constant source of joy to hear of new ventures, new ambitions, new projects bubbling up from the boys and teachers of NPBHS and I don't overlook the ideas of members of the Board and PTA and the suggestions of Old Boys, who, too, rejoice at the school's undertakings and achievements. I shall return to these rich veins later.

The year began with the hostel bulging at the seams with 192 enrolments and the Board's Hostel Committee foreshadowing a five to ten year plan for development. Again the question of limits must be raised and answered. The figure of 200 for a fully modernised hostel with dormitory accommodation for students, forms three to five, motel unit accommodation for form six and private room accommodation for form seven is a goal we must reach well before the year 2000. We are a very popular boarding school and I trust that a projected roll of 200 always includes at least 20 boys from overseas - who bring cultural richness and an experience of the world that is uplifting. We are a microcosm of the South Pacific and all those who are fortunate enough to attend Pacific Island night or who hear the Pacific Island choir know the value of this feature of boarding.

Our form three enrolment was limited to 280, including 40 boarders, with families as far apart as Christchurch, Tokyo, Suva and Apia and Auckland. Contractors completed the two additional classrooms overlooking Hobson Street, the Board was required to build to house the roll of 1160 comfortably and stage two of Pridham Hall refurbishing was sufficiently completed to allow all 12 classrooms to be occupied from the first week back. What a difference! The Hall gleams inside and out and once Mr Evans and his staff had restored all the oak-framed photographs to the interior walls - we had back in our possession, not just one of New Zealand's Historic places, but a major building in first-class condition for teaching and learning. It is a pleasure to hear teachers and boys praise the conditions and the architect, and Old Boy, Mr Brian Chong, must derive deep satisfaction from it all.

Finishing work, which included replacing water pipe to the building and re-sealing the surrounds means the official handing over was delayed until June, when the Minister of Education, Dr Lockwood Smith officiated. Dr Smith was impressed by the \$1.25 million project and he properly paid tribute to NPBHS as one of NZ's top schools - with conditions appropriate to carry it into the 21st century.

Having the Minister here, was an opportunity for the Board to impress upon him the crucial importance of having government funding to up-grade our Hostel Kitchen Complex which is one outstanding relic of the hostel which, in 1978, was on the point of collapse and closure. It is a small miracle that NPBHS is today one of the strongest and most popular State boarding schools in the country and successive Boards and a succession of dedicated staff have played vital parts in an exercise in recovery and



expansion that will always comprise a special chapter of the school's history.

I mentioned earlier knowing of no limits to student performance - and one measure of that belief was my witnessing the detailed promotion of the school's case for government help for the hostel in the form of clear, courteous and impassioned argument by the Head Boy, Craig Taylor, the Head Boarder, Greg Paynter and the Student Representative on the Board, Regan Washer. As the Ministry enthusiastically acknowledged the plea, on leaving the dining room, he was treated to a full haka by the senior Boarders - and his comment to me as he left the school was: "This is an experience I shan't forget. I am grateful for the courtesy done me - and how I wish I could so regularly enjoy my role as Minister."

Term one sped by with the usual fever of house competitions in swimming and athletics and in March the Board invited local Member of Parliament and friend of the school, Mr John Armstrong, to open the Gully Pavilion. It was a sparkling occasion with wide representation from Old Boys, contractors, Board of Trustees, Parent Teacher Association, staff and students and a key figure present was that outstanding Old Boy, John McIntyre, who had responded to my appeal to oversee the final and vital work of installing sealed access roads and pathways from the interior of the school and Hobson Street. All-weather access we now have and the Pavilion served 15 visiting teams during the second term, saw all of those teams hosted after the matches in the upstairs lounge - saw the 1st XI Soccer and opponents given after match facilities, provided kitchen facilities for the Japanese Cooking groups during term two utility periods and will always be available for special functions such as the hosting of visitors. Already the school has been asked if the Pavilion can be hired out and at least one wedding function, for an Old Boy, will have the lounge used for the 'breakfast' before the year's end. The Old Boys' Association have chosen the lounge for their meetings and such wide-ranging use is meeting our expectations for such a major investment.

We had high hopes of top academic results from last year's form seven students and they delivered the goods. Five of our top scholars won eight distinctions in the New Zealand Education Foundation examinations in Calculus, Statistics, Physics, English, Accounting, Economics and Biology. The pass rate in Bursary again exceeded 70% for the eighth successive year. The pass rate was 73% well in excess of the national average with 81 boys succeeding, 34 winning A Bursaries and 47 gaining B Bursaries. Ten students won a total of 18 scholarships. Grant Reeve won four and Jason Horsley produced a best aggregate of 418 out of 500. English easily topped the subject performances with seven scholarships, a quite outstanding achievement and Calculus, Physics, Biology, Accounting, Economics, Statistics and Graphics also enjoyed success. In Music and Classic Studies our best student missed by a single mark!

In School Certificate our results were more modest! Another change to measurement has seen a return to 50% and better for a C grade, or pass, and our results were as follows: of 250 candidates, 36 passed in six subjects; 52 passed in five, 45 passed in four and 37 passed in three. 88% of the candidates passed in one to six subjects, and the top candidate Charles de Bock scored 355 in his best four subjects. Results jumped dramatically in Maori and Art and met expectations in Science, English, Economics, History and Geography with pass rates ranging from 61% to 75%, but pass rates in Mathematics, Japanese, Accounting, Latin, French and Graphics were not up to expectation and we look forward to significant improvement in our efforts this year. It is worth observing that education 'reformers' would abolish School Certificate examinations on the grounds that external examinations have inherent limitations, are not needed in the Middle School and will be made obsolete by the emerging National Curriculum and Qualifications Framework. There may be truth in some or all of these arguments, but who will deny the simple value of accountability? A good school is never indifferent to its academic performance and regular clear-cut national measures have a salutary influence on teaching and learning, and are safeguards no sensible nation will eliminate.

The annual Australian International Academic Competitions brought excellent results for NPBHS. In Science, forms three to five, we won three High Distinctions (the top 1%) with Steven Holden 1st in New Zealand at form three; and Karl Laird form three and Andrew Lynch form five top performers; and 14 Distinctions (top 10%). In English forms three and four we won three High Distinctions with Steven Holden again 1st in New Zealand and four Distinctions and in Mathematics Very High Distinctions and prizes went to Karl Laird form three, Peter Green form four and Kent Skinner form seven and 35 Distinctions were also won. It is very gratifying to know that good teaching here produces results at the very highest level of New Zealand performance.

Maintaining measures of performance will always be a feature of NPBHS and building resources in years of limited government funding poses special challenges. Our community knows or should know that state-provided per capita income has been frozen to 1989 figures and yet demands on schools continue to grow. An obvious example is the impact of electronic technology. The Minister and the Ministry are eloquent on the necessity for schools to embrace technological education - and nowhere is this challenge ignored or denied - but the income required to keep pace with, let alone expand, computer technology - obviously is not coming from the State. "Do it" is the call and find the funds is the expectation! How poor communities manage I do not know (even with supplementary equity funding!) but the Board of Trustees here remains responsive to staff case-making and the boys and their parents continue to find capital through fundraising. Mr Kirk's February raffle produced essential equipment for the Gully Pavilion (commercial dishwasher, refrigerator, range, cutlery and crockery; income for Council and vital sports equipment) and the annual Work Day produced not only nearly \$9000 for the planned upgrading of the Gully Courts (to help build five courts) but almost \$9000 to help complete the computerising of the library. Last year the Board spent \$60,000 - replacing the core of the students' computer network and this year it will spend as much again. Refining the new network to meet modern software requirements and accelerating speed of operation (\$22,000); completing the computerisation of the library for full user operation now that all our stock information is in memory (\$20,000); (linkage to most libraries in New Zealand becomes a feature as does access to employment-vocational data); the complete transfer of the Board's accounting operation to a faster and sophisticated commercial-type system (\$12,000); and the upgrading of the school's administrative network for teacher and office staff use (\$6000). Stand-alone computers are also spreading through most departments: English, Mathematics, Science, Commerce, Graphics and Languages all have their own equipment and want more, and by 1995 a second major teacher-student network will have to be installed to meet rapidly-expanding demand and use. The limit is not the technology - but the capacity to fund it and government can no longer continue to extol and prescribe - it must begin to pay!

Let me now turn the focus on the boys beyond the classroom. The tennis teams continue to do well in inter-school competitions with a memorable victory over Palmerston North Boys' High, but it was cricket which stole the summer limelight. Mr Kirk, Master-In-Charge, continues to foster the sport and we have 13 teams in regular competition. At 1st XI level centuries in club games become common place and Mr Giddy and captain Greg Paynter can be justifiably proud of their team as it won the Taranaki Senior competition and qualified for the 1993-94 Premier Grade. The side

has considerable potential and should the new Taranaki professional coach be attached to the team, who knows what the limit of performance will become. Certainly a tour of Australia should be a goal for January 1995!

When the winter programme began, most of the codes had high hopes for top performances. Participation by national standards remain high - but we could do better had we more coaches and managers. Mr Mitchell completed a code of good conduct, on and off the sportsfield. It was published in the Calendar and a disciplinary committee helps ensure its proper operation. By August we knew we had achieved remarkable results in virtually every sport the school offers. Two very young cycling teams contested the national junior and senior events in the Sir Bernard Fergusson Trophy races at Levin and were 7th in a field of 15 teams and 15th in a field of 39 teams respectively. Our golf team Taranaki and Central North Island Champions contested the National Finals in Wellington and won 4th rank and our top golfer, Rhys Watkins, won a Methanex Scholarship. The senior table tennis team excelled itself to qualify for the National Championships and Mr Sims squash team won 5th ranking in New Zealand. The 1st XI hockey were unlucky at tournament and had to settle for 3rd place in the India Shield, but the 1st XI soccer team under the dynamic management of Mr Russell won a creditable 3rd place in the Taranaki Senior men's division, but best of all went to Auckland, won the major schools' tournament there and defeated De La Salle College for the Jim Wishart Trophy which NPBHS has now won in successive years. The senior basketball team fought hard to gain national representation only to be pipped at the post, but the young side won the Central New Zealand Tournament here in New Plymouth. Finally, the 1st XV enjoyed the last year's coaching by Mr Jeremy Rowlands and his assistant Mr Brett Sloan and they put their stamp as a superb modern era by winning the Taranaki Under 21 competition and going through their regular inter-college season undefeated. In four years play NPBHS has lost only two inter-college matches and as the World 1st XV Champions of 1992 the school must continue to rank as one of the very best rugby schools in New Zealand - a tribute paid by Christchurch Press in its report on the match with CBHS. Next year brings a new coach and a new era, but the 1990-1993 period has been a purple patch in the rugby history of the school. A parent commented to me recently that it must do wonders for the school's spirit to have such a great rugby record, and it does. But best of all it is not just rugby that brings us a national reputation. No longer are we a one or two sport school. We are capable and enthusiastic competitors in at least ten sports and there's no limit to the joy that brings.

And while all that energy was being spent in the sports arenas, the musicians again demonstrated talent and entertainment of top quality. Mr Boyd undertook a tour to the East Coast and concerts for the public and schools won high praise and the Open Weekend Concert in the Main Hall demonstrated a depth of talent when we performed with Taradale High School. Edmond Wong and Paul Wolfram were selected for the New Zealand Young Concert Band and it was exciting to learn in late June that Hayden Chisholm, outstanding musician in last year's form seven, had won a place in the Cologne University School of Music, Germany. It was also a great winter term for the senior debating team of Paul Avery, Ivan Bruce and Aneel Hay. Under the watchful leadership of Mrs Crawford they defeated all teams in the Central North Island only to miss the National Jaycees Competition semi-finals by narrowly losing a critical debate in Wellington. Still, it is the best effort yet by a NPBHS team. National representation was won by Tony Rampton in Under 18 basketball and Brent Hutchieson represented New Zealand at the World body-surfing championships in Indonesia. Michael Frampton was one of the two New Zealanders to win International Peace Awards for their essays and in July Michael travelled to Japan and participated in an international Peace Conference that included a visit to the Peace Park in Hiroshima. The ladies of the Bell Block Lions Club have marked Michael's achievement with the planting of an Awanui Cherry Tree on the lawn opposite Carrington House.

Normal life continues, notwithstanding all of the highlighted activity punctuated by the Senior Ball, this year's Dream Team's success over the 3rd XV, the big inter-school fixtures, visiting speakers and performing groups, fire drills and those special performances given at assembly by the Concert Band, the Pacific Islanders Choir and Edmond Wong's piano recital. The teaching staff were challenged to prepare Units of Learning for every programme offered in the junior school. Each unit clearly states the knowledge and skills students are expected to master and what the boys are expected to be able to do to demonstrate what they have learned. The staff responded splendidly and a detailed publication has been made available to every form two student



Mr Eagles welcoming Education Minister Lockwood Smith to the opening of the renovated Pridham Hall.

enrolled to enter NPBHS in 1994. This development will tie naturally into the implementation of the National Curriculum Framework - which begins next year with Mathematics at level one (form five).

Personnel changes are inevitable and term one saw the premature retirement of Mr Ron Goodare, our first Bursar and full-time Board Secretary. Illness ended the superb range of service Ron has given the school as Chairman of the Parent-Teacher Association, Governor of the Board in the early 1980s and as the man who established the Board's accounting and secretarial service on site. It is the single greatest change produced here by the reform known as 'Tomorrow's Schools' and sadly - when everything was in place and working well, Ron was forced to retire. He has the school's, the Board's and my personal gratitude. Fortunately Ron's successor, Mr Les Emslie, has taken over the position with remarkable skill and enthusiasm and the transition couldn't have been smoother.

Changes, too, have occurred to the property maintenance staff and our first class manager, Mr Ian Evans, has acquired two excellent operators in Mr Ray Hosking and Mr Maurice Ansell. The grounds and buildings generally have rarely looked better and it is typical of all three men that they do their work with enthusiasm and considerable pride. We are fortunate.

On the other hand we were unfortunate to lose from the Board Mr Bill McKenzie, Deputy Chairman and Chairman of the Appointments and Personnel Committee. Bill's accountancy expertise has been invaluable to the Board and his calm and measured good judgement for three terms will be missed. In Bill's place the Board has co-opted Mr Greg Eden, ACA, and already Greg's experience is being tapped as Chairman of the Finance Committee. Mr Geoff Ward becomes Deputy Chairman of the Board and Geoff has continued to do considerable work on property development until Mrs Robyn Watkins takes over that role. I take this opportunity to thank all members of the Board for a busy year and especially Mr John Eagles for firm leadership, generous availability and wise guidance.

This year we are losing the teaching services of Mr Carter who has contributed significantly to Scholarship success in Mathematics over 14 years, Mrs Lilly, who in six years has pushed the limits of student success in Japanese to extraordinary heights and Mr Don Boyd, who in his ten years at NPBHS established standards of music performance that have been quite outstanding and his great gifts will be sorely missed. Mr Craig is leaving to undertake PhD studies in Australia and we wish all four success in their future

careers.

And so to 1994. The National Curriculum Framework begins to operate, with the new Mathematics programme being taught at level one or form five. In 1995, Mathematics extends to form six and Science begins to be implemented and in 1996 Mathematics will have reached level three or form seven and English will have begun at level one. By next year NPBHS will have completed the bureaucratic requirements to become, in the jargon 'an accredited provider' and by then the standard units or the blocks of learning will have become available with the clear requirements needed to qualify for 'credits'. One hundred and twenty credits accumulated over a range of subjects brings with it the National Certificate.

Both academic and vocational learning equally gain credits within the framework and it will be fascinating to see the changes that will occur within Senior Secondary School Programmes. The lines between the senior school will be accredited to teach vocational subjects and some to teach academic subjects which operate at level five, the equivalent of first year university courses. Many schools have teachers with the necessary competence and the 'saving' for the students, in cash terms, would be significant. The way ahead is distinctly interesting and the old demarcations between institutions will become blurred in the so-called 'seamless system'.

The Minister has properly put the brake on the pace of development; the New Zealand Qualification Authority has yet to convince everyone that credible standards can be achieved and the relationship between public examinations and the National Certificate which relies entirely on internal assessment, has yet to be determined. The necessary funds have been found for NZQA to do its work but the key task of implementing the framework within schools is still reliant on the goodwill of teachers alone. What we must have is the cash to do a proper job - to ensure sufficient training for new programmes, new methods of assessment and new teaching methods, but incredible though it may seem, not a single extra dollar is planned to go into schools in 1994! It is the stuff nightmares are made of and Boards of Trustees and Schools are going to have to persuade government to pay up or what would be assured success may well become a shambles. It will be a big test of government, the Ministry, NZQA and Senior Secondary Schools especially. NPBHS will be alert, ready and watchful, and so too should the nation. There is a great deal at stake.

T. T. RYDER,
Headmaster.

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STAFF NOTES 1993

Here at NPBHS the staff go to extraordinary lengths to ensure the survival of the school. We hear and always obey the Headmasters' demands for better performance in all fields of human endeavour. So it was a serious group of teachers who met in the Christmas holidays to probe into the problem (identified by the Headmaster) of a fall in the rolls of primary schools.

The staff recognised the future of the school was at stake and they resolved to do something about it. A new policy was written, recognised by all to 'Improve Fecundity' and the policy bore considerable fruit during 1993.

We congratulate the following people on the birth of a future student of NPBHS during the year: Mr and Mrs Kirk, Mr and Mrs Maaka, Mr and Mrs McKenzie, Mr and Mrs J. Rowlands, Mr and Mrs Utting, Mr and Mrs Venema, and Mr and Mrs Wild.

The Headmaster (eternally unsatisfied) expects a 15% improvement in 1994.

In terms of staff movement, 1993 proved to be a stable year. Mr Wilson was the only new face in the teaching staff at the start of the year and he has settled into the PE Department very well and we look forward to a long association with a vigorous and able teacher.

In the grounds staff, Mr Ray Hosking took over control of this important area of the school and with his assistant, Mr Maurice Ansell (who replaced Roger Drummond) an excellent team has been created and the grounds reflect their hardworking professional efforts. Under the leadership of Mr Ian Evans the school has never looked better.

The staff, of course, rely on the office staff to directly support their efforts on behalf of the students of the school. Mrs Eaton, Mrs Muir, Mrs Sorensen and Mrs Ansell continue to give excellent service and the staff thank them for it as well as the service proved by Mrs Winters for the Science Department, Mrs Van Beers for the Library, Mrs Busing for a warm efficiently run Tuck Shop and Mrs Clarke for the Transition Department.

The only other new face in the school staff appeared in the Board Office. During the year Mr Ron Goodare was forced to retire from the school due to ill health. The staff thank Ron for this thoroughly professional work and his strong commitment to NPBHS. Ron was replaced by Mr Les Emslie who has settled in quickly and has demonstrated that he is a worthy successor to Ron. With his team of Mrs Frankham and Mrs Baker things continue to run smoothly and efficiently in this important part of the school.

As in any year there were significant highlights worthy of mention. The whole staff visited the Owae Marae during mid-term break, term two. Most of the staff spent the night and were rewarded with a thought provoking session led by Mr Takuwae Murphy. We thank Mr Julian and Mr Kirk for their efforts in organising the trip (and Mr Warner for his musical snoring at 1.00 am in the morning).



This year the staff 'Dream Team' was again resurrected. Boots were taken out of mothballs and Mr Elgar was tied up to prevent him from playing. After dismal failure in the past the staff were determined to improve on their past efforts (at one stage we are told Mr Elgar wanted to play a local intermediate school XV) and find a team that could be soundly thrashed. Finally it was deter-

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mined that the Dream Team should play Mr Watts' team and that secret weapons would be used to ensure victory!

On the day the secret weapons were revealed.

Mr Atkins was displayed in all his 200 kg glory, (talent scouts for sumo wrestling were immediately interested we are told).

The second weapon was Mr Russell who demonstrated his 20 kg talents to a shocked and stunned school. The staff did win this game (though only with some determined efforts from referee Mr Giddy).

As the deadline for these staff notes is the end of September we have yet to learn all of whom will leave us for fresh fields of endeavour.

We do wish Mr Duynhoven well in his endeavour to become the next MP for New Plymouth.

For the other teachers who are to depart from our community, farewell and may good fortune follow you wherever you go.

Another year has come and gone. Once again the staff thank the day relievers who help out in time of staff sickness, Mr John Lykles, Mr Matthew Williams, Mrs Anne Laursen and Mrs Brenda Elgar were among the most regularly used.

Finally the staff thank Tom Ryder for his continued leadership, energy and red blooded humanity.

We look forward to the 112 year.

JOHN B. LAURENSEN,
Deputy Headmaster.



Mr Timakata, President of Vanuatu, presenting a ceremonial club to Mr Ryder.

HEAD BOY'S REPORT



Richard Taylor

Life at NPBHS in 1993 has continued to build on our unique history and traditions. This is shown in the commitment seen in all endeavours. 1993 has given me a great deal of pride, with the outstanding achievements and consistently high standards reached by the students of our school. It is a year in which I have been able to return through my service to the school, a small portion of what it has given me in my time here. I have gained invaluable experience from being Head Boy, a position that has been both an honour and a privilege.

The life of NPBHS is carried into the weekends by the sportsmen of NPBHS who were once again dedicated and once again earned distinction for themselves and our school. This year all round excellence is evident as all our sporting codes had a high level of achievement. The Sportsman of the Year Award went to Greg Roebuck for his exceptional performances in the sport of bodyboarding. Greg's achievements include taking 1st in the New Zealand Under 19 Scholastics, and in the New Zealand Men's Open as well as representing New Zealand in Australia.

The 1st XV carried on adding to its superb record in college match rugby by being unbeaten in the six annual College matches. After its only loss of the season to Napier Boys' High School the team also went on to win the Taranaki Under 21 Competition. Here I must thank Mr Jed Rowlands for the numerous hours put into the 1st XV rugby, and his record certainly shows his ability to knit a team together and get the best out of them. To be a part of this record and a part of his team will be a highlight of my rugby career.

Our 1st XI soccer team, led by John Woodward, achieved a creditable 4th in their new competition the Premiers, but their defence of the Jim Wishart Cup at the tournament in Auckland was a highlight of their year.

1st XI hockey did not back down in its games this year, finishing 4th in the Senior Men's division, having an excellent win against Collegiate and taking 4th at the India Shield Tournament.

Grey Paynter led the 1st XI cricket back into Premier grade for this season after a dramatic win at Western Park to take the Taranaki Senior Men's title. The strength of the side was shown with its record breaking eight centuries scored during last season.

A high skill level was also shown by the 1st V basketball team with

three players being nominated for the New Zealand Under 20 team. Commiserations must go to Jeremy Coley and the team for missing out on the Nationals after some really hard work but the team came back to win the Taranaki and Central Region's tournaments. In basketball, Tony Rampton excelled and I congratulate him on his New Zealand Under 20 selection.

1993 saw the introduction of school League teams and these were entered in a Taranaki Secondary Schools' Tournament. It was great to have these sportsmen representing our school and taking the secondary school titles, senior and junior.

Squash this year made it for the first time to the Nationals and gained the outstanding ranking of 5th in New Zealand.

The school tennis team had an outstanding season performing well in the inter-school and becoming the Central Division Repts at the BP Nationals. There they lost to Wellington in the semi-finals and therefore gained an impressive ranking of 6th in New Zealand.

Badminton defended successfully its Taranaki title and represented the school at the New Zealand Zone Finals.

Up in the snow in 1993, our ski team went back to the nationals and once again performed with distinction as it achieved a placing of 14th in New Zealand. The future looks good for skiing with two of our skiers getting a top 12 placing in the juniors at the nationals.

Another team to go all the way to the nationals was table tennis. This team burst on to the scene with an exceptional placing of 6th in New Zealand.

Rebuilding had to be done in the code of cycling with the team gaining a placing of 15th at the nationals and showing plenty of promise for the future.

Finally golf, which showed it is developing at NPBHS and had a magic year winning the regional champs and going to the nationals in Wellington. A notable player in that team was our senior champion, Rhys Watkins.

To our individual champions in the school for 1993, Lee Taylor (swimming), Paul Drake (athletics) and William Stanley (cross-country), congratulations on these titles and other achievements in the school.

Congratulations must also go to Brent Hutchieson who represented New Zealand at the 1993 World Surfing Scholastics in Bali.

From its fine record in 1993 NPBHS showed its keenness on the sporting field and it also showed NPBHS's ability to let sportsmen develop under the guidance of our coaching fraternity.

With talent abundant in NPBHS in 1993 we were well represented in our cultural endeavours. The award that depicts Cultural Excellence, Performing Artist of the Year went to David Bremner. He has shown his class in music and this certainly is a well deserved award, with David taking the New Zealand Under 19 Solo title as well as the Champion of Champions for the second year playing his Emphonium.

1993 witnessed our debating team perform and achieve the highest ranking in NPBHS's debating history. The team won the Aotea Region and then carried on to gain a placing of 5th in the North Island. In the domain of Public Speaking our school was represented by Aneel Hay and Daniel Pritchard who came 2nd and 3rd respectively in the Jaycee Regional Speech Competition. Ivan Bruce was our senior school champion. I must also congratulate Michael Frampton on winning the Japanese Peace Essay and earning himself a six week trip to Japan. Thank you for the first class ambassador's job you did for your school and your country while over there.

Music in NPBHS has been building a larger base for our Concert and Stage Bands with 1993 having the largest Concert Band yet at NPBHS. The big event on the musical calendar was the variety concert including a Coast to Coast exchange with Taradale High School. The Island Choir this year lead the talented music display with some heart warming harmonised music. The Island Students have become an important part of the Hostel and indeed the school, as their culture and their music they bring with them is now becoming a flag ship for NPBHS. I thank them for their invitation to their Island Night and for their friendship and kava they have given me.

It was encouraging to watch Drama take off at NPBHS in 1993 in the form of Theatre and Theatresports. A lot of talent has been recognised and I hope the growth carries on in the future.

Another important venture taken on by the students of NPBHS is the publication of the Whistle. 1993's Whistle had a high standard of controversial and factual writing as well as providing entertaining reading and a few laughs. I thank the Whistle crew and the efforts of Mr Mitchell.

In 1993 NPBHS showed its character and its attitude in the battle of house supremacy. Congratulations to Hatherly House for getting their hands once more on the Cramond Cup after a great inter-house competition in which the other houses tried everything and threw everything at the defending champions. Hatherly, mind you, had to work hard for its win this year. Organisation was a key and the boarders even had to practise the haka for the first time. It was in the haka competition that I witnessed the highlight for me in the inter-house. This was when the whole school came together after challenging each other and performed the haka together. In the new haka's second year, the school showed what it was made of as this haka had a lot of mana. To the four heads of Houses: Ronie, Greg, Paul and Karam, thank you for giving the competition a real go this year and for your contribution to life in NPBHS. May I also thank Grant Aitken for his effort as Head of Syme at the beginning of the year.

In and outside the inter-house competition there are of course the furiously contested Day Boys vs Boarders clashes. On the Gully this year with the student body separated on either side of the terraces, the boarders ended an eight year drought by winning convincingly the annual rugby match 33-0. It was the day of the Boarders where the men in black never looked like losing after the opportunist try taken in the opening seven seconds of the game by Keryn 'Slim' Amon. This made up for the reintroduced Boarders vs Day Boys cricket match where the Day Boys proved to be too strong and too scary especially Greg Feek in his skin-tight longs. This match was reintroduced by the Head Boarder's quietly confident desire to win but hopes looked dim once Greg went from the third ball of the innings.

For our school to run smoothly, along with the efforts of the staff is the energy of our Board of Trustees, PTA and School Council.

1993 saw the opening of the Gully Pavilion and the handing over of a refurbished Pridham Hall. The Gully Pavilion was officially opened by our MP John Armstrong and has now become a valuable asset to our school as its sporting codes now have a base and a resource for functions. The handing over of the new look Pridham Hall was done by our Minister of Education, Dr Lockwood Smith. Pridham has been long overdue for a total renovation and in 1993 the job was done and the final product, the old hall restored to its former glory. For these two projects, I thank the Board for their tireless work and I feel that these two buildings are something for the Board and the School to feel proud of. From a Boarder's point of view, may I also thank the Board and especially the chairman Mr Eagles and Mr Ryder for their toiling to secure a new kitchen for the Hostel. It is a very important project to the school as a whole as on it rides the future of the hostel. This year our Bursar, Mr Goodare left us through illness and has been replaced by Mr Emslie. May I welcome Mr Emslie and thank Mr Goodare for his contribution to NPBHS. I would also like to thank Regan Washer for the time and effort he put into Student Rep this year.

The strength of NPBHS is also shown by the work of the PTA. The school appreciates the extent of the ventures carried out by the PTA, from the improvements and upkeep of the school to the catering for the summer and winter sports.

School Council of 1993 managed to get through a lot of work. Apart from the normal provision of subsidies for sports teams and providing dances, the council also made recommendations about the uniform to the Policy Committee and finished off the seating on the Gully Terraces. Thanks to all Council members for making my job enjoyable.

The Boarding Hostel of NPBHS has once again provided the drive in the school. The Hostel is a place that I have called home for these last five years and it has been an honour and a privilege to be Head Boy coming from Boarding. I owe a lot to the Hostel and the people in it for the opportunities provided by them for my development. The men who have come through the school and hostel system with me have made me realise what makes a great school through the camaraderie and pride they have displayed. These guys that I have grown up with in the Hostel have given me some undying memories and I hope many life long friendships. May I pay tribute to the men of the Hostel and also thank them for the work put into our school in 1993.

A tribute must also be paid to the retired president of the Old Boys' Association, Mr Max Carroll and congratulations to Mr Michael Bryant on your appointment as the new president. I have been able to witness and hear stories of the contributions Mr Carroll has made to NPBHS. May the Old Boys' Association stay strong as it supports and adds to the spirit of NPBHS.

Now we must take time to remember the tragedy of Steve Hobin's

death. May I offer our sympathy to his family and friends. May I also pay respect on behalf of the school to the Alexander family and also offer the school's condolences on the death of Mrs Alexander, wife of our famous ex-Headmaster.

Making life in the seventh form 'all fun and games' were the characters in the common room. Memories of Feek's thunderous laugh, the mocking talents of Rhys and Gene, McCallum's quest to take out the most foolish seventh former of the year award and the fine lino cleaning display by Twigs all go to making the year of 1993 for me the best at NPBHS. The social event of the year for the seniors happened on August 14 when the senior students entered NPBHS Prison for a most memorable Ball. Who will forget Prison Wardens, Atkins and Hall, or Philp and Feather's impressive fence? This ended months of planning and organisation and I must thank the 1993 Ball Committee for their hours of work and the setting up of the hall with key men down in Christchurch with the 1st XV. Thanks also to all the other people involved in making the ball the success it was. I must also thank the School Prefects of 1993 for their support in the running of the school and I wish all the seventh form the best for Bursary and life after NPBHS.

Contact with NPGHS provided the social boost needed, and I thank Head Girl Lisa Clarke and her senior students for supporting our functions and also combining for the odd occasion. This contact led to a most enjoyable and interesting social year. Finally I would like to thank all those people that made the year possible for me. I would like to thank my parents for making NPBHS their home in the weekend as well and for the support they provided during my time here.

To the staff, office staff and ground staff of NPBHS, thank you for the help and the friendship that you have shown me. The open doors of Mr Kirk and Mr Laurenson with all their advice and encouragement made my year a lot easier and more enjoyable. Being able to work and learn from Mr Ryder was both an honour and a privilege, I thank Mr Ryder for giving me the opportunity to lead the school, and I also acknowledge the amount of drive he puts into NPBHS.

I hope that NPBHS continues to strive for excellence and that the students take the opportunities provided by our school. Remember to enjoy the people around you and give of your best, for that is all NPBHS can ask of you.

RICHARD TAYLOR

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES REPORT

This year has proved to be a busy and demanding year for the Board of Trustees, and I could write a book on the problems that the board has had to overcome. Instead I will write about a few of the more important events that I have seen and been involved with while on the Board for this school.

The position of Bursar has been filled by Mr Emslie after Mr Ron Goodare retired. Mr Emslie has filled this position very well and has done an excellent job this year.

The official opening of the refurbished Pridham Hall was undertaken by Dr Lockwood Smith, who unveiled a plaque. He was then taken for a tour of Hostel kitchen to make him more aware of the problems that we face there.

After months of construction the new Gully Pavilion Complex was officially opened by his honour John Armstrong on April 2. The opening function was attended by 120 guests.

The hostel kitchen has been the main focus of attention for the board over the past year. But at present, because of various problems that have been encountered an acceptable solution has not been found.

A final solution has been reached for the improvements to the presently dilapidated Gully courts. The basketball hoops are being replaced with strong hoops like those at Stratford High School. The courts will be resealed and a rebounding wall built in the future.

Along with this, Nicholas Kilmister and I have been involved with the New Plymouth Junior District Council on projects such as: The World Vision 40 Hour Famine, the planting of a Kate Sheppard Camellia for Women's Suffrage Year and the proposal for a cycle track along Coronation Avenue.

In closing, I would like to say that this position has taught me a great deal, and I would like to thank all those that made this possible. I am also grateful that I have had such a supportive board, headmaster, family, friends and colleagues.

REGAN WASHER,
Student Representative.



HEADS OF HOUSES

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Front Row: R. Asi, R. Taylor, R. Washer, G. Paynter.*



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DONNELLY HOUSE REPORT

1993 was a year that I will always treasure, not only because of my appointment to Head of Donnelly House but also as my seventh form year. They say that the seventh form will be your best year at school, and it was.

A school such as New Plymouth Boys' High School gives its students chances to excel themselves at almost everything they do, whether it be academic, sporting, cultural or in leadership all of which has applied to me over my last five years at this school.

Donnelly House achieved many notable things this year in the inter-house competition. From the House participation in the swimming sports (note: We didn't need yellow lollipops for getting our swimmers in the pool did we Mr Smith?) to team participation, both senior and junior in rugby, soccer and cricket, and individual performers in tennis. These sports were also attacked with a lot more enthusiasm and spirit like 'The Skinny man's' superb 1st five performance in the rugby and Bungle's legendary three consecutive sixes in the cricket.

Although we had two of our prefects decide on 'career moves' both to the Head of Syme position this year, these spaces were more than adequately filled by Matthew Birch and Steven Bunyan. I would just like to take the time now to acknowledge the effort and support of my prefects Matthew, Damon, Johnny Boy, Avery, Slopey, Steve, Coleman, Tim and Grimmey. Thanks guys, you made my job a lot easier throughout the year.

To Mr Watts and Mr Laurenson, without your help, guidance and organisation it could have been a pretty hectic year; to all the seniors that helped out, especially Shane Campbell and lastly to the students of Donnelly House who supported the house and participated with honest efforts, thanks.

The best memory of 1993 for me will be that of having the honour of leading the House in the School Haka competition. Although we came last that will always hold a place in my heart. For NPBHS is all about pride, in yourself and the school.

Karam, Paynts, Ronnie and Tricky, from the general running of

the school to the successful Senior Ball, we were a good team and I thoroughly enjoyed working with you guys. All the best for the future.

To next year's Head of Donnelly, take the job, for it is a chance that will come only once in a lifetime. But remember to take all the advice you can, delegate as much as you can, and good luck. There are some great rewards to be gained.

Finally, I would just like to thank the school for this opportunity and honour, for this has been a year of growth and development in skills that I will use for the rest of my life. All the best to the school in the future both academic and sporting.

PAUL BUSING

BARAK HOUSE REPORT

No matter who or what the person, anyone that becomes a Head of House at New Plymouth Boys' High has leadership potential and maybe a few leadership skills. The same goes for the prefects of the school, each of them are chosen and selected for a reason, each have leadership potential.

When I was asked to take the position of Head of Barak House, I accepted it with enthusiasm. I had a whole lot of great ideas of what we as a house could do in 1993. After being the Deputy Head of Barak in 1992, I thought that the job would be easy, but I soon learned that there was much more to the job than met the eye.

One of the first things, that I learned was that just because I was excited about being Head of Barak didn't mean that the rest of the House was. This became my first real challenge. I had to earn the respect of the House before I could lead it and this was not easy.

I soon learned that being the Head of a House meant that you, together with the prefects of the House, were actually servants. House duties, house meetings and house competitions were organised by the prefects of the house with additional help from some senior boys.

Under the guidance of Mr Elgar, I along with the prefects of Barak led the house in what I would call a successful year. Throughout the

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house competition Barak house competed well in all areas and even though Barak may not have done as well as in past years, I can confidently say that we had the most fun.

One of the many events that will leave an impression on me is the school haka, and the way Barak House took a hold of it and made it their own.

A special thanks to the Maori students of Barak for the teaching of the haka to the rest of the house.

Also, a special thanks to the rest of the house, for your willingness to participate in something that may have been new to you. I would like to thank all who participated in the house competitions, in both team and individual sports. Your efforts were appreciated and helped to make up the Barak House spirit.

Congratulations to the other Heads of Houses for a job well done, also congratulations to the Head Boy Richard Taylor. It is one thing to be a Head of a House, but to be a Head of a school takes something special. Teno pai, Richard.

Throughout the course of the year we saw the Barak House prefects take an active role in the running of the school, and develop their leadership potential into leadership skill. A special thanks to those prefects which made the running of the House a n enjoyable task.

Last but not least I would like to thank Mr Elgar for his help and guidance throughout the year. Even though this was his first year as House Master he did an excellent job and will be a force to be reckoned with next year.

To the head of Barak of 1994, I wish you well. Remember you walk into the job with potential but you leave with skills.

KARAM MEULI



SYME HOUSE REPORT

At the start of 1992 I always knew that my seventh form year was going to be one of opportunity and immense enjoyment at NPBHS. Fortunately I had the chance to lead Syme House in what was, particularly with Paynts and his boys, an immensely enjoyable year of House competition.

Being only my second full year at NPBHS, I was still a bit ignorant in terms of the importance and necessity of the House competition, having prefects, group leaders or house leaders for that matter. Fortunately due to the departure of Grant Aitken on Thursday, June 3, the original Syme House Leader (formerly of Donnelly House), to further his own goals in life, I was able to take the opportunity to gain insight into the real running of things behind the scenes of our normal everyday classrooms and chalkboards.

Taking on the role of Head of Syme House was a difficult decision in itself. Leaving my brethren in Donnelly House (no doubt full of great potential leaders), an excellent group in D3, now taken on by Steven Bunyan, and basically taking on the unknown. Fortunately with the support of a few good men, plus the taunts of 'traitor' from excompatriots from Donnelly (even my own brother!) my transition was swift and sweet.

A head of a house has a large number of things to do, and not only for the house, but in conjunction with the Head Boy and other heads of houses there is a large commitment to the school overall. Unfortunately these commitments (as Mr Wild found out) always seemed to carry into period one, and 'lateness' became my middle name.

The duties as head vary from addressing the house at large

during Thursday house assemblies, sorting out responsibilities for house activities, being put on every committee the school can think up, but basically being largely a link between the students and school.

This year Syme House has again seeing success on and off the sporting field, and with an immense feeling of spirit and enthusiasm it competed to the best of its ability. This year's house competition though was different as I found out very quickly from Mr Smith, whose goal in life was to topple the mighty hostel boys of Hatherly House. Unfortunately due to some discrepancies in the rugby rule book and 31 seconds of playing time cut off, Syme House again has had to settle for 2nd place. Undoubtedly though the house competition was still a closely fought affair. Highlights for the house this year started early with the surprising 1st place in the swimming sports ahead of the boarders. Next came successive 2nd placings in the athletics championships and school cross-country, a great effort all round.

Ironically though I was not a part of any of these successes. In fact, being a typical Donnelly House loyalist, Syme House and its lollipop antics was in my mind, a very g... house with g... prefects and a 'traitor' for a house leader. My, how things can change quickly. In fact with a bit of coaxing and a bit of persuasion I could see where all of the little ploys and tactics were taking Syme House and with the excellent support and enthusiasm of the house, success was attainable in excessive amounts (even with myself at the helm).

First place in touch rugby, 2nd place in the basketball, 1st place in the badminton, 1st place in the cricket, 2nd place in volleyball (due to 31 seconds of controversy), 2nd place - I mean 3rd place in the rugby (due to a really 'clear' explanation of the rules, thanks Mr Kirk), 3rd place in the tennis, golf and soccer and a determined effort in the hockey and tug-o-war.

The haka competition this year was the closest fought ever, with only three points separating the top two. Again though Paynts and his boys did it, but no-one can take anything away from us, an awesome effort all round. Overall, Syme House this year has again seen an excellent level of success and together with a healthy atmosphere of team spirit, which reached even those like Kris Shaw an undying loyalist to Syme, and enthusiasm, it has fastened a family unity I have been proud to be part of. In a busy year of house competition and organisation, I would like to thank first and foremost Mr Smith, without whose great enthusiasm and know how, my job would have been even harder.

My new brethren of all the Syme prefects and senior students, thank you for welcoming me in and making my job that much easier. All of you were of invaluable assistance. Thanks, Twigs, Willy, Greg, Coz, John, Jase, Aaron, Chris, Mark, Oscar and Ashley and Darren for running such a smooth group room. An especially big thanks to Mr Atkins and Mr Maaka for their help in the tactical aspects of house competition and the Haka, plus thank you to the forgotten people of house affairs, the group teachers themselves, thank you for putting up with 'important' meetings every other day. A big 'thank you' to the office ladies especially Mrs Phoebe Ansell, for putting up with my photocopying and essay-long notices.

To all of the Syme House students, thank you for the ginormous effort in participation throughout the year's competition - good luck and keep it up next year.

And lastly, but not least, to Greg 'Zeek' Paynter, Karam 'Brother Love' Meuli, Paul 'yes! we're not last again' Busing, and Richard 'Suz, Tricky Dick' Taylor, what can I say (we're 'simply the best', naah, I won't say that, we're 'Primo', yeah that's the one!) it's been an excellent year, a job well done.

To '94', to next year's head of Syme House, be all you can be, accept the responsibilities and do them well, listen to Mr Smith and his cunning ways to defeat the mighty hostel boys (especially the boys of 'Anarchy' Abaar! Alfred, Jordan, Double 'D', Scooter, Bean, Zeich, Zetos, Hotty, Evil Dick and my brewsky Wiremu of Hatherly House. The best of luck and remember, take on the challenge, work hard, work together, for each other and Syme House will endure to prosper in spirit and body. (PS: Mr Watts, what could have been).

Thank you.

RONIE ASI,
Head of Syme House.

HEAD BOARDER'S REPORT



Greg Paynter
Head Boarder 1993

"1993 the year of the Boarder". This is how I, along with many, will remember the year of 1993. A year which would see breaks in tradition, the continuation of tradition, and the start of new tradition.

The first of our breaks in tradition was in the form of Richard Taylor, who earned the privilege of leading the school as Head Boy. Richard became the first Hostel Boy to gain this position in recent history; a job which he has gone from strength to strength in, adapting well to representing the day school along with the Hostel.

However, when it comes to representing the school at large, the Hostel in 1993 can also claim the school's fifth student representative on the Board of Trustees, in the form of Regan Washer. Regan became the Hostel's second student rep since the creation of the position in 1989. Again like Richard, Regan performed his duties admirably.

Right from the start of the year it became obvious that the Hostel was in for a 'big' year, however this positive outlook began to appear shaky as the Hostel (like the past three years) began the inter-house competition badly, suffering a blow from Syme House, who took out the first event, the swimming sports. However this blow wouldn't be the final challenge made at Hatherly's mighty inter-house record, with frequent final play-offs being fought out between the two houses.

However the Hostel remained unfazed, and came back with strong wins in both athletics and cross-country events. These wins would pave the way for wins in rugby, soccer, hockey, tug-o-war, volleyball and Haka competitions to name just a few. Though this year credit must be given to Mr Smith's Syme House, his prefects and 'sports motivators' who helped in producing, what without a doubt has been the hardest fought battle for house supremacy in all history of the inter-house competition.

But again for 1993 (like the previous eight years), the Hostel is still on top, but beware Hostel '94 as the day boys are getting closer.

This year also saw the return of yet another hard fought competition, this being in the form of the restored Day Boys vs Boarders cricket match. This match last being played in 1968. This event, though supposedly being a non-contact clash, would produce some of the worst injuries endured by the participants of any Day Boys vs Boarders competition in recent years. The first of these occurred in the second over of the match when Bevin Coley broke his leg whilst attempting a catch. However Steven McCallum decided to settle the score with the Day Boys and broke Blair Horner's nose, with a freakish ball moments later. Unfortunately the Day Boys proved too strong for the Boarders, and recorded a comfortable win. However, this event was considered by players and those who organised it alike, as a great success, and I hope this match will continue to be played in future. This result however

became a key motivator in the next few months as the Boarders prepared for the annual confrontation with the Day Boys on the Gully Ground.

This year the Hostel began selecting and training a squad early, calling upon the knowledge of the 1st XV coach, Mr J. Rowlands (who is a Master in Carrington House). 1993 would be our best bid for victory, with a greater balance of forwards and backs at high levels of rugby in the school being found in the Hostel. The team and squad this year was selected by Mr Rowlands and senior members of the Hostel Rugby fraternity, with each member being informed of his selection in writing. This year's campaign was by no means half hearted, 'the Boarders meant business', and after 10 seconds of the match the Day Boys knew it too as Keryn Amon scored under the post for the opening try. The first half continued to show the Boarders dominance, in almost all facets of play and the half time score reflected this at 12-0. The second half was a continuation from the first with three Boarders' tries being scored, to confirm a greatly historic win for Campbell Feather and the Boarders XV. The final score being 33-0.

Again like previous years we have a number of sportsmen who have excelled to high levels of competition. Daniel Smith made the Northern Region's Representative XV, Mark Horgan who gained selection in the New Zealand Under 15 Hockey Squad and Campbell Huston who reached high levels of competition in Weight Lifting. The Hostel has also contained the captains of both the 1st XV and XI cricket.

Unfortunately the Hostel did experience some losses in this year of 1993, however none quite as nailbiting as the annual Niger Trophy match, a game where field dominance and points saw-sawed and kept spectators on the edge of their seats.

Sadly the homeseide, College House, pulled off a well earned victory winning 15-10. However, the heart put into the game by our third form team far exceeded all expectations, which is a promising sign for Boarders' teams and school rugby in the future.

The Hostel of '93 though is greatly more diverse than just having good sportsmen. Again we have maintained a high level of success in cultural and academic fields.

We were treated to having a large variety of different cultures within the Hostel community but none were so vocal and as soothing as the Island boys, who again carried on their proud tradition of performing for the school, and guests of their own special Island night. This is truly an experience I, along with many, will never forget.

Academically the Hostel is still at the forefront of the school, with many very able students experiencing high levels of success.

Leading the Hostel this year has been personally a great learning experience for myself and the prefects of 1993. This year has taught us not only management skills, but also much about our characters, which only a position such as this, can bring out. This year I was bolstered by the support of Campbell Feather (Head of Carrington), Regan Washer, Bryce Herbert, Hamish Bryant, Michael Webster, Aaron Margon, Graeme Clarke, Obed Timakata and Vincent Yu, along with Nick Miskelly (Head of Moyes), Bruce Howes, Albert Selvaka, Blair Robinson, Lloyd Percival and Andy Ilo. To these men, I owe a great deal and have much respect for, as their jobs and service to the Hostel in one year is immeasurable. These men, and the experienced staff of the Hostel have combined well to maintain a healthy and positive environment again in 1993.

To the men of the Hostel of 1994, I wish you all the best, and am sure you will carry on the tradition, pride and spirit, which makes our hostel the 'Heart of the School'.

GREG PAYNTER,
Head Boarder.



SCHOOL LIFE 1993



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*Sportsman of the Year 1993
Greg Roebuck*

*Best Performing Artist 1993
David Bremner*

GREG ROEBUCK

1993 has been a most successful year for Greg Roebuck. Results include: 1st place NPBHS School Bodyboarding Champs; 1st place Taranaki Inter-secondary School Champs; 1st place New Zealand Inter-secondary School Champs; 1st place New Zealand Men's Open; member of the New Zealand team to compete in the Pan Pacific Games in Sydney in November 1993; 1993 NPBHS Sportsman of the Year.

Greg has now won the New Zealand Inter-secondary School title three years in succession and this is his 2nd year as a member of the New Zealand Surfing Team, having competed at the World Champs in France 1993. His present aim is to represent New Zealand at the World Champs in 1994.

1993 PERFORMING ARTIST - DAVID BREMNER

As performing artist for 1993 David Bremner has earned this accolade on a variety of instruments. On Euphonium this year David won the under 19 solo at the National Brass Band Championships at Wanganui. If this wasn't enough he also won the Champion of Champions over 11 other champion soloists!

As a result of this success, David was invited to perform as guest soloist at the internationally recognised Errol Mason Memorial Solo Competition held in Auckland this year.

David has also contributed his performance expertise to the music at NPBHS by playing piano in the Island Boys' Choir, trombone in the Stage Band and percussion in the Concert band. Also if you listen closely to the backing brass on the latest 'Crowded House' album you will hear David and his brother Stephen providing expert support to the lead vocalist.

David intends to study performance music on Trombone and Euphonium at Victoria University next year and we wish him every success and hope to see him amongst the countries best performers in the near future.

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**1993 GRADUATES
NEW PLYMOUTH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL**

MASSEY UNIVERSITY

BAKER, Bruce Richard - BRP, Second Class Honours (Div. 2) - 1975.
BRINKHURST, Grant Craig - BBS - 1989.
BRODERICK, Shaun Wayne - BEd - 1985.
BURGESS, Tony Donald - BBS - 1984.
HAWKINS, Jon Mountford - BSc - 1986.
HYDE, Justin Charles Francis - MEd, Second Class Honours (Div. 2) - 1982.
KELLY, Nigel Harling - BBS - 1985.
LUKE, Chris Francis - BEd - 1988.
MacDIARMID, Bruce Neil - Dip Quality Assur., Distinction - 1960.
McKENZIE, Craig Alan - BSW, First Class Honours - 1988.
MIST, Kevin Earle - BA (Soc Sc) - 1970.
MORRIS, Stephen Todd - PhD (Ag/Hort), Animal Science - 1969.
REDMAN, Graham - Exec MBA - 1967.
REVELL, Matthew John - BA (Hum) - 1988.
SHUTE, Leslie David - Dip Dairy Tech, Distinction - 1977.
SMART, Donald Leslie - Dip Occp Safe/Health - 1964.
TANSWELL, John Francis - Dip Bus Studies with endorsement, Personnel Management - 1973.
THOMAS, Trevor Edward Lyal - BBS with endorsement, Accountancy - 1986.
VINK, John Derek - Dip Hort Cut FI Prod - 1986.
WARD, Rodney Kurt - BSc - 1987.
WHITTAKER, Todd Cyril - Dip Humanities, Philosophy - 1987.

UNIVERSITY OF CANTERBURY

BATES, Martin P. J. - BE (Chem) - 1988.
CLARKE, Jeff. N. - BSc - 1989.
CLELAND, Grant - Cert Soc Wk - 1983.
GREIG, Cameron - MB BE (Civil) - 1988.
HAYTON, Michael S - BSc (Hons) - 1988.
MISCHEWSKI, Anthony D. - BA - 1980.
SHEARER, Paul W. - LLB - 1988.

VICTORIA UNIVERSITY OF WELLINGTON

DAVIDSON, Brett Innes - BArch - 1983.
DE BEUGER, Charles Royland - BSc - 1987.
GOLDSACK, Brent John - BCA - 1989.
HALES, Timothy Ruric - BSc - 1975.
PENNINGTON, Ross Andrew - LLM - 1987.
SILBY, Howard William - BSc (Hons) - 1988.
WILSON, Stuart John - BCA - 1988.

UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO

BURROUGHS, Mark John - B Soc Sc - 1989.
GRAY, Robert David - BA - 1988.
HOCKEN, Andrew - BMS with Second Class Hons (1st Div.) - 1988.
JAGER, Lain Clifford - MSoc Sc with Second Class Hons (1st Div.) - 1986.
KING, Brendan John - B Soc Sc - 1987.
MARSHALL, Cameron James - BMS with Second Class Hons (2nd Div.) - 1988.
MILLS, Cameron John - BSc - 1989.
ROBINSON, Philip Lee - Dip Comp Sc with Distinction - 1964.
ROGERS, David Michael - BSc - 1989.
SPANNINGA, Gerry Aller - MSc with First Class Hons - 1987.
THOMPSON, Campbell David - BSoc Sc 1989.
VEVERS, Barrie James - BMS - 1987.

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY
CRAWSHAW, Kevin James - Dip P&G Tech - 1988.
WOOD, Gregory John - Dip Hort Mgmt - 1987.

UNIVERSITY OF AUCKLAND

BROWN, Peter Kenneth - BE (Mec) - 1987.
BURTT, Duane Edward - BPlan - 1988.
COUPER, Robert Marshall - BCom - 1989.
HALL, Neil John - BSc with Second Class Hons (2nd Div.) in Computer Science - 1988.
LAWREY, Evan Paul - BCom - 1989.
O'NEILL, Terence David - BA - 1971.
ROBERTS, Kerin Paul - BA, LLB (Hons) - 1987.

UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO

COX, Murray Alan - MB, ChB - 1982.
COX, Neil Andrew - BSurv - 1988.
DARCY, Andrew Waleluma, BSc - 1989.
GRAAMANS, Adrian Daegal - BSc - 1988.
RICHMOND-REX, Robert Dean Antony - BSc - 1988.
TOBATA, Walebarasialia - BPharm - 1987.
Note: Date shown is last year at school.



**ACADEMIC RESULTS
UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP**

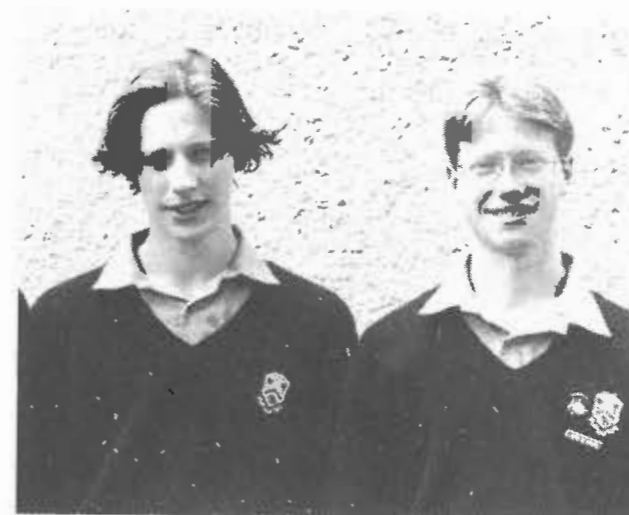


*Damien Chapman
English*

CHESS

A group of 15-20 players met regularly in Utility Period but attendances at lunch time club meetings were disappointing this year.
In the traditional inter-school function versus Wanganui Boys' College the school was represented by Matthew Crawford, Jacey Connor (captain), Andrew Wells, Richard Lawn. NPBHS won 3-1.
I am sure there are many good chess players in the school and it would be nice to have a wider group of players to select teams from in future years.

D. COOK



*Simon Rae
Statistics, Physics*

*Andrew Martin
Accounting, Economics*



*Paul Tuffrey
Economics, Statistics*



*Jason Horsley
Biology, English (Top Aggregate 418)*



*Paul Goldsworthy
English*



*Jeffrey Stone
English*



*Grant Reeve
Calculus, Statistics, Physics, Graphics*



James Smith
English



Hayden Chisholm
English

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SIXTH FORM CERTIFICATE

The number in brackets is the aggregate of the best four subjects.
G. A. Aitken (21), P. S. Alexander (23), J. H. Alldridge (18), M. J. Allen (7), C. J. Anderson (13), E. Ansari (1), R. H. Asi (28), R. M. Asi (21), K. J. Babington (12), S. T. Baker (20), S. I. Barkley (7), W. A. Bean (18), M. Berntsen (4), V. R. Birch (20), A. D. Bluck (1), H. C. Bracegirdle (5), S. L. Bradley (6), A. S. Brears (12), D. A. Bremner (19), G. D. Broad (6), B. I. Broadhurst (19), M. W. Brooks (22), J. G. Brown (18), I. D. Bruce (8), H. J. Bryant (19), R. J. Bull (25), R. J. Bullock (6), S. P. Bunyan (8), P. W. Busing (11), G. L. Cadman (16), B. R. Cairns (23), M. J. Cameron (19), S. Campbell (23), S. J. Cannell (23), T. I. Carey (22), A. D. Chamberlain (16), T. J. Chapman (5), D. J. Christoffersen (10), G. B. Clarke (13), B. R. Coley (12), J. J. Cooley (15), W. F. J. Collier (3), M. J. Collins (7), G. M. I. Coombe (1), B. G. Cooper (4), T. P. Cooper (11), A. Cosgrove (23), J. N. Coulthard (17), B. T. Cribb (19), R. E. Day (25), A. J. Dodd (6), P. J. Drake (18), D. C. Drinkwater (20), A. M. D. Eagles (12), J. S. A. Eaton (7), S. M. Edgecombe (4), G. J. Edlin (10), G. T. Ewington (20), S. Faavae (18), C. L. Feather (15), G. E. Feek (22), C. J. Foreman (21), M. S. Frampton (6), N. G. Garven (4), J. A. Robinson (8), M. E. Gibbs (4), D. J. Goddard (22), K. R. Gorringer (4), S. T. Granville (4), H. K. Gray (3), L. R. Gray (11), A. N. Greedy (19), D. T. Green (12), P. M. Grimwood (16), C. P. Hall (13), C. Hanson (13), B. C. Harland (23), J. R. Harmer (11), P. H. J. Harmsen (6), G. Hassall (4), A. N. Hay (3), B. J. Herbert (17), C. J. Hermanns (19), S. M. Hickey (5), A. D. Hine (13), K. G. Hinz (23), J. A. D. Hodson (21), B. J. Horner (9), G. Hughes (6), M. A. Hugill (20), M. J. Hunter (6), A. Ilo (14), C. W. W. James (15), E. T. James (22), G. F. Jamieson (15), G. D. Jones (21), S. P. Jones (16), L. W. Julian (9), M. B. Jury (20), D. C. Kathriarachchi (8), A. Kenneth (17), J. P. Kerr (11), N. T. Kilmister (16), D. J. Kinera (9), A. J. W. Kingi (12), A. J. Kinsella (23), B. Kisby (21), B. Kooy (4), M. M. Kuriger (22), M. Lash (18), M. A. Latham (17), K. P. Le Bas (5), S. M. Lees (19), C. Leo (15), B. W. Lightfoot (23), D. P. Lilley (27), T. S. Lim (4), D. H. Lindsay (13), A. Ling (5), P. J. Lister (24), S. M. Lister (19), P. R. Little (4), J. A. Lloyd (11), C. R. MacKenzie (10), S. R. Maiden (13), A. J. Malcolm (3), M. C. Mallett (15), J. L. Marshall (15), D. P. Martin (19), G. R. Martin (19), B. D. Mascull (30), M. Matoe (19), S. A. McCallum (19), D. O. McClintock (23), R. E. McNally (11), S. C. McKinlay (12), K. R. McPhillips (12), B. J. Metcalf (3), K. N. Meuli (19), A. J. Mildenhall (26), J. L. Miles (6), B. A. Millman (20), N. P. Miskelly (9), P. J. Mitchell (19), K. J. Moorhead (7), D. F. Morel (17), A. C. T. Morgan (19), J. W. Morgan (14), D. M. P. Muir (13), W. J. Muir (10), B. J. Mulligan (21), C. J. Mullin (20), A. Newson (14), J. W. Newson (7), K. J. Nixon (18), J. D. Norden (26), D. A. O'Grady (6), P. I. Okeroa (19), L. A. Opai (17), M. J. Parker (16), G. M. Paul (21), G. C. Paynter (14), C. R. Pease (16), L. G. Percival (16), T. A. Philip (18), R. A. Pintor (24), M. G. Potroz (12), M. D. Powell (15), G. M. Pryce (16), S. C. Puketapu (21), J. A. Raine (14), H. R. Rata (17), M. J. Rayner (5), T. D. Read (20), H. Rexford (6), D. S. Richards (17), W. R. Ritson (10), D. F. Robertson (3), J. L. Robertson (16), G. P. Roebuck (20), D. R. Rowland (15), S. P. Rowlands (17), T. Ruakere (28), B. J. Russell (2), D. H. Scott (17), A. Seluka (19), R. J. Simpson (23), R. T. Singh (24), K. H. Skinner (4), D. A. Smith (22), N. I. Smith (21), S. A. Smith (4), G. N. Sole (23), G. D. Sole (7), W. M. Stanley (13), S. J. Stark (8), R. Stevens (17), C. A. Surgenor (13), J. M-J Tan (6), P. R. Tavendale (21), A. J. Taylor (9), R. F. Taylor (6), D. J. Telfer (22), W. Teo (6), B. S. Thompson (18), G. R. Thompson (3), N. H. E. Thomson (17), O. T. Timakata (12), L. N. Tora (14), V. S. Turner (10), C. J. Twigley (17), M. G. Urwin (22), R. J. Washer (14), R. D. Watkins (13), T. I. Watkins (13), J. P. Watson (14), M. J. Webster (17), M. Weinstock (18), V. K. Wellington (4), C. L. White (6), G. V. Wilson (6), C. K. Wingate (12), J. L. Woodward (23), R. T. Young (14), V. C. Yu (10).

SCHOOL CERTIFICATE

Number of subjects with Grade C or better:
P. S. Alexander (1), M. H. Allen (3), M. S. Allen (6), M. K. Ammundsen (4), K. R. Amon (1), H. P. Anglesey (1), E. Ansari (2), C. M. Ansell (3), J. J. Ashton (5), Q. J. Astwood (4), M. J. Bailey (4), K. T. Balsom (4), A. V. Barkla (4), J. J. Barr (1), S. C. Baxter (1), M. J. Beattie (6), G. Bennett (2), M. Berntsen (4), A. D. Bluck (5), J. P. Boyd (1), H. C. Bracegirdle (5), D. M. Brighurst (5), A. T. Brimelow (5), G. D. Broad (1), A. J. Brown (1), K. F. Buckthrought (1), G. L. Bullen (2), J. W. Burbidge (2), D. C. Burgess (5), R. T. Burton (2), D. M. Butler (1), W. P. Butler (4), B. R. Cairns (1), D. D. Cameron (2), M. J. Cameron (1), G. L. Campbell (6), S. D. Campbell (3), B. R. Cave (4), D. H. Cawley (2), J. B. Chapman (4), T. J. Chapman (5), J. M. Clark (2), T. R. Clarke (1), W. F. J. Collier (5), A. M. Collins (3), S. P. Collins (1), K. M. Condon (1), M. D. Connor (1), G. M. I. Coombe (5), B. G. Cooper (5), T. W. Corbett (1), M. J. Corcoran (5), L. N. Cottam (2), M. G. Cottam (5), B. A.

Cowley (3), M. P. Cox (1), B. J. Crawford (4), R. M. Crofskey (3), M. J. Cursons (5), A. W. Darke (5), S. P. Darth (4), P. P. Dasler (6), N. W. Davis (1), J. A. Day (6), C. E. De Bock (6), S. A. De Bruyn (2), P. J. Dickinson (6), K. B. Doorey (2), M. A. Dravitski (5), R. B. Dryden (1), T. D. Dymond (2), E. P. Eastgate (4), S. M. Edgecombe (5), S. G. Emery (2), T. R. Feather (1), T. C. Feek (3), D. K. Filer (3), R. P. Fisher (3), D. C. Fitzsimons (2), M. W. Gane (1), N. G. Garven (5), R. F. Gatenby (6), D. J. Geraghty (3), S. J. Gibbs (6), J. J. Goodin (1), M. J. Goodsell (2), A. J. Gordon (5), K. C. Gorrie (3), H. K. Gray (5), J. D. Green (1), H. G. Gyde (6), D. T. Hall (5), R. P. Harre (5), B. Hassall (1), G. Hassall (5), J. W. Hastie (4), A. N. Hay (5), C. S. Helms (5), T. G. Henderson (1), S. M. Hickey (4), J. S. Hill (1), G. W. Hinga (1), B. A. Hinz (2), S. P. Hobin (4), T. J. Hodson (1), M. B. Hook (5), R. G. Hooper (6), M. J. Hoult (6), B. P. S. Howse (6), G. Hughes (4), M. A. Hugill (1), M. R. Hunger (3), C. J. Huston (1), R. B. Hutchinson (1), S. G. Icke (3), A. W. B. Jarman (2), M. B. Jayasekera (6), R. M. Johnston (1), K. M. Jones (1), M. T. Jones (2), C. S. Kerr (3), B. J. P. Kershaw (3), J. R. Kihfuss (3), S. Kindler (4), C. K. King (1), S. Kitney (5), J. H. K. Klenner (2), A. J. Knowles (6), B. Kooy (5), R. I. Lancaster (6), T. E. Langley (2), M. J. Laurenson (5), J. M. Lee (4), R. M. Leticia (4), J. W. E. Liddle (5), T. S. Lim (4), D. H. Lindsay (3), N. A. Lobb (4), K. D. Luond (2), A. K. Lynch (1), A. J. Malcolm (5), V. J. Mason (4), V. L. McAllister (4), S. B. McAllum (5), C. J. McDonald (3), W. J. McFarlane (3), D. E. McGuigan (4), M. McKenna (1), J. E. McLuskie (2), C. J. Metcalfe (6), J. L. Miles (1), J. L. Millar (1), V. N. Miller (1), S. V. Miscall (1), S. J. Moa (2), J. G. Moller (1), M. G. Moller (1), A. J. Moratti (4), G. J. Mowat (4), D. E. Muir (4), R. J. Muller (6), K. P. Murphy (3), H. R. C. Murray (6), J. J. Newell (4), J. N. Newson (1), C. J. Nielsen (6) T-O-T-R Niwa (6), N. J. Nobbs (5), B. D. Northcott (6), L. M. Noyes (6), D. A. O'Grady (2), D. P. O'Neill (3), C. K. M. Olander (1), N. C. Oldridge (2), S. K. Olsen (4), M. D. Parker (5), D. S. Parkinson (2), L. D. Pearce (3), J. V. L. Pennington (1), D. G. Percival (3), P. J. Phillips (1), G. B. Polglase (1), T. B. Rampton (5), K. L. Rattray (2), M. J. Rayner (4), M. J. Read (3), C. C. Robertson (6), S. B. Roguski (5), A. M. Rooks (1), S. L. Ross (1), B. R. Rudman (3), B. J. Russell (5), D. K. Sammons (4), M. A. Schrider (3), J. J. Scott (5), P. L. Scott (1), A. B. Sears (2), H. A. Sheather (4), J. R. Simpson (2), D. W. M. Sinclair (4), R. T. Singh (1), D. C. Slee (3), G. L. Smith (1), G. N. Sole (1), G. D. Sole (1), C. R. Stachurski (4), M. A. Staddon (3), R. G. Struthers (4), B. A. Sutherland (3), P. J. Swanson (5), J. M. Tamapua (2), K. L. Tan (5), P. R. Tannahill (4), C. R. Taylor (2), R. N. Taylor (6), S. M. Taylor (3), M. A. Te Awa (1), J. M. Thomas (5), G. R. Thompson (5), L. J. Thome (3), B. J. Thornhill (6), R. J. Tito (3), R. E. Trusler (3), T. Tsuchiya (1), V. S. Turner (3), C. A. Tyrell (5), S. J. Wafer (3), J. M. Walker (1), A. J. Ward (1), D. Warren (3), J. B. Waterman (4), J. A. Watkins (5), V. K. Wellington (4), J. R. Wells (1), G. L. West (4), D. J. Whittaker (1), J. D. Whitwell (6), D. J. Wilks (1), R. W. Willemsen (3), A. P. Wilson (6), A. M. Wilson (6), P. R. Wolfram (4), R. K. Wood (2), M. J. L. Young (1), S. Yuile (6).

REPRESENTATIVE AWARDS

- Whistle Swimming**
Lighting/Sound School Council
Justin Raine
Lee Taylor
Matthew Dravitski
Tim Cooper, Peter Grimwood, Paul Busing, Karam Meuli, Tony Philp, Blair Horner, Greg Paynter, Campbell Feather, Bevin Coley, Ronie Asi, Cameron Twigley, Greg Wilson
David Bremner, Jared Hill
Michael Smith, Hayden Markham, Monty Ammundsen
- Music**
Soccer
Daniel Pritchard, Michael Frampton
Hamish Gray, Duane Cameron, Peter Coles, Scott Hill, Ricky Tito
Tee Sern Lim, Duncan Scott, Matheesha Jayasekera, Brad Rowson.
- Literary and Oral Excellence**
Squash
Kane Rattray
Aaron Hine, Paul Drake, Ben Cooper, Brad Martin, Andrew Eagles
Jonathon Harmer, Steve Stark, Scott McKenzie, Blair Horner, John Woodward, Charlton Leo, Andy Ilo, Andrew Eagles, Paul Drake, Sam Kindler, Rhys McInally
Paul Mohi, Eldon Eastgate, Tony Philp
Greg Paynter, Shane Campbell, Ronald Gatenby, Matt Burt, Jai Huta, Daniel Garrett, Mark Horgan, Shaun Darth, Graeme Clarke
- Badminton**
Cadets Tennis
Greg Paynter, Cameron Twigley, Philip Mitchell, Thomas Henderson, Gareth West, James Watkins, Mathew Broadmore, Blair Horner, Nicky Taylor, Brad Fale, Paul Busing, Richard Young
- Soccer**
Rugby Hockey
Cricket
Music
Swimming Basketball
School Council
Board of Trustees
Representative Cycling Tennis
Golf
Debating/Public Speaking Rugby
Athletics and Cross Country
Nick Miskelly (Secretary)
Ashley Taylor (Treasurer)
Richard Taylor (Chairman)
Regan Washer
Chris Pollock
Ben Cooper, Paul Drake, Andrew Eagles, Aaron Hine, Brad Martin.
Jonathon Cane, Simon Edgecombe, Rhys Watkins
Paul Avery, Ivan Bruce, Aneel Hay
Ronie Asi, Stephen Barkley, Campbell Feather, Greg Feek, Simon Gibbs, Steven McCallum, Phillip Mitchell, Jon Morgan, Mark Neilson, Blair Robinson, Daryl Sheeran, Daniel Smith, Richard Taylor, Cameron Twigley
Hayden Caskey, Paul Drake, Tony Feek, Charlton Leo, Mark Neilson, William Stanley



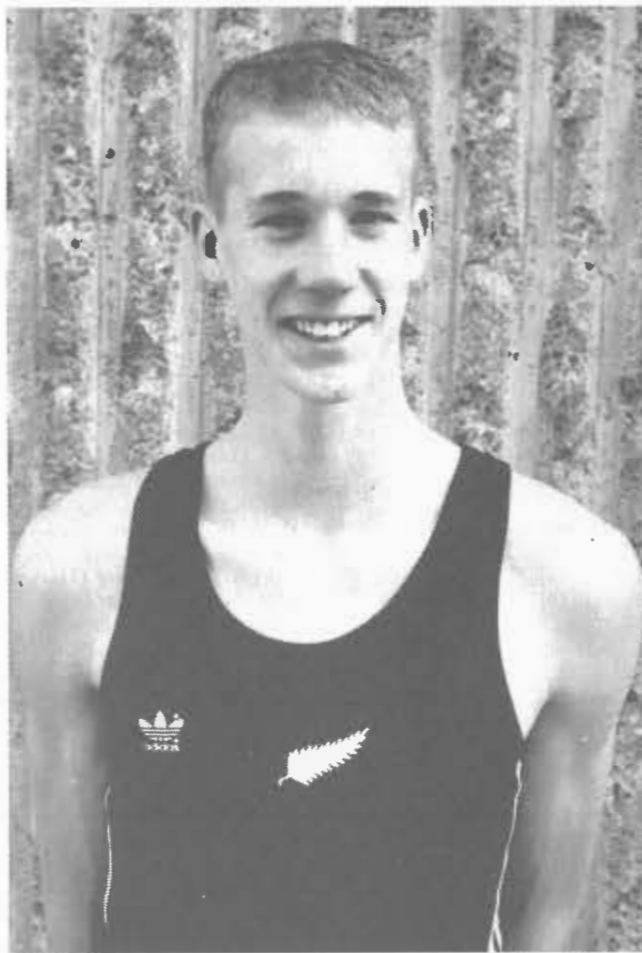
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NEW ZEALAND REPRESENTATIVES



Greg Roebuck
Bodyboarding



Tony Rampton
Basketball



David Bremner
New Zealand Champion of Champions

REPORT FROM THE HOSTEL

It was good to once again begin the year with the hostel full, 193 boys including 41 third formers. As usual the third form boys were due in to the hostel on the Saturday before school started, but this year the hostel staff decided to have the prefects back a day earlier to give them some training before the boys arrived on the scene. Mr McKenzie provided a programme for Friday and Saturday mornings and so when the third form boys and their parents started to arrive at ten o'clock on Saturday every prefect knew what was expected of him and was ready to help settle the new boys.

The hostel prefects for 1993 were initially led by Richard Taylor but greater things were in store for him - he became Head Boy of the school (the first boarder to hold this position since 1975). Greg Paynter became Head Boarder with Campbell Feather (Head of Carrington) and Nick Miskelly (Head of Moyes) with the full list of boarding prefects for 1993 being: Carrington - Aaron Morgan (dorm one), Michael Webster (dorm two), Hamish Bryant (dorm three), Bryce Herbert (dorm four), and Regan Washer (dorm five); Moyes - Lloyd Percival (dorm one), Andy Ilo (dorm two), Blair Robinson (dorm three), Bruce Howse (dorm four) and Albert Seluka (dorm five); Niger - Graeme Clarke, Obed Timakata and Vincent Yu.

The 'old hands' arrived back at the hostel to find that even though there were no major building projects carried out in the hostel over the Christmas holidays, a number of maintenance projects had been undertaken and those who have visited the Carrington House common room were impressed with new carpet and vinyl, recovered chairs and squabs and a complete repaint. In addition to that, two shower rooms were completely stripped back to enable them to be given a durable, waterproof and hygienic coating that will be easier to keep clean. In several areas repairs were made to carpets, paint and wallpaper.

These projects are possible only because the Board makes proper provision for that in their budget.

When we took a close look at the examination results we were pleased to see that boarders had again performed well in the public examinations with 29 out of 41 gaining entry to form six with three or more subjects with passes of 50% or better and our small group of form seven boys who were candidates for University Bursary: Asbjorn Aakjaer, Matthew Cheer and Albert Yu gained A Bursaries and Julian Dimond, Matthew Garven, Alistair Jamieson, Bruce Murray, Richard Willan and the Head Boarder Reuben Thorne gained B Bursaries. Matthew Cheer failed to gain a University Scholarship, in his best subject, by just one mark.

As a regular part of our on-going prefect training members of the Hostel Committee of the Board joined the Matron and Hostel staff for two intensive sessions of prefect training. Significantly these sessions are conducted in the homes of Board Members and is just another indication of the commitment that they have to their responsibilities on the Hostel Committee.

At about the time of the second of the prefect training sessions we learned that another boarder had successfully achieved a major personal goal, Regan Washer was elected to represent the boys of the school as the Student Trustee.

With boarders in the two most senior and very significant student positions in the school the boys of the hostel were well represented this year but the real challenge for these young men was for them to be seen to properly represent all the boys of NPBHS - both day boys and boarders. At this late stage of the year I can fairly say that they have done just that.

This year we again invited boarding parents to join us for a barbecue tea after the swimming sports and this was well supported by parents and with the help of a beautifully fine day it proved to be a grand opportunity for people to get together in an informal atmosphere.

The start of the second term is always very busy with the first round of senior exams and winter sports beginning in earnest and this year was no exception. This year it was our turn to travel with the third form boarders rugby team to play the '39th Niger Trophy Game' against Palmerston North's College House side. Parents of third form boys turned out in good numbers and their numbers were boosted by Old Boys from Massey, others living in the Manawatu area and a surprisingly large group of other supporters who had travelled to be with us. We witnessed an excellent display of junior rugby where we produced two good tries within 20 minutes - these were good running movements from the backs. Paul Gibbs ran in the first try after nine minutes and that was followed, ten minutes later by a good try in the opposite corner by Karl Jones. By the end of the first half Palmerston North had come back strongly and I was very pleased to reach half time without them having points on the board, but after the re-start they applied their superior



Campbell Feather leading the Boarders' team out.

forward skills in the loose to deny us possession and produce three tries from their forward pack - the last one just two minutes from the final whistle.

Those who were at the game were very proud of our boys for the way they contested the game and in fact, both teams worked very hard to produce an excellent display of good rugby and fine sportsmanship.

Ten days after the Niger Trophy game we were off again, this time to visit the Fieldays at Mystery Creek joined by New Plymouth Girls' High School to mount a joint promotion of our two hostels. This year Bevin Coley and Simon Edgecombe spent two days at the Fieldays with me and they really were excellent ambassadors for the school. Large numbers visited the site during the two days that we were there and while the questions and comments were many and varied. Many of those who did not know our school were very interested in Bevin's tiger jacket and a lot of them had seen our 1st XV on television during the Secondary Schools' World Cup last year and, because we were in Hamilton, a lot of the visitors knew of the big win that our 1st XV had had against Hamilton Boys' High School when, on Rugby Park, they played the curtain-raiser to the Taranaki vs Lions game.

To avoid a clash with Mystery Creek, Open Weekend was moved to the weekend of Friday, June 25 through to Sunday, June 27 and it was really very gratifying to have the involvement of such a high proportion of the hostel parents for that. Much valuable information was given and received by all parties and a number of suggestions were put forward in an attempt to further improve the already excellent communication. As a result of nominations received at Open Weekend the Board appointed Mr John Washer to the Hostel Committee. Mr Washer is an Old Boy Boarder and boarding parent who gives the boarding parents a second voice on the Hostel Committee. He quickly settled into his new role and has shown that he brings fresh ideas forward for discussion.

In an attempt to give the boys an opportunity to have more input into the running of the Hostel a Hostel Council was set up, and this comprises three committees: Social Committee, Sports Committee and a Publicity Committee. Mr Kirk is the permanent chairman



Nicholas Miskelly
Head of Moyes House



Campbell Feather
Head of Carrington House

of the Council and the full committees are:

Publicity - Nick Miskelly (Chairman), Simon Edgecombe, Douglas Harbutt, Bradley Bellamy, Dean Marshall with me as the Staff representative.

Sport - Greg Paynter (Chairman), Michael Webster, Keryn Amon, Ramond Willemsen, David Williams and Mr Kirk (Staff).

Social - Campbell Feather (Chairman), Steven McCallum, Blair Robinson, Simon Gibbs, Richmond Hune, Bevin Jordan and Mr Hugh Russell (Staff).

Regular Council meetings were held and it was impressive to see the way that the boys were willing to work for the greater good of the Hostel and its boys.

Once again boarding has enjoyed strong representation in the senior teams of all sports codes and cultural activities. Boarders are there in numbers that far outweigh their numerical strength in the school and that is a clear indication of the talent and positive attitude of most of the boys in boarding. Boarders played their part in the school's successes in the following sporting codes:

Cycling - A senior and a junior team from NPBHS went to Levin for the Sir Bernard Fergusson Trophy races and they finished 15th out of 39 and 7th out of 15 respectively. Mark Gordon is a member of the junior team.

Hockey - The NPBHS 1st XI finished 3rd in the National India Shield and had our Head Boarder, Greg Paynter and boarders Ronald Gatenby, Mark Horgan, Kurt Horgan, Graeme Clarke and Bradley Bellamy in the team. Mark Horgan and a day-boy were named in the tournament team.

Soccer - Our 1st XI won their tournament in Auckland and then defeated De la Salle College in the grand final, 4-0, to win the Jim Wishart Trophy for the second consecutive year. Monty Amundsen, Andy Ilo, Charlton Leo and Ronald Warsal were in the team and Andy and Charlton were named in the tournament team. Andy was also the highest goal scorer in the Taranaki Men's competition and for that was given the Golden Boot Award.

Golf - At the National Secondary Schools finals our team finished in 4th place. Simon Edgecombe was in the team but two other boarders Nick Miskelly and Karl Jones were reserves.

Squash - Fifth in the New Zealand Schools' Squash Champs. Three boarders Anthony Kenneth, Scott Hill and Paul Tito were in our team while Ricky Tito was named in the team but had a commitment to our Ball which clashed with the tournament.

Cricket - Winners of the Taranaki Senior Men's competition. Greg Paynter captained this team which also had Brad Fale, Richard Young and Brendon Harvie in it. Greg also played for the Taranaki

BOARDERS' RUGBY TEAM

Back row, left to right: A. Morgan, E. Eastgate, R. Viviani, J. Morgan, D. Smith, A. Young.

Third row: J. Weston, S. Gibbs, R. Bryant, D. Sheeran, A. Ilo.

Second row: S. Baxter, M. Jones, K. Amon, H. Bryant, H. Caskey, G. Paynter.

Front row: B. Howse, R. Taylor, C. Feather, S. McCallum, B. Maguire, B. Robinson.



Emerging Players side.

1st XV Rugby - Richard Taylor (Captain), Campbell Feather, Daniel Smith, Steven McCallum, Aaron Morgan, John Morgan, Simon Gibbs, Eldon Eastgate, Blair Robinson and Darrell Sherran. The 1st XV finished its round of scheduled inter-college games unbeaten as well as winning all their games in the local Under 21 competition. The performance of this team was a great way to finish up the fine 1st XV coaching careers of Mr Jeremy Rowlands and Mr Brett Sloan. During their involvement at this level, both men have gained the respect and commitment of their players and the admiration of parents and opponents.

Can you believe that some boys tell us that there is nothing to do around here?

Early in the year we had a number of parents and boys approach us to ask about the possibility of putting on a range of special activities for the boys on Sunday afternoons. Mr Russell surveyed the boys to seek their suggestions and compiled a list of activities that interested the boys, including tenpin bowling, abseiling, go-kart racing and canoeing. He then set about organising as many of these, in rotation, as he could. For many of these activities the response was too great for us to be able to satisfy the demand. It was decided to continue running weekend activities throughout the rest of the year - a very worthwhile addition to the hostel 'list of things that you can do'.

Right from the beginning of the year it was obvious that the day school houses were keen to see Hatherly House beaten in the Inter-house Competition, but the boarders were not keen to relinquish their grip on the Inter-house Trophy and worked well as a group with everyone putting everything into each activity. Even after the cross-country, Syme House was equal with Hatherly on the points table and the scene is set for a close battle for the remainder of the year. Mr Smith has worked hard to get greater involvement from the boys in his house and it certainly has spiced up the competition. The other houses too have been within striking distance for most of the year and that is good for the competition and the school - we urge all boys reading this to get behind their house and make the 1994 competition one to remember.

The other competition that is important to the Hostel is the Day Boys vs Boarders rugby game which was played on Thursday, September 30. It was clear to many of us that this could well be a year of success for boarding - something that hasn't happened since 1985. This year there has been a large squad of boarders in both the first and second XVs and within this group there was a good balance of forwards and backs which meant that we didn't have players playing out of position.

The boys too sensed the position that they were in and put more than the usual effort into training and when they took to the field in their new Boarders XV jerseys they really looked very business-like.

The boarders had the kick-off and when the day boys fumbled they were there to capitalise on the mistake and so with less than 30 seconds on the clock the boarders were ahead by 7-0 when Keryn Amon's try was converted by Darrell Sherran. They kept the pressure on for the entire 80 minutes and after two penalties from Richard Young and tries from Hamish Bryant, Daniel Smith, Campbell Feather and finally Brad Maguire they ran out the winners 33-0.

A magnificent effort and a fine display of entertaining rugby. On August 7, our island students combined with those from NPGHS and Sacred Heart College to put on an outstanding night of entertainment. This year the event was again in the NPBHS hall and they had gone to considerable trouble to decorate it with Island hand-crafts to create the desired atmosphere. Invited guests were treated to the tastes and sounds of the Pacific Islands. We were first fed, from a wide variety of Island dishes from well stocked tables, and then entertained with the dances and songs of the various Island groups. A very joyful night indeed. We are very privileged to have these outstanding young people in our midst. Their talents and generosity are of the highest order.

But it was the Senior Ball on August 14 which was once again the social highlight of the year for many of our senior boys and, as has been the case over the last few years this was a resounding success. The theme 'Busted' had the main hall decorated as a prison yard with those of us dancing on the floor of the hall, fenced in while the excellent band on stage was fenced out. Spotlights, 'smoke' and a siren punctuated the evening and added to the atmosphere and, as has been the custom, the parents of the boys on the 'ball committee' did a fine job of catering for supper.

I am pleased to be able to report that this year too, boarders have made other significant contributions to the school by: providing five mini-van loads of manpower to cut, carry and stack pongas, assist with the painting of the pool and (junior boys especially) provide over 200 collectors for seven worthy causes.

To conclude, I would like to thank all those who contributed, in so many ways, to life in the hostel and to Hatherly House: The Board, Hostel Committee, Headmaster, Hostel Masters, Matrons, kitchen staff, laundry staff, domestic staff, caretaker, grounds staff, group teachers, prefects and, of course, the boarders who in the main do their very best to contribute to the good name of this school and hostel. To those who leave us at the end of this year, may I wish you all the best for the future and we hope to hear from you in the years to come. To those facing exams I hope that you are successful with those and finally to everyone - have a Happy Christmas.

M. R. GRIMWOOD,
Senior Hostel Master.



HOSTEL PREFECTS

Back row, left to right: Blair Robinson, Michael Webster, Lloyd Percival, Regan Washer, Bryce Herbert, Aaron Morgan.

Second row: Vincent Yu, Albert Seluka, Hamish Bryant, Graeme Clark, Bruce Howse, Obed Timakaia.

Front row: Kelvin Coley, Richard Taylor, Campbell Feather, Gregory Paynter, Nicholas Miskelly, Bevin Coley, Andy Ilo.

**OPENING OF THE GULLY PAVILION
OPENING ADDRESS
FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 1993
JOHN ARMSTRONG - MP NEW PLYMOUTH**

Chairperson of the Board of Trustees, John Eagles, Headmaster, Tom Ryder, District Mayor Claire Stewart, professional staff, parents, friends and students of New Plymouth Boys' High School.

New Plymouth Boys' High School is a school which, since 1882, has preserved traditional values. That's important in a world subject to constant change. Traditional values can bind us together when all else seems to be unravelling. They can give students a sense of right and wrong; a sense of their rights and responsibilities; and a sense of stability in a world where most else is temporary.

While being a school which preserves what is good from the past, New Plymouth Boys' High School has not been afraid to take advantage of new opportunities and meet the challenges of the modern world. Since the Tomorrow's Schools reforms, New Plymouth Boys' High School has gone from being part of a multi-school board constrained by the central bureaucracy, to a self-managing, autonomous institution.

Like 2700 other schools around New Zealand, you have been able to focus on the needs of your students and the New Plymouth community, rather than the rules and regulations of the central bureaucracy in Wellington. Your seventh form retention rate has improved. Your attendance rate has improved. Your academic results have improved.

Self-management is working at New Plymouth Boys' High School. You are meeting the needs of your community, building the well-rounded New Zealander, in the classroom, on the sportsfield, and in other areas for which you are known - drama, outdoor education, music and art.

This government and the education community are currently working towards what I call the 'seamless education system' - an education system that does not exclude anyone from the education and training that they want and need. To achieve this goal, we've got to break down barriers between institutions - barriers that have been put in place for the benefit of the institution rather than for the benefit of the student.

While the first priority of secondary school must be the well-

rounded New Zealander, I can't see any reason why schools shouldn't have the opportunity to offer courses developed for apprenticeships, polytechnics or universities. I can't see why students shouldn't be able to stay at school while participating in a polytechnic course one day a week. I can't see why students shouldn't be able to stay at school while working towards a vocational qualification part-time in industry through the industry skills training strategy. These are some of the new opportunities we are working towards right now.

As a self-managing school, New Plymouth Boys' High School will have the opportunity to decide what opportunities you want to offer to your students - without bureaucratic seams in your way.

Headmaster, this school has an enviable record in the sporting arena. This is the result of the opportunities presented to students through extensive sporting grounds and excellent sporting facilities.

I want to particularly acknowledge the major input from staff at this school who have made themselves available in their own time to lead, coach, and manage sporting activities for their students.

Without that dedication, the record of achievement would not read as it does. Not only the school, but our whole community shares the glow of pride in the school's sporting achievements.

Which leads me now to the very pleasant task you have asked me to perform this afternoon, and that is to open this new pavilion. It certainly is a magnificent building and, as I understand, only partly completed with squash courts and more changing and shower rooms yet to come when funds are in hand.

The history of the project goes back to 1961 when an old wooden house, which stood at the school end of the ground, was virtually destroyed by fire. Unfortunately, no replacement occurred and on learning that the Gully had once been served by a pavilion, the present headmaster, Tom Ryder, resolved in 1979 to do something about the loss.

However, at that time there were more pressing needs to be filled namely the rebuilding of the worn out swimming pool.

There has been some criticism over the years from visitors and players coming to the school from outside, that the changing and shower facilities were quite inadequate. That really was an understatement!

Until this building, there were only two sets of showers and

changing rooms attached to the gymnasium, and yet the school grounds were often used on Saturdays by as many as six teams playing as many as three sporting codes, and those players who didn't gain access to the gymnasium changing rooms had to make do in cars, buses, behind trees or whatever.

The baths project was completed in 1986-87 and from then on funds began to accumulate from the school's businesses, and I say that quite carefully.

There was a tuck shop, stationery shop, and a general purposes account.

The headmaster had plans to have a concrete block complex built between the Gully courts and the in-goal area of the main rugby ground.

However, in 1990 the Parent Teachers Association took up the project in reaction to a suggestion from the headmaster that it was time the need for more changing facilities was met.

Advice from a number of people - Geoff Ward the PTA Chairman in 1990/91, and a feasibility study done by Mr Robins of Robins Consultancy, indicated that the school project would be better built at the sea end of the Gully with access from the public from Hobson Street and access for the school from Ridge Road past the caretaker's house.

That plan was further expanded to include two stages, the first being the pavilion proper where we are today, including changing and shower rooms, with toilet, first aid room and storage facilities - with a major lounge and kitchen above - with a panoramic view of the school; and the second stage, as I mentioned earlier, to include squash courts and more changing and shower rooms.

In 1991 the Board of Trustees, chaired by Mr Neil Wolfe, accepted financial responsibility and the project began in April 1992 and was essentially completed by the end of the year.

School businesses provided the bulk of the funds, and donations by Old Boys and the TSB Bank, and fundraising by the boys and the Parent Teachers Association raised the balance.

This magnificent pavilion, and facilities with it, which are long overdue, is an asset valued at some \$400,000 and, while many people of course can be thanked for their major involvement, I think particular thanks must go to the driving force behind the project and that is the headmaster of the day, Tom Ryder.

Tom, I know you will feel very proud of the final result and you have been, should I use the word, humble enough to suggest to me that many others really were the driving force behind the final achievement than yourself.

Can I make a personal thank you to you for the role you have played and I know you will be feeling very proud.

It has been a pleasure being here with you today. Thank you for the invitation and for allowing me to be involved with this very important step forward for the school and now I formally declare the pavilion open.



The school assembled in the newly renovated Pridham Hall.



Mr Robins, Mr Armstrong, Mr Wolfe and Mr Eagles at the opening of the Gully Pavilion.

FAREWELL



Mr Ryder farewells and thanks Bursar Mr Ron Goodare.

ANZAC DAY ADDRESS BY MR LEN HANNAN

Headmaster, Distinguished Guests, Members of the Staff and Pupils:

Thank you for your welcome today when we gather to make our commemoration to Anzac Day and in particular pay our tribute to those ex pupils of this our school who gave their lives in war.

It is 78 years since that memorable landing at Gallipoli, an event that will always rank high in our history and a feat which perhaps more than anything signalled the coming of age of our country.

Anzac Day is a symbolic day in our nation. It is our one truly national day of the year when we look back on the sacrifices paid not only in the World Wars but also those paid in the limited wars since.

Anzac Day provides a solemn day to pay tribute to those who did not live to enjoy the fruits of liberty, and it is a time we should, as a nation and as individuals, pledge ourselves to do all we can to ensure that their sacrifices were not empty gesture.

We also at this time remember all those who in time of war served their country on land, sea or in the air. I would therefore like to tell you about the actions of an ex pupil of this school at a place called Sidi Azeiz in Libya on November 27, 1941.

Michael Niven or Mike as he was known was born in Singapore in 1913 and was a boarder at this school in the 1920s. He subsequently became a veterinarian. Mike was in England when war began and he volunteered to join an anti-tank battery which was formed from New Zealanders living in England. This battery was trained at Aldershot and subsequently joined the 1st Echelon of the 2 NZEF in Egypt, arriving there on Anzac Day 1940. The following Anzac Day saw the battery passing through Athens towards its evacuation from Greece.

After Greece and Crete the next campaign in which the New Zealand division took part was against Rommel in Libya in November 1941. Mike at this time was a bombardier (two striper) in charge of a 2 pdr anti-tank gun which was mounted on a 1 1/2 ton truck called a Portee. The gun could be fired from the Portee or dropped to the ground.

On November 27 Mike's was one of four Portees which were part of a small force defending the headquarters of the 5 New Zealand brigade commanded by Brigadier James Hargest at Sidi Azeiz. You would not find Sidi Azeiz marked as a place on anything but a large map of Libya. It is close to the Egyptian frontier approxi-

mately 20 kilometres south of the Port of Bardia. Two desert tracks crossed there, there was a small tomb and also an air landing strip. The desert in the area was generally flat. Hargest's Brigade headquarters comprised about 700 men and several hundred trucks. Defending them in addition to the anti-tank guns, were 4/25 pounder field guns, 3/18 pounder anti-tank guns, 3 bofors light anti-aircraft guns which could be used in an anti-tank role. There were also some Vickers machine guns and 3 platoons of Infantry.

About an hour after dawn it was reported that about 40 tanks were approaching from the direction of Bardia, which was still held by the enemy. These tanks were the 8 Panzer Regiment, the tank component of the 15 Panzer Division and was accompanied by General Rommel himself.

Details of the action which followed are taken from the official history of the New Zealand Divisional Artillery:

"The Bren-Gunner of P4 (Mike Niven's Gun) counted 'about 40' tanks in a long line. There was no point in holding their fire as the Portees were too conspicuous. P4 therefore opened fire at 1200 yards and the other three guns quickly followed suit. When still 1000 yards away the tanks began to reply concentrating their machine guns and heavier armament on the four Portees and scoring hits on all of them.

The No. 1 of P4, Bombardier Niven, directed the fire of his gun with remarkable aplomb, allowing three shots for each tank engaged and then switching to another until his gun was hit and its traversing and elevating gears wrecked. The other gun crews remained similarly steady in what was as all knew a hopeless and one sided contest. With his gun out of action, Niven strolled with a deliberation thrilling and yet agonizing to watch, to the other Portees to lend a hand. He then assisted the wounded aboard another Portee and directed the driver to a medical dressing station. He then brought the Portee back into action from a position abreast of Brigadier Hargest slit trench. Although the gun on this Portee had its sights shot off, the telescope smashed and the semi-automatic firing gear out of order with the help of a wounded gunner observing through binoculars. Niven fired seven or eight more shots. Brigadier Hargest described this phase of the action in his book Farewell Campo 12 "I watched him load, aim, fire - load, aim, fire, time after time. His truck received a direct hit on one side starting a fire, then another just behind the gun; a third struck the



ANZAC Day Memorial Parade outside the Memorial Suite.

gun shield and shot the muzzle straight upwards where it remained pointing to the sky."

In this hurricane of fire Mike had a charmed life. He made his way to the nearest 18 pounder and stayed until it too was knocked out and then to a bofor which suffered a similar fate. He ended up helping the 25 pounder field gunners until the German tanks overran the whole position and he was marched off to Bardia as a prisoner of war.

While in Bardia, Mike along with another Old Boy of this school Doug Browning, volunteered to help the wounded and they were eventually taken to Italy by submarine.

Mike was not a willing prisoner, twice he escaped. The first attempt ended unluckily in recapture during a random street search in the city in Czechoslovakia.

The second attempt which took place after D Day was successful and he was repatriated to England.

War historians and military experts are surprised that Mike Niven was not recommended for a Victoria Cross not only for his actions but for his example and encouragement to others. There were numerous witnesses including Brigadier Hargest and other senior officers.

I hope that the story of Mike Niven at Sidi Azeiz has been of interest. It is only one of many stories of wartime heroics, but it is one which relates to this school. It reveals that strength in adversity, courage and loyalty to comrades which were hallmarks of those original Anzacs. Concepts which I trust we will continue to honour both in wartime and in peace.

VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL



Olaf Kaiser and his parents visit his old school.



Belinda Cordwell giving a few tips.

TNL Photo



Hone Tuwhare discussing his poetry in the library.



Sam Hunt with Daniel Fitsimons.

RUGBY



NPBHS 1ST XV RUGBY

Back Row, left to right: T. Ruakere, B. Robinson, T. Philp, J. Morgan, M. Neilson, A. Morgan, D. Smith, G. Feek.
Middle Row: Mr B. Sloan, S. Gibbs, G. Aitken, M. Urwin, C. Twigley, E. Eastgate, D. Sheeran, P. Mohi, Mr J. Rowlands.
Front Row: P. Alexander, R. Asi, S. Barkley, R. Taylor (Captain), C. Feather, S. McCallum, P. Mitchell, Mr R. Crow.

1ST XV

The common cry at the beginning of the season is: "This team won't be as good as last year's". Invariably it turns out not to be true and this year was no exception. With most of the backs returning and three new players arriving at school it was soon obvious that once again we were going to have a good team. This also shows the depth of talent there is at NPBHS. There always seems to be somebody who matures through the summer and is keen and ready to take the place of a team member that has left.

With no major tournaments to go to, goals were set to win the U21 competition and to win the six traditional college games. Our major fundraising efforts for the year went towards lessening the costs of our first trip to Christchurch.

CLUB COMPETITION

Being unable to defend our U21 title last year due to the World Championships gave us a real incentive to do well in the local competition. It is a most useful competition in that it provides very physical and committed opposition particularly up front - which gave us an edge in college games. Unfortunately this year the opposition teams were not as strong as usual and we found most games too easy. This is certainly reflected in our points for and against statistics. Points for: 763; against: 93, of which we scored 117 tries. Our dominance continued all season and it was great to finish with a win in the final by 46-9 against Stratford.

COLLEGE GAMES

May 9 vs Napier BHS (Non-Traditional): Lost 22-15. Tries: McCallum, Smith; Mitchell (conversion and penalty).

We were invited to play in the Hawkes Bay College Day and were given the main game against Napier Boys', who were top four finalists in 1992. At this time of the season we are not prepared for college games and this showed. Although very competitive the lack of competitive games and a bad run of injuries meant we couldn't maintain pressure on Napier BHS for any length of time. The lead changed hands a number of times but in the end Napier were just too fast and too seasoned for us and scored a great try with three minutes to go to take the score from 15-all to 22-15. I am sure that we would have won comfortably at the end of the season.

June 16 vs Hamilton BHS: Won 63-3. Tries: Twigley, McCallum, Mitchell, Neilson, Smith, Robinson (3), Urwin (3 conversions and 4 penalties).

This game was played as curtain-raiser to the Taranaki vs Lions game and was a game that we approached with more than a little bit of concern. We had been beaten by Napier and last year drew with Hamilton (11-11) who supposedly had most of their team back. Our preparation was great and many of the weaknesses shown in Napier had been ironed out. From the kick-off Hamilton didn't know what had hit them and never recovered. The display by the forwards would rate with the very best of performances by a 1st XV pack. The commitment was total and skills impressive. With the backs also performing above the level shown at Napier we were an undoubtedly happy team at the end of the game. Six out of six college games looked a good possibility.



The powerhouse front row of the 1st XV.

TNL Photo



Richard Taylor scoring against Collegiate.

TNL Photo

June 30 vs St Patrick's Silverstream: Won 49-10. Tries: Gibbs, Asi (2), Mitchell (3), Neilson, Taylor, Urwin (3 conversions and 1 penalty).

The first home college game on the Gully is always the one the team looks forward to most. For many it is a dream, started in form three when they first watched a college game, come true.

Consequently whoever the opposition is - they are going to find it difficult. St Patrick's started well and after 10 minutes were 10-3 up - but one could tell that it was only a matter of time before we would get on top. Our scrum was too strong for theirs and we were dominating in most phases. As was to be typical of this year's team momentum gathered and so did points. Another great display by the forwards after a slow start but the backs didn't take all the opportunities that arose although they too were doing their best work at the finish.

July 14 vs Wanganui Collegiate: Won 57-3. Tries: Twigley (2), Neilson (2), Taylor, Robinson, Smith (2), Mitchell (7 conversions and 1 penalty).

As things worked out this year this was to be our last home game on the Gully, and like playing your first it has sentimental meanings. We had played very well against Collegiate last year and had hoped to do the same this year. They have never beaten us on the Gully and we weren't about to break this record. The crowd was entertained by skydivers and a good kicking competition - leading to an atmosphere that was one of the best seen on the Gully for years. The team didn't disappoint and both backs and forwards combined to overpower Collegiate, showing both superior skills and commitment. It was a great finish for the team playing their last game in front of the school.

July 28 vs Palmerston North BHS: Won 18-16. Tries: Robinson, Asi, Mitchell (2 penalties and 1 conversion).

Always one of our toughest games. Palmy play a similar style of game, ie: they are physical and well drilled. Although not having had a great season up until now. Palmy played above themselves and it took a great forward effort in the last 20 minutes and a well taken try down the blindside to get on top. Preparation is always the key to winning away games and it is always hard when the team has to assemble at 9.00am and not play until 3.00pm. Perhaps our preparation could have been better in as far as what we did before the game. But every season there seems to be one game where everything doesn't go as we would like.

August 4 vs Te Aute College: Won 24-10. Tries: Sheeran, Neilson (2), Smith, Mitchell (2 conversions).

After last year's defeat this was always going to be the biggest game of the year. Te Aute had been playing well and had recently beaten Palmy Boys (38-12) and Gisborne Boys (15-9) so we knew that preparation and tactics had to be right. Culturally it is always a great learning trip when the team goes to Te Aute and now with their new meeting house this year's journey was even better. By all staying together (on the floor in the meeting house) we were able to generate a good feeling in the team. We went into the game confident that if we played to the tactics we had devised, we could win. A magnificent display of ball retention by the forwards paved the way for a most memorable victory. The backs defended well and used the ball intelligently.

August 12 vs Christchurch Boys' High: Drew 15-all. Tries: Neilson, Feather, Mitchell (1 penalty, 1 conversion).

The trip we had all been waiting for. After many months of fundraising and having just won the U21 final it was a relief to be getting in the plane to Christchurch. For many it was the first trip to Christchurch and for some their first trip on a plane.

Christchurch Boys' was another of our rivals who were having a great season. They had beaten most of their college rivals and had made it into the final of the local U19 competition, which is the strongest grade for junior rugby. The big surprise to us was the hardness of the grounds. It wasn't long before we knew that a win here was going to have to be hard fought. Their forwards disrupted ours and their backs were too fast. We did score first but through some strong running and lots of pressure Christchurch went to the break 15-5 up. A combination of Christchurch being happy to sit on their lead and our forwards gaining some control meant we were able to keep them in their half. But it was not until the last minute when a well taken try and the following conversion gave us a 15-15 draw. There was relief that we hadn't lost but disappointment that we were unable to win 6 out of 6 of our traditional college games.

Five wins and one draw is not bad though!!



IN SUMMARY

1993 was another successful year for the 1st XV. Since it won all its College games in 1990 (the first time for 16 years), the 1st XV remained strong and has produced a great record of only three games lost and two drawn out of a total of 33 college games. This year's team had a happy atmosphere about it with its major strengths again being in the forwards, particularly the loose, and in a backline that was more experienced than last year, but still lacking the overall skill to really move the ball around. Once again the support given to the team by parents, teachers, family, old boys and friends was marvellous and went a long way towards making 1993 such a success. Many thanks to all of you.

PLAYERS FORWARDS

Stephen Barkley - Loosehead Prop: Technically one of the best scrummagers the school has produced in the last five years. Loved the front row club and the 'art of propping'. Stephen's discipline on the field improved throughout the season. Excellent blocker at No. 3 in the lineout and from kick-offs. Mobility is an area to be improved. Deserved national recognition.

Gregory Feek - Tighthead Prop: Important member of the front row club. Picked up all the tricks during the season. Eager to learn. Probably tried to do too much up front at scrum time. Provided another lineout option at No. 1 and enjoyed the Willie away. Needs to improve his contact game and keep the weight training up through the summer.

Daniel Smith - Hooker: Matured immensely this season. Had much to contribute to the team. His inclusion in the Northern A side was well deserved and he was very unlucky to miss the national secondary school selection. Big, mobile, Daniel started to enjoy the contact side of the game. Excellent throwing in skills - an integral part of all our lineout options. Body position (and ball in relation to the body) at contact time still needs improving.

Campbell Feather - Lock: Grew in confidence all season. Always cleaned up at No. 2 in the lineout either on the fast or lobbed throw, front or back. Enjoyed making the 'big hits' and running with the ball, especially from kick-offs. Our nominated catcher from kick-offs, Campbell often had a big influence on the game. One of our main 'communication reinforcers' - a major help to his skipper in leading the forwards.

John Morgan - Lock: Not big for a lock, but very committed. Did all that was asked of him. Honest in ruck and maul and mobile from phase to phase. Provided our No. 6 option at lineout. Ball retention and 50/50 situations need to be improved upon.

Tony Philp - Lock/Prop: Quiet but enthusiastic. Covered both the front and second rows. Unlucky not to be given more games. Loyal to the cause. Became more robust as the season progressed. Needs to work on mobility and aggressiveness (and the vertical jump if locking).

Mark Neilson - No. 8: Possesses raw athleticism. Has much raw talent and was used as one of our main play makers from the back of the scrum. Scored some glorious tries. No. 4 lineout jumper, Mark had a 'sprig heel' but often nullified this by not being aggressive enough with his upper body. Will continue to develop but much work on getting involved in all facets of play, both the tight as well as the loose.

Richard Taylor - Openside Flanker - Captain: Mobile, Richard knew his lines. He was a key component in our continuity pattern - often the link man. Enjoyed a little more freedom this year to run with the ball in hand through the mid-field. Richard also enjoyed the 'grid iron' throws to No. 7 in the lineout. Can still improve on going 'the extra yard' and pressurising his opponent more, eg tackles and charge downs.

Blair Robinson - Blindside Flanker: A very honest player. Never played a bad game. A real team man. Fitted into the role of No. 5 in the lineout and the No. 6 jersey. Complemented the other loosies perfectly. Looked after the blindside defence from scrumtime - never let anyone through the first 5 metres and also made some big tackles out wide. Blair enjoyed our front of lineout moves. Should work on his speed training over the summer.

Aaron Morgan - Loose Forward: Mr Utility - Aaron was selected to cover the middle row - (loose forward/locking area). He was a loyal trainer who warmed the bench for most of the season. Mobile and skilful, a lack of injuries to other players didn't see him on the paddock as often as he would have liked. To Aaron's credit he never complained about not receiving more playing time. He too was a vital member of the forward pack and was often called on at short notice for the 'blood bin' replacement rule.

BACKS

Phillip Mitchell: Last year's reserve hooker. Due to his involvement with rugby from a very early age Phillip has developed very good all round skills and fitted into the passing and kicking game well. Combined with his strong running and good knowledge of the game he was an ideal half back and only a severe shoulder injury stopped him being a real star in the team.

Darrell Sheeran: A new recruit from PioPio. To look at him you wouldn't think he was a footballer. But once out on the paddock Darrell showed real commitment and a good knowledge of the game. Although his best position is halfback, he was too good a player to leave on the sideline. His play at 1st 5/8 improved steadily all season. He will be an important member of next year's team.

Cameron Twigley: Started the season at fullback and finished it at 2nd 5/8. A player with a lot of ability when he was in the mood to use it. Compared to last year Cameron was a lot quicker (probably our fastest), stronger and more confident. He ran the backline well from 2nd 5/8 and was strong in the tackle.

Paul Mohi: Made the side due to impressive trial form. However, his form dropped away mid-season and for next year Paul will have to learn that he has to concentrate and motivate himself in every game. He has great skills on attack and can be a devastating tackler when his mind is on the job.

Steven McCallum: Third year in the side. Steven was moved to centre to fit a game plan. Having played most of his career on the wing he found centre (probably the hardest position on the field) took a bit of getting used to. However after a few games there he became an integral part of our backline. Strong in making tackles and standing in tackles. Contributed a lot to the team. Showed in house games that he can be a good passer of the ball.

Taare Ruakere: Unfortunately Taare never fulfilled the promise he showed last year, particularly in the day boys vs boarders game where he played on the wing. As with last year he was a great team man and did show what he is capable of in some of the U21 games. Taare is sure to have a good future in the game.

Ronie Asi: Having learned a lot about rugby last year Ronie showed this year that he is a player of some promise. After starting the season in the centre he was shifted to left wing where he really went well. Ronie could beat anyone with a side-step, was deceptively quick and enjoyed tackling - great assets for any winger. A popular team member.

Simon Gibbs: The real success story of this year's backline. Being his first year in the team Simon was initially very hesitant. But once he found his feet and started to learn about his position - lines to run - where to stand on defensive etc he turned into a confident, elusive, strong running winger. Will be a handful for all opposition next year.

Eldon Eastgate: Chosen in the team for his natural flair and willingness to keep the ball alive. Eldon hadn't played much rugby and had played in a number of positions. He found a place for himself at fullback and with his good timing and skills looks to have a future there.

Mark Urwin: The general of last year's backline. Mark left us after three college games (a big loss). He continued his good form from last year and showed versatility by playing at 1st 5/8, 2nd 5/8, centre and fullback, all with success. Mark was successful as a goalkicker and a steady influence on the team. After leaving school he made the Taranaki U19s and the Central Region U19s (well done!)

Grant Aitken: The unluckiest member of this and last year's team. After suffering a major injury in the first game at the World Champs and not playing again, he suffered a broken collarbone just before our first college game. He had looked forward to a good year behind the forwards but after this injury he left school, played against us twice for NP Old Boys and scored twice. Grant also made the Taranaki U19 side at halfback.

INDIVIDUAL HONOURS

Taranaki U16: Paul Mohi.
Taranaki Secondary Schools: Richard Taylor (captain), Campbell Feather, Stephen Barkley, Daniel Smith, Greg Feek, Blair Robinson, Mark Neilson, Phillip Mitchell, Darrell Sheeran, Cameron Twigley, Steven McCallum.

Northern Region A: Daniel Smith.
Tournament Teams, ASB Bank Secondary Schools: Campbell Feather, Stephen Barkley, Greg Feek; U16: Paul Mohi.

Taranaki U19: Mark Urwin, Grant Aitken.

Central Region U19: Mark Urwin.

TEAM AWARDS

Watts Cup, most improved player: Simon Gibbs.

Leuthart Cup, contributed most to 1st XV rugby: Richard Taylor.

2ND XV 1993



The 2nd XV had in many ways a successful season in 1993. With some players just missing out on 1st XV selection, there promised to be strength and depth within the team. This proved to be so with some large early season victories, notably 65-0 against the Spotswood 1st XV and 83-0 against the Inglewood 1st XV.

These early season games showed the difference between teams in the first division and after the first round a top four competition was decided upon to play off for the championship. The 2nds played Hawera, FDMC and Stratford three times each, and although suffering a mid-season losing streak, came back to finish the competition with some proud wins.

Inter-school games are always the memorable moments of the year. In 1993 the 2nds can claim a 100% record with a 39-8 win against Hamilton, 44-0 against Pio Pio and a very proud 22-5 victory against Te Aute 2nd XV (although caught locked in the changing room!)

The 2nd XV is always a difficult team to be part of. Players are often required to fill in for the 1sts, as well as training for various representative teams. But in 1993 the team spirit was very strong. Thanks must be given to the captain Keryn Amon, and the vice-captain Hamish Bryant, for their role in maintaining this spirit. Mention must also be made of Clinton Ansell, the most conscientious player of 1993, and Ronni Viviani, the most improved player of 1993. Thanks also to all those parents who supported the team during the season, and although there were many supporters, special thanks to those who travelled great distances (Bryants, Washers and Amons).

Finally we would like to personally thank all of the team for what was an enjoyable season. Good luck for the future, guys, and all the best.

2ND XV ROLL OF HONOUR

Captain and Taranaki Secondary Schools: Keryn Amon.
Taranaki Under 16: Brad Cave, Clinton Ansell, Simon McCallum.
Most Vocal Spectator: Gary Cave.
Team Patron: Phoebe Ansell.
Points for: 451; against: 179.

DARRYL LEATH & KEVIN GLEDHILL

3RD XV

The 3rd XV played very impressive 15-man rugby as the team got to know each other. Mr Watts and Mr Maharey gave vent to some strong feelings in their stem speeches, and the team picked up and the hard work soon paid off. Practices ran smoothly, aimed at how we wanted to play the game.

The forwards proved very strong and were able to hack the higher grade well, setting a great platform all through the season for the backs to run strongly, and score many great tries.

The support play was our outstanding mark at the end of the season along with defence - as the tally of points scored against was very little.

This factor proved that we were an allround team, as the figures show:

Games played - 14; wins - 12; losses - 0; draws - 2. Points for: 442; against: 81. The forwards managed to cross for 39 tries and the backs scored 31 tries.

This team will provide the teams higher in the school with many young talented players to watch out for next season and in the future. Players from fourth formers to seventh formers were involved.

Taranaki Representatives, Under 16: M. Jones, B. Taylor, R. Bryant, C. Raven, J. Weston, D. Percival.

Michael Jones proved to be a potential star by making the Central Region Under 16 team.

Most improved player was Heath Sheather who was a real grugger in the forwards and improved all the way through the season.

4TH XV 1993

The season provided a very new experience for the coach. For the record played 15, won 2 and lost 13; points for: 184; against: 320.

vs Stratford High School 2nd XV L 22-27, L 32-36, L 0-12, L 26-27.

vs Okato College 1st XV L 22-24, L 7-42, L 7-20, L 21-22.

vs Francis Douglas 2nd XV L 3-17, L 3-13, L 0-26.

vs NPBHS 3rd XV L 0-22.

vs Hawera 2nd XV W 19-12, W 19-3, L 3-17.

As can be seen there were many close games, but unfortunately the 4th XV were always on the losing end of them.

The forwards were usually outsized but competed well in most facets. Greg Crofskey, Hamish Campbell, Brad Newlove and Brad Fale showed promise and were well supported by David Fabish, Ryan Gargan (transport manager), Jason Phelan, Cory Helms, Roger Gibb, Andrew Bluck and Jarrod Newell.

The backs showed plenty of enterprise when they received the ball. Trent Scrivener, Mark Walton and Brian Eastgate (5 tries) showed potential. They were well supported by Richard Letica, Henry Thompson, Anthony Kenneth, Shannon Boxer, Brendan Harvie, Nick Miskelly and Todd Feather who was the top points scorer with 53.

Thanks for your efforts fellas, you stuck to your task well in a difficult season. This season's experience will put you in good stead for the future. Thanks also to all the parents and supporters for their assistance and advice.

C1 BLACK

The C1 Black team had a mixed season. While the team played some excellent rugby at times, it lacked the consistency necessary and lapses at vital times cost it a number of games it could have won. Highlights of the season were a win against the C1 Gold team after two previous defeats, and especially the final game against Waitara, where the team played some of its best rugby of the season to convincingly beat a team which had triumphed in the second match of the season.

In the forwards, the most honest effort went to Glynn Holmes who proved a toiler throughout the season. Richard Papps and Ben Kohlis worked hard and in a team where the young third formers struggled, Daniel Morris performed with credit.

In the backs, Michael Pritchard, Dean Marshall, Luke Van Praagh and Shane Gilbert all showed flashes of ability which saw them included in the BHS Under 15 team. Brendon Thompson was reliable at fullback and grew in confidence as the season went on.

The most improved player was Raymond Laurenson who became a force in the engine room after a milestone game against Stratford. The most valuable player was Quentin Brears who along with Raymond was selected in the BHS Under 15 team, where both performed with distinction. Perhaps the most promising player, Michael Pritchard, left it till late in the season to show his ability as a running 1st 5.

My thanks to the parents who supported the team and provided transport in all weathers to far flung parts of Taranaki.

A. ELGAR

C1 GOLD

The C1 Gold team had a fluctuating season. A lack of consistency and self belief, especially against the stronger teams, proved to be a major obstacle.

The season started promisingly but with the loss of a couple of key players and injuries, the team's expected progress did not really eventuate. However, a number of individual players made significant gains in their rugby development during the season.

The games in which the team performed with credit were against the other Boys' High team C1 Black, Stratford High and Okato College. Against the two strongest teams Francis Douglas College and Hawera High the boys performed with commitment and flair, but unfortunately for only half the game - this is where the inconsistency and lack of belief was most evident.

The players who impressed this year were Greg Lawn for his technique and commitment, Scott Carr for his power in attack and on defence, Ross Moir and Bob Burton for their tigerish defence and support play, Kieran Condon for his tackling, Shannon Jones for his controlling of play, and Paul Gibbs for his elusive running. The remaining players all had their moments during the season and I wish them all the best for the future.

A special thanks to the parents and other supporters. Without your help with transport junior rugby in Taranaki would not be possible.

G. HALL

6TH XV 1993

After being put into the 6ths we were all pleased to hear that we would receive the services of Mr Atkins as coach and set our targets for the season.

We started the season well winning three of our first four games as our forwards played with power to dominate, led strongly by John Hastie at prop. As the season progressed the backs grew in confidence with Robbie Stevenson directing play well at 1st 5 all season.

The team came together well for the big games of the season. We beat the 5th after the cross-country and took the Top Dog from Patea with a 15-3 victory, but the season was also marred by inconsistent performances away from home.

Everything came right for the team at the end of the season with an excellent 41-0 win over Francis Douglas College. This was followed by a very close and exciting 8-7 victory over the 5th XV to take the 'State of Origin' series 2-1.

Thanks to the coach, Mr Atkins, and the members of the team who can all take pride in a successful and enjoyable season of rugby.

KELVIN COLEY,
Captain.

D DIVISION GOLD

This year the D division team suffered from a lack of height and weight, and after losing their grading games were put down to E division for round one. There the team performed well against teams closer to their own size and won most games by 30-40 points. So then they were put back to D division, and with added confidence performed well, though never quite managing to win a game - drew two close tough encounters.

Outstanding was Kane Rowson - a versatile and talented player of the future. Also outstanding were Marc Feather and Karl Jones. Most improved players - Scott Chadwick and Jake Sole.

K. MITCHELL

E GRADE

With little preparation the NPBHS E Grade rugby team played its first match of the 1993 rugby season and faced a narrow defeat by Hawera High School. Under the guidance of our coach, Bevan Coley, a senior student at Boys' High School, our individual and team skills gradually improved and getting to know each other better, played a major part. The team was at the bottom of the table early in the winter season, however, as the team became stronger, we began winning more and more games with the 'fords' being our main strength. Having a lot of guys in the team was a major problem and achieving continuity in the backline was very difficult. We overcame this disadvantage and forged our way up to a well deserved first equal placing at the top of the table.

Throughout the course of our team practices, we were privileged to have members of the school 1st XV train and watch us play, namely Ronni Asi, Campbell Feather and Greg Feek. This was a real inspiration!

As we neared the end of the rugby season, the games grew more intense and harder to play and our teams lost a few vital matches. However, we finished a creditable third in the E Grade competition.

DAVID GIBSON

THIRD FORM TEAM

This year's third form game against Wanganui Collegiate was a one-sided affair - NPBHS winning 90-0.

Right from the whistle the forwards totally dominated every phase of play, securing clean ball for the backs to demonstrate strong running and good handling. It is unfair to single out any one player, as all 15 players contributed to an outstanding display of controlled rugby. Tries were scored by most team members, and the team was ably led by Regan West. A good measure of the future strength of rugby at NPBHS.

The squad was: Regan West, Brad Letica, Dean Butchart, Karl Hayman, Joseph Fowell, Hugh Cotton, Daniel Morris, Robert Eagles, Jeremy Vickers, Kurt Stark, David Gibson, Marc Feather, Aaron Bayliss, Paul Gibbs, Vaughan Hooper, Karl Jones, Jake Sole, Scott Chadwick, Daniel Perrett.

K. MITCHELL



UNDER 15s

The Under 15s began slowly with a loss to Wanganui Boys' College, but then found its way with wins against Stratford High School and Francis Douglas to win the inaugural Taranaki Under 15 tournament. The icing on the cake was a good win against traditional rivals Wanganui Collegiate.

Because of illness and injuries, Taranaki Under 16s and a national squash tournament, it was difficult to settle on a playing 15, and the team was captained by Paul Tito, Sean Baxter and Greg Crofskey at various stages.

Players to stand out were Mark Edgecumbe, Ross Moir and Paul Tito in the forwards and Michael Pritchard, Simon Pickering and David Slade in the backs.

A. ELGAR



THE DREAM TEAM

The 1993 Staff Dream Team proved a much feistier outfit than its 1992 predecessor, coming up with the win that re-established it as a potent force in NPBHS rugby. This could be put down to either the inclusion of Messrs Wild, Atkins and Hoskins in the forward

pack or the exclusion of some of last year's pack, who felt retirement a better option than the ignominy of being dropped.

Organised and captained by student teacher Andrew Slyfield, this popular event attracted a large crowd; including deputy headmaster Mr Laurenson who waited anxiously to see if he was going to have to cover injured staff again. However, Mr Elgar's contribution to the entertainment this year was an elaborate kick-off and a series of sprints to the sideline, either to regain breath or to stay out of harm's way.

Once again this highlight to the BHS sporting calendar, outshining the 1st XV and even rivalling the Boarders'/Day Boys' match, showed the onlookers that rugby is, while a keenly contested game, still a sport which is played for the enjoyment of all.



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HOCKEY 1993



1ST XI
Back row, left to right: Graeme Clark, Shahn Jordan, Greg Paynter, Mark Horgan.
Second row: J. Warner (coach), James Clough, Jai Huta, Matt Burt, Brad Bellamy, Mrs L. Kinera (manager).
Front row: Nathan Kinera, Ronald Gatenby, Shane Campbell (captain), Kurt Horgan.

1ST XI
 The 1993 season was a challenging one for the NPBHS 1st XI with a mixture of old and new players and the appointment of a new coach/master-in-charge of hockey. The goals for the season were as follows:

1. To maintain a high ranking in the Taranaki Senior Men's Competition.
2. To perform well in the college fixtures played over the season.
3. To play good hockey at the August holiday tournament and win if possible.

These goals were realistic, achievable targets and overall it would be fair to state that the final results did not quite match early expectations. A maintenance of the 1992 results reached by Mr Geursen and his team became a more difficult task as the season went on, but NPBHS 1st XI did perform to a high standard and did not disgrace themselves on the hockey field.

In terms of the Saturday competition, NPBHS attained 4th, one place less than 1992. A tough semi-final against Stratford Senior Men (a loss of 8-1) was difficult to recover from, and the resulting 4-1 loss to Manaia in the play-off for 3rd and 4th was a disappointing way to finish Saturday hockey. Throughout the competition NPBHS continued to show glimpses of good hockey and was a competitive unit in most matches, despite intimidation and hostile attitudes from umpires and opposition.

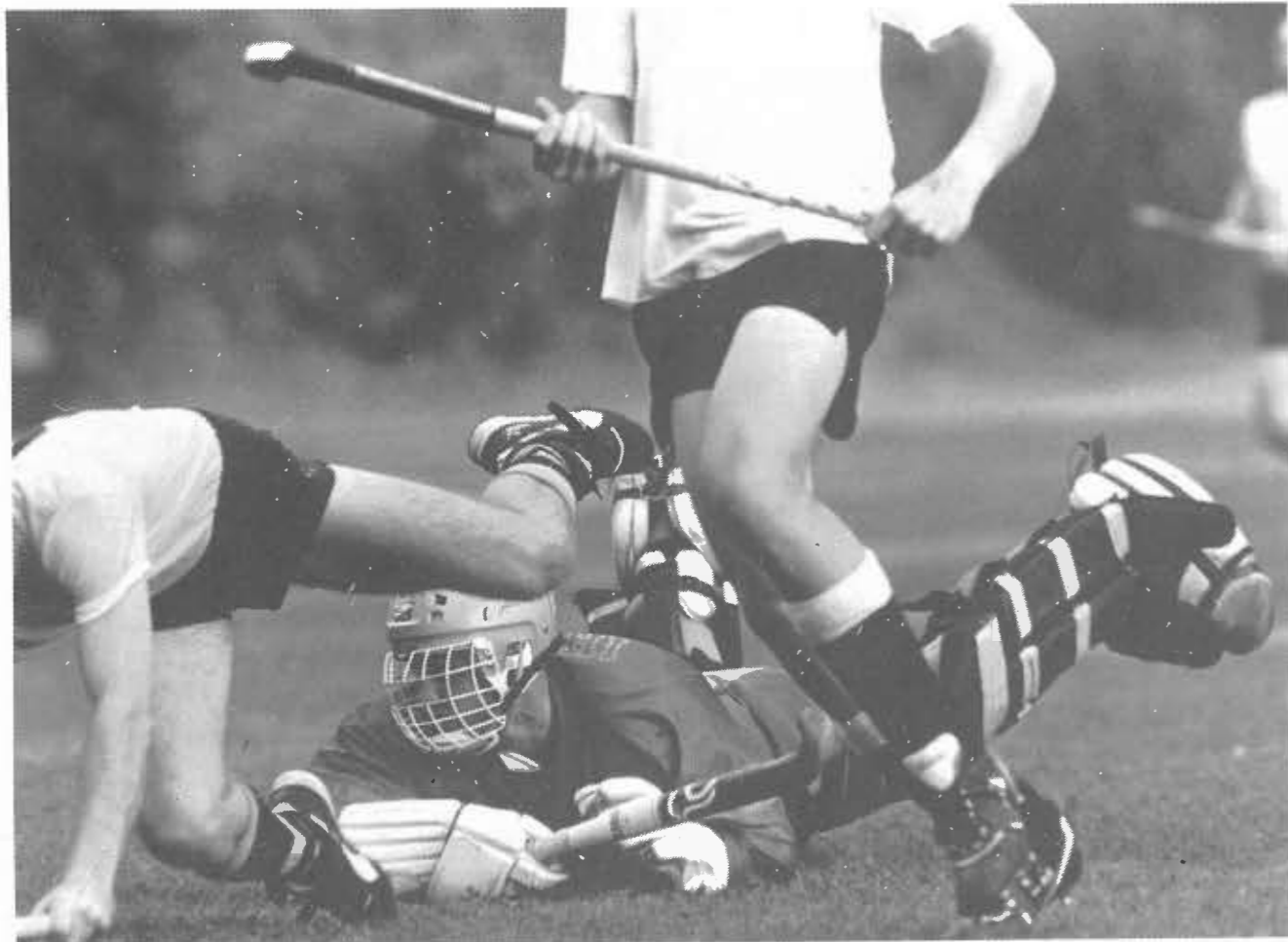
College games had moments of joy and despair for the 1st XI as well. A fortunate 1-0 victory over Hamilton Boys' High School was followed with one of the highlights of the season - a meritorious and deserved 4-1 win over Wanganui Collegiate played at NPGHS. Excellent teamwork and support play saw total domination by NPBHS over an untypically subdued Wanganui Collegiate. The remainder of the college season fixtures were not as fondly remembered - away losses to Wellington College 0-3 and Wanganui Boys College 2-4 were disappointing.

The final stage of the season's preparations was the August tournament. The decision had been made to go to India Shield in Wellington, the second ranking secondary school boys hockey tournament in the country. NPBHS was seeded 4th and proceeded to win its pool play and quarter-final comfortably scoring 23 goals and conceding two. Expectations were high over the semi-final clash with Rongotai, and the match was the best at the tournament. A final loss by 2-1 was devastating, as many observers believed NPBHS had played the most consistent hockey.

1993 witnessed the last year for many players who have performed at a high level in the 1st XI hockey team for several years. Greg Paynter, Shaun Darth, Shane Campbell, Graeme Clarke, Mark and Kurt Horgan and Ronald Gatenby, will not be available in 1994. Players will come through from lower squads and 1994 could yet be another exciting and challenging season.

2ND XI
 The 2nd XI faced the task of being defending champions of the secondary schools competition, as well as being holders of the challenge trophy, played for on a game-by-game basis. A difficult season was the result, with much potential not quite coming to fruition at times. The team did make the final again, only to lose to Hawera 2-1 at Te Mete Park. However, some fine passing hockey was played by the 2nd XI, and without doubt those members in the squad next year will be looking for revenge!

GOLD HOCKEY
 The Gold team faced many difficulties during the season, not the least of which was maintaining a consistent squad. Early results placed it in the top pool, where it faced good teams and other 1st XIs. However, the team never gave up and must be commended for a courageous effort.



Greg Paynter in action.

TNL Photo



Mark Horgan driving into the goal.

TNL Photo

ATHLETICS



NPBHS ATHLETICS TEAM

Back Row, left to right: D. Perrett, J. Rowe, D. Oldridge, N. Kilmister, T. Feek.
Middle Row: P.E. Sole, B. Bellamy, S. Edgecombe, H. Eastwood, P. Drake, M. Smith.
Front Row: C. McPhillips, W. McFarlane, J. Huta, H. Caskey, R. Asi, N. Clarke, M. Fisher.

TARANAKI INTER-SECONDARY CHAMPS - INGLEWOOD MARCH 20

Conditions were ideal, competition good and our athletes had a measure of success.

Juniors: Daniel Perrett starred again, winning the 200m and 400m title, plus a close 2nd in the 100m and anchoring our winning relay team. A very busy day.

Jason Rowe was equally impressive with two titles (discus and high jump) and a 2nd in the shot. He broke the meet record for the high jump with 1.62 - not as good as his school record.

Brad Bellamy won the javelin.
 David Gibson was 2nd in the same event, as well as picking up a pair of 4th placings in the jumps.

Paul Gibbs got 2nd in the 1500m and 3rd in the 500m.

Mark Fisher was 2nd in the 1000m steeplechase.

Martin De Bock took 3rd in the 200m and the relay team (Gibbs, De Bock, Gibson, Perrett) won.

Intermediates: Hayden Caskey dominated the jumps with a win in the triple jump and 2nd place in both long and high jumps.

Derek Oldridge looked set up for the sprint treble after heats and semis but unfortunately had to withdraw injured after winning the 200m final.

Evan Miller got a good 2nd in the 500m.

Michael Smith was 2nd in the 1500m steeplechase.

Neil Clarke was 3rd in the same event.

Seniors: Mark Nielsen won the high jump title, equalling our school record in the process, and filled in the day by picking up 2nd in the discus and 3rd in the 110m hurdles.

Tony Feek won the 2200m walk and was 2nd in the high jump.

Paul Drake won the 400m with Nick Kilmister 2nd.
 Willie Stanley picked up two 2nds - 1500m and 3000m.

Wade McFarlane got 2nd in the 2000m steeplechase and 4th in the 3000m.

Chris Hall finished 3rd in the 3000m.

Andy Ilo grabbed 3rd in the 100m and long jump then anchored the relay team. (Drake, Asi, Nielsen, Ilo) for 2nd place in the same time as the winner.

A number of our other athletes finished well up but just out of the placings with Conal McPhillips getting two 4ths.

Thanks are due to Nick Kilmister for his masterful handling of the dreaded army tent.

From these championships the following were selected for the Taranaki Team to the North Island Champs in Hamilton on April 3/4: Perrett, Rowe, Oldridge, Caskey, Miller, Feek, Drake, Stanley, Nielsen and some very good results were recorded at this level.

Tony Feek was the only one to get a placing in the first three (2nd in the open 3000m walk) and went close to the school record in the high jump.

Jason Rowe got a good 4th in the junior high jump, Willie Stanley was 4th in the senior 1500m, Evan Miller 5th in the intermediate 800m and both he and Willie unofficially beat the school record in these events.

Derek Oldridge made the finals in his events, and the others gave it their best and performed creditably but found making the finals a tough proposition.

Most of these athletes will contest the National Champs in Auckland in December.

NATIONAL SECONDARY CHAMPIONSHIPS - HASTINGS/ NAPIER - DECEMBER 1992

A number of NPBHS athletes contested these championships last year, recording some very good results against the best in the country.

Seniors: Matt Old - 5th in the long jump, 7th in the 200m, made semi-finals in 100m.

Tony Feek - 2nd in the 3000m walk, 17th in high jump.

Willie Stanley - 3rd in the 3000m walk.

Jonathon McCluskie - 28th in javelin.

Chris Hall - 46th (top half) in road race.

Juniors (Under 16): Ian Utiger - 7th 100m, 8th 200m.

Evan Miller - 8th 800m, 4th fastest time in 1500m semi-finals, unable to contest finals.

Derek Oldridge - made semi-finals of 200m - excellent for a third form student.

ATHLETICS 1992

The Athletics Sports returned to the Gully after much consultation on the appropriate venue. The finishing straight is now situated on the eastern terrace. This allowed the teachers the use of some very large sunglasses (sitting behind the tinted windows of the pavilion) and an excellent platform for recording and encouraging athletes. Once again the Top Town events were held on Webster and McNaught fields. They provided a popular alternative with 100% participation.

In the championship events there was some exciting racing. Perhaps the best being the sight of Andy Ilo winning the senior sprint double with a classical sprinting technique and a big smile. Daniel Perrett and Derek Oldridge went one step better, attaining sprint triples in their respective grades.

Jason Rowe improved the junior high jump record by 8cms to 1.65m. He also recorded wins in the triple jump, long jump, discus and shot put. Unfortunately he is only allowed a maximum of four field events that can count towards the championship results. Jason has the potential to be an excellent decathlete.

Willie Stanley, Evan Miller and Paul Gibbs contributed positively to the athletes sports day by recording middle distance doubles.

Hatherly won the house championship with Syme a distant 2nd and also cleaned up the Day Boys in the Boarders/Day Boys relay with Andy Ilo and Charlton Leo featuring.

CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS 1993 SENIOR

100m: 1st A. Ilo 11.95 secs, 2nd R. Asi, 3rd M. Stadden. Record 1970: P. Hickey 11.10.

200m: 1st A. Ilo 24.45, 2nd R. Asi, 3rd P. Drake. Record 1988: N. Toremana 22.77.

400m: 1st P. Drake 55.00, 2nd N. Kilmister, 3rd G. Aitken. Record 1984: P. Armstrong 52.50.

800m: 1st W. Stanley 2.07.03, 2nd P. Drake, 3rd C. Hall. Record 1984: P. Hepworth 1.56.38.

1500m: 1st W. Stanley 4.31.29, 2nd C. Hall, 3rd W. McFarlane. Record 1984: P. Hepworth 4.13.70.

Shot put: 1st L. Opai 10.47m, 2nd G. Feek, 3rd M. Nielson. Record 1987: D. Mace 14.43.

Discus: 1st A. Seluka 33.74, 2nd M. Nielson, 3rd B. Robinson. Record 1968: N. Edmonds 48.17.

Javelin: 1st K. Meuli 53.60, 2nd C. Leo, 3rd R. Taylor. Record 1974: A. Bartlett 54.64.

High jump: 1st C. Leo 1.75, 2nd T. Feek, 3rd A. Hine. Record 1992: J. Niwa 1.78.

Long jump: 1st A. Ilo 5.67, 2nd M. Neilson, 3rd C. Leo. Record 1992: M. Old 6.70.

Triple jump: 1st E. Eastgate 11.45, 2nd C. Leo, 3rd N. Kilmister. Record 1962: P. Johns 13.37.

Senior Champions 1993: 1st Paul Drake (D6) 34 points; 2nd equal Mark Neilson (B4) and Charlton Leo (H4) 33 points; 3rd Andy Ilo (H2).

INTERMEDIATE

100m: 1st D. Oldridge 12.15 secs, 2nd G. Thompson, 3rd H. Caskey. Record 1986: A. Bunn 11.11.

200m: 1st D. Oldridge 25.02, 2nd C. Ansell, 3rd H. Caskey. Record 1990: M. Old 23.20.

400m: 1st D. Oldridge 55.27, 2nd E. Miller, 3rd M. Morgan. Record 1972: N. Harrison 54.20.

800m: 1st E. Miller 2.10.80, 2nd M. Smith, 3rd R. Honeyfield. Record 1975: S. Fleming 2.06.20.

1500m: 1st E. Miller 4.39.56, 2nd M. Smith, 3rd R. Honeyfield. Record 1987: J. Lofton-Brook 4.22.00.

Shot put: 1st H. Eastwood 12.57m, 2nd S. Boxer, 3rd D. Percival. Record 1985: D. Mace 13.13.

Discus: 1st S. Edgecombe 33.20, 2nd R. Gibb, 3rd R. Gatenby. Record 1985 D. Mace 48.42.

Javelin: 1st B. Eastgate 34.65, 2nd M. Horgan, 3rd D. Opai. Record 1981: R. Thompson 47.66

High jump: 1st H. Caskey 1.70, 2nd D. Opai, 3rd H. Eastwood. Record 1992: T. Feek 1.83.

Long jump: 1st H. Caskey 5.62, 2nd M. Smith, 3rd B. Eastgate. Record 1975 A. Moore 6.31.

Triple jump: 1st H. Caskey 11.31, 2nd B. Eastgate, 3rd D. Slade. Record 1982: C. Todd 13.78.

Intermediate champions 1993: 1st Hayden Caskey (H3) 50 points, 2nd Derek Oldridge (S5) 36 points, 3rd Brian Eastgate (H3) 31 points.

JUNIOR

100m: 1st D. Perrett 12.80, 2nd M. De Bock, 3rd P. Gibbs. Record 1978: D. Jones 12.20.

200m: 1st D. Perrett 27.85, 2nd P. Gibbs, 3rd A. Yates. Record 1988: M. Old 25.35.

400m: 1st D. Perrett 1.04.65, 2nd L. Dimment, 3rd M. De Bock. Record 1992: D. Phillips 59.90.

800m: 1st P. Gibbs 2.30.38, 2nd K. Horgan, 3rd M. Fisher. Record 1984: S. Kendell 2.15.17.

1500m: 1st P. Gibbs 5.11.17, 2nd C. McPhillips, 3rd M. Fisher. Record 1986: J. Lofton-Brook 4.34.70.

Shot put: 1st J. Rowe 10.04m, 2nd D. Perrett, 3rd C. Haymen. Record 1986: G. Tiaon 11.88.

Discus: 1st J. Rowe 29.92, 2nd C. Haymen, 3rd J. Vickers. Record 1983: D. Mace 35.84.

Javelin: 1st B. Bellamy 35.10, 2nd D. Gibson, 3rd J. Sole. Record 1986: A. Wisniewski 44.02.

High jump: 1st J. Rowe 1.65m #; 2nd B. Jordan, 3rd G. Worthington. Record 1991: J. Chapman 1.57.

Long jump: 1st J. Rowe 4.53, 2nd D. Gibson, 3rd P. Gibbs. Record 1988: M. Old 5.40.

Triple jump: 1st J. Rowe 9.60, 2nd D. Gibson, 3rd J. Sole. Record 1991: R. Thorne 11.06.

Junior Champions 1993: 1st Paul Gibbs (H1) 42 points; 2nd Jason Rowe (S5) 40 points*, 3rd Daniel Perrett (B10) 38 points.

= New Record
* = Boys may participate in maximum of six events of which you may enter either a maximum of four track or four field events. Jason entered six field events therefore could only gain a maximum of 40 points.

TASMAN HERTZ

The Tasman Hertz sponsored secondary schools meet for 1993 was held on the evenings of February 11 and 25 at Pukekura Park. Team selection for this is difficult because of early season lack of form, and fairly tight entry restrictions in most events. A number of keen boys had to miss out but on the other hand entries for the unrestricted distance events were most disappointing as was a bit of bad luck for the senior relay team, who made no race of it only to be disqualified on a technicality.

- There were however, plenty of successes:
- Daniel Perrett was the star, winning junior 100m, 200m, 400m.
 - Mark Nielson won two field events.
 - Wins in various other events went to Tony Feek, Derek Oldridge, Evan Miller, Mark Horgan, Hayden Caskey, Jake Sole, Chris Wylie and David Gibson, and this group also got into the minor placings along with Clinton Ansell, Andy Ilo, Ronie Asi, Chris Hall, Luke Diment, Nick Kilmister, Peter Green, Mark Fisher, Neil Clarke, Michael Smith, Jonathan McLuskie and Willie Stanley.



Junior hurdles.

CROSS-COUNTRY SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY

This event was held in overcast showery weather which was good for the runners, but not the spectators. The courses were run over the Te Henui Walkway, which has been used for some years now.

Special thanks to the following businesses McDonalds, Whitcoulls, Sutherland Sports for their generous donations of coupons which were used as spot prizes for those participating in the cross-country.

Senior results: W. Stanley 23.19 1st, P. Drake 24.05 2nd, C. Hall 24.08 3rd.

Intermediate: M. Smith 20.10 1st, J. Huta 20.18 2nd, E. Millar 20.34 3rd.

Juniors: C. McPhillips 14.20 1st, M. Fisher 14.25 2nd, D. Rickitt 14.58 3rd.

TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

These were hosted by Francis Douglas College in New Plymouth on June 1, under good weather and track conditions. Team selection was based on the availability of the better performers in our school event and unfortunately two of our top seniors were on a trip to Massey that day. Had they been in the team we would have been strong contenders for a clean sweep in the teams category, but as it was, the seniors were two short of the six members required to register a result. All runners did their best, however, and both juniors and intermediates won their respective team titles, with all six points scorers finishing in the top third of their 70 strong fields.

As individuals, top ten placings went to Conal McPhillips (3rd), Mark Fisher (7th), Dylan Rickitt (10th) in the juniors; Evan Miller (2nd), Michael Smith (3rd by about 3cm), Jai Huta (4th) intermediates and Willie Stanley and Wade McFarlane (3rd and 4th) seniors. This was the third consecutive year Willie has been placed in the top three of these championships.

Teams, juniors: Conal McPhillips, Mark Fisher, Dylan Rickitt, Martin Williamson, Martin de Bock, Steven Corcoran, Peter Green, Adam Davey, Erik Horrie, Chey Barnes, Nick Ferris.

Intermediate: Evan Miller, Michael Smith, Jai Huta, Scott McKenzie, Richard Hollard, Nathan Shaw, Neil Clarke, Davey Probert.

Seniors: Willie Stanley, Wade McFarlane, Ivan Bruce, Graham Smith.



NPBHS CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONS Left to right: C. McPhillips (junior), M. Smith (intermediate).



Mark Nielsen clears the bar.

TNL Photo



NPBHS CROSS COUNTRY

Back Row, left to right: J. Bruce, R. Hollard, H. Markham.

Middle Row: P. Gibbs, S. McKenzie, G. Smith, M. Smith, J. Huta, P.E. Sole.

Front Row: N. Ferris, C. McPhillips, W. McFarlane, N. Shaw, N. Clarke, A. Davey, M. Fisher.

NATIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

These were held at St Peter's School in Cambridge on Saturday, June 26 and the school is grateful to Mrs B. McPhillips who donated a day to transport and manage our junior team.

The age groupings are such that third/fourth form runners have no realistic chance of matching the pace of the top competitors in their Under 16 grading, and a field of nearly 400 made life very difficult for those unable to get near the front from the gun, but the diminutive Mark Fisher must have used his size and agility to advantage as he managed to sneak into the top third. The others all finished in the third quarter but it was an experience for them and of course they still have two years left to run as juniors.

Willie was our only representative in the seniors and would be very pleased with his 23rd placing from 290 runners. As six of these were the Australian National Team he could reasonably claim a 17th placing.

Teams, senior: Willie Stanley.

Junior: Mark Fisher, Dylan Rickitt, Conal McPhillips, Nick Ferris, Martin Williamson.

WANGANUI ROUND THE LAKES RELAY

We shared a mildly eventful bus trip with several other Taranaki schools for this annual meeting on July 26. The fields seemed to be a bit down on previous years but standards were high as usual. Age categories are slightly different from our local events so there were a few new names in the teams.

Form three: Mark Fisher, Dylan Rickitt, Nick Ferris, Paul Gibbs. Juniors: Michael Smith, Evan Miller, Scott McKenzie, Hayden Markham.

Seniors: Willie Stanley, Chris Hall, Wade McFarlane, Ivan Bruce. Results were similar to what we have had previously, as was the after race cream bun feast.

Form three team 6th, juniors 4th, seniors 6th (just pipped FDC).

It is a bit difficult to isolate individual performances in these often confusing relay events but the consistency of the junior team was quite remarkable with all four runners turning in 2km lap times within four seconds of each other, and three of them being incidentally members of the 1st Soccer XI. Our quickest leg in each division were runs by Mark, Michael and Willie.

BROOKLANDS PARK ROAD RELAYS - SEPTEMBER 18

1993 was the second time this event has been held and despite fine weather trophies, prizes, lack of expenses, organisation by NP Harriers and a very good response from primary schools, little interest was shown by senior runners. A bit of fiddling and shuffling was needed to get two teams running the form three/four race with a couple of fit milk-run boys doing two laps each (Peewee and Chris the road-running pugilist). The two Peters had to do only one lap this year because they each did two in 1992 and thanks are due to Bevan for dragging the unsung Preston into the fray. Both performed well.

Davey press-ganged an equally unsung but co-operative Kris Shaw on the day, to run the middle legs between established runners Wade and Willie and enable the seniors to finish second this time to a good FDC team.

Despite the ineptitude of the timekeeper (who prefers to remain anonymous) it was established that Willie ran our quickest lap at 7 minutes 46 seconds for 2.5kms, and the most entertaining as he came to the end of that first leg in a welter of fists, legs and elbows with his perennial but friendly rival Matthew Dravitski from FDC.

Teams and results, form three/four A: Peter Green, Peter Ross, Mark Fisher, Chris Hurley (3rd).

Form three/four B: Bevan Smith, Preston Murrow, Chris Hurley, Mark Fisher (5th).

Seniors: Willie Stanley, Davey Probert, Kris Shaw, Wade McFarlane (2nd).

CRICKET



1ST XI CRICKET

Back row, left to right: Gordon Giddy (coach), Nicky Taylor, Richard Young, Blair Horner, Brad Fale, Gareth West, Thomas Henderson.
Second row: Jamie Watkins, Philip Mitchell, Greg Paynter (captain), Cameron Twigley (captain), Paul Busing.
Front row: Brendan Harvie, Mathew Broadmore.

1ST XI CRICKET

An excellent club season saw the 1st XI win the Taranaki Men's Senior Championship. Greg Paynter 766, Philip Mitchell 632, Cameron Twigley 539 led the run scoring. Thomas Henderson took 71 wickets with Cameron Twigley 43 and Gareth West 42. Keeper Jamie Watkins took 30 catches and 2 stumpings.

A feature of the batting was the 8 centuries scored by Tony Earl, Greg Paynter (3), Philip Mitchell, Matthew Broadmore, Blair Horner and Cameron Twigley.

REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS

Taranaki Emerging Players: Greg Paynter.

Taranaki Under 18: Greg Paynter, Philip Mitchell, Gareth West, Thomas Henderson.

Taranaki Under 16 and Western Districts: Thomas Henderson, Jamie Watkins, Brendan Harvie, Matthew Broadmore.

New Zealand Under 16: Thomas Henderson.

ONE DAY SERIES

NPBHS 161 Thomas Henderson 42 b Fitzroy 153, Tony Earl 3 for 25.

NPBHS 196 Paul Whittaker 32, Tony Earl 36, Matthew Broadmore 30 b Avis OB 92 Tony Earl 5 for 24, Thomas Henderson 3 for 14.

NPBHS 235 Gareth West 31, Cameron Twigley 64 not out, Blair Horner 21 b Hawera 62.

NPBHS 166 Greg Paynter 38 b Stratford 129.

New Plymouth 162 Richard Day 4 for 38 lost to NPBHS 165 for 1 Grey Paynter 43 not out, Tony Earl 83 not out.

NPBHS 208 for 3 Tony Earl 101 not out, Matthew Broadmore 29 b Mangorei 148, Thomas Henderson 3 for 31.

TWO DAY SERIES

Fitzroy 176-9 and 170 Thomas Henderson 6 for 39 drew with NPBHS 105 and 105 for 5, Paul Nielson 34 not out.

NPBHS 185 Paul Nielson 43 drew with Avis OB 146 for 6.

NPBHS 184 for 6 Greg Paynter 104 not out, Philip Mitchell 40 and 137 for 7, Paul Nielson 44, Cameron Twigley 31 defeated Hawera 118 Tony Earl 4 for 23 and 123, Tony Earl 3 for 45.

NPBHS 120 Philip Mitchell 57 and 246-5 Greg Paynter 37, Paul Whittaker 65, Tony Earl 53 drew with Stratford 195 Cameron Twigley 3 for 61 and 125 for 8 Thomas Henderson 3 for 17.

NPBHS 167 Thomas Henderson 43 and 141 Thomas Henderson 51 lost to Waitara 167, Cameron Twigley 4 for 42 and 143 for 5.

New Plymouth 106 Thomas Henderson 7 for 41, Gareth West 3 for 40 and 170 for 8 lost to NPBHS 81 and 197 for 4 Matthew Broadmore 101 not out, Philip Mitchell 48.

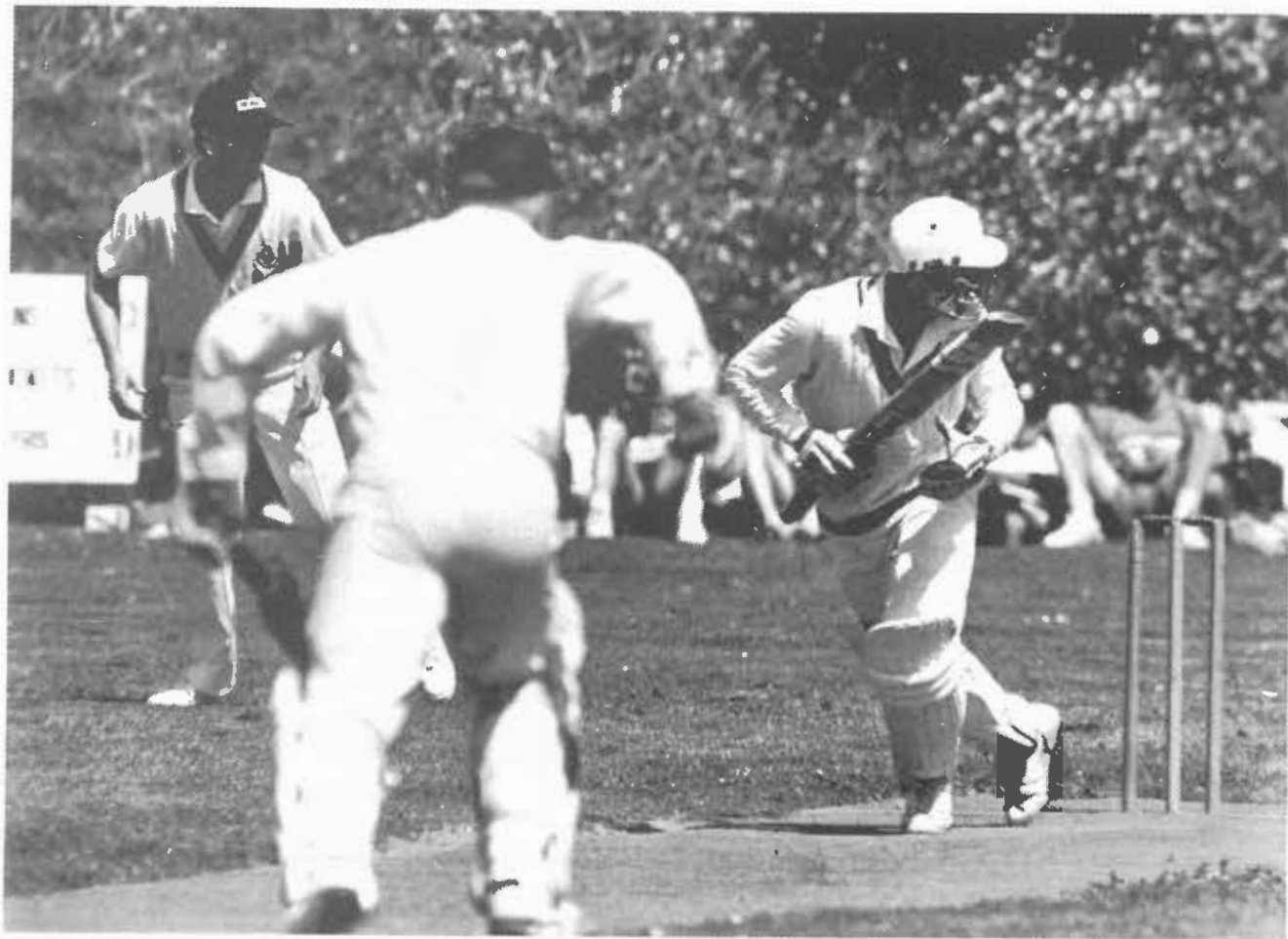
NPBHS 177 for 8 Cameron Twigley 52, Brad Fale 43 and 223 for 4 Blair Homer 123 not out, Greg Paynter 48 lost to Mangorei 186 and 215 for 8.

Semi final - Pukekura Park.

NPBHS 262 for 9 Blair Horner 49, Cameron Twigley 100 not out and 250 for 7 Greg Paynter 115 not out, Jamie Watkins 34 defeated Fitzroy 223, Thomas Henderson 4 for 62, Gareth West 4 for 64.

Final: Western Park.

NPBHS 235 Jamie Watkins 35, Cameron Twigley 54 and 148 Greg Paynter 31, Thomas Henderson 34 defeated New Plymouth 189 Gareth West 5 for 68, Richard Young 3 for 14 and 105 Thomas Henderson 4 for 49, Cameron Twigley 3 for 9. Winning the final gave the 1st XI promotion to the Premier competition for the 1993-94 season.



Greg Paynter and Philip Mitchell in action.

TNL Photo

COLLEGE SEASON

The 1st XI defeated Wellington College and Otumoetai College and lost to Auckland Grammar, Hamilton BHS and Wanganui Collegiate. The highlights being Thomas Henderson 6 for 38, Paul Whittaker 6 for 18 against Wellington College, and Philip Mitchell 105 against Auckland Grammar.

The college season was not helped by the loss of Captain Greg Paynter through an injury that occurred at practice. Cameron Twigley led the side well but Paynter's batting in the top order was missed as was shown in his return game against Opunake High School in a Gillette Cup match when he scored a century.

Once again NPBHS was defeated by Wanganui Collegiate in the Gillette Cup Zone Final.

VERSUS WELLINGTON COLLEGE AT WELLINGTON - DECEMBER

Wellington batted first, with Thomas Henderson taking a wicket with the first ball of the match, were soon 68 for 5. A solid effort by the bottom order saw them all out for 165 Henderson produced the amazing figures of 28 overs, 16 maidens, 6 for 38, the innings taking 91 overs. NPBHS batted positively to declare at 176 for 9 in 54 overs. Philip Mitchell 59 top scoring.

Wellington fared little better in their second innings being dismissed for 106, part-time bowler Paul Whittaker taking 6 for 18 from 9 overs. This left NPBHS 96 to win. This was achieved for the loss of 3 wickets with Greg Paynter 42 not out.

Result outright win by 7 wickets.

WELLINGTON COLLEGE:

1ST INNINGS		2ND INNINGS	
M. Webb	b Henderson	0	c Broadmore b Henderson
R. Arnold	run out	0	c & b Nielson
S. Buckle	b Henderson	8	c Nielson b Whittaker
H. Burwell	b Henderson	5	LBW b Mitchell
T. Gregory	c & b West	30	c Earl b Whittaker
T. Robson	LBW b Henderson	26	c Earl b Whittaker
M. Pasupati	c Mitchell b Twigley	25	c Mitchell b Whittaker
P. Johnston	c Watkins b Henderson	4	LBW b Mitchell
T. Cowan	LBW b Henderson	2	c Nielson b Whittaker
C. Gray	Not Out	8	c West b Whittaker
B. Drake	c Homer b Twigley	35	Not Out
Extras		24	
TOTALS:		165	106

	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W
T. Henderson	28	16	38	6	8	4	22	1
G. West	22	9	32	1	8	1	11	0
R. Day	2	-	6	0				
T. Earl	24	13	39	0	7	1	15	0
C. Twigley	14	6	26	2	5	2	4	0
P. Whittaker				9	6	18	6	
P. Mitchell				9	3	12	2	

NPBHS

1ST INNINGS

G. Paynter	LBW b Gray	9	Not Out	42
P. Whittaker	St Johnson b Gregory	8	c Ryan b Buckle	16
T. Earl	c Ryan b Gregory	5	c Gregory b Buckle	2
P. Nielsen	LBW b Pasupati	20	LBW b Gregory	8
P. Mitchell	c Robson b Gregory	59	Not Out	24
C. Twigley	St Johnson b Buckle	8		
M. Broadmore	St Johnson b Buckle	10		
R. Day	LBW b Buckle	8		
G. West	c & b Buckle	26		
T. Henderson	Not Out	17		
J. Watkins	DNB			
Extras		6		4
TOTALS	For 9 wickets	176	For 3 wickets	98

	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W
Gray	3	0	9	1	2	-	18	0
Gregory	20	5	72	3				
Buckle	20	3	64	4	10	1	41	2
Pasupati	2	1	2	1	5	2	20	1

VERSUS OTUMOETAII COLLEGE AT NEW PLYMOUTH (50 over game)

NPBHS batted first and after a good start were all out for 165, Greg Paynter 34 and Cameron Twigley 33 leading the batting. Otumoetai batted steadily to be 107 for 5 with 20 overs remaining. The bottom order collapsed and were all out for 117, Gareth West taking 3 for 16. Result win to NPBHS by 48 runs.



Philip Mitchell running between the wickets.

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VERSUS AUCKLAND GRAMMAR AT AUCKLAND - FEBRUARY

AGS won the toss and batted declaring at 320 for 4 - 5 of their six batsmen scoring in excess of 50.

NPBHS batted with new opener Jamie Watkins scoring 50. The middle order faltered to be 96 for 7. Gareth West (38) and Thomas Henderson (48) pushed the side towards the follow-on mark of 170 both falling before that mark. At 167 for 9 Nicky Taylor and Brad Fale combined in a 79 run 10th wicket partnership. Taylor (56), Fale (18 not out) for NPBHS to total 246.

Grammar batted briskly to declare at 233 for 6, Cam Twigley taking 3 for 8.

Set the difficult task of scoring 308 in 300 minutes NPBHS lost early wickets with only Philip Mitchell mastering the Grammar bowling. In the best innings of any batsman in the game he was dismissed for 105.

NPBHS were all out for 180.

Result - loss outright by 128 runs.

AUCKLAND GRAMMAR

1ST INNINGS

Blackley	c Busing b Henderson	50	c & b Young	15
Lynch	c Busing b West	13	b Homer	61
Lucas	c Henderson b Homer	57	c Watkins b Twigley	19
Morrissey	c Young b Twigley	51	c Watkins b Twigley	0
Patel	Not Out	75	Not Out	41
Josephs	Not Out	63	Not Out	55
Sparling			St Watkins b Homer	19
Patterson			c Watkins b Twigley	
Extras		11		17
TOTAL	For 4 wickets	320	For 6 wickets	233

	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W
T. Henderson	26	7	66	1	13	5	42	0
P. Mitchell	8	2	17	0	7	231	0	
R. Young	13	1	52	0	11	4	27	1
G. West	20	2	85	1	3	0	9	0
B. Homer	11	2	39	1	18	5	79	2
C. Twigley	13	2	55	1	7	3	8	3

NPBHS

1ST INNINGS

J. Watkins	c - b Cribbens	50	c Lucas b Cribbens	8
B. Harvie	b Hailes	2	LBW b Cribbens	4
M. Broadmore	c Lucas b Hailes	4	c Cribbens b Hailes	10

P. Mitchell	c - b Sparling	2	c Lucas b Cribbens	105
C. Twigley	c - b Sparling	7	b Pilkington	9
B. Homer	LBW b Sparling	6	b Sparling	13
G. West	c - b Pilkington	38	c - b Sparling	9
T. Henderson	c Lucas b Pilkington	48	b Sparling	4
R. Young	c Lucas b Cribbens	1	b Lucas	8
N. Taylor	LBW b Cribbens	56	c - b Sparling	0
B. Fale	Not Out	18	Not Out	0
Extras		14		11
TOTAL		246		180

	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W
Hailes	17	1	52	2	12	2	33	1
Cribbens	22	11	37	3	11	3	34	3
Sparling	24	9	73	3	17	5	63	4
Pilkington	13	3	47	2	8	-	34	1
Lucas					1	1	0	1

NPBHS VS HAMILTON BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL 1ST XV Monday, February 15 & Tuesday, February 16, 1993 at NPBHS

Hamilton won the toss and batted steadily to lunch to be 143 for 5. Lusty hitting by Jamie Fowlie 67 took them to 243 all out, Cameron Twigley taking 5 for 40 and Blair Homer 3 for 85.

By stumps NPBHS were 161 for 5 - Matthew Broadmore anchoring the innings on 47 not out. Gareth West scoring 57. NPBHS were all out for 196, Broadmore 49, Brad Fale 19 and Thomas Henderson 23. Craig Priscott took 5 for 53 for Hamilton.

Hamilton struggled in their second innings to be all out for 106 on a deteriorating pitch.

Richard Young 5 for 22, Thomas Henderson 2 for 24 and Cameron Twigley 3 for 42 bowled best.

Set 154 to win NPBHS started strongly - 32 after 3 overs - Jamie Watkins scoring all of these. The run flow slowed and wickets fell. At 90 for 6 with 17 overs remaining Hamilton had the upper hand. Brad Fale 14 and Cameron Twigley with the later batsmen took the score through to 148 for 9 with one over remaining. With one ball remaining, 3 runs were required and one wicket. Twigley was given out, caught behind for 31 off the last ball giving Hamilton victory by 3 runs, Puna taking 6 for 47 from 26 overs.

Result - outright loss by 3 runs.

HAMILTON BHS

1ST INNINGS

Whakataka	b Homer	34	c West b Henderson	16
Krishnan	b Homer	29	c Busing b Henderson	2
Styris	c Taylor b Twigley	18	c Watkins b Young	23
Bulloch	b Henderson	42	b Young	12
Herlihy	c Watkins b Twigley	1	c Busing b Twigley	0
J. Fowlie	c Busing b Twigley	67	c Busing b Young	15
Priscott	c Broadmore b Homer	7	Not Out	29
B. Fowlie	c Broadmore b Twigley	12	c Broadmore b Twigley	3
Otto	b Young	12	b Young	1
Puna	LBW b Twigley	0	c West b Young	0
Hickman	Not Out	0	c Mitchell b Twigley	1
Extras		17		4
TOTAL		243		106

	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W
Henderson	16	8	37	1	8	1	24	2
Mitchell	4	1	8	0				
West	15	3	54	0	5	1	14	0
Homer	17	3	85	3				
Twigley	14	4	40	5	13	3	42	3
Young	2	1	3	1	15	7	22	5

NPBHS

J. Watkins	c Fowlie b Puna	12	b Styris	39
B. Homer	c - b Fowlie	14	c Krisnan b Styris	14
M. Broadmore	c & b Priscott	48	b Puna	13
P. Mitchell	c - b Fowlie	7	b Puna	13
G. West	c - b Styris	57	c & b Puna	3
C. Twigley	St Bulloch b Otto	0	c Bulloch b Puna	31
T. Henderson	c - b Priscott	23	c - b Styris	0
B. Fale	c - b Priscott	19	LBW Puna	14
P. Busing	b Priscott	0	Run Out	1
N. Taylor	c - b Priscott	6	c Fowlie b Puna	3
R. Young	Not Out	2	Not Out	4
Extras		8		16
TOTAL		196		151

	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W
Priscott	19	1	53	5	2	0	27	0
Puna	19	6	45	1	26	9	47	6
Styris	12	3	26	1	24	5	61	4
Fowlie	11	5	21	2				
Otto	9	1	36	1				

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VERSUS WANGANUI COLLEGIATE AT WANGANUI

WCS won the toss and after the loss of an early wicket never lost another one till 175. They declared at 274 for 8. After a fine start by Jamie Watkins 40 and Greg Paynter 27 wickets fell steadily with only Blair Horner 34 and Thomas Henderson 24 offering resistance. NPBHS were all out for 176.

NPBHS bowled very well to dismiss WCS for 122, Nicky Taylor taking 3 for 45 and Gareth West 3 for 35. This left NPBHS 222 to win in 260 minutes (68 overs). A poor effort by the top order meant the chase was never on at 5 for 28. Only Cameron Twigley 30 and Thomas Henderson 23 scored runs. NPBHS was all out for 119 with 10 balls of the match remaining.

Result - outright loss by 103 runs.

WANGANUI COLLEGIATE

1ST INNINGS

D. Harold	c Mitchell b Twigley	12	c West b Taylor	15
D. Campion	c Broadmore b Henderson	83	c Fale b West	21
S. Wylie	c Watkins b Mitchell	83	c Young b West	11
B. Scott	b Henderson	26	c Mitchell b West	21
S. Jones	b Henderson	3	Run Out	14
R. McKinlay	b Young	1	Run Out	1
G. Taylor	c Young b West	18	c Mitchell b Henderson	8
G. Wells	Run Out	1	c Young b Taylor	3
H. Young	Not Out	4	c Watkins b Taylor	1
C. Fraser	Not Out	9	c West b Twigley	16
P. Moran	Not Out	8		
	Extras	35		3
	TOTAL	274		122

	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W
Henderson	13	2	39	3	11	4	30	1
Mitchell	12	1	55	1				
Twigley	13	4	32	1	1	1	0	1
West	11	1	60	1	14	3	35	3
Young	13	3	49	1				
Homer	3	0	21	0				
Taylor					24	11	45	3

NPBHS

1ST INNINGS

J. Watkins	Run Out	40	c Jones b Fraser	14
G. Paynter	c & b Scott	27	c Jones b Fraser	5
M. Broadmore	LBW Wylie	0	c Moran b Wells	0
P. Mitchell	c Jones b Scott	5	c Moran b Fraser	5
B. Horner	Run Out	34	c Scott b Wells	2
C. Twigley	c McKinlay b Harold	3	c Moran b Scott	30
T. Henderson	c & b Fraser	14	LBW b Wells	23
G. West	b Wylie	24	c Harold b Wylie	11
B. Fale	LBW b Fraser	0	c McKinlay b Fraser	11
N. Taylor	b Fraser	11	c Scott b Fraser	2
R. Young	Not Out	0	Not Out	4
	Extras	18		8
	TOTALS	176		119

	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W
Fraser	7	0	20	3	18	7	24	5
Wells	8	0	23	0	16	4	34	3
Harold	9	4	27	1				
Wylie	13	3	30	2	22	10	27	1
Scott	13	2	42	2	15	10	14	1
Jones	3	0	15	0				

SATURDAY MORNING CRICKET

At the start of this year NPBHS fielded 10 Saturday morning teams - a larger number even than the heady days of last year's World Cup. There were five teams in 4th Grade division one, two in 4th grade division two, one in 5th grade division one and finally two in 5th grade division two. While it is most encouraging to have so many boys interested in the sport, it does present the perennial problems of coaching and gear. Through regular raffle funding, Saturday morning cricket now has a reasonable amount of good quality gear and that certainly is boosted by those boys who are fortunate enough to have their own. Coaching is a big problem. The time involved is not inconsiderable and I am most grateful to all staff who 'volunteer' to either coach or manage a team. There are never enough unfortunately, and it is here I must pay a big tribute to the senior boys of the hostel who invariably relieve the situation by taking a team - allowing a staff member to manage. The man management skills of the senior boys are generally first class, as is their time commitment. I am extremely grateful for their help - long may it continue.

This season we had only three artificial wickets laid down (two on Webster Field, one on McNaught) and on the Gully we once again had a grass wicket, allowing for an easy transition of the Gully from cricket to rugby. Vandals destroyed one of the Webster field

wickets just before the end of the season, but through an open appeal to the boys, the arsonists were found and dealt with. Hopefully a new wicket will be ready for the new season.

In finishing, I would once again like to thank all coaches, staff and senior boys as well as two parents - Mr Kerr and Mr Rowson, for taking the teams.

Once again Mr Giddy (1st XI), Mr Hall (2nd XI) and Mr Warner (3rd XI) have been extremely helpful and supportive to not only the junior teams but also to me, and for that I am most grateful. With the ongoing commitment of staff like these, cricket remains in capable hands.

A. F. KIRK,
Master in Charge of Cricket.



2ND XI

The 2nd XI again competed in the men's 2nd grade competition, and once again had a mixed season. The team finished 4th in the grade (they had the potential to finish 1st) due to a lack of concentration and commitment in some vital games. This inconsistency was partly due to the team's youthfulness and I am sure that all of the team will be better players for the experience.

The pleasing aspect of the season was the way in which most of the players responded in the tougher games. Teams such as Westown, New Plymouth, Ratapiko and Inglewood have a wealth of experience and we managed to beat all four at some stage of the season. This clearly showed the ability that this team had when everyone was focussed.

The players who made an impact this season were Brad Fale (highlighted by a match scoring 100 and match winning 80), David and Grant Fabish, Todd Feather (highlighted by his ability to take wickets at vital stages) and Johnny Weston. The remaining players all made a significant contribution at some stage of the season. The real disappointment of the year was the college game against Hamilton Boys' High. No-one in this game fired a shot and the way in which they capitulated in the second innings was a learning experience for those involved.

I thank the players for their efforts, especially over the summer holidays, when getting teams together is very difficult, and wish them all the best for the coming seasons.

G. HALL

3RD XI

The 3rd XI cricket team faced a tough series of games during the 1992-93 season but emerged with credit and a never-say-die attitude. Playing against strong club sides and 1st XIs from both Spotswood and Francis Douglas proved a hard task and an ever changing line-up of players meant that surprise and spontaneity substituted for consistency. Solid performances from individual players were a highlight - Kelvin and Bevan Coley as opening bats, Colby Tyrell as a strike bowler and mid-order stability from Grant Sole, Aaron Knowles and Phil Lister. The team made history by giving the Francis Douglas 1st XI their highest ever total in a single match, some 319 runs from 45 overs. The match saw an entertaining chase from 3rd XI, however, with a total of 225 runs in reply. Some meritorious victories were achieved and the 3rd XI will look towards the 1993/94 season with anticipation.

J. WARNER



SOCCER



NPBHS 1ST XI SOCCER

Back Row, left to right: Mr H.L. Russell (Manager), Monty Amundsen, Jonathon Harmer, Charlton Leo, Hayden Markham, Andrew Eagles, Michael Smith, Steve Stark, Glen Hooper (Coach).
Front Row: Andy Ilo, Paul Drake, Blair Horner, John Woodward (Captain), Rhys McNally, Sam Kindler, Scott McKenzie.

1993 was another very good year for our 1st XI. We had a core of players returning from 1992 and gained a number of quality players from club sides. The team trained well under the direction of its coach Glenn Hooper and the team was most professional on and off the field.

TARANAKI FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION PREMIER COMPETITION

This year the team made a decision to move up from Taranaki Division One to the Premier Grade in the local competition. After winning the Division One competition in 1992 the team was looking for tougher competition to strengthen their performance in the inter-school games. The team's goal for the season was to be placed in the top four of the competition.

NPBHS played 18 games in the TFA Premier competition, with 12 wins and six losses. This put the team in 4th place at the end of the season, only one point behind the 3rd placed team Moturoa and two points behind the 2nd placed team Inglewood. During the season the team managed to beat both these teams at least once. Boys' High managed to cause an upset in the competition when last year's runners up Inglewood were beaten 8-1.

Results, round one: TSB Rangers lost 3-4; Hawera won 4-1; Inglewood won 8-1; Fitzroy won 2-0; Moturoa won 2-1; Wanganui lost 4-5; Woodleigh lost 0-3; NP City won 9-0; Kingston Rangers won 3-0.

Round two: TSB Rangers won 3-0; Hawera won 4-1; Inglewood default; Fitzroy won 3-0; Moturoa lost 2-4; Wanganui won 3-0; Woodleigh lost 1-4; NP City default; Kingston Rangers won 3-1.

A total of 52 goals were scored during the season with 24 scored against. Andy Ilo was the leading goal scorer in the competition and won the Taranaki Football Association's Golden Boot Award. The team was also awarded 2nd place in the Fair Play Award and won a monetary prize.

COLLEGE GAMES

Hamilton Boys' High School: The 1st XI first game was an away fixture against Hamilton Boys'. In the first half NPBHS created many scoring opportunities but failed to capitalise on them. The team had to come to grips with playing on a very small field which didn't suit our style of football. Hamilton scored the one and only goal in the game half-way through the first half. We kept attacking until the full-time whistle and were unlucky not to score

when we missed a penalty shot and a second chance was missed when the ball hit the cross bar.

Wanganui Collegiate: This was the team's only home game of the season and the team was pleased to see the large number of students supporting the school at this game. The first goal was scored by Hayden Markham from a corner kick. Hayden managed to flick the ball into the back of the net. It wasn't until the second half that Boys' High scored again from a free kick taken by Jonathon Harmer. The kick was taken from way outside the keeper's box. The keeper tried to save it, however, the ball slipped over his head into the goal. The final result was a 2-0 win to Boys' High. During the game the NPBHS had a lot more opportunities but failed to capitalise on them.

Wellington College: In this game the 1st XI Soccer achieved something that this school has not managed to achieve in at least the last 10 years, that is beat Wellington College in Wellington.

The game was played in terrible conditions. In the first ten minutes we were put under considerable pressure by Wellington. However, the first goal was scored from a corner kick taken by Andy Ilo, when John Woodward headed the ball into the back of the net halfway through the first half.

Wellington then put pressure on our defence and equalised shortly after. It wasn't until just before half time that we scored again from a through ball from Scott McKenzie to Rhys McNally who then crossed the ball from the bye line for Andy Ilo to score.

At half-time we were ahead 2-1. The first 20 minutes of this half Wellington made all the play and the pressure paid off when Wellington equalised again at 2-2. Andy Ilo sealed the victory for Boys' High when he managed to get the ball from a very fine angle between the keeper and the goal post. We then had to sustain pressure from Wellington for the last five minutes. The end result was a 3-2 victory to Boys' High.

Wanganui Boys' High School: This was the team's last College game of the season. In the first half we made all the play. Sam Kindler scored the first goal. In the second half Wanganui equalised in the first 15 minutes. We finished strongly but couldn't score. The result was a 1-1 draw.

NZSSFA TOURNAMENT IN AUCKLAND

In the first week of the August holidays the 1st XI travelled to Auckland to defend the Jim Wishart Trophy, which they won in



Andy Ilo on the burst.

Palmerston North in 1992. Twenty teams were competing in two tournaments in Auckland, with the winner of each tournament meeting in a grand final on the Friday.

The team had eight games in five days with a final and semi-final on the same day.

The results of pool play: vs Waiopahu won 5-0; vs Long Bay won 2-0; vs Mt Roskill Grammar won 6-0; vs Hastings Boys' won 8-0; vs Waitakere lost 0-1.

With the loss to Waitakere College we were runners-up in our pool and faced the winner of the other pool, Lynfield College in our semi-final match. The result of the game was a 4-0 win to NPBHS and a place in the final against Whakatane High School.

Whakatane scored first, halfway through the first half. It wasn't until the second half that we managed to equalise. Rhys McNally scored the goal of the tournament with a long shot from outside the box. At the end of 80 minutes play the score was locked at 1-1 and ten minutes each way of extra time had to be played. The extra time allowed us to dominate - Charlton Leo, Hayden Markham and Sam Kindler scored, the result was a 4-1 win to NPBHS.

The team had won the Mt Roskill/Lynfield College tournament but they still had to face De La Salle in the grand final the next day to win the Jim Wishart Cup. The game was locked at nil-all until 15 minutes before full-time. Paul Drake scored the winning goal when he put a backward flick kick over the keeper's head. This was the first of Paul's two goals in this game. Scott McKenzie pressured the keeper into an own goal and Sam Kindler took the last goal in a 4-0 win.

NPBHS had won the NZSSFA Division One tournament for the second year in a row. The real strength of the team was that we had 14 outstanding players and we did not have a weak bench. When a substitute went on, he was always a more-than-adequate replacement for the person who came off.

Sam Kindler was the top goal scorer at the tournament and gained nomination for the tournament team. Other players to be nominated: Andy Ilo, Paul Drake, Charlton Leo, Rhys McNally, Blair Horner.

THE PLAYERS

John Woodward: (Captain) - Centre Back. John went from strength to strength as captain as the season progressed. A most determined player who led the team by example with some excellent defence. A very good header of the ball in set plays.

Rhys McNally: (Vice-Captain) - Centre Midfield. Rhys made a tremendous contribution to the team in the midfield. His work rate was excellent and he was always contesting the 50/50 balls in the air. Rhys' best performance of the season both on and off the field was at the secondary schools' tournament in Auckland.

Andrew Eagles: Right Back. Andrew was converted at the start of the season from a midfield player to a back. Andrew secured his place as right back with some very sound and determined defensive play and became a valuable player in the backline.

Blair Horner: Goalkeeper. This was Blair's second year as the 1st XI goalkeeper. His brilliant reflexes and extreme speed coming off the goal-line made him a valuable asset to the team. As a senior player he also made a great contribution off the field.

Paul Drake: Right Half. Paul was a tireless worker as right half. His strengths were his ability to quickly push the ball up to the bye line for the strikers and to complete recovery runs to support the backs. Paul gained representation in the NZSSFA tournament team.

Andy Ilo: Striker. Andy is a deceptively fast player who was always a crowd pleaser with his tremendous ball skills. This year Andy was the top goal scorer in the local competition and was awarded the Golden Boot Award.

Charlton Leo: Midfield. Charlton played with Rhys McNally in the midfield. This midfield combination was one of the best in the local competition. Charlton contested everything. He was able to get back on defence but also score goals.

Steve Stark: Left Back. Steve came to us this year from the Fitzroy Club and was another converted midfield player. Steve was 'Mr Dependable' in the backline. He could always be relied on to clean up any defensive errors.

Sam Kindler: Striker. This was Sam's second year in the 1st XI. He had a great start to the season but went off the boil mid-season. His best football was played at the NZSSFA tournament when he became top goal scorer to the competition.

Monty Amundsen: Midfield. Monty was a late inclusion in the squad this year. His strength was his ability to play anywhere on the field, a great asset to the team.

Jonathon Harmer: Sweeper. Jonathon was another late inclusion in the side after he decided to switch from a club to the school. A very sound defender who cemented the backline into place.

Scott McKenzie: Left Half. Scott, one of the youngest of the team, went from strength to strength as the season progressed. A speedy half with excellent ball skills.

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Hayden Markham: Midfield/Left Half. Hayden is this year's most improved player. He started the season on the reserve bench. However, he capitalised on his opportunities and played most of the tournament games.

Michael Smith: Left Half/Striker. Michael was plagued with injury problems throughout the season. He and Scott had a battle for the left half position. A very committed and dedicated player.

CONCLUSION

The success of the soccer over the last two seasons is due to the dedication and commitment of its coach Glenn Hooper. Glenn, as an outside coach, puts a lot of time into soccer at Boys' High with little financial reward, because he loves the game.

For the first time this year the 1st XI had a major sponsor. Special thanks must go to Jim and Mary Stark from McDonald's for their support for the 1st XI Soccer.

1993 proved another very successful year for the 1st XI. We look forward to the continued development of soccer at Boys' High and the possibility of hosting a NZSSFA tournament in August in 1994.

HUGH RUSSELL

2ND XI SOCCER



The 2nd XI had an interesting start to the season. The management opted for another season in the Youth League. They did not know this league only consisted of four teams including our own 3rd XI. Luckily there was one place left in the senior first division which we thankfully (but apprehensively) took.

After we only one practice we had to play in and against Stratford which, despite excellent goalkeeping from Philip Lister, we lost by 8-1 against the first division champion of last year (shouldn't they have played premier league?)

The week after we had to make a further trip to Eltham, but despite the fact that Kane's car set a good example, the players were not fast enough to stop the Eltham attack. Man of the match Graham Smith in a courageous effort couldn't prevent a 4-0 loss in the rain and with many uncertainties in the line-up.

The TFA really tested us in the first three weeks with another away game. This time Hawera, but the investment in travel time paid off. An excellent team effort with a goal from man of the match Michael Loughlin resulted in a 1-0 win. The manager/coach was hoping for more stability in the weekly line up so that some 'flowing' game patterns could be developed but the May holiday plans of quite a few boys made this impossible. Although we got many chances, the first eight games of the season only resulted in five points.

It was time for some harsh but also positive words. It worked out well! The game in and against Inglewood was the first game in the second half of the season. A brilliant team display with good passes and three well taken goals (3-1 win).

In between we also managed to reach the quarter final of the 'Duff Rosebowl' Cup competition. The players got tired and injured and the big quarter final game against Inglewood (premier league) certainly came at the wrong time and a big loss ended the cup dreams.

The season ended with 24 points and the sixth place in the league of 10 senior teams, a very good effort and excellent experience for all the boys, a stepping stone to more senior soccer. Tim Cooper as a responsible captain played a dominant role in defence, almost unbeatable in the air and over the ground. Robertson Szetu showed his skills in the mid-field with many fine displays assisted by Ronald Warsal with his inimitable rushes on goal. I would really like to compliment the whole team for good and fair soccer.

B. VENEMA

Special thanks to Ian Jessep for running many excellent practices also to Mr Day for the transport and supporting us every game.

3RD XI SOCCER

The 3rd XI was formed after we had an extremely large number of senior pupils show an interest in playing for the school. Throughout the season the drop-off rate was reasonably high and we played quite a number of games with makeshift teams.

However, this did not distract from the enjoyment of the game and a number of opposition teams made it clear that they enjoyed playing against us for a good game of soccer. The Taranaki Football Association awarded us 3rd place for Fair Play Awards in Division 2B.

We sorely felt the lack of facilities available for school for changing when other school teams were also at home as we were playing in a senior men's division and were accorded not only changing sheds but also after-match functions when playing away. We hope we will be able to reciprocate this in the future.

The team was ably lead by Grant Campbell throughout the season, playing as always his vigorous attacking and defending style of game. Other core players for the season were Aaron Moratti, Nick Dempsey, Matthew Thoresen, Mark Whittaker, Dean Judd, David Northcott, Jae Lee and Vincent Yu. But arguably the player who contributed the most to keeping up team spirit and morale was our hard-working goalkeeper Simon Edgecombe.

Our most memorable game of the season was our upset draw with then competition leaders Waitara, who until then had been undefeated and had not drawn with any others. Thanks must also go out to the 'part-timers' who often made up our numbers. In games where we started with fewer than 11 (or even 10) players we were never more than one goal down at half-time. But tiredness and the opposition's fresh reserves usually had the score line drift up on us.

Thank you to the players for a most enjoyable season of soccer.

A. BONE



UNDER 15A SOCCER

This team had an enjoyable year of soccer as most games were very close results. Unfortunately, an inability to finish off chances created in the preliminary rounds of play meant that we played in the Second Division of the Under 15 grade. The team was captained by Joshua Hamblyn in the midfield. Bruce Gregory showed brilliant form on the left half and created a vast number of opportunities as well as scoring a number of goals. The right half was ably shared by Duane Old and Matthew Johnson, both players with promise. Kane McIntyre and Craig Davis both performed well on the right wing sending the ball into our strikers Joshua Hooper and Calum Jamieson. Joshua had the distinction of being chosen for the Taranaki representative team. Luke Diment had a patchy season on the left wing with an arm in a cast for the last few weeks. The backline was ably controlled from goal by Grant Howard and by Graeme Hooper at sweeper. Andrew Hurley, Christopher Ruyters, Justin Bell formed the backline with occasional shifts into the halves.

A large thank you to Andrew Bean, a seventh form pupil who gave freely of his time in assisting to coach and manage the team, particularly on the occasions when I wasn't able to be with the team. And also a warm thank you to the supportive parents for turning up to watch and provide transport. I hope you all have an enjoyable summer.

A. BONE



SQUASH



NPBHS SQUASH TEAM

Back Row, left to right: D. Cameron, P. Tito, Mr Sims. **Front Row:** A. Kenneth, H. Gray, S. Hill, B. Coles.

This year NPBHS entered a team in the New Zealand Secondary Schools' Squash Championships which were held in Wellington the week before school broke up for the August holidays. The team was Hamish Gray (captain), Duane Cameron, Paul Tito, Bevan Coles, Scott Hill and Anthony Kenneth.

We were seeded 12 for the tournament out of a draw of 32 teams.

The team travelled down on Saturday for their first game on Sunday against Motueka High. As we were seeded above a win was expected and it proved so as we won 5-0 with Paul Tito the only player to be really challenged but he got fired up and won in four games. Everyone else won in three games.

Our next match was against fifth seeds and traditional rugby rivals St Patrick's, Silverstream. This was going to be a very tough game as their number one player was the ninth best junior in New Zealand and the rest of their players were either the same grade or higher than our team. What made it harder was that the number one players play third and we knew we were going to lose that game, so the pressure was on the first two players on court. Duane Cameron and Scott Hill who both played their best games of the year while winning. As expected the number one game was lost so

we were leading 2-1 when Bevan Coles played the captain of their 1st XV rugby. This was a very tight game with Bevan eventually winning in four. The last game Paul Tito did not quite fire but we still won 3-2.

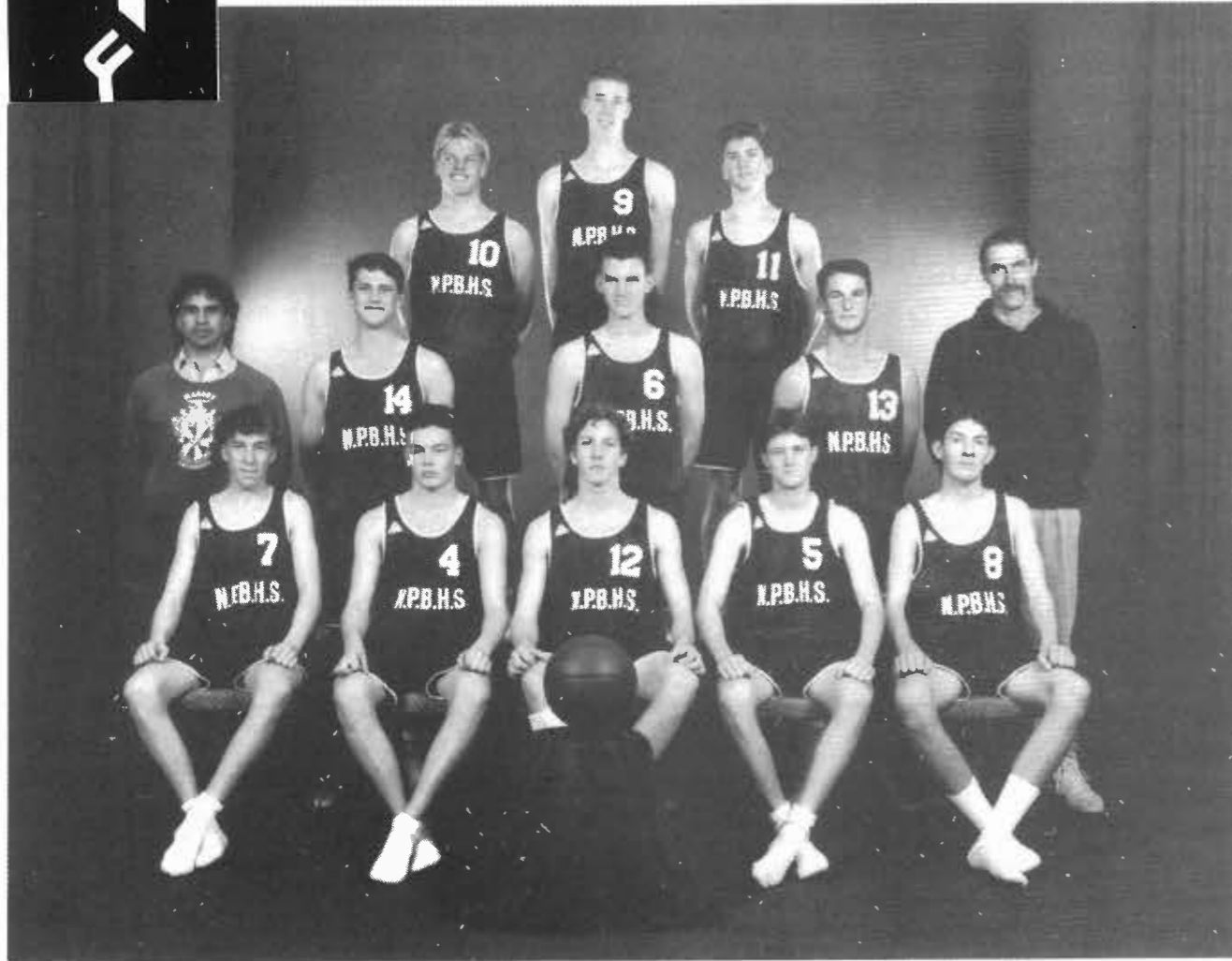
It only got tougher from here as we drew fourth seeds and eventual third placed Shirley Boys of Christchurch. There we had no-one who was graded the same as our Shirley opponents. But, as we were playing for a place in the semis we had an outside chance.

The first two games were won by Shirley as our players seemed fatigued from our win over St Patrick's in the morning. But, this time the third match was won by our number one but we still trailed 2-1 and facing elimination. But as happens often in squash the game can hang on one point and so it was with Bevan as he was one point from going two games up and on to a win, but he eventually lost in a very close five games. This meant we were out.

But Paul Tito who played the final game showed sparks of brilliance and a real fire in a game which if it was the deciding game could have gone either way. Paul eventually lost in a tight three sets. So NPBHS lost 4-1. This meant we were placed fifth in New Zealand which I think is an excellent effort and the whole team will be back next year with a real chance of winning.



BASKETBALL



NPBHS A BASKETBALL

Back Row, left to right: Jamey Kerr, Tony Rampton, Damon Green.
Middle Row: Matiu Julian (Coach), Matthew Laurenson, Ryan Crofskey, Andy Kinsella, Colin Driscoll (Coach).
Front Row: Roddy Struthers, Thomas Henderson, Jeremy Coley (Captain), Nicky Taylor, Jason Feame.

1ST V BASKETBALL

In 1992 serious consideration gave rise to the realisation that the team in 1993 would be one of great potential, fully able to go all the way to the top.

It was obvious that the team would be young and much thought would have to be given on how such a team could come to believe in themselves and realise their potential.

As with many things some goals were achieved and some were not.

The initial grading games in the Taranaki Premier Division Basketball Competition went very well.

Non-basketballers should note that this competition features members of the BP Bears and it is not uncommon for the school 1st V to be playing men of national league calibre and in some cases men with recognised ability in the American playing circuit.

School finished in 4th position in this competition. A truly meritorious effort with the best game of the season being a win over Aces (a team solidly stacked with current BP Bears players) who went on late in the season to play in the competition finals.

As the season progressed, however, it became apparent that the local schools were not able to stretch us sufficiently to enable us to reach our potential.

We comfortably won the Taranaki Competition beating Inglewood, Opunake, Francis Douglas Memorial College, Spotswood, Okato and Stratford.

Bearing this in mind we elected to play Palmerston North Boys' High School (later on second in New Zealand Nationals) losing 58-69 and Church College (later on first in New Zealand Nationals) losing 73-87. Both losses gave us the confidence that we were on track. At this stage our luck ran out.

Injuries to key players hindered our development. Jeremy Coley - captain, Andy Kinsella and Jamey Kerr all members of the starting V suffered injuries at critical times. Then the cruellest blow of all, our star player Tony Rampton 6'7" and a member of the New Zealand Under 18 team decided to go after Regionals, to the USA to further his basketball career.

It was a troubled team that journeyed to Wanganui to contest the Regional competition.

Our misfortune continued with the draw of Queen Elizabeth College for our first game. QEII were determined to progress to Nationals and used spoiling aggressive tactics to throw a young team off its game. We were narrowly beaten by a more unscrupulous opponent.

Although we went on to beat Inglewood and Horowhenua, we lost the fourth game to PNBHS and so lost our chances to go on to the Nationals.

In the play-off for 3rd and 4th we lost to Wanganui Boys' College. The low point of the season had been reached.

Commendably though, the players and coach stuck to their task and the younger players were pulled through.

The team note and thank Jamey Kerr and Jeremy Coley for their efforts at this time as well as coaches Matiu Julian and Colin Driscoll. New players were drafted in and a fresh goal of success in the large Zone Regional Competition was set.

In the first week of the August holidays we began the competition by playing on day one Porirua College winning 125-30 and Awatapu College winning 117-37. On day two we played Wanganui Boys' College and restored pride with a victory 94-49. We then played the first cross-overs and beat a committed Upper Hutt College 57-48.

Day three saw us beat Wellington High School in the first semi-final 96-39. In the final we fought off a very considerable challenge from Francis Douglas College to win 69-58.

The team got three players in the tournament team - Thomas Henderson, Jamey Kerr and Matthew Laurenson with Matthew Laurenson being named MVP of the tournament.

The team wish to thank their coaches for their efforts and wish to thank the players who will be leaving school at the end of the year. The players who are returning have reset the goal of 1993.

We aim to play in the Nationals in 1994.

J. B. LAURENSEN,
Manager.

JUNIOR BASKETBALL

This has been a successful year in that we fielded 14 teams in the Junior League and every team had at least one coach. The standard of skill continues to rise and we were able to enter a team composed of able third and fourth form students in the Under 16 A grade where they finished fourth.

A new grade was introduced this year for Under 18 players and this was very popular and we fielded three teams in this grade.

The Aztecs - Under 16 B grade team were the only team to win their grade and congratulations must be extended to them for this effort.

I would like to thank the coaches and parents who so willingly gave their time so many basketballers could enjoy their sport. I would also like to thank the players for the positive way they participated in their games and the way so many were prepared to help with refereeing and score board duties.



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NPBHS SURFING CHAMPIONSHIPS

On February 16, 1993, 60 competitors assembled at Fitzroy Beach for the first round of the school Surfing Championships. The

competition is divided into two events, surfboarding and bodyboarding with approximately equal entries in the two sections.

In the preliminary round, four-man heats of 20 minutes duration were held with the first and second placegetters qualifying for round two. In disappointing .5-1.0m surf, competition was keen and the standard of surfing was high. At the conclusion of the day, 14 qualifiers for the board riding and 12 for the bodyboarding had been finalised.

After nine days of near flat conditions with daily assembling of the qualifiers and mounting frustration the swell arrived on February 25 and round two began in conditions which produced a one metre swell which increased to 1.5-2.0, by the end of the event. This led to some highly skilful and entertaining surfing in both sections.

In the board riding event last year's performers Joe Fraser and Moses Kemp were joined by Brent Hutchieson a newcomer to the school, with the eventual results being: Brent Hutchieson 1st, Joe Fraser 2nd, Jamie Kerr 3rd, James Thomas 4th, Simon McCallum 5th, Brett Sands 6th.

Unfortunately Moses Kemp was unavailable for the final.

The bodyboarding event, saw favourite Greg Roebuck (a member of last year's New Zealand Surfing team) being pushed hard by Paul Busing, Damon Green and promising junior Peter Kingsnorth. Greg prevailed to take 1st place, however and results were: Greg Roebuuck 1st, Paul Busing 2nd, Damon Green 3rd, Peter Kingsnorth 4th, Nic Cooper 5th, Cameron Clow 6th.

The school team to represent the school at the Taranaki Inter-secondary School Surfing Championships on March 1 was selected with the following being successful:

Board riding, under 18: Brent Hutchieson, Joe Fraser (Captain), Jamie Kerr, James Thomas (Reserve).

Under 16: Moses Kemp, Brett Sands, Simon McCallum, Daniel Lander (Reserve).

Bodyboarders: Greg Roebuck, Paul Busing, Damon Green (Reserve).

On March 1 the school team, along with eight other Taranaki teams, assembled at Paritutu's 'Back Beach' for the Taranaki Inter-secondary School Surfing Championships. Conditions were ideal with light winds and one metre swell. From the beginning of heat one it became obvious that the competition was going to be fierce and the standard of surfing extremely high.

As the day progressed Francis Douglas College, Spotswood College, Waitara and New Plymouth Boys' High School emerged as the teams to beat. The final outcome saw the New Plymouth Boys' High School as comfortable winners ahead of Waitara, last year's champions.

Results were: New Plymouth Boys' High School, 1st, 60 points; Waitara High School, 2nd, 47 points; Francis Douglas, 3rd, 44 points.

The school also performed well in the individual placings with: Brent Hutchieson, 1st in the Under 18; Moses Kemp, 1st in the Under 16; Greg Roebuck, 1st in the bodyboarding; Paul Busing, 2nd in the bodyboarding.

Thus the day produced a very favourable outcome for the school.

Selected for the Taranaki/Wanganui Scholastic team to contest the Nationals in New Plymouth were: Brent Hutchieson, Moses Kemp, Greg Roebuck, Paul Busing.

In the National Scholastic competition the Taranaki/Wanganui team performed well to take 2nd place behind winners from the Gisborne district.

Brent Hutchieson gained 3rd place in the Under 18 section of the New Zealand Scholastic Championships and was selected to represent New Zealand in the World Scholastic Surfing Championships held in Bali in June/July.

Greg Roebuck was placed 1st in the bodyboard section. This is a record of three wins in successive years.

Paul Busing was placed 2nd.

Over Easter Greg competed in the finals of the New Zealand bodyboarding championships. New Zealand's 1993 Bodyboarding Champion, Greg's efforts are unlikely to be matched in the foreseeable future.

In Bali, Brent was a finalist gaining 7th place in the World Champs. Greg Roebuck is a trialist for the New Zealand team to the 1994 World Champs and was selected to represent New Zealand at an international contest in Sydney later this year.





BADMINTON



NPBHS BADMINTON

Back Row, left to right: K. Rowson, D. Cameron, Mr T. Heaps, J. Barr, B. Walsh.
Front Row: S. Maclean, M. Jayasekera, T. Lim (Captain), D. Scott, B. Rowson.

Our first inter-school match of the season was played against Hamilton Boys' High School in mid-June at Hamilton. We were represented by: Lim, Scott, Jayasekera, Barr, Cameron and Rowson. Hamilton is a strong side, situated in a strong association, and even though there were some close matches, we lost 10-5. Tee Sern Lim was the backbone of the team winning two singles, and combining with Brad Rowson to win a doubles. However, Rowson and Jeremie Barr played very well to win their singles matches over three hard fought games.

We next faced Wellington College at Badminton Hall, Wellington in early August, where Brendan Walsh replaced Duane Cameron in the team, and celebrated his promotion into the team with a 15/11 15/9 win in his singles. Brad Rowson also won a singles, and Lim won two, but the other members fought hard in their games and were not disgraced.

The Taranaki Secondary Schools' Badminton Championships were played at New Plymouth Girls' High School in mid-July for the second time. We were again represented by Lim and Scott in the seniors, and Kane Rowson and Scott MacLean in the juniors. The participants gave an improved performance this year with Lim winning the senior singles, and combining with Scott to win the doubles. The junior pair were runners-up in the doubles, and MacLean was a singles semi-finalist.

As in 1992, Boys' High School was the strongest school for boys' badminton in Taranaki. Consequently, as we had expected we were asked to represent the province in the New Zealand Secondary Schools' Championships. However, this year the format of the competition was altered, and instead of four regions there were eight zones, so rather than going to Hamilton we found ourselves going to Wanganui, as schools from Taranaki, Wanganui, Manawatu, Orua and Horowhenua fought for the zone title and the right to go to Christchurch for the finals.

We began the day with the tie against Fielding Agricultural High School (Orua). We won three of the singles, but having lost one single, we also lost the two doubles and only won the tie on a

countback of points 94-92. That close call was followed by the tie against Palmerston North Boys' High School (Manawatu) which we lost 4-2, with Lim winning his singles, and combining with Rowson for a doubles win. Our third opponent was Wanganui High School, the eventual zone winner who defeated us 6-0, Lim not even stemming the tide. However, we ended on a strong note by beating Otaki College (Horowhenua), 5-1 with Lim, Rowson and Walsh all winning singles. So at the end of the day we were third which was a reasonable result.

At the end of June - beginning of July the two rounds of the inter-house competition were played. On June 27, Donnelly lost to Hatherly 3-3, 78 points-71 points, while Syme beat Barak 6-0. So in the final round on July 1, Syme beat Hatherly 5-0, and in another tight tie, Donnelly beat Barak 3-3, 105 points - 68 points. So the final places were: Syme 1st, Hatherly 2nd, Donnelly 3rd and Barak 4th.

Early in the third term, the school championships were held. In the junior championships, Scott MacLean was the winner of the Isaac Cup, while Tee Sern Lim won the senior singles and the Cook and Lister Cup.

The following players gained representative honours in 1993:
New Zealand Central Region for June Bevan trophy (held in Launceston, Tasmania): Tee Sern Lim (Team Captain).

Taranaki Under 16 and Under 18 teams: Tee Sern Lim.

Taranaki Under 16 team: Brad Rowson.

The following players won Taranaki titles this season:

Under 14 Doubles: Scott MacLean.

Under 16 Doubles: Brad Rowson.

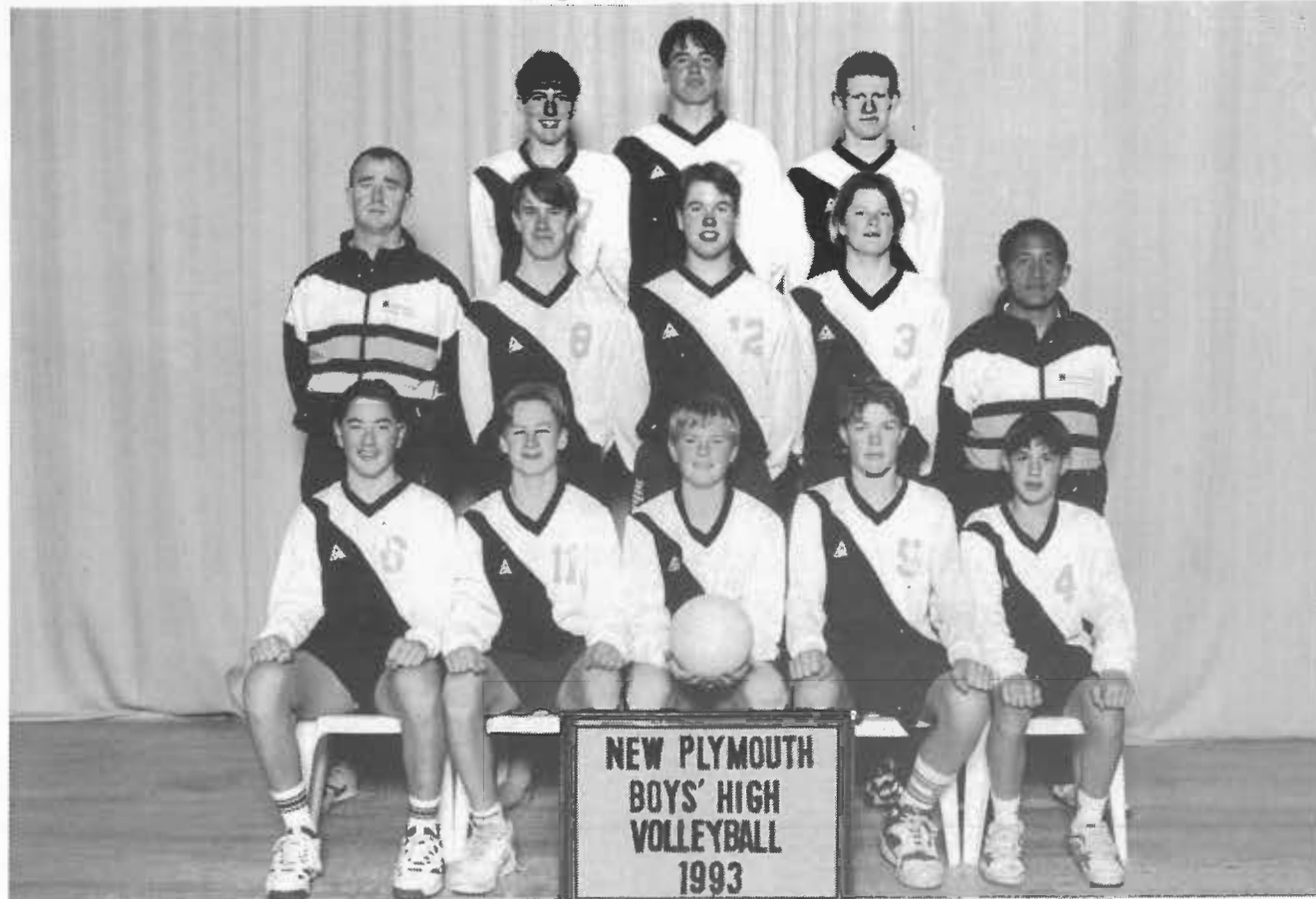
Under 18 Singles and Doubles: Tee Sern Lim.

Fair Play Award: Matheesha Jayasekera.

Honours Awards: Tee Sern Lim, Duncan Scott, Matheesha Jayasekera, Jeremie Barr and Brad Rowson.

It has been a mixed season, but the experience gained will stand all team members in good stead when they return in 1994.

VOLLEYBALL



NPBHS VOLLEYBALL

Back Row, left to right: Michael Parson, Shan Jordan, Regan West.
Middle Row: Mr McKenzie, Nick Allen, Jason Rowe, Sam Hazledine, Mr Maaka.
Front Row: Dwayne Wilson, Jeremy Barnes, Bruce Gregory (Captain), Nick Cooper, David Wilson.

I especially would like to thank Mr Rex Soper, Managing Director of Sopers NZ Ltd (and an old boy of NPBHS) for his generous, long-term sponsorship which has enabled the Junior and Senior teams to be outfitted with tracksuits.

A volleyball-a-thon operated for six hours on the first Saturday in term three, to raise money while receiving coaching and playing games. A huge success in terms of skills knowledge gained from a nationally recognised coach who came in for the morning to work with 30 boys.

A special thanks to Mr Maaka and Mr Atkins for also giving up their time and to the many local businesses who sponsored us.

At the conclusion of term two, after many lunchtime and evening practices, a junior squad of 11 players was selected to tour the Bay of Plenty/Waikato as preparation for our three day regional junior qualifying tournament on our return.

Highlights of the tour were:

1. Performance against Tauranga Boys' College (a team ranked in the top 3 in the North Island).
2. Coming from behind (one set down 10-15 and losing 9-14 in the second set) to eventually win the second set 16-14 and then win the match 17-15 in the third set against Otumoetai College Boys.

TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS JUNIOR VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP 1993

This was held on October 14 at NPBHS. Our aim was to defend our title achieved by winning this tournament in 1992.

We played four section games over the course of the day.

Results

- v Inglewood High School. Won.
- v Waitara High School. Won.
- v Patea High School. Won.
- v Francis Douglas Memorial College. Won.

This meant we progressed to the final to play Spotswood College. It was a very close and intense match. After winning the first set convincingly we were beaten soundly in the second set. Again, when it really counted the team lifted their intensity to take the match comfortably in the latter stages of the third set.

Result:

Final: v Spotswood College. Won 2-1. 15-3, 7-15, 15-6.

This gives us the title of Taranaki Secondary Schools Junior Champions for two years running, 1992-93, and are unbeaten in these two years. Well done guys you deserved your victory, and are worthy champions.

M. MCKENZIE

SENIOR VOLLEYBALL

Last year's Taranaki Secondary Schools Junior Championship winning team formed the nucleus of this year's Senior A Team for the Regional Qualifying Tournament.

The Regional Qualifying Tournament was held over three days in February. The team consisting of mainly Form 5 boys, performed extremely well against the top schools of mainly Form 6/7 students.

The day three tournament was for the top 5 teams from days one and two. After four games, the winning team would represent Taranaki at Senior Nationals in Nelson. We finished third after a countback of sets for and against.



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GOLF



NPBHS GOLF

Back Row, left to right: Murray Dobson, Matthew Moorhead, David Mossop.
Front Row: Jonathon Cane, Rhys Watkins, Simon Edgecombe.

The school has been well represented in golf this year. The standard of internal competition was high and a fourth placing at national level was the best we have done.

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Thursday, August 12, 1.00pm New Plymouth Golf Course, \$1 entry fee for best net prize. Championships awarded to best gross score:

Number One Tee: 1.00pm: R. Watkins (4), J. Cane (4), M. Moorhead (8), B. Walsh (10).

1.06pm: K. Elstone (10), A. Chamberlain (9), J. Green (10), S. Edgecombe (12).

1.12pm: S. Henderson (16), A. Brown (16), J. Whitwell (16), C. Sheridan (18).

Number Ten Tee: 1.00pm: B. Humphries (18), H. Bracegirdle (18), N. Miskaly (20), D. Whittaker (19).

1.06pm: S. McLean (21), D. Muir (22), K. Jones (21).

1.12pm: B. Russell (28), R. Gatenby (28), R. Hooper (31).

Results: School Champion (best gross) Jonathon Cane 78; runner-up: Jade Green 79; 3rd: Simon Edgecombe 80; best nett: Ronald Gatenby 59.

INTER-SECONDARY SCHOOLS TOURNAMENT

On Friday, April 2, the school fielded a team of 22 golfers in a total field of 100 competitors from 10 different schools.

Weather conditions were good, but the Westown greens had just been cored and were not easy.

Our school won the competition with a gross score of 225, well ahead of the next school, Waverley on 247, with Inglewood third on 253. This enabled the school golf team to proceed to the Lower North Island Regional Finals.

The three best gross scores were: Rhys Watkins 69 (three under par), Jonathon Cane 76, Simon Edgecombe 80.

The depth of talent in the school at present is such that even without Rhys Watkins' excellent score, the school would have won the competition easily.

Ronald Gatenby, a fast-improving player on a 32 handicap played very well and had a nett round of 60, which was 1st equal in the net competition.

LOWER NORTH ISLAND REGIONAL FINALS

This was held at the Belmont Golf Club in Wanganui on June 10. In a closely fought contest New Plymouth Boys' High School beat Wairarapa College by four strokes and Wanganui High School by five strokes.

Individual scores were: Rhys Watkins 75 (best individual score), Jonathon Cane 77, Darrell Martin 85, Simon Edgecombe 90.

This enabled the school to take part in the National Inter-Secondary Tournament with five other regional winners.

D. MOSSOP



Rhys Watkins

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CYCLING



NPBHS CYCLING A

Left to right: M. Gordon, M. Treanor, A. Tavendale, D. Jones, M. Surgenor, C. Pollock.

CYCLING

This year NPBHS had two teams involved in cycling training. A junior team was started, aiming to compete in their own section in the national competition. John Woodward, as captain, proved to be a very strong rider and by year's end had proved his ability to motivate and encourage his team of: Erik Horrie, Toby Jordan and Ian Steele. The team was coached by Chris Pollock who proved a good role model. The junior team competed in the National Champs at Levin and came a creditable seven out of 13 junior teams. As a manager I must admit I did not expect them to do so well. If these students stay together for the 1994 season - John as captain and with Chris providing a positive input, this team will do very well at the nationals (still being able to ride in the junior division).

NPBHS A team: Mark Gordon, Matthew Treanor, Matthew Surgenor, Daryn Jones, Andrew Tavendale and Chris Pollock (captain). This team is a very young team; all being fifth formers (except Andrew) and if the students stay together they will be very good. The boys know each other well and are pretty motivated. This team competed against Hamilton BHS and Wanganui BC (coached by Ron Cheatley, the New Zealand Olympic coach!) and lost, and won against PNBHS in perfect conditions.

At the Sir Bernard Fergusson Nationals in Levin the A team was placed at 15 out of 39.

Considering the ages of the teams we competed against this was an excellent result. In 1994, with a good coaching plan, this team will win all school events and be in the top 10 at nationals and top three in 1995 (as NPBHS was last year).

Thanks must go to Chris Pollock for his positive leadership. Also special thanks to Mike McRedmond and the ANZ for its continued support and sponsorship of NPBHS Cycling.

G. S. SMITH,
Manager.



THEATRESPORTS/DRAMA

Theatresports was a growth industry in 1994, as yet another large group of thespians, rangy, quirky, artistic types and non-rugby players crowded out of the NPBHS woodwork, and into Theatresports.

The all-new Form Six Drama-Media course helped. A month's intensive Theatresports at the start of this course initiated a whole new batch of performers. Improvisation is a big ask in any setting - it's even harder when everyone's watching, expecting you to be funny or something. Fortunately a lot of these guys have absolutely no sense of shame. It helped.

Highlights of the year were the Shakespeare Festival, where the boys' own version of Macbeth pleased the audience more than the judges. One judge complained that we were making Shakespeare too funny. We weren't sure we went far enough. The Speech and Drama Festival saw us do Foreskin's Lament (yes, that's right), The History of Fish (part one) and Macbeth again, in Kiwi farmer genre.

DAVID CRAIG

TENNIS



NPBHS TENNIS TEAM

Back Row, left to right: A. Eagles, B. Cooper, S. Cleaver.
Middle Row: B. Martin, C. Bennett, C. Kennedy, P. Drake, Mr Sims.
Front Row: N. Creery, M. Henderson, A. Hine, B. Pollard, Martin.

Our season always starts with a good match against Hamilton Boys' High School. Our team consists of six seniors and six juniors, the juniors being third and fourth formers.

Names of players, seniors: Aaron Hine (Captain), Ben Cooper, Brad Martin, Paul Drake, Andrew Eagles, Shane Down.

On the first day only Brad Martin and Andrew Eagles won their matches. In the reverse singles on the next day New Plymouth hit back and won 5-1. The summary of matches in the seniors: Hamilton 8, New Plymouth 7.

Our juniors really got it together on the first day and they won 5 matches to 4 and in the reverse drew 3-3.

Juniors: Simon Cleaver, Troy Martin, Ben Pollard, Nick Creery, Drew Kennedy, Mark Henderson. Summary: NPBHS juniors 8, HBHS 7.

The next trip saw us playing against Wanganui College on a very hot day. We played at two venues. We played our top 12 players and history was made.

The players were Cooper, Hine, Martin, Drake, Eagles, Down, Cleaver, Clark, Bennett, Pollard and Creery. We defeated Wanganui Collegiate 18-0.

I entered the team in the BP Nationals. This is the first time the competition has been run nationwide. This involved our team competing in Taranaki against Inglewood. Our team proved to be too strong but we certainly enjoyed the spirit of Inglewood.

We were down to play Wanganui next, of course we had to travel down there. The weather was against us and we won this competition on pure strength.

This meant we had to travel to Palmerston North to play a Round Robin against Palmerston North Boys' High School (Manawatu) and Havelock North High School (Hawkes Bay Reps). We beat both these teams and became the Central Districts Representatives to play Wellington College at the same venue.

NPBHS vs Wellington College: Wellington beat us but only just. I still think we had a chance and next year will do better still.

For the season I would like to thank Aaron Hine the Captain who ably led the team, Brad Martin who showed the fighting qualities and never lost a game in all competitions. Well done Brad. In the juniors we have some very good players, in particular Simon Cleaver, Ben Pollard, Nick Creery and Troy Martin. Good luck guys, keep up the strong tradition.

Thanks for all the parental support.

JOHN SIMS,
Coach and Manager.

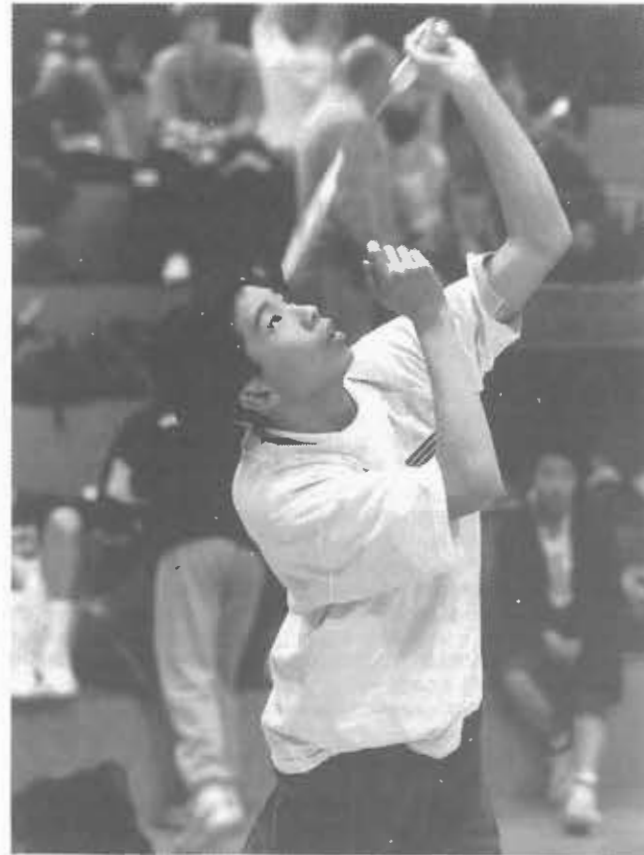


Ben Cooper in action.

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3 pointer!



Tee Sern Lim in action.

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Shane Campbell in the tackle.

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THE RAINBOW OF PEACE

A rainbow stretches across the evening sky, tiny droplets of water reflecting the brilliance of the dazzling sunlight, a spectacular kaleidoscope of colour.

A mosaic of distinctive identities, visions and goals, reaching out with one common identity, one common vision and one common goal. A vision of hope, a promise of unity.

Red.

'Kapiti hono, hei tatau hono'

'Bring together the broken pieces, join the broken pieces.'

This Maori phrase, used to talk about peace, is particularly pertinent to our society today, a society manifesting its brokenness in crime, violence, prejudice and anger. We, as a people, have become divided, divided by the barriers of religion, culture, race and gender, barriers built up and continually strengthened by fear, apathy and ignorance. The meaning then, of 'Kapiti hono, hei tatau hono', is a focus on bringing groups of people together, removing these barriers, and making peace.

As a rainbow.

Yellow.

It is interesting, when looking at the pages of history books, to see the ways in which man has attempted to live with himself, and his peers, since the beginning of recorded time. The same archetypal story seems to present itself time and time again, the scenario whereby a conflict of interests arise, and man tries, not to compromise himself, but to compromise others, and in doing so, people and cultures lose their identity, and conflict eventually results.

So often fear is the underlying element in all this. We fail to understand or relate to things that are different to that which we know, and we become afraid because of this.

Perhaps it is time for us to look at the mistakes of our past, learn from them and move forward with a common vision, one of co-operation, one of hope, one of unity.

As a rainbow.

Indigo.

It was only a few weeks ago that I had an opportunity to spend a weekend with 50 people at Parihaka Marae, as part of a youth marae experience on the theme of 'peace'. Parihaka is a particularly significant setting in which to focus on peace, as it was the historical place of peace for Maori and Pakeha in Taranaki during the horrific land wars of the 1860s. Many of us travelled to Parihaka having not thought a great deal about peace, some of us with preconceived ideas about what peace was, and none of us really prepared for what we would learn. In talking with people, it seemed that everyone had extreme views at either end of the spectrum concerning peaceful relationships with others. The first view was that we are to treat everyone the same, ignoring their respective differences, and treating them as we would anyone else.

The second view that we should just leave other cultures alone, because their differences are so great that we cannot possibly achieve peaceful relationships.

I think I can understand where both views come from, but certainly I feel that both are incorrect. These two views represent the views that society has held for too long, views that have determined the course that we, as an international people, have taken, and views that manifest themselves in the prejudice, fear and bitterness of the world today. Let us look at these views, identify their failures, and in doing so, identify ways in which reconciliation can take place and unity and peace can prevail.

As a rainbow.

Green.

I believe that it is mistake to try and ignore the differences of other people. The moment that we try to do this is the moment that we fail to recognise who people are. My identity stems from my European background and culture, my Christian beliefs and values, and the country to which I find my origin. The moment that these elements are ignored is the moment that I cease to be recognised as the person that I am, indeed the moment that I lost the things that make me, me. A person's behaviour, thinking, values and principles, and relationships are determined by the culture and background to which they belong. Therefore, in order to live in peace, and in order that people do not lose their very identity, we must identify with these differences. These differences must not dictate the way we treat people, but an awareness of them allows an empathy and an understanding, which is conclusive to a peaceful relationship.

As the colours in a rainbow meet and unify to form one, so must peoples of the world. The colours of a rainbow all retain their individual distinctions and identities, yet it is their coming together that forms the very essence of a rainbow. Through awareness comes understanding, through understanding comes peace.

As a rainbow.
Purple.

I believe that the other mistake is represented in the second view expressed above, that being, that it is impossible to achieve world peace because of the extent to which cultures are different.

I am reminded of the story of two races of people, the Greens and the Blues. Neither group liked the other, and each grew up thinking that the other was evil. In fact, most Greens and Blues never spoke to the other in their lives.

It wasn't until two young boys, one Green and the other Blue, became close friends, that any interaction between the two groups took place. These two boys, unconcerned about making themselves unpopular, led the way to a peaceful relationship between the two groups, which had been arch enemies for hundreds of years.

Because of these two young boys, Greens and Blues even went beyond their own lands and visited the Yellows, Reds and Oranges. After a while, most people didn't call themselves 'Blues' or 'Greens', but simply 'Rainbow People'.

This story, in all its simplicity, has something powerful to say to us all. No matter how different people are or seem, people remain people and deserve the same respect and understanding as everyone else. I think that this story is also saying that differences are not necessarily a negative thing, but very positive. Certainly, what a boring place it would be if we were all alike. It is significant that in the story above, 'Rainbow People' is the name that the people finally chose to adopt. It, in itself, advocates people of many varieties, shapes, sizes, colours, beliefs and religions. However, all are able to come under the umbrella of 'people', and despite the extent of their differences are still able to live in harmony with one another.

Significantly, it was the friendship of the two youths in the story that led the way for a peaceful relationship between the two groups.

Certainly someone needs to lead the way, and I feel that the value of international exchanges and homestays can never be fully comprehended, perhaps we then should adopt a 'Rainbow People' principle, in order to achieve world peace. Rather than judge people on their culture, background or religion, we should be judging them on their character, and as people. Significantly, the beauty in a rainbow lies in the coming together of many different colours, all of which enhance the effect of the others. It is this 'whole' effect that is particularly beautiful. It can therefore be said that in our world today the beauty does not lie with any one group/culture/religion, but that the beauty is the unity of these, each supporting, understanding and enhancing the other.

As a rainbow.

Orange.

World Peace starts with the individual. So often, the things that we cannot accept in other people are the things that we find hard to accept in ourselves. As people, we need to be more accepting, both of ourselves, with our faults, flaws and failures, and of other people. We need to be at peace with our family, friends and workmates. We need to be tolerant of the things that frustrate us, and we need to accept the things that we cannot understand. Once we can honestly say that we have these things in order, only then can we begin to make any real difference.

We must respect the views of other people at all costs, for we are all people, with many important things to give and share in our own ways, yet fragile and easy to hurt. We must treat other people as we would have them treat us, and we must be willing to make the effort to try and accept what we cannot understand.

The barriers and blocks that we put up as people need to be broken down, if we are to achieve any of this. The story of Jesus and the Samaritan Woman is a powerful one, as we see many of the barriers erected by society broken down and overcome. We see Jesus, a male, talking to a female, which was illegal. This female was a Samaritan, and Jesus was a Jew, and this also was not done. Thirdly, this woman was also a sinner, and Jesus therefore should not have talked to her. In this story, we see the barriers of gender, culture and religion broken in response to need, and with the aim of peace. Perhaps then, we should model ourselves on the person that this story portrays, the person willing to make some sacrifices, the person willing to stand up against the norm for something he feels strongly about, the person who, upon identifying a real need, makes a genuine response to it.

As a rainbow.

Blue.

We are all involved. World Peace is not merely an 'issue' that can be 'dealt with', but it is a vision, a hope, a goal that can be achieved only if everyone plays their part.

Two millenia ago, beside the Sea of Tiberias, Jesus had but one question for Simon Peter. "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Simon eventually replied that he did, and Jesus, assured of his heart, gave him the task - "Feed my Lambs". This story, whether we are Christian or not, has a powerful message, Simon wasn't questioned about his education, his effectiveness, his skill or experience. Neither was he asked to do anything that he couldn't do, rather, only what he could. In the same way, we are only asked to do what we can in terms of World Peace, and not what we can't. We can't spread peace across the globe on our own, but we can change our own apathetic attitudes, we can make peace with ourselves, and our friends and family, and we can believe in the vision, the promise, the hope of World Peace that the rainbow represents.

As a rainbow.

As a teenager, I am growing up with millions of teenagers across the globe, in a world unable to live peacefully with its own people, a world that is crying out for unity, understanding and peace. We must make the effort, we must be prepared to give of what we can, we must accept, and above all we must love.

As a rainbow.

Let the promise of a rainbow link cultures and peoples across the world, uniting them in their differences and enhancing beauty in the whole.

And at the end of the day, let that mosaic of colour stand proud in the sky, evidence of a world full of diversity and colour, uniting in the name of peace.

As a rainbow.

MICHAEL S. FRAMPTON,
Winner of Japanese Peace Prize.

I AM THE MAN OF THE FUTURE

I am a child
I am all the things of my past
playing new image rugby
making new friends.

I am all that I see
loving relations supporting me
family tradition.

I am all that I hear
the sound of laughter
the sound of running river water.

I am all I feel
the cool breeze in my face
icy pool water at my grandparents' place.

I am all I taste
fresh seafood at Christmas
fish 'n' chips on a relaxed family day.

I am all I remember
talking with my loving koko
going fishing with my father.

I am all that I've been taught
to count and talk
to think positive not negative.

I am all those things
I am like a cub
but one day I will be set free
and be loose
because I am the man of the future.

DAVID GIBSON,
Form 3.

MY MUM

So much depends upon,
My Mum, my Mum,
Painted with gold, perfect,
My Mum, my Mum.

BRAD LETICA,
Form 3.

THICK BLACK MUD

She liked the feeling when it oozed between her toes. The smooth and slippery feeling.

On Sundays when church was over and the Sunday roast consumed, little Jenny loved to go into the back yard and play.

This particular Sunday the sun smiled cheerily down from the sky. The birds sang gracefully. It was a perfect day for being outside.

Brightly coloured ball, old wooden dolly prams, a swing and slide and numerous digging/sandcastle utensils were scattered about the lush grass of the yard. In the far corner, away from the house sat a square wooden frame which used to be Jenny's favourite sandpit. Now the box was filled with dirt which had been put there when some land had been dug out to construct a garage.

Ever since the sand pit had been filled in Jenny had never given a thought to playing in it again. She seemed quite content to play princesses and nurses with the kids from over the fence. But today nobody was home over the fence.

Jenny tried to find something to do on her own, but she couldn't be a nurse - there were no patients to cure, and 'Kings and Queens' was totally out of the question. How could there be a Queen with no King?

Coming to a decision that playing outside was no fun on her own Jenny swung around to go back inside.

Then something caught her eye; the filled-in sand box. Immediately coming up with the greatest idea ever, Jenny walked over towards the house and grabbed the end of the hose, tugging it over to the far corner of the section. Rushing back to the house, she turned the tap on full bore.

A spluttering sound, as if the hose were coughing, came from the nozzle and a stream of water, gushed out.

Grabbing a few of the 'sandcastle' instruments Jenny raced back to the pit and saturated the dirt with water. Such fun. Jenny's eyes lit up and she began giggling.

The dry and dull dirt turned a darker colour and the sun glistened on the moist earth. Jenny threw the hose from her hand and put her big toe in the pit.

A tingling sensation spread up her foot as it progressed into the slimy mass. First one foot sank in to the mud, and then the other. How great. She gently tapped her left foot. Mud flew outwards and a squelching sound was made. Giggling even more now, Jenny began to dance about, pretending she was some great tap dancer performing for the Queen.

Around and around she twirled and slid, the birds were the music and the sun was the stage lights. The trees bordering the yard where her audience, branches clapping with pleasure.

What a fun thing to do, Jenny thought. Far better than Kings and Queens. Her dance ceased and puffing Jenny plonked herself down, completely without thinking.

An enormously loud squishing sound came from the mud and Jenny softly squealed. But she hadn't squealed with fright or disgust. She had squealed with pleasure. The cool, moist glistening mud felt neat on her skin. Now she knew why pigs seemed to love lying in mud.

Sitting there, giggling even more now Jenny suddenly came to a realisation. What was Mum going to say? Her best Sunday frock was covered in thick, black mud. The cheery smiling face then turned to a worried frown as Jenny sat in the pit of mud which, for some reason didn't feel as good as it had.

PAUL BULLOCK

Third Prize in Form 5 Essay Competition.

BLACK ROSES

The roses, they were red once,
New with the scents of summer,
But the scents of pollution were stronger.
The brightest, striking reds,
But the greys, they were duller.
Long thomed stems of green,
But the cool brick chimneys had more thorns,
Buds, opening with the sunlight,
But the factories opened earlier,
Clear blue dew slipping off the leaves,
But the sewage pumped out was faster,
The roses, they were red once.

LUKE McLEOD,
Form 4.

SPEECH - STREET KIDS

They trust no one; and how can you blame them. They sleep in construction pipes, on park benches, in old abandoned buildings. Their clothes are just cloth, rags, and their beds are torn newspaper. Their lives are spent hiding during the day and at night, they work. A little theft, maybe even prostitution. Anything for money, anything to survive.

Now I'm not talking about kids that run away from home and have to rough it for one night. I'm talking about real street kids. Kids that have no place to go and no one to trust. Because kids who run away can always go home again; they're not forced to live on the streets. But not the others. They can't go home for fear they'll get hit and beaten, or they can't go home because they get more food and live better on the streets than their family does.

We may see these kids on TV and we'll think "What bums!", "What a waste. Why not shuffle them into a corner and forget about them." But it's not their fault. It's not their fault that they are continuously beaten by their parents, or it's not their fault that their parents left them at an early age and so they had to fend for themselves. It's not their fault that their family doesn't get enough food for all of them, so the children must go out and find their own. I don't think it's fair for us to sit back and pass judgement of them when we know nothing of their life or past. Sure, there's the odd one who lives on the streets because he gets more freedom there than he did at home. But you always see these people do all right. They never starve and they always have a place to sleep. Because, let's face it - if these things weren't certain then why would they do it? But not the others - they struggle. They struggle to survive by begging for money, clothes or food. And if they can't get it, they steal it. Anything to survive, anything to get by. But the saddest thing about these street kids is that most of them will become drug addicts with no hope for the future - living their lives day by day, as it comes. And we may pass them by. We may not even notice them. But what else are we supposed to think? We aren't exposed to their type of living, and anyway, they aren't real citizens, are they? I mean, they have no political or economic rights and most of all, they have no real social status. To us they are just bums, nothing, but they're humans too, aren't they? Flesh and blood? And why should they be punished for something that isn't their fault?

Now in New Plymouth we see little of this. But they are there. On an old unused railway line I saw an old carriage, and inside I saw empty baked bean tins and a blanket full of holes, in a heap on the floor. It shocked me to think that people like this live around people like you and me who get three good meals each day and come from warm and loving families. I'd blame their lives on them; until I found some information on these people, and I thought "Hey, this isn't their fault!" And I wondered how I could possibly help them. I mean, I have nothing in common with them besides that we are both human beings. I thought and I thought, and I finally realised that there was a way in which I could help them as an individual, that we all could help them by doing the same thing. Sure, there's orphanage and foster home collections, but I'm not talking about that. What about ... what about the Salvation Army? They support orphanages and foster homes and are always looking for donations whether it be in money, clothes or food. And I thought, "Yea, this is a good way in which we all could help them." Now I know it's not a cool thing to do this sort of thing today, but isn't it a little stupid to let someone live miserably just to maintain your own selfish reputation? And if you were them, wouldn't you want someone to do that for you? You may think no now. But I know that somewhere inside you, you're glad that you're not them. And you also know, that it's not their fault and that they do need helping out. So see through this self centred image created by today's society, and do something to help someone else out. Just for a change.

LEE TAYLOR,

Second in Form 5 Speech Competition.

THE SEA OF EMPTY THOUGHTS

My mind is a constant chaos
Cursed with incompetence
When creating words
Continually enveloped in a sea
Of obscurity.
Each phrase-a taxing strain,
Found after aeons
Of scouring to oblivion
Through a sea of Empty Thoughts.

JOHN TAN,
Form 4.

AN ADDICTION TO AN OBSESSION

He had his hock in the middle of the night,
he told his wife he had a speckle.

He was screaming from his insides out,
addicted to an obsession with hock.

This white German wine made him furious,
he beat, and beat, and beat his wife,
on account of this German wine.

He tried to control his habits,
his consumption of hock was not controlled by him,
but by his addiction.

He used to have a single child,
but taken away was she by the authorities,
only because of his addiction to his obsession.

His wife threatens to leave him,
he says he will give it up.

He cannot give it up,
after all it is an addiction.

DANIEL PRITCHARD,
Form 5.

MEMORIES

The phone was ringing as I raced in the door. No one was home, but I left it ringing anyway as I knew the answer machine would take a message. As I ran up the stairs I heard a very distressed voice yelling and crying. I quickly ran back downstairs and picked up the receiver. One of my aunts was on the phone. I could hear her uncontrollable crying as she was saying, "Your Nana died 15 minutes ago!" I tried calming her down, but it was an impossibility. She was so upset that she hung up on me. Wondering how Mum and Dad would take this terrible news I ran upstairs to get changed.

About an hour later Mum, Dad and my brother Brendon walked through the door. I was wondering how to tell them and hoping they wouldn't take this terrible occurrence too badly. "Mum," I said sympathetically, "I've got some bad news for you. I'm sorry, but your sister called about an hour ago saying that your Mother had just died."

She just stood there shocked by what I had just told her. Then suddenly she burst into tears, stammering, "I have to go to Hawera for a final goodbye and to make arrangements for the funeral. One of you children can come with me, but the other has to stay at home." I decided to go with her to Hawera. Then my brother too suddenly burst into tears, not because his Nana had just died, but because he was not able to come to Hawera with us. We left him there still crying on the front porch.

When we finally arrived in Hawera, an hour later, all of the relations were there, talking, crying and mourning the death of a great person. When inside I was asked if I wanted to go and see the body or not. I decided I would like to, so I did. When I got into the room I saw a still, lifeless form with no feelings, no emotion, lying there peacefully just looking up at me. She looked cold, her skin pale white, which contrasted the bright and colourful room. A rose lay on top of the clean silk nightie across her chest.

After many days of arrangements, the day had finally come for the funeral service. By now my father and brother had arrived. Waiting outside the dark, dull chapel were relations, half of whom I never knew I had. Some I knew but hadn't seen for years. Some wept openly while others tried, some successfully, some not, to hold up all their grief and pain. I was successful in holding up all my grief. I could feel it though, a great pain burning inside me as if someone had set my body on fire, a fire, a war of emotions.

The funeral and graveside were places for final goodbyes, with nearly everyone in tears. The throwing of flowers and dust onto the coffin were traditional. The coffin was slowly going down, being lowered into the ground and with it was the pain. The fire extinguished, the war resolved. I knew I was never to see this great person again. The day was over, as time passed the pain completely disappeared and all that was left were memories and photographs.

JASON SILBY,
Form 3.

THE EYE OF THE STORM

A great grey blanket lay over the trees. Water fell as if squeezed by a giant fist. The ground lay battered. Sparrows flitted from tree to tree, desperately seeking shelter and warmth. Dogs whined under foliage, with moisture dripping from their lank coats. Weevils and beetles lay squashed underfoot, devastated by the heavy, crushing droplets. Here and there a mouse would scuttle miserably through the sheaves of corn. A small snake squirmed its silent way through the stunted stalks of the hammered grassblades. Rabbits hopped around the forsaken landscape, their long ears and coats plastered down. Dark, cloaked figures appeared and disappeared on the pale, lonely horizon. And then finally a misty orange glow appeared in the distance signalling dawn.

KARL LAIRD,
Form 3.

ESSAY COMPETITION - THAT LOG

We strolled slowly down the beach, talking. Talking about school, youth group, the sort of things you expect two teenage friends to talk about. But there was something else that needed to come out. We both wanted and needed to talk about it, but I didn't know how to bring it up and I could tell by the troubled wrinkles that distorted his forehead that he was struggling with his feelings.

The light was fading but I could see the colours of my surroundings. To the west the sky was coal black, the stars occasionally blurred by the odd wisps of cloud roaming the sky. The black blended into a deep purple towards the east and the faintest hint of the stunning sunset that had given way to the garments of the night, lay on the horizon.

The sea was a murky green. The waves lapped the shore rhythmically. As I looked at the sea, the night seemed to become colder. I started to walk a little faster and I thought about the jacket lying on my bed that I had failed to bring.

Brett lit up a cigarette. I suppressed the asthmatic cough that began to rise from my lungs and didn't comment on how foul I found smoking.

It had been just over three weeks since I had had the mind-blowing conversation with Brett's mother. It was the same call made every Saturday night, "Hello, it's Adrian here. Will Brett be wanting a ride to youth group tonight?" As soon as Mrs Wilson spoke my legs gave way. I knew something was wrong. "Brett's not here, Adrian, he's in hospital." Five seconds silence. "What's wrong?" I could hear my voice quivering as I spoke the words. "Brett tried to commit suicide." I cursed in my head but controlled my mouth. Ten seconds silence.

"I know it's a shock. Are you all right?" "Yeah, yeah, so ... how is he now?" "He will be all right but he'll probably have a headache tomorrow ..."

I had visited Brett in the hospital several times, but he had never talked about anything other than school.

We found a log and sat on it. "How's things at home?" I asked hesitantly. "Alright ... sometimes!" "It's gonna take a while," I said felling like a psychiatrist, "to get over the shock." The ice was broken. We sat on that rock for another hour. First I talked then I listened. I told him how I had cried and prayed for him. And I told him how much I wanted to punch him in the head when I had got over the shock. I told him how I hated hospitals and how hard it was to visit him. Then I listened. I listened, to the story of a very confused young man. A young man who was so confused that he attempted to take his own life.

As I listened, my own problems and confusion disappeared. I realised that everything that I had gone through, all the confusion, all the anger, was nothing compared to what Brett had gone through.

I realised that his wasn't over yet, nor would it be over in a year. It would be years before we could accept the events of these few weeks. But that night as we sat on that log talking, the process of acceptance began.

ADRIAN TURNER,
Third in Form 4 Essay Competition.

JUNK

Junk! It was the one and only word besides mess that could sum up the contents of my room. Anything else would be nearly a compliment.

I stepped into the dark room dodging yesterday's washing and was making my way towards the curtains when I felt something cold bless my foot with a wet squish. I looked down at what I had stood in. Thank goodness only my wetsuit from yesterday's swim and not last night's leftovers. I heaved the wet bundle out of my room into the hall. My dog came along and lay down on it.

I took another step and reached out to where the curtains hung down over my windows, I brushed them to the side and the sun came pouring in for the first time in about a week. This was not because it had been raining or cloudy, it was just the first time they had been opened. I opened a few windows, the fresh air rushed in faster than the sunlight. It was a relief to smell something other than last month's washing.

I started off in another direction, this time heading for the one clean outstanding feature of my room, my bed, OK, so it wasn't made but that was about to change. I pulled the sheets off and put the pillow on the chair, and proceeded to make my bed. Once that was done I placed the pillows carefully back on the bed. My final aim was to find my washing.

First I looked under my desk, no clothes there, but I found my graphics folder and one of my Latin books. Next I looked under my bed and found most of what I was looking for; my Rip Curl pants and skivvy and my Town and Country long sleeved t-shirt. I searched my wardrobe and found my Hot-Tuna sweatshirt. There was only one place left to look. I opened my drawer and cleared my nose ready to sniff.

I lifted each article of clothing out of the drawer and sniffed it, throwing it into either a clean or dirty pile. At the end I wasn't surprised to find only two clean shirts, a pair of socks and a pair of clean shorts. I shoved the clean stuff in one drawer and took the rest out to the laundry to let mum do the rest.

I went back and took a look at my room. Much better I thought even though I couldn't notice the difference. Well the rest is for another day.

TRAVIS O'BRIEN,
Form 3.

SHE DRIVES ME

She drives me to it
She drives me from it
In her car with
Flat dull bonnet
I asked her if
She liked poetry
She gave me an answer
Not clear to me
Only the stuff that
Does not rhyme
Oh I said and
Looked at my watch.

P. WOLFFRAM,
Form 6.

THE END

As the abandoned, distraught boy stood lonely above the cowering precipice, he looked towards the sky knowing life was not worth living.

His eyes focussed towards the distant bottom of the gaping gorge, acknowledging the freedom awaiting him. He looked skyward again, to the fiery sun, slowly sinking in the colour-drenched west.

The boy fell to his knees weeping about his past life. Groping for a stone on the barren ground he hurled it with all his rage and fear into the vast echoing canyon. The boy stood up and listened to the beckoning wind calling him closer to the edge. The very edge of life. A short step took him closer to freedom, as the dry crumbly dirt swished in the breeze around his feet.

The boy looked back over his shoulder to the world that had rejected him like a worthless lump of junk. He knew he could not live there.

He flew off the edge, plummeting to freedom. A huge weight uplifted from his shoulders and was tossed high into the air. The wind whistled past his ears, painfully plucking his cheeks, but he told himself it would not be long!

ALISTAIR BLACKLER,
Form 3.

MUSIC NOTES 1993

This has been another busy year for musicians with the emphasis being on our performing groups.

The major event of the year has been 'Music Meets Coast to Coast' - a large two-way exchange with Taradale High School involving the Concert Band, Stage band, Island Boys and the choir. Many friendships were re-kindled from our previous exchange undertaken two years ago. The boys should be proud of the way they performed with the new school haka being aired in Taradale during the Powhiri. The Island boys never fail to please with their performance and this year was no exception. An added dimension to their sound was the inclusion of a highly polished backing group, and also the distinctive voice of Karam Meuli singing the unaccompanied Boyz 2 Men number 'In the Still of the Night'.

The Black and White Jazz Band which disbanded last year has been missed around the school. However, it is worth mentioning that Hayden Chisholm who was last year's performing artist has attained his goal: to study at the prestigious school of Jazz in Cologne - Germany. He was selected out of over 70 applicants and was the only alto saxophonist to be admitted this year! Well done Hayden. David Bremner must also be proud of his achievements, as he once again won the junior champion of champions at the National Brass Band Contest in May on euphonium.

The stage band this year has been rehearsed by Mr Stewart Maunder who is also teaching saxophone at the school. He has replaced Mr Paddy Dwyer who has given more than 10 years service to the school as a woodwind tutor. Thank you Paddy for your services.

In 1994 we look forward to being involved in another Taranaki Music Festival in term one, the stage band participating at the Tauranga Jazz festival, and perhaps being involved in a major school production in term two.

D. BOYD

KOKIRI TE REO

E nga reo
E nga mana
E nga karangarangatanga maha
Tena koutou Tena koutou Tena koutou katoa.

Maori studies is developing with the continued hope that all students will have the opportunities to share and interact with each other on a bi-cultural, multi-cultural level. With this idea in mind it was pleasing to share with our overseas boarders a cultural exchange that involved a powhiri (welcome) and a sharing of protocol.

Another significant event that involved all staff and members of



the board was the Marae visit at Owae Marae, Waitara. Owae Marae was the venue for an intense but enlightening experience for all. The theme and focus of the Hui was the current status of Maori people and presented a biased view intended to highlight possible causes and effects of history and the events that have shaped our society. To our course presenter Takawai Murphy, a man with immense energy, we thank him for his challenging views. We all appreciated this thought provoking presentation which has made our teaching staff more aware of some major issues Maori and Pakeha people are facing today.

To our hosts, the people of Owae Marae who shared their home and hospitality a very warm thank you for the opportunity.

Na reira e te iwi kainga Owae Whaitara me nga kaiawhina e tautoko ana te kaupapa nei o tatou nga mihi whakawhetai ki a koutou katoa.

To Mr Riroroko and his stone carvers who donated a stone carving of Tangaroa (guardian of the sea) as a tribute to the growing surfing community at Boys' High we are grateful for his time and generosity. E hoa ma o te hunga whakairo kohatu, Tena ra koutou katoa.

Finally to all those people, staff, friends and students who have worked toward developing a better understanding of our dual heritage, whether directly in the classroom or at the many meetings, our whanau Waiora have held a very warm thank you to you all. To Mr Phil Wipatene our Maori Board of Trustees member who is resigning to complete modules of advancement in the Police force, we wish him well and thank him for this commitment to New Plymouth Boys' High,

Naku Noa,
MATIU JULIAN.



NPBHS STAGE BAND

Back row, left to right: Mr Don Boyd (Director), D. Butler, D. Bremner, A. Taylor, J. Hill, A. Wilson, A. Knowles, D. Rea.
Front Row: T. Hutton, C. Maunder, P. Wolfram, M. De Bock, N. Dempsey, A. Hay.
Absent: S. Barker, N. Cowles.



NPBHS CONCERT BAND

Back Row, left to right: Travis Cottam, Adam Young, Jared Hill, Aneel Hay.
Middle Row: Andrew Wilson, David Butler, David Bremner, Paul Wolfram, Ashley Taylor, Simeon Theobald, Jonathon Somers, Mr Don Boyd (Director).
Front Row: Daniel Rea, Jae Lee, Gavin Bromfield, Sam Hazledine, Matthew Crawford, Edmond Wong, Craig Cochrane.



NPBHS ISLAND BOYS' CHOIR

Back Row, left to right: Justin Raine, Jared Hill, Shanan Dick, David Bremner.
Middle Row: Mr Don Boyd, Ronald Viviani, Richard Simbolo, Solomona Leuelu, Charlton Leo, Nick Kilmister, Robertson Szetu.
Front Row: Vincent Yu, Albert Seluka, Anthony Kenneth, Karam Meuli, Obed Timakata, Ronald Warsal, Andy Ilo.

TRANSITION

1993 has been another excellent year. We were given new quarters alongside Guidance. Next year careers will be included in the suite. We inhabit the tasteful peach coloured rooms at the north end of Cramond Wing. The new larger classroom holds classes of 20 people rather than 13, though full size classes regularly visit to watch videos in comfort. The Transition classroom has become a favoured place for meetings for all sorts of groups.

Form three students get a map, information booklet and an orientation tiki tour around the school at the beginning of the year so they can identify their teaching areas and all essential services such as the tuckshop, toilets and the used clothing room. Are you aware that at 3.30pm on Wednesdays a thriving trade goes on in outgrown uniforms so all boys can be kitted out in correct uniform at extremely reasonable rates? Sports uniforms and formal uniforms are rented out. This means that any boy from any background can be on any sports team and attend away functions on equal terms.

New boarders are taken around the city in the school minibus and given their own map so they can become familiar with the many interesting features of New Plymouth. They are kept informed of city events and encouraged to participate during their leisure time.

Form four: In term three we have a week of alternative studies where Transition introduces the boys to Lifeskills and LINK.

Fifth form boys learn lifeskills in areas such as health, drugs, sexuality, social development, money management and consumer rights and responsibilities. We also teach goal setting, time management and study skills to help students to be effective in making the most of their education and show them how to apply it to something useful. They learn how to make a good telephone call and present themselves well for an interview in which they sell themselves convincingly to an employer. Good self-esteem and self-motivation are crucial to this process. Service clubs have been generous with their time and have interviewed all form five boys plus enterprising form six and form sevens who requested an interview.

Fifth formers learn about fire and water safety, tramping safety, personal safety and first aid. Next year I would like to run a Red Cross course for seniors so plan on applying for this. A first aid certificate is most useful when applying for jobs.

One of our areas is the typing of CVs. We are the only school I am aware of which offers this service free of charge. This year we have put them onto separate computer diskettes at a cost of \$2 so students can update their CV as often as necessary. I believe we have pioneered that too.

We have run 24 Link courses at Polytech and Education House in order to extend the boys' experience. They enjoy LINK very much, and gain a useful certificate to put in their CV.

Transition has the Quest - Rapuara Careers programme which enables students to research potential careers and the necessary training. This helps them to choose the right school subjects. Third form is a good time to start this process as it takes time to come to well-considered decisions. Fourth formers should all check with the computer and take some suitable printouts for parents to consider when choosing School Certificate subjects. Seniors, if you haven't used the computer yet, what is the hold up?

JAPANESE

Once again this year the activities of the Japanese department have been many and varied. Term one was dominated by fundraising for the May trip to Japan by Mrs Lilly and students from both Boys' High and Waitara High Schools. Many people contributed to the success of this trip either through supporting these efforts or helping out by making paper cranes. These cranes, 1000 in total were laid by the group at a monument which remembers the children who died as a result of the atomic bomb drop of August 6, 1945 on Hiroshima. The visit to the Peace Park and museum in Hiroshima was a sobering experience for all of us. The group also met up with the three Old Boys: Jason Brown, Jason Renau and Chris Bougen, currently studying at universities in Japan. All are making the most of the opportunity and while they have some leisure time, mostly they concentrate on their studies. Two of this year's seventh formers Matthew Birch and Kelvin Coley, both spent 1992 in Japan at different high schools. They too, along with Michael Frampton, hope to join the Jasons and Chris by winning the same Japanese Government Scholarship for University study



Boys' High students in Mishima.

in Japan. Michael has already won a trip to Japan this year by being one of two New Zealand students to attend an International Youth Peace Symposium. For this, he had to write an essay on 'World Peace'.

Other successful students include those who took part in speech competitions at Massey University and in New Plymouth at the Japan Week. Students who won prizes at Massey are Bevan Smith and John Tan both of form four. At the other competition Alan Malcolm (form six), Andrew Lynch (form five) and Bevan Smith (form four) won prizes.

During Asia 2000 Week the Japanese classes to form six visited the display of telephone cards from Mishima at the Public Relations Office. These cards were beautifully displayed, depicting many aspects of Japanese life.

The Japanese cooking option during Thursday's Utility Period gave many boys, most who don't study Japanese, the opportunity to learn about, cook and eat 12 different Japanese dishes. Miss Saito did a wonderful job of planning and running the course.

Miss Saito has been at New Plymouth Boys' High since the beginning of 1992 and her two years helping Mrs Lilly with the Japanese classes is almost at an end. Her assistance has been most valuable and she will certainly be missed next year.

Writing to penpals, hosting Japanese visitors at school and in some students' homes; visiting the Japanese Tea House in Wanganui, the International Pacific College at Aokautere; and orienteering around town have also kept the students actively involved in the language and culture of Japan.

BALL COMMITTEE 1993



Back row, left to right: T. Philp, R. Asi, C. Feather, D. Bremner, B. Herbert, K. Meuli, R. Washer, P. Avery.
Front row: P. Busing, R. Taylor, A. Eagles, C. Twigley.

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CADETS

The end of 1992 saw the usual busy schedule with the End of the Year Parade, attended by the 'oldest' cadet and Old Boy Les Marfell and then the 'Skill at Arms' team off to Linton for the annual competition. 1993 started with 50 cadets returning and this number increased to 79 following a successful recruit camp at the Everett Road Christian Camp over Anniversary Weekend. The second and third year cadets took advantage of holding a fieldcraft camp in the adjacent areas over the same weekend.

Easter saw the marriage of 2nd Lieutenant (W) Mace at St Mary's Church and Cadet D. Old presenting the traditional horseshoe albeit with DPM colours. Poppy day this year saw 35 cadets assisting the local RSA with the annual collection and then on to the school ANZAC Service. On ANZAC Day itself the unit paraded 41 cadets. Sgt Brand and Cadet Burnell represented the unit at the National Services in Wellington.

Several cadets took part in a weekend camp in conjunction with 48 Squadron (Stratford) but the weather - rain, rain and more rain - curtailed activities and the duration. Nine cadets attended the regular pre NCO course in Hawera with 47 Squadron and judging by passes at subsequent courses in Linton, benefitted from the experience. Cdt. G. Collings topped the Junior NCO in Linton during the May holidays and CSM WOII Rattray made his mark as an instructor 'Supreme' at this course.

June saw the unit continuing to assist other civic groups by assisting the City Orchestra and Ars Nova Choir with the tasks needing 'man' power. The unit provided moral support for members of the Hong Kong Regiment by running with them from Waitara to Inglewood as they completed a round New Zealand relay, raising funds for Hong Kong charities.

The first year cadets completed their first round of weapon training with a .22 shoot at the East End range and the unit finished the second term with the traditional Formal Dinner at the Fitzroy Golf Club where the guest of honour was Mrs C. Stewart, Mayor of New Plymouth.

During the August holidays three cadets attended the Junior NCO course at Linton, while Captains G. Collings and W. Gordon attended the Senior NCO course in Burnham.

Three cadets from the unit S/56T J. Brand, L/Cpt (W) J. Davey and L/CPL P. Dickie were part of the first New Zealand contingent to travel to the Australian Cadet Corps' annual camp at Pucapunyal, Victoria. This was a great experience for the cadets concerned and they were honoured prior to departure by being made honorary ambassadors of the district. The unit is grateful for the help given by the TSB Community Trust and New Zealand Army Association in raising money for the trip and Air Nelson for assisting with travel within New Zealand.

Training during term three is to include a pistol shoot and police dog displays. The year will conclude with the end of year parade and the skill at arms team, who have been in training since term two is off to Linton for the annual competition.



Showing potential leadership Sgt K. Rattray leading the stretcher carry Skill at Arms, Linton, December 1992.



Exam time.

THE LIBRARY 1993

1993 has been a long, hard for year for the Library especially for the heirarchy in the library. I am glad to see at last our computer system (that part of the work day went towards) finally up and running properly. This system enables anybody to search for books in our library and in the not to distant future those in other libraries, mainly those in the Taranaki Polytechnic. We also have bought the current 1993 Encyclopaedia Britannica, a much better and up to date version than what we had at the start of the year. We have a good selection of new books waiting to go into circulation and some of these are currently on display in the library.

In the library we have a good reliable staff with a few new faces this year, those currently working for the library will hopefully stay with us next year to maintain the level of service that we can currently offer. However, we are always on the lookout for good reliable students to become librarians, just ask myself or Mrs van Beers.

Remember: The photocopier is still only 20c. The binding machine; add easy presentation marks to your assignments, easy marks for only \$2.60. Next year the CD-ROM will be fully operational and pictures and text will be able to be printed at a reasonable cost (this will depend on all sorts of different things and the exact price has yet to be defined).

I will look forward to next year with all the bugs out of the computer system and more software available for students. Lastly I would like to thank Mrs van Beers, Mr and Mrs Paul Ryder and all the librarians and everyone else who has contributed to the library in any way.

KERRY JONES,
Head Librarian 1993.



The team and supporters.

DEBATING



NPBS DEBATING TEAM

Back Row, left to right: K. Coley, A. Hay.
Front Row: P. Avery, Mrs M. Crawford (Coach), I. Bruce.
Absent: S. Zavahir.

DEBATING

This year we had a very strong senior debating team which participated in the Mainland products Jaycee Secondary Schools Debating Contest. The members of the team were: Paul Avery, Ivan Bruce, Aneel Hay and Kelvin Coley. We were also very lucky to start our first debate with Safrag Zavahir, a very experienced debator, who returned to Wellington at the end of the first term. The team had a very successful year defeating NPGHS, Stratford High School, Wanganui High School, Palmerston North Boys' High School. We won the Aotea Region and had to debate against Sacred Heart, Lower Hutt, who won the Wellington Region, to win a place in the North Island semi-final. Unfortunately we were unable to disprove "That the Monarchy is Relevant to New Zealand" and finished fifth in the North Island, our highest ranking in the last six years.

The topics have been very interesting and fun to debate this year with topics such as 'That Experience is the Best Education' and 'That Television Dulls the Brain'. We travelled to Stratford and Wellington for our away debates and while these were difficult the most challenging debates were held at NPBS in front of excellent audiences.

The Taranaki Speech and Drama Festival again saw us provide a senior and junior debating team, Ivan Bruce, Matthew Dravitski and Duncan Coleman were successful in their arguments "That North Is Better Than South". The junior team of John Tan, Richard Lawn and Dean Marshall had a difficult task in defeating the moot 'That Dreams Can Come True'. The Festival provided very entertaining debating and English classes were able to go to NPGHS and watch excellent debates.

UP Debating is an option during the winter term UP option time.

A wide range of arguments were put forward on every subject or any subject by students from third to seventh form level. Fourth form classes do debating as part of the English syllabus and many sixth form English classes choose the debating option in the Production and Critical Awareness section of the School Certificate Paper.

Debating is fun and a challenge. The level of argument ranges from the very superficial, to the thinly disguised insult, to the highly regarded and intelligent levels. Debates always require an audience which has to be persuaded that one side is better than the other. At NPBS debating is very strong and this year we have had a very enjoyable year.

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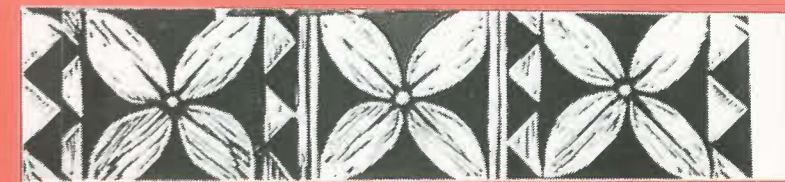
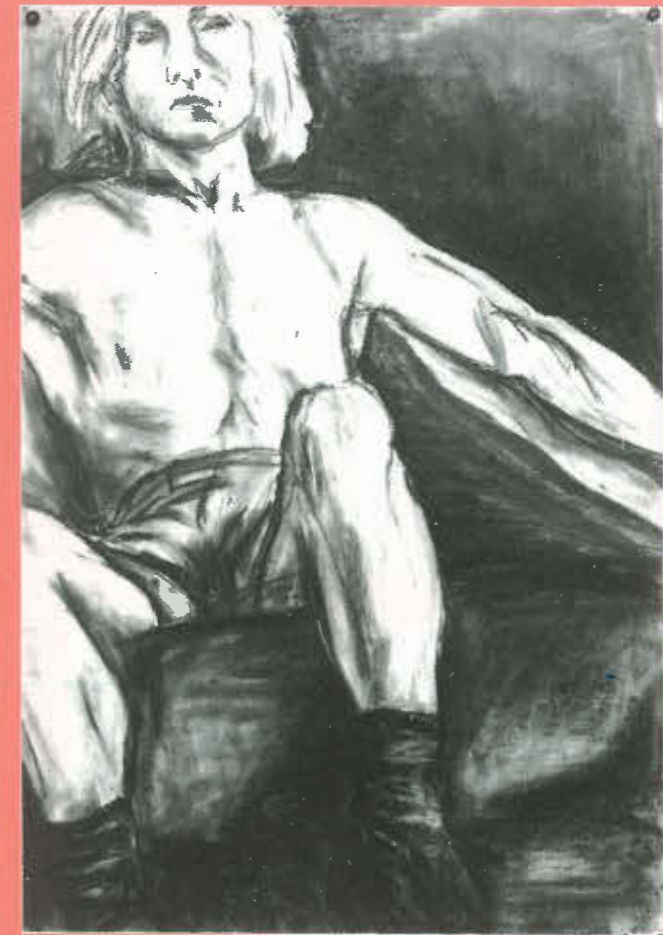
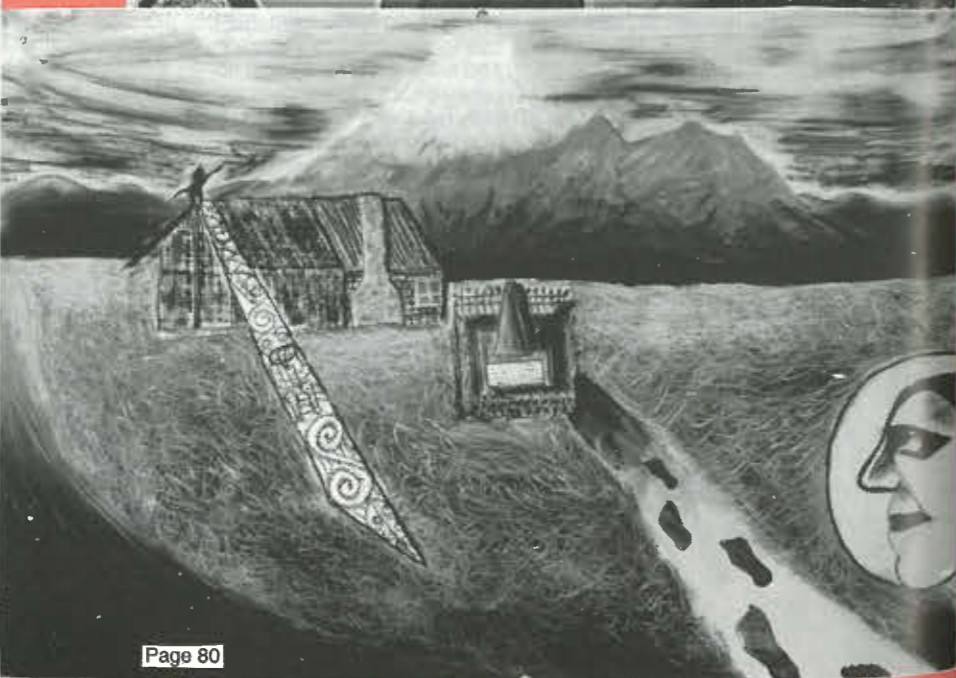
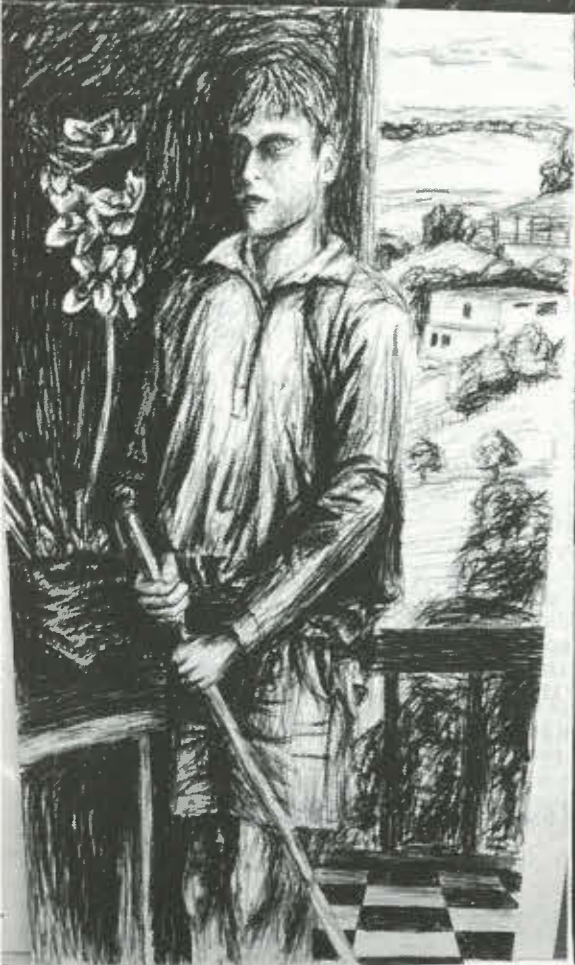
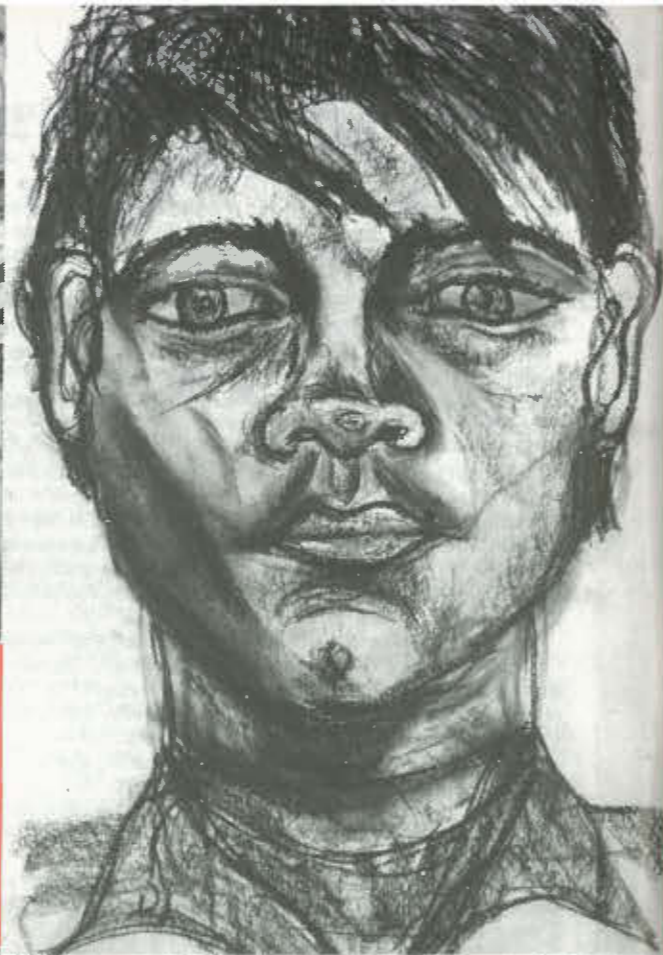
The Inter-School Christmas Fellowship has continued to meet together throughout the year. The aim has been to provide an opportunity for the Christian boys to encourage and support each other while at the same time enjoying some more casual activities.

The group has not only met each Thursday lunchtime in the Boarders' Lounge but has also had a number of visits over to NPGHS to mingle with the ISCF there. There have also been a number of combined activities with other groups from around Taranaki, some fun, and others a little more formal.

'Guts and Glory' has been the theme for the latter part of the year - the Christian Youth 'on fire' and ready to stand for what they believe. These studies have been led by Pastor Tony Smith from the AOG who has been coming in all year again to encourage the boys. Thanks Tony. And thanks go to Mr Clareburt who has helped in supporting the group.

RAMON UTING

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SENIOR PRIZE LIST

SEVENTH FORM PRIZES

SUBJECT PRIZES

Biology (Walter Crowley Weston Memorial Prize) and English Literature (White Memorial Prize) and History (Brian Bellringer Prize)
 Chemistry
 Classical Studies
 English Language (John Brodie Memorial Prize) and Music and Excellence in Humanities (Sheila Prentice Cup and Prize)
 French (French Embassy Prize)
 Geography (David Bennett Prize)
 Horticulture
 Japanese (Japanese Embassy Prize)
 Maori
 Physical Education
 Practical Art (Bradley Graphic Art Prize)

Damian Chapman
 Jason Horsley
 Andrew Griffiths

Hayden Chisholm
 James Smith
 Kyle Dawson
 Alistair Murray
 Darren Rankine
 Brooke Goodey
 Brooke Wolfe
 Duane Agate

EFFORT AND PROGRESS

(London Bookshop Prize)
 (London Bookshop Prize)

Tristan Ward
 Jefferson Drummond
 Regan Yarrow
 William Teo

(PTA Prize)

PUBLIC SPEAKING

First Prize

Shane Grant

ESSAY

First Prize

Duane Agate

MUSIC

Choir General Excellence (Faul Challenge Cup)
 Most Outstanding String Player (Hatherly Memorial Prize)

Walter Quanafia

Simon Rae

SPECIAL PRIZES

Best Performing Artist of the Year (Colleges' Cup and Cave Prize)

Hayden Chisholm
 Karam Meuli
 Matthew Garven

Best Cadet (Wadsworth Cup & Prize)

Best Polynesian or Melanesian Student (Maori & Island Affairs Prize)
 Head Boarder (Eggleston Cup & Prize)

William Teo
 Reuben Thorne

For the busy participant in the life of the school with full involvement in either cultural or sporting activities or both: a prefect/group leader who strongly demonstrates concern for others and who by personal example encourages others to have a go and whose reliability and service are outstanding (Schrader Challenge Trophy & Prize)

Blair Duffy

Outstanding record of service to the School (PTA Silver Jubilee Trophy and Prizes)

Shane Grant

Headmaster's Award for outstanding service to the school

Hamish Archer

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

Martyn Taylor.

GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

General Excellence (Fookes Cup and Prize) (First in Accounting, (Legal Old Boys Prize), First in Economics
 Proxime Accessit (McLeod Memorial Prize, in conjunction with the Clement Cave Scholarship) (First in Graphics (Reeve Cup and Prize), First in Mathematics with Calculus, First in Physics)

Andrew Martin

Grant Reeve

Dux (Academic Excellence Cup and NPOB Association Prize, in conjunction with the Clement Cave Scholarship) (First in Art History, First in Mathematics with Statistics (Harrop Prize)

Simon Rae

SIXTH FORM PRIZES

SUBJECT PRIZES

Biology (Tabor Prize)
 Business Studies (Tabor Prize) and Classical Studies (Tabor Prize)
 Computer Studies (Tabor Prize and Warren Moetara Memorial Trophy)
 Design Technology (Wood) (Jones and Sandford Prize) and Mathematics with Applications (Tabor Prize)
 Design Technology (Metal) (James Clouston Memorial Prize)
 English (Tabor Prize)
 French (French Embassy Prize)
 Graphics (Theory) (Tabor Prize) and Graphics (Project) (L.V. Giddy Memorial Prize)
 Horticulture (Best Student) (Duncan & Davies Prize)
 Horticulture (Best Practical Aptitude) (Alexander Trust Prize)
 Japanese (Japanese Embassy Prize)
 Journalism and Photo-Journalism (Tabor Prize)
 Legal Studies (Tabor Prize)
 Music (Tabor Prize)
 Physical Education (Tabor Prize)
 Practical Art (Tabor Prize)

Jason Tan
 Steven Bunyan
 Dinesh Kathriarachchi
 Mathew Mallett
 Clinton Pease
 Michael Frampton
 Leith Gray

Steven Maiden

Paul Busing

Chris Hall

Greg Wilson

Justin Raine
 Rhys McNally
 David Bremner
 Callum McKenzie
 Gareth Edlin

EFFORT AND PROGRESS

(London Bookshop Prize)
 (London Bookshop Prize)

Obed Timakata
 Peter Grimwood
 Andy Ilo
 Christian Wingate

(PTA Prize)

PUBLIC SPEAKING

First prize and Excellence in Oratory (Wade Scott Cup and Prize) and Excellence in Drama

Karam Meuli

ESSAY

First Prize

Aaron Morgan

MUSIC

Most Outstanding Brass Player (Port Nicholson Cup)

David Bremner

SPECIAL PRIZES

Best perseverance and school spirit demonstrated in a Form Five or Six Maori Student (Laurie Herdman Memorial Prize)
 Highest aggregate for a 1992 Sixth Former in 1991 School Certificate (Hatherly Memorial Prize)

Karam Meuli

Kent Skinner

GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Third Aggregate Equal (Tabor Prize) (First in Economics, First in Geography, Most Improved in Physics (Hurle Cup))
 Second Aggregate (Tabor Prize) (First in History)
 First Aggregate (Tabor Prize and Harrison Cup) (First in Accounting, First in Chemistry, First in Mathematics, Top mark in 1990 School Certificate Mathematics (Donald Mackie Memorial Prize), First in Physics (NZ Institute of Physics Prize)

Peter Little

Karl Gorringer

Kent Skinner



Cadets	J	Cup	Ladies Challenge Trophy Best Junior	Jason Riddick
Cadets	J	Cup	Civil Defence Shield Most Improved	Kane Rattray
Cadets	S	Cup	Lt H.V. Searle Cup Senior Shooting Champ	Neil Kohis
Computer Study	S	Cup	Warren Moetara Memorial Trophy	Dinesh Kathriarachchi
Cricket	S	Cup	Giddy Shield 2nd XI Most Improved	Blair Homer
Cricket	S	Cup	Alistair Jordan Cup Contributed Most	Tony Earl
Cricket	S	Cup	Meuli Cup 1st XI Batting	Tony Earl
Cricket	S	Cup	Parkinson Cup 1st XI Bowling	Tony Earl
Cross Country	I	Cup		Herbert Smith Evan Millar
Cross Country	S	Cup	1911 Cup	Willie Stanley
Cross Country	J	Cup	Noakes Cup	James Herbert
Cycling	S	Cup	ANZ Cycling Cup Most Outstanding Rider	Chris Pollock
Day v Boarder	S	Cup	Dempsey Shield Swimming	Day Boys
Day V Boarder	S	Cup	Pease Cup Rugby	Day Boys
Dux	S	Cup	Academic Excellence Cup	Simon Rae
Form 4 First Agg	J	Cup	1990 Cup	
Form 5 Dux	S	Cup	First in the 4th Form	Andrew Lynch
Form 6 Dux	S	Cup	Hatherly Memorial Cup	Aneel Hay
Form 3 First Agg	J	Cup	Harrison Cup	Kent Skinner
General Excellence	S	Cup	1990 Cup	
Golf	S	Cup	First in the 3rd Form	John Tan
Graphics	S	Cup	Fookes Cup	
Head Boarder	S	Cup	General Excellence	Andrew Martin
Head Boy	S	Cup	Shearer Cup Golf Champion	Rhys Watkins
Hockey	S	Cup	Reeve Cup, Best in Graphics	Grant Reeve
Hockey	S	Cup	Eggleton Cup Head Boarder	Reuben Thome
Hockey	S	Cup	Brookman Cup Head Boy	Martyn Taylor
Hockey	S	Cup	Dion Jordan Memorial Most Valuable Player	M. Taylor/K. Simpson
Hockey	S	Cup	The Geursen Stick. Most Promising Junior	Mark Horgan
Humanities	S	Cup	Simonson Cup	
Interhouse	S	Cup	Most Improved	Ronald Gatenby
Interhouse	S	Cup	Sheila Prentice Cup	Hayden Chisholm
Interhouse	S	Cup	Bumbank Cup Swimming	Barak
Interhouse	S	Cup	Holder Cup Soccer	Donnelly
Interhouse	S	Cup	Hansard Cup Athletics	Hatherly
Interhouse	S	Cup	Cramond Cup	
Interhouse	S	Cup	Overall House Champion	Hatherly
Junior Essay	J	Cup	Kerr Cup Rugby	Hatherly
Maori	S	Cup	Rex Dowling Memorial Cup	Daniel Pritchard
Music	J	Cup	Laurie Herdman Memorial Best Senior Maori	Karam Meuli
Music	S	Cup	Boyd Trophy Most Improved Woodwind	Craig Cochrane
Music	S	Cup	Gibbs Cup Most Improved Brass	Daniel Rae
Music	S	Cup	Port Nicholson Cup Outstanding Brass	David Bremner
Artist of the Year	S	Cup	College Cup Best Performing Artist	K. Meuli & H. Chisholm
Music	J	Cup	Urquhart Trophy Junior Chorister	Not Presented

Music	S	Cup	Faull Challenge Cup	Walter Quanafia
Oratory	S	Cup	Choir General Excellence	
Physics	S	Cup	Wade Scott Cup Excellence in Oratory	Karam Meuli
Public Speaking	J	Cup	Hurle Cup Most Improved Pupil	Peter Little
Rugby	J	Cup	Moss Cup	Brendon Walsh
Rugby	S	Cup	McKight Memorial Cup Contributed Most 4th	Brendon Harvie
Rugby	S	Cup	Watts Cup	
Rugby	J	Cup	Most Improved 1st XV	Campbell Feather
Rugby	J	Cup	Jason Duckett Memorial Trophy Leader	Greg Crofskey
Rugby	S	Cup	Luehart Cup	
Service to School	S	Cup	Contributed Most 1st XV	Michael Collins
Service to School	S	Cup	Schrader Cup Citizenship	Blair Duffy
Service to School	S	Cup	Jack West Centennial Medallion	Martyn Taylor
Service to School	S	Cup	PTA Silver Jubilee Trophy Outstanding	Shane Grant
Skiing	S	Cup	Old Boys Ohakune Trophy	Brooke Wolfe
Skiing	S	Cup	Marie Williams Team event	NPBHS
Soccer	S	Cup	Bert Robson Memorial Cup Contributed Most	
Soccer	S	Cup	Junior School	Ivan Groot
Soccer	S	Cup	Burmester Trophy	
Soccer	S	Cup	Most Improved	Mark Johnson
Soccer	S	Cup	Coaches Cup	
Sportsman	S	Cup	Contributed Most to Team	Scott Avery
Sportsman	S	Cup	Wolfe Cup Best All Round Sportsman	Brooke Wolfe
Sportsman	S	Cup	College Trophy Sportsman of the Year	Martyn Taylor
Swimming	I	Cup	Challenge Cup	Elliot McConnell
Swimming	J	Cup	Fox Cup	Kent Bell
Swimming	S	Cup	Sykes Memorial Cup	Michael Glentworth
Tennis	S	Cup	Burgess Cup	
Tennis	S	Cup	Most Improved	Andrew Eagles
Tennis	I	Cup	McKeon Cup	Ben Cooper
Tennis	S	Cup	Candy Cup	Ben Cooper
Tennis	J	Cup	Herbert Smith Cup	Brad Martin
Writing	S	Cup	Ward Cup	
Writing	S	Cup	Best Creative Writing	Daniel Pritchard



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OLD BOYS' NOTES

At the Annual General Meeting of the NPBHS Old Boys' Association (parent branch) Michael Bryant was elected president, Robert Mills re-elected secretary and Brian Bellringer re-elected treasurer. The meeting paid tribute to outgoing president Max Carroll who did not seek re-election. Max continues to be an outstanding ambassador for the School and is currently being kept busy in his role as captain of the New Plymouth Golf Club, which this year has celebrated its centennial and hosts both the mens and ladies national amateur championships. The annual Old Boys' golf tournament, again organised by Max, was this year held at the NP Golf Club. The winners were Alexander Salver (stableford) - Peter Brennan, McNaught Cup (nett medal) - Tom Moorhead and Peter Powell, Memorial Cup (gross) - Ken Holyoake.

The leadership of former Mayor David Lean has been officially recognised in the New Plymouth District Council's records. At a recent meeting, council members agreed to record sincere thanks to David for 'his impressive leadership, enthusiastic manner and dedication well beyond the call of normal mayoral duties'. David was Mayor of New Plymouth from 1980-89 and then led the New Plymouth District Council for three years. David is currently chief executive for the Top Town Project which includes a multiple cinema complex and is being developed in the old Farmers Building.

A new staff solicitor at the New Plymouth law firm of Govett Quilliam is Paul Shearer. Paul gained an LLB degree from Canterbury University and was admitted to the bar in June.

Matthew Crow has begun a new career as a Second Lieutenant in the New Zealand Army. He completed a BA degree at Victoria University before attending and graduating from the Officer Cadet School at Waiouru. Matthew has joined a telecommunications unit based at Linton.

Michael Edwards returned recently from Melbourne where he was an executive of the Ambulance Employees Union. Michael believes a unified emergency system would be a more cost effective and efficient service.

Alistair Chilcott is now retail manager for Paramount Tyres in New Plymouth. After leaving school Alistair joined Dunlop Tyres and then shifted to Paramount. He also had two years experience in Australia before returning to manage branches of Paramount at Stratford and Wellington before the New Plymouth appointment.

Architect, Terry Boon, well known for his involvement in the Devon Mail, Opera House and Govett Brewer Art Gallery restoration projects and his controversial clock tower design is to be involved with the renovation of Wellington's century old BNZ buildings. Terry's firm of Boon, Smythe, Goldsmith, Cox has received 19 New Zealand Institute of Architecture awards since 1976 with the New Plymouth TSB Stadium being the most recent one.

After five years as president of the Taranaki Jockey Club, Neil Wolfe was awarded life membership in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the New Plymouth Racing Club. In his first annual report Neil listed 29 major improvements to Pukekura Raceway and with the completion of the TSB Stadium Neil considered development was now complete.

Waitomo Museum of Caves director Peter Diamond has been awarded a QSM. Peter has been involved in this project for 22 years. He was the first president of the society and has been director for the last 18 months before which he was part-time director for four years. Peter's work with the museum was first recognised in 1990 when he gained a Tourism Waikato Award of Excellence.

Al Rae, from Pukengahu was 12 years old when he was awarded a TSB Scholarship to attend NPBHS. He went on to gain a MAgSc from Massey University and a Doctorate from Iowa State University. In 1951 at the age of 27 he became the Professor and Head of Department of Sheep Husbandry at Massey. His long association with Massey ended in 1989. His awards included an OBE and the rare Massey medal for Distinguished Service. Al Rae ranks alongside such greats as Dry, Peren and Coop. In August Massey University's Animal Science Department held a two day symposium in honour of Professor Rae. National and International speakers from the breeding industry discussed topics related to Al Rae's career.

Bryant Allen (58-62), a Carrington House Old Boy and member of the 1st XV (61-62) is at the Australian National University at Canberra where he is Head of the Research School of Pacific Studies. He will be joined there at ANU by NPBHS staff member David Craig who will study there for a PhD.

Gavin Deane (80-85) visited his old school recently on a trip home from the USA. Gavin completed a BBS at Massey in 1989

in marketing but on reaching California put his hobby of photography to good use by finding employment as a ski photographer. In Auckland he met up with Simon Davenport (Head Boy 1985) and is keen to meet some of his other contemporaries before returning to the USA. Gavin was very impressed with the changes to NPBHS, since he departed in 1985.

Hayden Chisholm, a talented saxophonist has gained a place in the prestigious School of Music in Cologne, Germany. Only two international students were taken into the four year performance degree course each year. To gain entry he had to be fluent in German and attain high levels of musicianship in both piano and his chosen instrument, the alto saxophone. Hayden could well become a top international jazz musician.

Auckland scientist Richard Faull has earned the University of Auckland's highest accolade for his part in unravelling the mysteries of the human brain. He has gained international recognition for discovering that implanting foetal cells into the brain can reverse some of the devastating effects of Huntington's disease. This may lead to new treatments for Alzheimer's and Parkinson's diseases and epilepsy. Professor Faull, who is head of the Auckland Medical School's Anatomy Department was awarded a personal chair, a lifetime award given only for outstanding achievement.

After 20 years as Headmaster of Auckland Grammar School John Graham has retired from teaching and has taken over the chairmanship of the Owens Group of companies. John was a boarder at NPBHS (48-52), following his elder brother Jim (now Sir James) who became chairman of the New Zealand Dairy Board. His younger brother Bob, currently president of the Auckland Rugby Union followed a year behind John. At NPBHS John boarded in Pridham House, was 1st XV captain (51-52), 1st XI captain (52) and Head Boy (52). His rugby talent was recognised by JJ Stewart, who in an inspired move prompted John from first five eight in the 3rd XV to captain the 1st XV from No. 8. John went on to captain the All Blacks from No. 8. His 40 year teaching career was spent at Christchurch BHS, Linwood HS and Auckland Grammar School. During his 20 years as Head at Grammar John fought hard to maintain and enhance academic and sporting standards at that school. This often brought him into conflict with some education bureaucrats, but no-one can deny the outstanding success of his 20 year stewardship of one of New Zealand's great schools. Old Boys everywhere will wish him well in his retirement.

The upgrading of Pridham Hall, begun in 1991, was completed earlier this year and was officially opened by Education Minister Dr Lockwood Smith. The block was built in 1918 and now contains 13 classrooms, resource areas for English, Geography and History, seminar rooms, offices and the hall containing photographs and memorabilia from the turn of the century. The building is protected by the Historic Places Trust and is a high priority for Old Boys when they visit their old school. Many Old Boys attended the official opening of the new Gully Pavilion in April, which is already proving to be a wonderful facility for the School, Old Boys' Association and the community. Easy access can be gained from Hobson Street and ample parking is available. More than \$240,000 of the \$400,000 cost was raised by the School and a second stage development containing squash court facilities has been allowed for in the design. This is another must for Old Boys to visit.

Two Old Boys have featured prominently on the Palmers Garden TV programme. They are Gordon Collier, whose garden Titoki Point near Taihape is one of New Zealand's great gardens and David Sampson whose Cedar Lodge Nurseries supplies conifers to an international market. Most of the conifers around NPBHS have come from David's nursery.

Former Air New Zealand Boeing captain Laurie Barclay, now living on his property at Kohokohe has bought Volcanic Air Safaries in Rotorua. After retiring from Air New Zealand Laurie spent three years with Malaysian Airlines in Kuala Lumpur.

Contemporary John Eddowes has given up farming and has retired to Whangaparaoa.

Sandy Powell former Principal of Rongotai College and immediate past president of the Wellington Rugby Union is enjoying his retirement and playing plenty of golf.

John Honnor has been re-elected chairman of directors of Surf Lifesaving New Zealand, formerly known as the Surf Lifesaving Association of New Zealand.

On the sporting scene this year Grant Moorhead has been an outstanding performer. The young professional golfer won the West Australian Open at Meadow Springs near Perth, with a record 19 under par score of 269 with individual rounds of 68, 66, 67 and 68. He followed this up with two further tournament wins in Tahiti and Fiji during the seven week South Pacific Tour. Grant is now looking forward with confidence to tackling the Australasian

circuit.

In less than six months Chris Patten is already ranked 27th on the American collegiate tennis circuit. Chris, who is also a promising basketball player is on a four year full tennis scholarship to New Mexico Military Institute in Roswell.

There have been many notable rugby successes this year but none more so than the NPOB club's success in winning the Taranaki Division Final, their first championship win since 1957. It is hoped they can repeat their success in 1994 which is their 75th jubilee year. Superbly led by Andrew Slater the team contains a host of talent from previous NPBHS 1st XV's. Playing in the final were the likes of Andrew and Gordon Slater, Craig McEldowney, Scott Lines, Thomas Trowern, Chris Luke, Michael Carr, Dudley Asi, Todd Wolfe, Geoff Hall and Dean Magon. The 15 to 14 win over Inglewood was achieved with five penalty goals from Todd Wolfe. Todd was selected earlier in the year for a New Zealand Sevens team and has been a consistent try scorer for Taranaki on the wing. The Slater brothers have performed outstandingly well this year and are recognised at the national level. Andrew has frequently captained Taranaki this year and Gordon has already played for a NZ XV. Both have definite All Black prospects. At the end of 1992 Gordon toured England and Wales with the New Zealand Youth team and the players voted him player of the tour while his coach considered him a certainty for the 1995 World Cup.

Darryl Lilley and Michael Collins were both selected for the New Zealand Under 19 team while Jason Hollard, who has performed admirably for Manawatu this year at first five and half back Craig Taylor were picked for New Zealand Universities. Two players who made impressive debuts for Taranaki this year were forwards Ryan Wheeler and Scott Lines. Scott scored two tries in his first game for the province and both have been selected for the Rugby News Youth Team to tour Ireland and Wales.



Ryan Wheeler and Scott Lines.

During the year a number of Old Boys have sadly passed on. Among them was former Mayor of New Plymouth Denny Sutherland. Denny began work with JB MacEwans Sports Store and after the war opened his own sports business, now known as Sutherland's Sportsworld. He was one of New Zealand's best amateur golfers and was a past captain and president of the New Plymouth Golf Club. He will be remembered for his outstanding service to local body affairs, the Bowl of Brooklands Trust, the TSB Bank and for his 12 year term as Mayor of the city. He was awarded a CBE in 1981 for his services to New Plymouth. Another was long serving Clifton County Chairman and after amalgamation Deputy Mayor of New Plymouth District, Tom Watson. In his capacity as Deputy Mayor, Tom officially opened our 110th jubilee. In 1982 he was awarded a QSO and retired from local body politics in 1992 after 32 years service.

The late Ron Smith was a former partner in a New Plymouth accounting firm for 15 years before becoming a full-time business studies tutor at the Taranaki Polytechnic. He will be remembered for his financial auditing for many organisations, his cornet playing with the City Band, his involvement with many church choirs and Ars Nova, and his conducting of the Youth Band.

Peter Bates was a War Historian and Novelist and was the son of well-known local architect Tom Bates who donated the Bates Cup for Interhouse Cricket to NPBHS. Peter served with the 35th Battalion during the First Battle of Alamein. His book Dance of War gives a comprehensive account of that battle. Peter also wrote four

novels, one of them based on his experiences escaping from an Italian prisoner of war camp. He was also the author of a volume in the official NZ War Histories series.

We note sadly the death of Rita Alexander, wife of our late Headmaster, Wit Alexander, both of whom will be fondly remembered by thousands of Old Boys. Others no longer with us are former Territorial Officer and Broadcaster Graeme Wilson, long serving company director Donald Sandford, Old Boys Rugby Club stalwart Russell Gudopp, loyal Auckland Old Boy Ian Manby, Dr A. J. Moss of Waitara and local Old Boys Paul Kahukare and Reg Matthews.

During World War II 228 Old Boys, of whom 169 were airmen, made the supreme sacrifice. Jack West has completed the enormous task of writing pen portraits on each of these men. These pen portraits will appear in book form as a limited edition in 1994. We are indeed grateful for the thousands of hours Jack has spent researching this project and writing a total of some 60,000 words about these 228 men. We look forward to reading this publication next year.

A register of Old Boys is now held on the school's computer. Many addresses however are unknown. If you change address please notify the school by writing to:

OLD BOYS' REGISTER
NEW PLYMOUTH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL
PRIVATE BAG, NEW PLYMOUTH.



John McIntyre with a Forestry Award he received earlier this year.

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NPBHS OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

It gave me great pleasure to be nominated and accept the position as President at the Annual General Meeting held in August 1993.

I attended the School as a boarder from 1957-1961 and have three sons who have boarded from 1987-1993, with the younger having two more years to attend. My father, Roy, attended the school in 1928-29 and two brothers from 1950-56 and my twin brother at the same time as myself. Also five nephews during the 1970s-1980s, hence a very strong family affiliation with the school - 13 family members attending NPBHS.

I live in the Waikato area and am sheep and beef farming on the coast west of Hamilton, at Te Akau.

I will endeavour to serve as President and work with fellow Old Boys Committee members in a very supportive manner as Past Presidents have done.

OFFICE BEARERS

Elected at the AGM on August 3, 1993 are: Patron - Headmaster Mr Tom Ryder; President - Michael Bryant, 57-61; Secretary - Robert Mills 72-75; Treasurer - Brian Bellringer 47-53.

Our sincere thanks of appreciation must be extended to our Past President, Max Carroll for his dedicated services to the Association from 1990-93, especially the overseeing of the 110th jubilee in Easter 1992. We wish you and your wife Bev the most happy and

enjoyable retirement years from your teaching career at NPBHS and will always appreciate your continued input and support for the Association.

Since the AGM two committee meetings have been held, the latter after the Day Boys - Boarders game on September 30 (may I at this point congratulate the boarders on breaking the drought of eight years and winning convincingly by 33-0 and was watched by many - Old Boys and parents).

We opened this meeting to all old Boys to create more interest and ideas to the future of the Association, 21 members attended, with strong support from staff and six apologies. Some very favourable ideas and suggestions were forwarded.

1. To encourage school leavers to become financial members of the Association with an initial subscription of \$25. In 1991 and 1992 the Association has only received one new financial member each year. The Association cannot survive strongly and efficiently with meagre financial support such as this. It is our aim to promote the Association to all school leavers with a personal letter to each before leaving school and encourage them to become financial members and support their future Old Boys' Association.

2. It was moved that an annual membership subscription of \$10 be encouraged from all Old Boys to support the Association.

3. Under the auspices of the Old Boys' Association it was suggested to create a 'Friends of the School' for non-Old Boys' parents who have had sons attend NPBHS and who have had a strong affiliation with the School and wish to keep in touch by becoming members of such in payment of the \$10 annual subscription to the Association. This would entitle them to newsletters etc.

4. The Association will endeavour to promote active participation by Old Boys through annual newsletters and encourage Old Boys' gatherings in combination with school sports fixtures, eg, Wanganui, Te Aute, Hamilton etc, and within New Plymouth at school annual events.

An Old Boy delegate be nominated from each Province to contribute and liaise with the Association and assist in organising functions and gather information for newsletters.

Also fellow Old Boys can contact for information, re the Association School events and assisting updating of Old Boys' Register.

OLD BOYS ASSOCIATION OBLIGATIONS FOR 1993-94

1. An Old Boys' newsletter to be circulated in February 1994 updating them on the School's progress and activities since the 110th Jubilee 1992, school and students achievements; Old Boys updated news, and the School's and Old Boys Association aims for the future years.

Any information or correspondence relevant to this newsletter would be appreciated, forwarded to the Old Boys Association care of the school.

2. To assist with the Publication and sales promotion of the book compiled by Mr Jack West (OB 1927-1931), Honorary Life Member of the Association, on pen portraits and photos of 228 Old Boys who gave their lives during the War.

Jack West's dedication, commitment, expertise and personal financial input in compiling this memorable and valuable information is beyond our words of appreciation. Thank you Jack from all Old Boys for your commitment to such a project. This book is in its final stage of editing with the assistance of Terry O'Meagher, Old Boy, retired journalist. The aim is to release the book on Anzac Weekend 1994.

Promotion of the book will be done through the Old Boys newsletter and hopefully the news media. Old Boys interest and support to this remarkable compiled memorabilia will be more than appreciated.

FIJI OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION

The parent body congratulates the Fiji branch for its strength and support to the School and the Old Boys' Association. Your small but very active branch should be envied by fellow New Zealand Old Boys and if only we all contributed to a small degree that your branch does, we would have a very strong and supportive Old Boys' Association throughout New Zealand.

Your sons and fellow students who attend NPBHS as boarders are great ambassadors for your country. Their personalities, achievements and involvements in boarding and school life enhance the character and reputation of NPBHS.

Our gratitude is extended to the Fiji branch in achieving the goal of establishing a Scholarship Fund to send yet another student to NPBHS in 1994. Congratulations to your Association on this achievement and the parent body is prepared to support and assist all Fiji students at all times.

BOARDING - HATHERLY HOUSE

The boarding roll now stands at 190 of whom many are Old Boys' sons, showing a strong support from Old Boys towards Hostel life, academic and sports achievements and overall standards and goals set at NPBHS by the Headmaster, Mr Ryder and School and Hostel staff.

DAY BOYS

A roll of 950 students of whom many are Old Boys sons, also many boys travelling from outlying areas to attend NPBHS, showing the high esteem the school holds within Taranaki.

I attended the Centennial in 1982 and have been associated with the School for the last seven years. In the 11 years we have seen the School progress in 'leaps and bounds' in academics, sport, expectation of students' dress, manners and personalities; school buildings, grounds and surroundings. I take this opportunity of congratulating the Headmaster, Mr Ryder, School Board and staff and students, past and present in achieving these goals. NPBHS is a School we can all be proud of and it is always a privilege to be associated with a school that has a reputation as high as NPBHS.

To conclude, on behalf of the Parent Body, I encourage all Old Boys and future Old Boys to be supportive of the Association and the School. Your contribution, financially, materialistically or supportively will always be appreciated by either the parent body or any branch of the Old Boys' Association.

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Private Bag, New Plymouth.

MICHAEL BRYANT

TO THOSE NOT RETURNING ...

Time creeps up on you doesn't it? It doesn't seem too long ago when you were just arriving in form three, bright eyed and bushy tailed, sitting in the main hall for the first time - not really knowing what to expect. For most of you, Todd Wolfe would have been Head Boy, although a couple of you would vaguely remember Karl Wipatene. In those days there was no memorabilia room, the cross-country list on the honours board did not yet exist, Pridham Hall was a disaster area, interest rates were about 16% and David Lange was still Prime Minister. Seems a long time ago - but it sure has gone fast. This is a time for reflection. Sure, for some of you - a minority I shouldn't wonder - you will be pleased to see the end of us - for the majority of you however the time of leaving should be one of mixed emotions. For the Hostel boys, this will be particularly true - for you are not simply leaving your school, you are leaving your home and the hostel staff who have grown to know you as they know their own children.

There are some incredibly funny and enjoyable things that have happened to you since you have been here - hold on to those - you should never forget them. Try to remember all those that started with you - those who have left here before you - whatever happened to them? Think of the staff you've had - the good ones, the ones that made you work hard, the ones you hated but didn't dare say so, the ones you were scared stiff would ask you a question, the ones you were not so polite to - they are a very special breed of professionals - they enjoy teaching you and following your progress probably more than any other group of adults with the exception of your parents. Spare a thought for the special extra efforts the staff go to, to make your life that much easier - the tutorials, the coaching, the encouragement, the bending rules, the humour and most important of all - the commitment; these are all things that you should be grateful for. Most of you will not appreciate this until after you leave, but for those of you who have a spare moment - take the time to express your gratitude to those who have made the difference.

NPBHS is a grand school in the true sense of the word. It has very good facilities, a highly committed staff and most of all, it has ordinary boys who are prepared to push themselves in all fields of endeavour to make themselves much better than ordinary. A school without boys is not a school, but a collection of buildings. You have all made the school what it is today and it will not be until you mix with others in the workplace or in the lecture halls that you will truly realise how fortunate you were to go to NPBHS. Keep in touch with your old school and never be embarrassed to return. To you all, the very best of good fortune for the exciting times that lie ahead.

ET COMITATE, ET VIRTUTE ET SAPIENTIA

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