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Editorial

EDITORIAL

Were he alive today, I wonder what our Founder, James Cameron Todd, would have thought of Michaelhouse now? The whole Michaelhouse Community awaits our Centenary Year with eager anticipation, and rightly so because one hundred years of existence is just cause for celebration. Existence is notable enough reflecting as it does loyalty and faith through life's vicissitudes. But it is the quite extraordinary range and diversity of excellence which has been ignited and nurtured at Michaelhouse through these years that would have been cause for Canon Todd's righteous pride. His vision and faith in enterprise has indeed infected those who have followed him here ever since, and it is their achievements which make this not merely an old school but a great one.

Celebrating the Centenary recognises that which is old, which has endured, which has stood the test of time. There is also much that is new. We have a fully constituted new house, Mackenzie, which graces the new St Michael's Quad. We enjoy the new Centenary Pavilion which watches benignly over Meadows. All boys in every house live in new bedsitters and dormitories. There is a new Post Matric Centre and plans afoot for a Business Studies Centre. These are the material manifestations of growth and vigour.

At other levels there is change and innovation too. We live in a newly democratic South Africa and will write a new Matric examination. The academic demands made on our boys are searching not only because entrance to tertiary education is much more stringent nowadays but also

because academic education alone is not sufficient to ensure employment. Sound basics are important but the nurturing of flexibility and focus in thinking is perhaps more so. Learning to adjust and to adapt are important skills in a world where change, never before as rapid, is as inevitable as sunrise. Management and leadership styles are in a continual state of metamorphosis and the ability to cope with these shifts depends on a confident and secure self-image. In our education of the whole man at Michaelhouse we attempt to nurture this self-confidence, this ability to face up boldly to the challenge of the new. Our efforts for 1995 are recorded here.

The old virtues, so important to earlier generations of Michaelhousians, such as courtesy, modesty, honesty and compassion, I hope, will never be neglected. In his contribution to the first edition of the "Chronicle" when there was only one old boy to be "linked" to the school, Canon Todd wrote:

"It is not perhaps sufficiently understood in South Africa that a boy's connection with his school is not severed when he leaves, but lasts through life. I mean that his whole tone, moral and spiritual as well as intellectual is largely determined FOR LIFE by his school; and that to his dying day he will be different from what he would have been if he had been at any other school."

In this our Centenary Year some 5,500 copies of the "Chronicle" are posted to Old Boys throughout the world. May his vision of faith in enterprise be nurtured in the years to come.

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Staff News! School News

MICHAELHOUSE STRATEGIC PLANNING SYMPOSIUM

On the 19th and 20th January, 1995, the Board of Governors and senior academic staff gathered in the Music School for an intensive appraisal of the education we offer at Michaelhouse. The sessions were led by Mr Peter Laburn and the participants were addressed by several keynote speakers, all experts in their fields.

The object of the exercise was to provide a shared vision for the future by analysing our strengths and weaknesses and to discover whether, in view of rapidly changing societal needs, Michaelhouse could remain relevant and recognised as the first choice for secondary education for boys in Southern Africa.

We discovered that Michaelhouse's traditional style is known as "integrative"; our mission is to provide a caring environment aiming for excellence which develops every boy's spiritual, social, moral, academic, cultural and physical abilities and which acknowledges and meets his individual needs. Goals which emerged after much debate included the following: to ensure that the education we offer is holistic; to be at the cutting edge of modern education by continually striving for excellence in all we do; to prepare our pupils for the society into which they will move; to ensure that the Christian - based value structure becomes an integral part of the pupil's existence; to enable the individual pupil to realise his full potential and to attract outstanding staff. The integrative style sees the 4 C's of Compassion, Care, Concern for, and Communication with the individual as crucial in all we strive for.

Space here does not allow for a detailed report on all the heads of discussion but the Rector has submitted five key strategies that are embodied in the Mission Statement: Socio-spiritual development; Academic excellence; Cultural exposure and involvement; Physical development and Marketing and Communication with the wider community. Each of these facets of our life at Michaelhouse received detailed and critical evaluation. Each area has been followed-up on by working Committees and feedback from staff, parents and boys. For example, in preparing our boys for the society in which they will live does not limit itself to social education alone but to exciting developments in

Peter Laburn facilitates the Strategic Planning

Strategic planning, staff and board members put their heads together

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skills, thinking and design skills and so on.

The symposium was a valuable exercise. It was reassuring to find that we do seem to be moving in the right direction I and that the need for a paradigm shift is not required to ensure the future success of the school. The values which made Michaelhouse great in the past do, however, in Peter Laburn's words, "require a far more contemporary delivery". During the course of the year much has been done to elicit the opinions and support of the boys so that they too begin to own this vision.

THE OPENING OF THE CENTENARY CENTRE

We who live at Balgowan watched with interest for many months while the Centenary Centre rose from its foundations. It became clear, as the work went on, that this was to be no ordinary building and, when the finishing touches were added in September, we were mightily impressed. It has a deeply steeped roof with three dormer windows, a wide verandah and the interior is spacious with high ceilings and graceful chandeliers, fittings and furnishings of top quality and a five-star kitchen. Moreover it is well sited, adjoining the new Olympic-standard swimming pool and overlooking Meadows. The vista for visitors approaching the school by Warriors Walk is a fine one, with this new pavilion in the foreground and the chapel towering majestically behind.

This grand pavilion and the swimming pool are the gifts to Michaelhouse of Old Boy Desmond Sacco.

September 15th was the day of the Opening Ceremony. A lovely spring day it was, the grass and the fresh leaves vividly green in the sunlight. It was the day of the Board and Trustees' meetings. At 12.45 governors and trustees assembled on the verandah, the staff grouped themselves round about, and the boys in their "number ones" faced upwards in serried ranks.

A microphone and a sound system were in place, making voices loud but blurred, certainly for the spectators hovering in the rear, but it was possible to make out the voice of Alan Smedley intoning a prayer, and the chairman Tony Ardington singing the praises of the generous donor, Desmond Sacco. He spoke of Desmond's notable sporting achievements in hockey, squash and cricket. He had played cricket for the Transvaal. Angela Sacco was introduced, and a beautiful vision she was, accoutred most elegantly. She unveiled the plaque and declared the building open.

At that point lesser mortals somehow vanished and glasses of champagne were handed to the honoured guests, who

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Centenary Pavilion

The Centenary Pavilion

The new pool

entered the glorious sunshine-coloured, flower-bedecked dining room. It was rather like a wedding reception, the bridal party at the main table consisting of the Sacco family, the Chairman, the Rector and Babs Pluke, and other important people. At the smaller tables guests found friends to sit with. There was a festive mood and the luncheon was greatly enjoyed. The Trustees' meeting was due to assemble at 2.15 p.m. and from that time onwards those involved kept glancing at the chairman, to see whether he was getting agitated or whether there was time for another glass of wine. He did allow time for that extra glass.

This writer's big moment came when Desmond Sacco hailed him and said, "You taught me Latin. It was the one subject for which I was given an "A"."

Thus the generosity of Desmond and Angela extended, beyond their magnificent material gift, to their warm friendliness and thoughtfulness to those whom they met that day.

R C Brooks

Ronald and Nan Brooks

When he and Nan flew off to Cape Town in December they left a gap in the community nobody will fill in quite the same way. Theirs was a dignity, and a mature insight into people, events and trends: theirs were the values and sensitivities of yesteryear so sorely missed today - yet theirs too was an understanding of the new age and the youngsters within it, and they seemed able to blend them.

With Ronald and Nan went a particular brand of humour too, Ronald's dry, and Nan's more flamboyant, with a delightful ability to laugh at herself. Nan's reports at her bookclub were awaited with anticipation, so incisive and relevant were her observations. Ronald's infrequent but memorable renderings of Shakespearian gems reminded one of

his annual Shakespeare productions in the old amphi-theatre, attended by many Maritzburg schools on winter afternoons, after a train trip to Balgowan. And he was no mean photographer, as the walls of his office in the Community Centre bear testimony - brilliant images of Michaelhouse and all its characters.

Ronald taught some French and Latin here, was a regular spectator at sporting events, host to many Old Boys gatherings - Gaudies, Senior Luncheons, Old Boys Days and Committee meetings, and welcome visitor to many Branch gatherings, especially the Durban Old Boys dinner, when he and Nan would stay at the Durban Club.

Ronald and Nan were discreet, friendly and warm, discerning people - special people of the ilk we will not find for a while: and we wish them well in their retirement in Cape Town, close to members of their own family, though distant from most of their Michaelhouse family.

D M Lewis

ADRIAN AND WENDY ROGERS

All the really great schools have members of staff who have become part of the establishment, part of the furniture, as it is said. They provide vital continuity of tradition and standard, show great loyalty and dedication and nurture the important link between Old Boys and their sons at the school.

RONALD AND NAN BROOKS

Ronald's entire S A career of 49 years active service in education has been very involved with Michaelhouse. From 1947 to 1956 he taught here, and was Housemaster of Tatham, affectionately known as "Blugwe", presumably a rough translation of "brooks" into Zulu. From 1957 to 1984 he was Headmaster of Cordwalles, so closely linked to Michaelhouse: and from 1985 to 1995 he was Old Boys' Secretary and Community Officer here. Thus Ronald has been an intimate member of the Michaelhouse family for well-nigh half its existence, well remembered by countless Old Boys: and whose memories of Michaelhouse events, staff and boys are legend.

Three generations of Rogers at Adrian's farewell In the Centenary Pavilion

AJR, Adrian Rogers, arrived on October 1st, 1965, to begin a career at Michaelhouse which was to involve him in a great variety of activities and responsibilities. He is best known for his popular and respected Housemastership of Farfield: but he was also Housemaster of Founders for two vears, ably taking over at a time of need; and he has tutored in six Houses. Adrian has coached rugby with great success, and been in charge of Athletics and Golf: he has taught History, English and Latin, making a real name for himself in the History classroom; and headed the History Department for a while, as well as the VIth Form. He played Caversham cricket where he once caught an historic catch to dismiss an Umgeni (Hilton staff) batsman: and he played staff squash and tennis where he displayed a cunning streak. In societies, too, he was active, running many, especially the Film Society for 20 years. Most importantly, he was Chronicle editor for 13 years during which time the Chronicle grew in size and quality. Very recently he has been Public Relations Officer.

But Adrian was more than all these. He was a man of understanding, of boys in particular. Many a boy and parent will remember him with affection and gratitude: and he was a man with a subtle Irish sense of humour and witty turn of phrase. Many was the time when he countered the Irish jokes constantly flung at him with a gentle reference to the national backgrounds of those who attempted to get the better of him. But over 30 years Adrian has been a popular and jovial member of staff, loyal friend and companion to many.

Behind every successful man there is, of course, a woman. Wendy has become part of the Michaelhouse community in her own right. Recent staff and boys will not know of her acting prowess and performance in numerous staff plays over the years: but they will know of her Christian commitment, her teaching of Divinity and involvement in Confirmation classes, Sunday school and Staff Christian Fellowship. Wendy has also taught French, and been involved in the Tuckshop and the many activities staff-wives contribute so much to. Many staff and boys will remember her cuisine and hospitality. But most importantly she was a committed mother of Kerry, Diedre and Nick who themselves have become popular and friendly members of our community, which Kerry will be marrying out of in January and our best wishes go with her and Tim.

But the Community will not really "miss" them, as they all remain with us, though in a different house and different role. Adrian is now to be Old Boys' Secretary and Community Officer. Who better to have been appointed to these positions? Thirty years at Michaelhouse qualifies him

most suitably. Thus another term of committed service to Michaelhouse begins and we welcome Adrian and Wendy into their new role.

David Lewis

Bill had a great interest in public speaking and one of his most successful brainchilds was the Toastmasters Society which he inaugurated and ran for more than a decade. He also supervised the C Block Public Speaking part of the Education for Living Programme. Genial and appreciative of good humour, Bill is a deeply compassionate and sensitive man. He and his charming wife Marion have retired to George and run a Bed and Breakfast, Ou Lang Huis. We wish them well

A W Cook

BLAISE REYNOLDS

Blaise Reynolds leaves Michaelhouse after sixteen years of distinguished service. He is to take up the Headmastership of Clifton Nottingham Road Prep. School and we wish him well.

Blaise was employed to teach English and has done so throughout his career here. Sir Francis Bacon's dictum that "Reading makes the full man and conference the ready man but writing the exact man" was taken to heart by Blaise. Ever a champion of formal grammar teaching, he insisted on clear, precise writing from his pupils. His pupil's outstanding Matric results over the years are a testimony to his success.

In 1983 Blaise was appointed Housemaster of Farfield which he ran with flair and distinction until 1993. "Burt" was unflappable and fair, a man that his charges always knew they could turn to in times of need and celebration. His ability to listen and to choose the right moment to speak are qualities that will do him proud in the new job. He is able to demand high standards of others because he demands the same from himself.

After the Housemastering (ten years hard!) Blaise became a most effective Counsellor and is responsible for the revamp-

BILL ASHMOLE

Bill Ashmole arrived at Michaelhouse in 1978 to teach Geography. During his career here he contributed to many different facets of our communal life. He was Housemaster of East from 1980 to 1990 and built up many close friendships with boys and their parents. He was a keen rugby coach and assisted with squash in the summer season. No mean spin bowler himself, Bill was a devoted Secretary of

the Caversham Cricket Team for many years and his organisational ability is reflected in some outstanding conferences he put together whilst he was Head of the Geography Department.

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John and Lilian Bitten - farewell

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Blaise and Nadine Reynolds: The new headmaster of Clifton Nottingham Road

ing of this important function at Michaelhouse. Reliable and efficient he will be sorely missed.

On the extramural side of things Blaise has run the Natural History Society, for years the largest society at Michaelhouse. No mean twitcher himself, he has latterly become a keen scuba diver, which has done nothing to improve his hearing but keeps him sane! He is an excellent golfer, cricketer, hockey player and coach. He wears size 12 boots and they will be difficult to fill.

To Nadine and to Kirsten and Kian, au revoir and good luck.

A W Cook

GARTH AND BARBIE GILES

Garth and Barbara Giles left Michaelhouse during the Trinity Term. In his formal capacity Garth was Head of Zulu, Director of Post Matric studies, Master-in-charge of Rugby, a very able tutor of Economics, and a successful coach of the 2nd X1 cricket. These duties he carried out with extraordinary flair and conscientiousness. But it was at the informal level of communication with the boys and many old boys that Garth had a particular genius. He was better able to make a boy believe in himself and of his value to a team than almost anyone I know. Loyalty was a two way street for Garth, and boy's always felt they could trust him. The rugby results over the years and his Economics distinctions are testimony to the excellence and trust which he inspired. He was endlessly energetic in the cause of his boys and many will speak of the extraordinary generosity, good will and compassion he showed them.

Barbara, too, as Secretary to the Fund Raiser gave more than she was required to, was unflappable and inspiring in her own right. Nothing was ever too much trouble for Barbara and she is a brave and supportive person.

We wish them both well in their new ventures in the business world and thank them for the loval service.

A W Cook

concern. "Don" was a popular master whom the boys grew to love and respect because of his enthusiasm and kindliness. His self-deprecating and unassuming manner made him someone members of staff could confide in and his wide range of experience and inimitable sense of humour made him excellent company. His "Right O, guys" has become part of the schoolboy lingo and he will be remembered with warmth and affection by all those who worked here with him. He retires to Pennington and we wish him all the very best for the future.

PAUL AND ELMARIE VAN ZYL

Paul joined the staff in January 1995 to teach music appreciation, guitar and to develop the rhythm section of the school band. Though his stay has been short he and his wife Elmarie have thrown themselves wholeheartedly into school life. Their work in the Christian Fellowship has been particularly appreciated, bringing a relaxed warmth to its proceedings. Paul goes to Durban to further his studies and Elmarie to teach at Durban Girls High School.

A W Cook

NEW STAFF

We welcome Mike Thompson and his wife to Michaelhouse. Mike has been appointed Head of the History Department, is an excellent hockey coach and comes to us from Grey High School (P.E.).

Mr Sandile Khuluse has been appointed Head of the Zulu Department and he will coach soccer.

Old Boy Jon Trafford joins us to head up the Geography Department. He joins us from the International School and will coach rugby amongst other duties. We look forward to welcoming Jon and his wife, Gwyneth, to our community.

DON ELKINGTON

Don Elkington leaves Michaelhouse after 6 years here. He has taught Geography and latterly has been the Head of Department. He has coached swimming and rugby and has been master-in-charge of canoeing. He ran the Toastmasters Society since Mr Ashmole's retirement and to all of these diverse activities he has brought a gentle, caring

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MATHEMATICS VISITORSHIP TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Mr J Buckley

On the 24th March my wife and I flew from Louis Botha to Jan Smuts Airport and then to JFK via Ilha Da Sol (a refuelling stop) and finally via shuttle to our hotel on Manhattan Island in New York City.

From New York we flew to Boston where we hired a car quite an experience driving on the right-hand side of the road, with the car's controls on the left! Boston is a fascinating city, full of history and we rushed around madly trying to absorb it all.

While in Boston we visited three private schools: Hotchkiss, a three-hour trip west of Boston in Connecticut, Phillips Academy and Groton, both about an hour north of Boston. At Hotchkiss we were delighted to see Luke Alers, on an exchange programme from Michaelhouse, looking well and wearing his blazer with pride.

There are many similarities between the three private schools we visited and Michaelhouse: a great variety of extra-mural activities, an emphasis on a balanced education, attractive buildings and grounds, experienced teaching staff, a rural atmosphere and so on. Some differences were the schools are co-educational, they offer a greater variety of subjects, their dress codes were very flexible, the food had more variety, the pupils are extremely conscientious academically and are responsible for cleaning their own rooms and dining halls!

John Buckley: HOD maths at Phillips Academy USA

From Boston we flew via New York to Washington where we were staggered by the beauty of the buildings and the cleanliness of the city. Visiting the Arlington Cemetery, the Vietnam Wall, Lincoln's Memorial and Kennedy's grave were emotional and humbling experiences, ones which made me realise the insignificance of the individual and of South Africa in global terms.

We then drove north (now confident of driving) to Pitman, a small town south of Philadelphia in southern New Jersey. Here we were accommodated in a delightful lake-side cottage and here I managed to do a considerable amount of research into Mathematics education at the Education Information and Resource Centre.

While in New Jersey we visited two huge public comprehensive schools, which provided an interesting contrast with the

private schools. I was amazed at how efficient and well controlled these schools were. One of them Vinelands High School, had designed, built and sold three wood/aluminium houses as their design and technology project for 1994!

The 17th April saw us motor to New York and to JFK and after a 14 hour non-stop flight (the longest non-stop flight in the world!) we arrived back at Jan Smuts and finally at Louis Botha and home to Michaelhouse.

And what of Mathematics Education in the USA? Reassuringly we are very similar in all aspects and approach but lag desperately in technology. However, due to the generosity of the Michaelhouse Community this has already been rectified to a large extent.

ADDRESS TO THE SCHOOL AT ASSEMBLY BY JASON TAYLOR

Everything was not "great", but it was "lekker" and "kiff". People weren't having BBQ's, bur rather braais. And can somebody please tell me what the hell biltong and boerewors is?

It was at this point back in January that I realised I was no longer in the safe and familiar surroundings of Canada, but instead, I was in the strange and unfamiliar country of South Africa.

It was eight months ago that I stepped out of the plane in Durban not knowing a single person, a rather intimidating thought when one's home is on the other side of the world.

What was even more intimidating was when you guys arrived a few days after me, as I did not know how you would react to a Junior Master, or what is more commonly called "A Stooge". Fortunately for me, all of you were very receptive and very welcoming, and it was not long until I felt that I was part of the school.

As I look back now, this has been the greatest and most adventurous eight months of my life. I have been exceptionally fortunate in that I have travelled a great deal and have seen much of South Africa. I have been to Cape Town twice; driven through the Garden Route; been to Joburg and Sun City; and been in awe as I went on a tour of Ellis Park, only two days after the Springboks won the World Cup. I have seen the amazing and indescribable Kruger Park; travelled the roads, or should I say potholes, of Swaziland; I've nearly drowned in the Zambesi while White Water Rafting at Victoria Falls; I have even played cricket a couple of times although they tell me my swing is not textbook. And amazingly enough, I have even coached Rugby - boy, you know you're desperate when you ask a Canadian to coach rugby!

I think that what I will remember most about South Africa, and Michaelhouse specifically, are the people. I have been lucky again in the respect that I have been able to forge great relationships with both students and masters alike. I'm sort of right in the middle - older than you students yet younger than the other masters. Thus, I know what you are all going through as I have just been recently through it myself, and so I felt that I could be more your guy's friend than just a master. On the other hand I have spent a lot of time with several of the staff, and have truly made what I hope to be friends for life.

I need to take this opportunity to thank a few people, and although I can't mention all the people I would like, I hope you realise I give my sincerest thanks to all of you for making my time here unforgettable.

First and foremost, I would like to thank you, Mr Pluke, for without you I would not be here to begin with. You gave me an opportunity of a lifetime, and my only goal when I came here was to in some small way contribute to the betterment of Michaelhouse both academically and athletically, and I hope that I have succeeded. With Kiran Russell going to

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Trinity next year to do the same thing I have done, I feel the bond between our two schools is strengthening, and that bodes well for the future.

As well, Pete, Allen, and Dave I owe you many thanks for all that you have done. Time and again you have done more than necessary to make sure everything was O.K. for me, and I truly appreciate it. To the Buckleys, Andy Cook, Don Elkington, Blaise Reynolds, Gavin Scholefield, Nick Cahill, Rich McMichael and Johan van Rooyen, thank you for all that you have done.

I would also like to make a special thanks to three of my best friends. Unfortunately Jonathan Cribbins is not here, but he has been a great friend right from the beginning. Ken Shuter, thank you for all you have done for me and for being such a damn nice guy. I hope you never forget the way I say "out". And to Elmar de Klerk, we have had some great times together, memories that I will always have. You have been a true friend and I know that you always will be. Thank you.

To everyone in Founders House, especially the Cops and Chris Purchase, you guys were a fantastic House all year and I feel fortunate to have been involved with you. I owe a special thanks as well to the Post Matrics. To the guys who have lived in Norwood Lodge from the beginning, Steve and Mike, thank you for welcoming me into the TV room for a little basketball, OJ and Melrose.

Evert, Quentin, Joseph and Gary, thank you guys for coming every day and listening to me babble about the practice of selling. You guys have been great all year.

Andrew Purchase, you have been a great friend all year. May the Lord always be with you!

For me, the beginning here at Michaelhouse represented a difficult change, but then I went on to have the most wonderful time one can imagine, and now, here at the ending, it is also difficult because of the people I have met, and the friends I have made. I will never forget this place, as it will undoubtedly go down as one of the greatest experiences of my life.

Good luck to all of you for the remainder of the year, and to those of you who are graduating I hope next year brings all that you expect.

I would like to close with this thought. In the words of Ian Rogers, the confrontational Canadian that I am: "May Michaelhouse forever kick Hilton's ass!"

Thank you.

HOTCHKISS EXCHANGE

Luke Alers. (B Block, West House)

Hotckiss, a prestigious private school nestled in the beautiful Connecticut countryside, was where I spent the first six months of this year as a South African Exchange student.

Luke Alers (centre) Exchange student to Hotchkiss

Hotchkiss is one of the best prep (private) schools in America (rated in the top 5 in the east) and there is little wonder why. Its sports facilities are outstanding with indoor pool, tennis courts, basketball courts and an indoor ice rink. But it does not stop there. It has a large computer centre with state-of-the-art computers. The classes also number about 10 pupils to one teacher and this gives an extremely personal approach to learning.

I arrived in the middle of winter and it was the first time I had ever seen snow and I was totally in awe. During the first term I played ice-hockey which was superb fun. I then toured around the east and tried my hand at skiing and snowboarding which are probably the two most enjoyable activities that I have done in my life. I also visited Montreal and Toronto in Canada.

During my second term I played Lacrosse, participated in Track and Field and also experienced the beautiful Connecticut Spring. After leaving Hotchkiss I toured more and visited the Big Apple (New York) and also went yachting off the coast of Maine (an unbelievable experience). On the way back I also stopped off in England and toured around London and its surrounding towns.

My experience at Hotchkiss was one of growth and realisation of what lay out in the world, that South Africa isn't the centre of it, but at the same time that the grass isn't necessarily greener on the other side. This exchange showed me how to realise and be proud of my culture and that is one thing I will never forget.

FARM SCHOOL REPORT: ASITHUTKHUKE SCHOOL

The condition of education in the former DET schools remains desperate. Finance is lacking, facilities are lacking, qualified teachers are in short supply, but pupil numbers are on the increase. Furthermore, general management and administration by government offices is still uncertain and the change-over to one single department of education remains incomplete.

In these circumstances, it is pleasing to note that progress at Asithuthuke continues thanks to management by and support from Michaelhouse; financial support from the private sector, often Michaelhouse connected; a generally well-qualified teaching staff; and a Headmaster, Mr Cosmos Sabela, capable and conscientious, and conversant with both the need for high educational standards, and modern demands and aspirations.

The Principal, Mr Cosmos Sabela BSc BEd

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FACILITIES:

Our facilities continue to improve. The re-wiring and lighting of all the classrooms is complete: all the senior school classrooms have OHP's: a part-time librarian now cares for the library: a photo-copying machine was generously donated to us by Mr Paul Barnett: and, most important of all, our new sportsfield is now complete, ready for use at the start of

The new sportsfield

the year. This was made possible by generous donations from Murray & Roberts (R40 000), Glenvaal, Glenrand, Chick Henderson, the Johannesburg Sportsman's Club, Monsanto (R13 000) and Corporate Communications Consultants, assisted by the Midlands Joint Services Board and the instant grassing was made possible by Michaelhouse equipment and grass taken from Michaelhouse fields and efforts of Asithuthuke pupils themselves and assistance from Mr Jub Green, local farmer. Much work remains to be done - approach steps down the

embankment, toilets, tree planting, the marking of an athletics track - but the important thing is that it can be used immediately for soccer, and other school activities, such as drum-majorette practices and, hopefully, some mini-cricket. A computer has been donated by Stephen Metcalfe from Michaelhouse who won the United Nations Essay competition, and we have yet to allocate money donated in memory of Jonathan Shedlock.

GRAHAMSTOWN ENGLISH LANGUAGE FESTIVAL: Two boys and two girls, sponsored by Eskom, attended this festival.

NATAL SCIENCE EXPO: Three boys, including Cedric Sikhosana, won a second prize with their project on solar heating systems.

NATIONAL AFRIKAANS OLYMPIAD: one of our candidates earned a C symbol.

REGIONAL DRUM MAJORETTE COMPETITIONS: our girls coached by Busi Nondabe came second.

PRIMARY SCHOOL DRAMA COMPETITION ORGANISED BY READ.

The Lower Primary group came second, while the Higher Primary Group won the prize for the best performance. A certificate for sustained progress in the READ programme was awarded to the School.

KFC SOCCER TOURNAMENT: The 1st X1 won this tour-

nament.

7-A-SIDE SOCCER FESTIVAL AT MICHAELHOUSE: Eight teams took part in this very successful tournament at Michaelhouse.

MATRIC RESULTS

PRE-PRIMARY SCHOOL: this school, donated by Eskom, and financially supported by Nedcor, continues to make handsome progress under the principalship of Mrs Rachel Seleoane. Not only are young children prepared for their formal schooling there, but also trainee teachers are trained under Mrs Seleoane's experienced eye.

PARENT/TEACHER ASSOCIATION: increasingly, under the leadership of Pastor Tsietsie Seleoane, parents are being brought into the affairs of the school. Meetings are well attended.

THE STAFF

Headmaster: Mr Z C Sabela: B. Agric: HED: B.Ed HOD's: Ms K P Noble: MA: HED, Ms B A Nondaba

BA (Hons): PTC and Messrs J Sekhakane, PTC: T Cele, PTD: F Zondi, PTC: C Goodlad, BA, LLB: S Daniels, HDE: P Conture, BA (Hons): W Zulu, PTD: P Zuma, PTC: B Sithole: Std 10: B Buthelezi, PTD: S Moe, HDE: L Wilmot, BSc, HDE: I Nkosi, JSTC: M Manning, BA, HDE: G Maduna, PTD: D Ramorobi, PTC: D Sithole, Std 10: W van der Westhuizen, B Comm, BEd: B Dlungwane, Std 10.

Sincere thanks to Ms Nondaba for teaching Zulu to Matric and Std 9 at Michaelhouse for three terms of this year.

D M Lewis

FARM SCHOOL (ASUTHUTHUKE)
MATRIC RESULTS

Matric Results for 1995 were pleasing, compared to the national average, but slightly down on 1994. There was a 67% pass with Pretty Sikhakhane and Samuel Ntombela gaining B's in Science and Afrikaans respectively. The drop of 5% from 1994 was due entirely to problems in one subject, which has already been rectified by the appointment of a new teacher.

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REPORT TO SPONSORS 1995

Nicky Nielsen Outreach Facilitator

Since 1987 Michaelhouse has held a series of Teacher Upgrade Programmes for the Department of Education and for KwaZulu-Natal teachers during the school holidays. These are usually 4 or 5 day residential courses.

We would like to record a very heartfelt thank you to our partners, namely, Centre for Advancement of Science and Maths Education, the English Language Education Trust, the Natal Primary Science Project, the Natal Midlands Education Project and the Science Education Project.

The demand for these courses from the teaching community has risen dramatically. Since the inception of the venture over 4000 teachers have been on the courses. 1995 saw an increase in the number of courses held and also an increase in the numbers of participants attending.

There were eight residential courses at Michaelhouse and two at St Mary's with 806 teachers benefitting over a 47 day period.

The upliftment of education for the disadvantaged remains a strong priority in the new South Africa and we are continually looking for financial support to enable us to continue with the above initiative. All donors are furnished with a Section 18A Income Tax Certificate. An audited financial statement for the Teachers' Upgrade Programme is available on request.

Michaelhouse would like to express their sincere appreciation to those who have sponsored this initiative, both this year and in the past. We thank the Ackerman Trust, De Beers Educational Trust, First National Bank, Hunt

Teacher Upgrade 1995

NIc James teaches teachers maths

Leuchars & Hepburn, Illovo Sugar, J C I, Liberty Life, Nampak, Old Mutual, S A Rail Commuter, S A Breweries, Smith & Nephew, Southern Life, Standard Bank, T & N Holdings, Woolworths and The Cecil Renaud Educational and Charitable Trust for their support this year.

During January 1995 we held three courses at Michaelhouse:

From 8-20 January the English Language Educational Trust (ELET) ran a PETRA Seminar Block (English as a 2nd Language for Primary Teachers from Rural Areas). The 150 participants were from as far afield as Gazankulu, Lebowa and Phalaborwa in the Northern Transvaal, Kimberley, Port Elizabeth, King Williamstown and Port Shepstone. An interesting aspect of this course was that two of the tutors present, Paul Kusel and Antonia Lineham, hail from Christ Church College, Canterbury.

The other two courses were run by Primary Science Programme Trust, the first from 15 to 18 January - for

34 teachers from KZN rural areas was a Science KIT training programme, and the second course, held from 9 to 11 January - for 33 teachers from local rural schools (including a delegate from Asithuthuka) was on Primary Investigative Maths. This was sponsored by Midlands Educational Trust.

During the April holidays the Primary Science Programme ran a Science & Technology course for teachers from New Hanover, Pietermaritzburg and Pinetown areas. This was from 9-12 April.

Commitment by the participants was evident in their wholehearted and conscientious approach to their workshops. The workshops studied environmental issues, creating models and projects from waste materials, and addressing manmade environmental problems. These teachers will return to grass roots and disseminate their findings and solutions to their own classrooms.

During the July holidays we held four courses, attended by a total of 349 teachers:

The first course was Centre for the Advancement of Science and Maths Education attended by 78 people and held from 2-7 July. This was a week of formal training in Teacher Leadership. This equips the delegates with the necessary skills to manage, plan and facilitate workshops in their subject areas i.e. Physical Science, Biology and Mathematics. This course is certified by the University of Natal.

The second course was a conference run by the Science Education Project, with 105 participants, run from 2-7 July. Some of the topics covered were "Misconceptions in Science", "Problem Solving in Science" and "Relevance of Science to Human Life". There was also a demonstration of a micro steam car and its construction.

The third course, held by English Language Educational Trust was a Primary English Teaching for Rural Areas course. This was from 9-21 July and was attended by 135 English teachers. They wrote an exam for a Certificate for Overseas Teaching of English, which was moderated by three tutors from Christ Church College in Canterbury. As this course is validated by Cambridge University, there was also a moderator from Cambridge who attended these two weeks at Michaelhouse. Based on their results, 24 candidates will go to Canterbury on a 12 week scholarship.

The fourth course was a small Maths Workshop held by Primary Science Programme from 17-19 July. This was for teachers from local rural areas and there were 31 participants."

Planning for 1996

We already have two courses booked for January 1996. They will be run by the English Language Educational Trust and Primary Science Programme.

We will be negotiating with the rest of our partners in terms of their requirements for 1996.

We expect the demand for courses to increase in 1996 and we are budgetting an amount of R400 000 for the funding of approximately 5660 participant days. Owing to our Centenary celebrations in 1996, some of our courses may have to be reorganised, but the publicity which the school will enjoy will benefit you - our partners - in this enormously valuable work.

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J Armstrong M

D Arnot M

R Astrup M

Z Bam M

G Beekman M

D Betz M

G Bhengu M

T Boast M

R Brodie-Smith S

A Brown S

A Campbell M

B Chadwick M

C-N Chang S

C-W Chang M

H Coppez M

C Cozens S

J Craig-Cochran M

C Creasy M

G De Rosnay M

E Dixon-Smith M

B Dyson M

M Faircliff M

J Frost M

B Garcin M

N Goss M

K Goulding M

N Hene M

J Hibbs M

B Hopkins S

H Imrie M

R Kay M

G Kearns S

G Kelmanson M

N Koza M

C Kuun M

J Lamb M

R Lay M

L Le Roux S

S Leitich M

M Leslie S

W Lister-James S

M MacNaughton M

V Madide M

M Maine S

F Makara M

J Maritz M

W Marshall-Smith M

L McIntosh M

S Misselbrook M

R Morgan-Grenville M

P Motanyane S T Mtombeni M

R Muller S

C Murrey M

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R North M A Nowlin S

G Nunes M

B Osborne S

G Parker M

K Payn M

T Persson M D Phillips S

S Poswa S

S Pringle S

P Rebeck M

B Rigden S

R Rivera M

D Robert S

K Russell M

J Sage M

G Shaw M

M Simelane S

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C Smith S

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C Strachan M

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R Tucker M

R Urquhart M

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J Venables M
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R Vossgatter M
D Wattam M
A Wenham M
A Williams S
C Williamson M
D Williamson S
G Williamson M
B Wilson M
Ken Goulding: Top Matric finalist and runner up In the Alan Paton Literary Competition

R Varney M

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Open Scholarships

1st Major Open 2nd Major Open 3rd Major Open 1st Lower Open 2nd Lower Open

Andrew Swan
David Christie
Ryan Cotterell
Michael Adams
Stephen Brever-Menke

Trust Scholarship

1st Trust (75%) Jonathan Le Feuvre 2nd Trust (70%) Charles Copley

Cordwalles St Peters Clifton, Durban Pridwin The Ridge

Pietersburg

Drakensview

Exhibitions

Liam Hewitt Cameron Barnes Richard Stott

Highbury Clifton, NR The Ridge

Closed Scholarships

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Clifton, Durban
Cordwalles
Pridwin
The Ridge
St Peters
Highbury
Cowan House
WHPS

Pembroke House

Mark Tucker Sudhakar Dass Bradley Roets Thomas Zingel John Sladden Andrew Davidson Richard Flockman Peter Liebetrau James Sceales Edward Dudgeon

VITH FORM RESULTS, 1995

VIth Form boys wrote papers through three institutions in 1995 - UNISA (some nine courses), University of Natal (Chemistry) and the Institute of Marketing Management (certificate in Salesmanship).

The UNISA and UNP results were very pleasing. Of the 93 modules written 90% were passed, 20% with distinctions, 14 of the 19 UNISA/UNP candidates passed all the modules they wrote, and will, in negotiation with their tertiary institutions, use them as credits in 1996. The Marketing results, for a variety of reasons, were disappointing. Of the four boys, one managed to attain the Certificate while one other has passed three of the four modules required. Tutors and students now realise that the IMM course is not the "soft" option it was first thought to be.

There has been a significant swing in demand from the Sciences to Commerce and Marketing courses and this trend continues into 1996 with Maths (4), Physics (2), Chemistry (4) and Biology (7) less popular than Accounts (9), Economics (10) and Marketing (13).

We look forward to a successful academic year.

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT REPORT

Mr Peter Dennyson, Head of the English Department reports:

"In the course of 1995, the Michaelhouse English Department won its fair share of awards - and I will report on the Paton and Victoria accolades - but it also lost the services of one of its most valuable and long-serving members. The English Department Report for 1995 needs to be dominated by the departure of Mr Blaise Reynolds.

We are delighted that it is promotion that takes Blaise away from Michaelhouse - in January 1996 he takes up the position of Headmaster of Clifton, Nottingham Road - but there is no other reason why we would have allowed him to leave; he will be sorely missed in the English classroom.

During his years at Michaelhouse, Blaise taught English to all classes from "E" to "A" Block, and adopted a scholarly

Wargames: a prelude to the study of war poets in E Block

and meticulous approach with top and bottom sets. He will be remembered for his insistence on neat, grammatical English. Shortly before he left Michaelhouse, he said to me, "Don't throw away those old dilapidated copies of The Art of English - we may well be prescribing them again in a few years." Anyone who listens to the spoken word on radio and television knows that Blaise may well be speaking the truth!

For many years Blaise has devoted part of his Christmas holiday to marking the NED Matric Language Paper - and the information he has brought back from the marking centre has proved invaluable to all the English teachers at Michaelhouse.

We will all miss him at Michaelhouse - I can only thank him for all he has done for English, and wish him well in his exciting new venture at Clifton.

For the rest, as Lawrence said, I have great pleasure in reporting on various successes in literary matters. We started the year with success in the Victoria League Essay Competition for Standard Seven pupils - we retained the Floating Trophy, with ten of our boys being presented with book prizes at a delightful party at Mrs Lister's house in Pietermaritzburg where Mrs Waterton, the wife of the British Consul in Natal, was the Guest of Honour.

Next up was the Alan Paton Creative Writing Competition, where the poet Douglas Livingstone presented the awards. Kenneth Goulding was placed second in the Standard Ten Short Story Section with his entertaining "Happy As A Sandboy", and Hedley Twidle's poem "Reflection" won him First Prize in the Standard Eight Poetry Section.

Then in October, it was back to the Technikon in Durban for the finals of the Alan Paton Literary Competition. On this occasion the guest speaker was Professor Tony Voss.

Hedley Twidle was chasing literary awards again, but on this occasion he was not placed in the top three; nevertheless his study of David Malouf's Remembering Babylon was well prepared and scholarly.

Douglas Lorimer brought us success this time for in the Standard Nine section with his talk on "The Concept of World Building and the Adams Universe" was placed first. Well done, Douglas. We hope for more successes next year.

1995 has been a good year for the English Department - next year will be interesting to say the least. I say farewell to the NED Matric with some regrets - standards in Natal were always high and the exams were professionally set and

marked - and I look forward to our association with IEB. We will face a new Matric in a new South Africa - and changes in education continue to emerge on a regular basis. Oh yes,

1996 will be an exciting year indeed".

LIBRARY REPORT

Librarian: Mrs P Purchase

Computerization: We started the year with a new Acorn A5000 computer, printer and bar-code reader in the issue office. Each library user has been allowed a maximum of three fiction books, which we have issued from the computer, plus a maximum of three non-fiction books, issued on the old card system. Generous! The computer will produce printed overdue lists and individual letters to advise boys of reserved books. We have nearly completed the computerization of our 8,000 non-fiction books.

Books are for Pleasure: Books are for pleasure and relaxation and escape - even reference books! This is a theme I constantly endeavour to promote through the selection of attractive books and the mounting of enticing displays. The new book displays have been held in the quad again and trapped a few unsuspecting Philistines, we hope.

Displays: The life of the school is reflected in some of the displays we have had: A & D Block Ceramics as well as wire and bamboo insects and birds made from waste, E Block history, the Tennis Tour to Zimbabwe, Military Leaders of World War 11, Shakespeare projects, E Block Zululand trip, the Elephant Man and Victorian Life, C Block

theses on authors, English Olympiad theme "Propaganda", Exchange students to Trinity College, to Hotchkiss, a Rotary exchange student to New York State and Mr and Mrs Buckley's trip to the USA. The display of Mr Paul Lavender's watercolours and sketches drew warm admiration from all. We have acknowledged special days like VE Day, Comrades Marathon Day, No Smoking Day, Readathon Day, World Environment Day and Aids Day. Other displays have been on Braveheart, World Cup Rugby, Drugs and Drug Abuse, Christian Focus Week, Wilbur Smith, Frederick Forsyth and Paul Gallico.

New Book Display: a selection for summer under the gazebo

THE LIBRARY MONITORS

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R. Arthur, S. McKernan

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Library Staff: In April I attended a stimulating international conference on children's literature called "Other Worlds, Other Lives", held at UNISA in Pretoria. Thanks go to Sheena White, data capture clerk, display artist and library assistant without portfolio. Her optimism in coping with troublesome reservations has been admirable. Thembi Sibisi has again been a very willing and reliable assistant. Joseph Venables had been a responsible and cheerful Head Monitor and Philip Norton a marvellous support with his computer expertise. Thanks to all the library monitors for their service in the afternoons.

VITH FORM, 1995 Master: G H Scholefield

1995 was a successful year for the twenty-five boys who spent the year at the School. The academic experience was generally well-received and the work ethic satisfactory. Trips varied from the major visits out of Natal, to afternoon jaunts into Maritzburg, and talks by outsiders arranged at the school.

The year started with the five-day stay in Durban for an Ocean Sailing course. This proved to be a most enjoyable opportunity for the group to get to know one another as six were new to the school. Despite Richard Newton's avowal

Higher Grade navigation: Sean Cole and Sean du Toit put their

heads together

Man overboardl Richard Newton

never to go to sea again, the group responded well to the practical demands of the course! The first week of the June holidays was spent in Johannesburg on a semi-educational tour which included visits to Lost City, Gold Reef City, a C D factory, the Stock Exchange and Ellis Park just days after the World Cup triumph. The group spent a weekend at Umkomaas in September where five of the group had the opportunity to dive, while the others played golf or enjoyed the beach at Scottburgh.

While the trips described above were the major visits undertaken during each of the first three quarters, a wide variety of local visits and talks were also experienced. The group twice went to Action Cricket, to the Tatham Art gallery, to the Scottsville Race Course for a race meeting, to a stud farm and so on. Mr Mike Southwood kindly arranged and directed a three week legal experience which culminated in a visit to the Supreme Court, after having learnt much about the variety of courts and the legal process. There were also several visits to the School by outsiders.

Socially the year ended with a VIth Form Social with partners from local schools, and then finally with the Leavers Dinner, where the group was addressed by Mr John McCormick, whose talk on "My place in the New South Africa" was thoroughly enjoyed by an interested audience.

Academically it is hoped that the year will bear a successful crop. Twenty-one boys took the opportunity to write UNISA credits, of which nine were on offer. The balance of the group attempted to achieve a Certificate in Salesmanship through the Institute of Marketing Management. This course has proved very popular and applications for 1996 are encouraging and will be complemented by a comprehensive "business experience" programme being planned for the year ahead. The four students working on the IMM course have registered to go to Technikon in Durban while the rest

Post Matric Farewell Dinner

Post Matric Outing: another tough day In Africal

Ocean Sailing Course: Post Matric bonding

Out Into the wild blue yonder

will go to various universities in South Africa in 1996, using the credits gained this year.

VIth Formers commit themselves fully to the wide range of extra-mural activities at the School. Their participation in all sports and activities will be found elsewhere in the Chronicle, but it was refreshing to witness their willingness to contribute significantly too in service activities such as Venture Club (taking younger boys into the 'Berg) and cricket umpiring.

1996 promises to be a special year. The construction of the Centenary Vlth Form Centre will provide accommodation for 18 boys and two post-graduate student-teachers, and the proposed construction of the Business Centre will also provide a very significant facility for academic endeavour. 1995 has, however, proved a sound foundation for the Centenary year and those who have been with us for 1995 have set very suitable standards for those who follow. We wish them well for their future.

SIXTH FORM TOUR TO JOHANNESBURG - JUNE 1995

Twenty of the twenty-five members of the 1995 Sixth Form group were able to join the tour to Johannesburg although some arrived late and others left early.

The majority of the group met at Kyalami Lodge on Monday 26th June at noon and unpacked at the chalets. After lunch Chick Henderson took the group first to Ellis Park where the World Cup final had been played on the previous Saturday and then to Wanderers although the group's interest was distracted by the practice taking place next door involving the Transvaal rugby team. After dinner the group watched a musical at the Civic Theatre, "Psychedelic Cowboys", which received mixed reviews!

We spent most of Tuesday at Gold Reef City and after a most informative trip down the mine and then to the smelting plant and a meal, the boys spent time on the many rides available including the impressive "Looping Star" which the masters were cordially invited to join!

We left for Lost City early on Wednesday and had a most enjoyable day at the Valley of the Waves and other attractions coming back in the late afternoon via Hartebeesport Dam. The group were complete for the only time in the week for this day.

After a late start on Thursday we met Sue Neiman of Gallo Training at the C D Tech plant in Midrand. She had very kindly supplied a light lunch and an excellent tour round the plant. Some very astute questions were asked by the boys who witnessed the entire process in the production of the compact discs.

The ice-show at the Standard Bank arena was a little disappointing and in retrospect a better option could have been found that evening.

The visit to the Stock Exchange on Friday morning was most informative and again the visit sparked some very interesting discussions and seemed to tie in well with the production of gold, and of the manufacturing process seen earlier in the week. The tour ended on Friday evening with a movie and dinner.

The boys were driven to, and back from, clubs each evening so that they could experience the night life by themselves and it was refreshing to realise that the vast majority displayed sound common sense in this regard. The masters got used to watching late night film shows!

The group dispersed on Saturday morning, several coming back to Natal by bus on Saturday, and on Monday, while others flew on to places further afield.

The total cost of the tour was approximately R16 000 and was funded by the Sixth Form Trust Tour Budget. The decision not to go to Namibia for rafting was made on a financial basis, the cost of transport being prohibitive. It is proposed that in 1996, the Sixth Form will spend a week on the Tugela early in the first quarter, and then a week on the Ocean Sailing Course in June, with a diving course in the third quarter.

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Gavin Scholefield Director of Sixth Form 24 July 1995

MATHEMATICS OLYMPIAD

A staggering 26 000 pupils from all over Southern Africa took part in the first round of this event. All boys in the top Mathematics sets at Michaelhouse were entered. Approximately 6% of the total entry qualified for the second round.

In the junior section (E and D Block), D Chennells, B Paynter, S McKernan, P Ross, P Smith and T Walwyn and in the senior section (A, B and C Blocks), D Arnot, G Beekman, K Goulding, D Lorimer, W Marshall-Smith, L McIntosh, S Metcalfe, B Shearer, R Snowden, O Stainer, R Urquhart and M Warner qualified for the second round.

Unfortunately none of these was successful in gaining entry into the final round.

THE DURBAN JUNIOR MATHEMATICS OLYMPIAD

The Olympiad was written by 1 080 Standard 6 and 7 pupils from 36 schools in Natal. The top 50 pupils were awarded certificates of merit and P Smith, D Chennells, A Grobicki, C Hackland, J Haggie and S McKernan were successful.

In addition Michaelhouse was placed third according to the number of pupils in the top 8%.

EXTENDED ACADEMIC PROGRAMME

Master-in-charge: Mr P C Fleischack

The Extended Academic Programme made a very good start this year. All boys who score three or more distinctions in a June or November examination earn membership of the programme. The idea behind this programme is that boys who are academically able be provided with opportunities to extend themselves to their full capacities. As all of these pupils are taught in classes along with other boys (there is no real "accelerated stream" at Michaelhouse), and need extension. The members of this group are also offered the privileges of freedom in the evenings and enjoyable, yet extending outings. This is hoped to encourage all able pupils to strive for membership of the programme.

This year members of the programme have visited:

Oceanographic Research Institute

Durban Harbour

Toyota Assembly Plant

Innoxa Pharmaceutical

Umgeni Water Purification

Shongweni Community Nature Reserve

They have participated in a problem solving bowl and have been exposed to practical philosophy.

A typical example of the "extramural" extension activities of an individual member of the programme includes submitting entries for the following Olympiads and competitions:

English, Afrikaans, Old Mutual Mathematics

University of Pretoria Mathematics, Science

TOPPS Std 8 Science, General Knowledge Olympiads

Shuter and Shooter Essay Writing Competition

Alan Paton Literary Competition

Young Scientists' Expo

Mintek Science Quiz

Members of the Extended Academic Programme are generally extremely busy. Many are active members of the Jazz Band and/or the choir. Some also have had leading roles in drama productions. Philip Norton and Richard Schroder wrote and installed a computer mail system which allows computer users to send messages to each other on the network. Even finding time to meet with this group is often very difficult. For this reason it is important that these lads are able to have freedom from rigid time schedules in the afternoons and evenings.

Members of the extended academic programme are enthusiastic about the programme and there have been few dropouts. They value their privileges and the extra academic opportunities provided by the programme. However, they do find their days very full.

SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

1995 was a quiet year for the Science Department. The staff complement remained the same which helped to get all the unique characters in the department to work together as a team. The presence of Ken Shuter (English) and Lynn van der Vegte (VI Form Statistics) added variety to the staff teaching in the science block.

The 1994 matric results achieved by the Science Department were very pleasing. There were 8 HG A symbols (14%) and one failure. The SG results were excellent with most pupils achieving significantly higher marks in the exam than their assessment marks. This was a tribute to their teachers' ability to prepare them for the exam. Well done to Nic Cahill, Gavin Ross and Tony Carter.

The main focus of the year was to streamline the syllabi with two goals in mind:-

firstly: to teach the boys aspects of science which are relevant to their daily lives and,

secondly: to ensure that science is taught meaningfully and effectively to the seniors enabling each.boy to achieve the best result according to his potential.

The department changed from teaching physics and chemistry separately to the same teacher teaching science to a specific class. Advantages of this method of teaching are that the pupils don't jump backwards and forwards between physics and chemistry each week, the relationship between the boys and the staff has more time to develop and the professional development of the staff is towards science teachers as opposed to physics or chemistry teachers. We will be able to evaluate the comparative degree of success of the two systems at the end of 1996.

A young C Block team was entered into the Mintek Science Quiz and although they did not reach the final they held their own little competition during the final quiz and answered the same number of questions correctly as the winning team did. This is great considering that they have another two years to compete in this quiz.

Kenneth Goulding was placed in the top 200 of the Science Olympiad and success in this competition has eluded us in the last few years. I do not think that it is appropriate at Michaelhouse to "coach" the boys to prepare for this competition. New Scientist and Archimedes magazines are available for reading but this does not seem to be enough of an incentive for the boys to strive to do well in this competition

Stephen Metcalfe was placed joint 5th in a C Block Science competition held in KZN by the Springfield College Science Institute. 125 Schools participated in this competition which

has become a very popular event in KZN. This was a very pleasing result considering the fact that we had not taught

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electricity yet which was one of the major sections in the exam.

The science projects are being started in the third term of C Block and are being evaluated in the first term of B Block. I hope that this will increase the quality of the projects presented by the boys and that they will achieve greater success in the EXPO competition.

The science staff strive hard to achieve the highest standards of science education. I wonder if their success can be gauged by the following comments overheard in class:-

"It is so hot in Florida that the temperature reaches 40°C in the shade at night."

and

"The blue colour of the sky is caused by the reflection of the sea."

Graham Rudolph and I marked NED matric exams and our possible change to the IEB next year meant that I also marked IEB matric exams. I was privileged to attend a workshop on radioactivity in industry and I would like to thank the school for their support. Tony Carter came back refreshed from his long leave in England where he studied the progress of Design and Technology at various schools. My thanks go to all the staff for their efforts during 1995.

Aspects which we can look forward to in 1996 are:

- the modernisation of certain of the teaching facilities.
- the conference with our Prep School colleagues which is being organised by Nic Cahill, and
- the inaugural National Engineering Competition for design and technology.

I think that the school is moving into a positive cycle and we can look forward to teaching science which is geared towards the future in 1996.

Jaap van der Vegte

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Director of Music: Mr G Burgess

The music department has once again had a very busy

year.

We were fortunate in gaining the services of two new teachers at the beginning of the year. Carine Kruger is responsible for the Chapel Choir and some of the subject work and Paul van Zyl, a guitarist is responsible for the development of the rhythm section. He has also been helping with the woodwinds and subject work.

This has been a great help as the number of subject music pupils continues to grow. A number of the Extended Academic Programme boys have opted to do music as an extra subject. The practical results were good and Justin Brown managed to pass his Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music Grade 8 Tuba exam with Merit. Two boys are doing Music Practical (Second instrument or singing) as another school subject and there is interest expressed in the subject "Musical Composition" which we might offer in the future. In fact Hedley Twidle has written a number of his own compositions for saxophone ensemble. I consider them to be of such a high standard that I would like to use them in our programmes next year.

The Jazz band got off to a very good start due to the fact that we had already laid the groundwork for the group with an eye to continuity right through to the Centenary Celebrations. The band played its first series of concerts during a trip to the feeder schools in Johannesburg soon after the first term mid-term break. The tour was very well received but rather hectic and culminated with the collapse of the director during the final concert. This resulted in the responsibility of the first dance performance of the year at the end of term falling on the young shoulders of Paul van Zyl. By all accounts a job well done. In fact I must complement the music staff for their efforts in stopping the gap while I was in hospital for a heart by-pass operation.

THE WINDBAND

Back Row: B. Erasmus, H. Twidle, S. Schoon, G. Chang, G. Erasmus, N. C otterell, T. Mosese, C. Hackland, I. Caldwell, J. Haggle Middle Row: R. Arthur, T. Walwyn, S. Flncham, A. Groblckl, A. Bam, J. S wlnstead, M. Phillips, K. Lamont-Smlth, M. Lewis Seated: D. Lorlmer, Miss C. Kruger, J. Brown, Mr G. Burgess, R. Rivera, Mr P. Van Zyl, G. Shaw

Our fifth "Music in the Berg" camp was very successful. Some of the innovations like the two final performances being on the Saturday morning and afternoon, allowed more parents to attend. This was the first time that numbers necessitated the opening of a third House to accommodate all the participants.

By the midterm break I was able to conduct the band at concerts at Merchiston and Highbury Prep. School. We also participated in the St Anne's band festival where the boys gave the first indication of things to come with their performance.

I took my long leave during the June holiday and managed to visit a number of schools in England where I was able to see the use of computers applied to music education. We are very conservative in our approach to the use of technology in South Africa. There is much development to be done along these lines, particularly in the private schools, where interest in this direction seems to be growing rapidly.

While in London I managed to collect an album of Bach music from Lisa Banks. The album was donated to Michaelhouse by John Lea-Morgan and contains a hand written harmonisation of "Wachet Auf" by Sir Henry Wood the initiator of the "proms" dedicated to Sir Lionel Phillips the donor of the Chapel Organ to Michaelhouse. This album is obviously of considerable interest and will be officially handed over to the school during the special concert to mark the inauguration of the organ and Phase Two of it's restoration is completed.

The first part of the third term highlights belong to the Chapel Choir who were involved in an International Choir Festival in Pietermaritzburg and also in the Speech Day

The victorious Michaelhouse Jazz Band at the Roodepoort Eisteddfod '95

The Jazz Band In action at Roodepoort

Choral performance. There was also a production of "Macbeth - The Musical" using a junior level cast. The musical direction was very ably done by Carine Kruger supported by Enrico Gerber.

The Jazz band participated in the International Eisteddfod of South Africa held at Roodepoort during the October holiday. They gave a number of performances in the Johannesburg area in the first few days of their trip which ended with participation in the actual competition. The band performed to the peak of their ability and not only won their section, but were also awarded a trophy for an above 85% mark. At the winner's concert they were the only South African group

invited by the stage management to give an encore in response to the audience reaction.

On their return to school for the final quarter, the Jazz Band was involved in a series of five performances at the Schlesinger Theatre, Hexagon Theatre in Pietermaritzburg and the Playhouse in Durban. These performances were recorded and a selection of the live takes have been placed on a CD, together with recordings by the Chapel Choir and the whole school singing. The CD will be on sale early in the new year.

As a result of the achievement of the Jazz Band at the International Eisteddfod, we have been invited to participate in a number of International festivals. These include the 4th Orchestrades de l'Ocean Indien in Reunion, a festival in France, and the 30th Orchestral Festival in Kent, England, and would then travel via France and Switzerland where we would give performances before taking part in the 16th International Music Festival in Bavaria, Germany. Unfortunately it appears to be more difficult to raise sponsorship for a cultural tour than for a sport tour and the final outcome of the trip is still in the balance.

THE BUILDING PROGRAMME: AN UPDATE

The refurbishment of the houses began in 1992, was completed in 1995 and enables Michaelhouse justifiably to claim that it is the most modern secondary education boarding establishment in the country.

The exterior of the older houses has not changed though East and Founders have had an additional floor built at the rear. Cloisters and arches have been constructed at Pascoe and Baines so that their fagades now complement and exemplify the distinctive architecture of the school's earlier buildings.

Mackenzie House - on the site of the old San - and the new VIth Form building to the west of Mackenzie, have not only raised the enrolment to just over 500, but have also contributed to the creation of the new St Michael's Quad.

Though not rectangular, it has a character and a style which encapsulates the beauty of the school's architectural past while projecting a new dimension. (The demolition of Norwood Lodge at the rear of Pascoe, was also part of this development).

All the houses now have the same facilities with quality space and homely furnishings. Old Boys from previous decades will find the interiors of the refurbished houses unrecognisable. Each house has a larger day-room and fully tiled floors and walls in the ablutions areas. Larger too are the "Cop Shops" each with a modern kitchenette. E and D Blockers have small dormitories with a maximum of six beds (except in Founders where the large dormitory under the original Sir Herbert Baker chapel roof, has been retained). All other blocks are accommodated in double or single (matrics and VI Formers) bedsitters. These are designed so that pupils live and study in one area. The toyes have been consigned to history! Adjacent to the single bedsitters is a recreational area and a kitchenette for the matrics and VI Formers. The bedsitters provide a personal

area for which each occupant is responsible and accountable.

The refurbishment has also upgraded most of the teaching areas (classroom is now an anachronism). Whilst the new boys of a house still use one for prep, most rooms are now only designated for teaching purposes. Spirit pen white boards, wall to wall carpeting, tables and chairs, video monitors and VCRs have transformed these rooms into specifically teaching - orientated areas. Included in this development has been the construction of six new teaching areas (used by the Maths Department) between Farfield and the Robinson Science Centre.

Though certain teaching areas e.g. those of English and Art, still require attention, the extensive refurbishment is a tribute to the foresight of the Governors, the Rector and the academic staff, and to the generosity of Michaelhouse's benefactors and Old Boys. It has made the school a modern asset of inestimable value for the pursuance of that educational excellence for which Michaelhouse has always striven.

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Speech Day

DR ALI BACHER'S SPEECH ON SPEECHDAY, 1995

Mr Chairman, the Rector of Michaelhouse, the esteemed people, Ladies and Gentlemen, and the scholars. Really I am deeply honoured and privileged to be here today. It is a wonderful setting, it is a wonderful atmosphere. A colleague of mine said why did I accept this invitation. My life is full and fast and the pace is terrific. But I think life is about reciprocating good gestures and when I left the Rector this morning he alluded to a conversation that he had with me in 1990, and I appeared vague, and I want to be vague, because I thought the important point is to convey to you people here the reason why I accepted this invitation to come here today.

In 1990 South African cricket seemed to be in disarray and disunity, but slowly and surely we started to pick up the pieces and unification appeared imminent for the very first time in South African cricket. And as a gesture from the S A Cricket Union we said to Krish Mackerdhui there will be a moratorium on international tours until there is concensus by both parties that the time was appropriate. We then heard word that Michaelhouse was touring abroad. I can't recall, Mr Rector, whether you phoned me or I phoned you, but I explained our situation and immediately and spontaneously on the telephone your Rector said to me "AM, there will be no tour overseas." I would like everybody to know here that that gesture from your school at that time, was so well received by Mr Mackerdhuj of the South African Cricket Board that really conveyed to them that in the structure of South African Cricket, credibility exists, and I believed that this is an important component in the ultimate success of

the unification of South African cricket. I came here really as a very very proud South African. What has happened in our country is a miracle. In early July, I went with Krish overseas (we have been going now for four years) and on this occasion there was a sense of the degree of support for South African cricket - not for one person, but for the whole structure of South African cricket by the ICC. And I can really, with so much pride, indicate and convey that the views of South African Cricket are well considered, well supported. We really have a wonderful standing in international cricket, and I am very very proud to be a part of this Association.

When I arrived back on the Saturday morning, about 10 o'clock the phone went and my wife answered the phone and the person on the phone said that the President would like to speak to Dr Bacher and my wife said to the person on the phone "Mr Mackerdhuj is overseas" not knowing it was the President of the country. And our very distinguished

Mr Mandela was on the other side of the phone and he said to me "Ali, we have been friends for some time now, good friends. I would like to have a chat to you about the Springbok Emblem". So the following Wednesday I went to his official residence in Pretoria. Unfortunately, Krish Mackerdhuj and Ray White, our vice-president were abroad, so with our Treasurer, Julian Thornton, went to Pretoria and we spent two memorable hours. And he started to convey to us the reasons behind the dramatic gesture of the final of the World Cup when he went out in the rugby jersey. It really was a dramatic gesture. He really bestrode the Ellis Park Stadium like the colossus he is and I believe that for a moment he knocked guts out of right wing thinking in this country. And in explaining his philosophy (and I would rather

The Rector, Mr John Pluke, Dr All Bacher, Guest of Honour, Mr Tony Ar dlngton, Chairman of the Board and Andrew Purchase, Senior Prefect

it was on a confidential basis which obviously we can't betray) during the course of the conversation he said to me "Ali I value your view point in South African cricket". And I said to the President, that in 1991 when we went to India for the very first time, there was a big constituent in South Africa who believed that the return to international sport by a South African team was premature. That the political process was not irreversable, and that we took the view point that we could go to India and try and portray and promote the South African team, the country as opposed to symbols which, we believed, would be most advisable and least controversial. And from that moment on we went round the world of cricket whether it was in Barbados or India, Pakistan promoting the concept and getting the international cricket community to understand the new philosophy and thinking of South African cricket. And during the course of the dinner I then said to the President with palpitations, "Mr President, are you asking us to change our philosophy?" And I was so pleased to hear him say "No, Ali, we support and understand your view point". I have explained this to you because I think it is very important for the young scholars to understand where we are coming from in South African cricket. I, of course, also ask you to understand that we have in our country a great leader, in my opinion, the Statesman of the Century, who on issues like this, for some people might be a small issue, went out of his way to bring people together who have a different view point and try to get concensus on the situation.

I have had a fantastic life. I have been very fortunate because I am employed and very well looked after by my Board in an environment which really has been the guts and love of my life. But the reason that I continue in South African cricket, and the reason that motivates me and drives me like anybody else in the United Cricket Board is the fundamental and top priority in South African cricket to take cricket to all the people, to make it a game with positive support by all South Africans. It makes moral sense, it's the right thing to do; it makes business sense and it makes cricketing sense.

In 1986 when the country at that time was, in many ways, not dissimilar, unfortunately, from what is happening in certain areas in Kwa-Zulu Natal, turbulence, violence, unrest and insecurity. And for the very first time in my life, I felt insecure about the country. And I think people that know me and understand me, will probably say that I am generally a very positive person. But in 1986 I really felt uncertain about the future of this country. On an impulse I called to my office a few of my friends and spoke to them and for the very first time we moved into Soweto on October, 20th. We advertised to mothers of Soweto to bring the young children to Soweto for a coaching clinic. We didn't know what to expect. One thousand children came on that particular day

and they kept on coming back. And after about three Saturday mornings I realised for the very first time that here was a huge market untapped, and I saw the kids who had co-ordination and rhythm and I realised for the very first time that the viewpoint that blacks could not play cricket was truly a misconception and like everything else in South African society, tragically, it was merely a question of a lack of opportunity which was here in this country. And from that moment on, throughout South Africa, it has almost been a crusade, not only driven by myself, but by a lot of wonderful people, black and white people, who have gone out of their way to use cricket to bring black and white together, to create a new dimension of South African cricket; to create opportunity for the disadvantaged people.

If you go down now to the Eastern Cape you will see that there are about 45 primary schools in the townships of Port Elizabeth, 45 high schools who play traditional cricket on a regular basis against schools like Grey High School. If you go now to the Johannesburg area, last summer, some areas from Alexandra township, Soweto, Tembisa - more than 700 schools, will qualify those teams against the King

Edward High School and traditional schools in South Africa. Last week I went to Witbank on a Saturday morning and it was an unbelievable sight to see about 60 teams playing Baker's Mini cricket, using cricket to bring people together. We also have around the country at the moment more than 100 of the most talented young people visiting townships and coaching cricket from the best schools in South Africa, and I am very pleased to record here that one of your parents here, and I played cricket against him and squash, Des Sacco, is an important contributor, to provide me with funds to give us the ammunition to get the best kids from the townships, giving them the best opportunity to realise their unbelievable talents.

We have entered, in my opinion, the most exciting year ever in the history of South African cricket. We have regular tours into South Africa every year until the year 2003. We have the World Cup here in the year, February/March in 2003. In January of 1998 we have the Youth World Cup. We have arranged until the year 2001, every year a South African U19 team either to go abroad or to come into South Africa a team from abroad. Next year a South African U15 team will be going and representing our country in the Youth World Cup which will be played in England. And really this indicates wonderful, wonderful opportunities. And all I can say to every young aspiring cricketer here, we have, as I said, entered the most exciting years ever. I was fortunate enough to play cricket for South Africa. I had 12 test matches. We only at that time played England, Australia and New Zealand. Now we can go to New Zealand, the West Indies, India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka - and it really indicates wonderful times for South African cricket.

I am absolutely certain that the sky is the limit for South African cricket that the time will come, sooner than we think, where our National team will have representation by all the different people in this country where it will be sustainable that it will not be a once-off situation, and when we achieve

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that objective, which for me will be the ultimate in my endeavours in South African cricket, when we reach that ultimate, nothing in this country will do more to unite the people in this country.

I thank you for your attendance. It has been an honour and a privilege for me to come here. I really have been overcome by the tradition and history - the strong support from the teachers here, the parents, the scholars. Michaelhouse has played a very important part, I am sure, in the education of South Africa. 12 or 14 wonderful cricketers have represented our country. I am certain in the years to come, Michaelhouse will continue to play an important role in the education and sport in South Africa. I thank you once again for inviting me here, Mr Rector. It has been a pleasure and honour and I will certainly go back to Johannesburg this afternoon with wonderful memories of a wonderful setting, a wonderful occasion by a very proud school. Thank you very much.

RECTOR'S ADDRESS ON SPEECHDAY, 1995

My Lord Bishop, Guest of Honour, Dr Ali Bacher, Chairman of the Board, Governors of Michaelhouse, ladies and gentlemen, staff and boys.

It is my great pleasure to welcome you all to Michaelhouse on this Speech Day. A particular welcome is extended to Governors of our Natal Independent schools, past Governors of Michaelhouse and my colleague Heads who have taken time off from their schools at what I know is a very busy time.

My thanks once again to the Board of Governors for their continued input to our school. The burden on them at this particular period has been made even greater due to the building projects, raising of funds and general centenary celebrations for next year. There are, at the moment, a great many people working very hard for the school. Our Centenary building project is drawing to a close and as I am sure you all know, the re-furbishing of the Houses is now completed. The Centenary swimming pool and the Centenary Pavilion are due to be opened by Mrs Angela Sacco on Friday 15 September. The VIth Form Centre will be completed at the end of October and then, still to be undertaken, is the conversion of the Plab Shop into the Art School. The area previously taken by the Art Department and Resource Centre will be converted to an English/Speech & Drama area. It is our intention to build a Resource and Business Centre and it is hoped that this Centre will be completed after the first 3 or 4 months of 1996. I thank everyone, Governors, Old Boys, parents, for their extreme generosity to Michaelhouse which has made all this possible. I was asked recently what are some of the

highlights of my tenure as Rector and one that I mentioned was my involvement and friendship with so many people who have shown incredible support for the school, both in kind and in time. It has been a very humbling experience.

As I said all 8 Houses are now operational, and our pupil capacity has increased from just over 450 pupils to ű 485. I am pleased to be able to inform you that there has been a tremendous demand for places for next year. We will start 1996, our Centenary Year, with a full school, being oversubscribed in certain Blocks. We will, in fact, have an E Block of over 80 pupils which is some 30 to 35 more than we have had at any other time. I believe that this demand for E Block will be the trend for the future and that it is highly likely that the school will end up with 94 or 95 boys in each Block going through the school from E to A Block. This would leave room for 25 - 30 pupils in the post matric.

Of concern at the moment is the future of the public examination at the end of A Block. The question to be answered is whether we should write the Independent Examining Board Examination or stay with the Kwa-Zulu Natal Examination. There are vast numbers of imponderables that

come into the equation and at the end of the day we have found a six of one and half a dozen of the other situation. As most of you know, I have sent out a circular to parents stating that it is our intention to stay with the Kwa-Zulu Natal Examination. We are monitoring the situation carefully and should anything arise that gives us the impression that our pupils will be jepopardised in any way, then we will make a change. We will of course reach a point-of-no-return from the decision made, but that will not occur for a few months to come.

We now have wonderful facilities and so, physically, we are well-set for the 21st Century. We must also ensure that we are correctly focussed on the requirements of the broader Michaelhouse education. To remain relevant in the future will require innovation, an ability to change, and an empathy for the communities in which we live and operate. This is equally true for business, education, politics, and all other aspects of life. To this end the Governors and senior staff of the school held a two-day Strategic Planning Meeting at the beginning of the year. We discussed topics such as the Michaelhouse vision, our values, goals and strategies. Our style - the Michaelhouse style - was identified as what is termed the "Integrative Style". This is incorporated in the Christian ethic that is at the core of the school. It is integral with harmony and beneficial relationships which incorporate care and concern for the individual. We must all be committed to this - staff and boys - there is no place for policies or scenarios which fall outside this objective. I know that nearly all schools espouse this aim but Michaelhouse must stand out as a school where this Integrative Style is ingrained and

ongoing. As a part of the Strategic Plan a Marketing Survey amongst parents was conducted. 204 parents from E Block through to Post Matric were phoned and certain questions put forward and I thank all of you parents who have been involved in this survey. The results of the survey have provided us with very useful information for our planning and in this way it has fitted in very well with the whole Strategic Plan. It was reassuring to note the positive response from parents and it was also most valuable to be able to identify areas needing attention. I quote from a portion of the Markinor Report that came with the results of the research: "Virtually all parents are either extremely likely or very likely to recommend Michaelhouse. The proportion is equally high for continued usage. These scores are among the highest we have seen in studies that we have conducted. There are also areas which receive below average ratings relative to the extremely high ratings. These areas should be addressed, concentrating on those with the highest impact"

After the long weekend we will be discussing issues of the Strategic Plan with boys at Michaelhouse which will then lead on to a final meeting with the Board of Governors, after which we will have our Strategic Plan in place which will be re-visited on an annual basis.

I was interested and pleased to note that 98% of parents interviewed felt that the school offered good/very good/or excellent value for money. We are fully aware of the need to control fees and we constantly strive to achieve this control. A Governor gave me a circular sent to his parents in 1964, in which the Rector of that time, Rector Tommy Norwood refers to the school fees. He writes thus:

"The Board has had to decide that, as from 1965, the fees must be increased by R40, bringing them up to a

total of R700." per annum....."Though at R700

we may seem an expensive school (and I am not convinced that we are) we do not want to become a school

for the wealthy and nobody else" the same

comments and the same sentiments applied in 1964 as apply today!

I recently came across some advice on headmastering in a boarding school and the many demands made on the Head. I thought it was a very good article and enjoyed the last paragraph, which read as follows: "Can anyone possibly survive life as Head of a boarding school? The answer is clearly "yes". However, consultation, delegation, relaxation are all essential if you wish to survive. You will need a sense of humour, an understanding that this is a way of life and not a job, a most sympathetic and understanding wife and family, and good health. You will never be bored, you will never have a clear desk and you will never be able to misbehave in public."

All so true - but isn't attitude of mind an important aspect that leads to success or failure in life. I have heard it said that "a pessimist is an optimist with experience"! But, in seriousness, a negative attitude invariably leads to failure, a positive attitude to success. Is the glass half-full or halfempty? Good comes out of being positive. If you look for good in people you will surely find it. On the other hand if you look for the bad, you will in turn find that and the bad will often hide the good. We all have our strengths and weaknesses, the secret is to identify these and to build on the strengths, not only in ourselves but also in others. We are all familiar with the phrase the power of positive thinking and from this the need to be positive about ourselves, positive about the future, positive about situations. We often tend to pass this off as a cliche but it is so important if we are going to get the most out of life. The importance of the correct attitude of mind is as relevant to pupils as to those whose school days are over and, indeed, to those whose careers are over. But if the correct attitude is ingrained whilst at school its benefits will be there for so much longer. I have seen the destructive forces of a negative attitude - it is a destroyer of body and soul that can create a vortex which drains all thoughts and actions of greater development and a sense of achievement. James Dobson writes:

"Every child is entitled to hold up his head not in haughtiness and pride but in confidence and security. This is a concept of human worth as intended by our creator."

In short, positive reinforcement, the building of self-esteem, and the fostering of a positive self-image and attitude, are an integral part of education.

As is customary I will look back over the past year and highlight a few issues.

We were very pleased with the matric results obtained at the end of last year. There were no failures and only one subject failure. 13 "A" Aggregates were achieved by those who were writing for university entrance and the lowest symbol was a "D". My congratulations to the pupils and staff on these outstanding academic achievements.

In our Post Matric year we have introduced a Marketing

Course in addition to the University of South Africa courses. This has proved very popular, and the demand for VIth Form appears to be growing each year. I would like to mention that the UNISA courses do provide entry for United Kingdom universities. Many people believe that the "A" Level is the only way one can get into universities of any note in the United Kingdom but, in fact, the "A" Levels is but one of a number of different examinations that would serve the purpose. I recently spoke to a young Old Boy who, the year before last, completed three 1st year UNISA courses in our Post Matric. He had gone over to the U K and been accepted at Bristol University, Exeter University and Edinburgh University. He has just successfully completed his first year at Edinburgh University. I recently met with the Vice-Chancellor of Cambridge University and he endorsed this acceptance into U K universities with certain qualifications other than "A" Levels.

You have a brochure which indicates some notable achievements since our last Speech Day but there are some that I would like to highlight particularly.

Michaelhouse continues to do very well in the Alan Paton Competitions, both in creative writing and in the literary sections. Hedley Twidle was first in the Poetry section and 2nd in the Literary section for Standard 8 and in the Standard 9 section Douglas Lorimer was 1st in the Literary section.

In the well known "English Alive" publication which is a nation-wide creative writing magazine we again won the prize for the best material submitted.

In the National Science Expo, Hedley Twidle won a silver medal and Roger Raw a bronze.

In the Durban Junior Maths Olympiad we were particularly pleased with the efforts of Stephen Metcalfe who came 1st, Bradley Shearer 4th and Gavin Erasmus 10th.

In the National Arts Olympiad, Ken Goulding won the highest award - summa cum laude.

On the sporting front we continue to do very well: Nick Folker again was selected to swim for Natal; James Hibbs canoed for Natal; our squash team won the Natal Schools' Championships and came 3rd in the South Africa Top 1C Competition. Greg Hatfield is ranked No 4 in South Africa.

On the cricket front, David van Onselen was selected for the Natal Schools Team. Hockey continues to do very well and our representation there was Scott Hudson to the Midlands team, Richard Newton to the National Development Squad, Graham Leslie to the South African U16 team and Brian Osborne to the South African U18 team. On the rugby front Steven Small and Josef Solms were selected for Natal.

Michaelhouse has for long had a very stable staff with remarkably few changes. We are sorry to have to say goodbye to 3 members of staff at the end of this year and two who have left during the course of this year.

Bill Ashmole left us at the end of the first quarter. I would like to thank Bill for his input to the school. He decided to take early retirement and with his wife, Marion, has gone to live in the Eastern Cape. Bill was here for 17 years. He was Head of the Geography department, had been Housemaster of East, was a competent coach of rugby and cricket and inaugurated the very worthwhile and popular Toastmasters Society. The school certainly benefitted from his input and I thank him for it.

Garth Giles left us in the 2nd Quarter after spending 6 years at Michaelhouse. He made his mark on the school and endeared himself to many boys with whom he came in contact. He will be remembered as a fine Zulu and Economics teacher, Director of VIth Form Studies and rugby coach. He gave fully of himself to the school. We wish him well in his consultancy position.

Don Elkington is also taking early retirement at the end of this year after spending 6 years at Michaelhouse. In his relatively short stay he has made a most positive contribution, also in the Geography Department and as Director of VIth Form for a few years. At the moment he is Acting Head of the Geography department. He has run the canoeing for several years, and is currently running the Toastmasters Society having taken this over after the departure of Bill Ashmole.

Ronald Brooks retires as Community Officer at the year end. Ronald taught here from 1947 to 1956, when he was appointed Headmaster at Cordwalles, a position he held for no less than 28 years. From Cordwalles, Ronald returned to Michaelhouse to his current position. Apart from carrying out the job as Community Officer, Ronald has taught Latin, and involved himself fully in many aspects of the school life. I have personally gained from and valued his wise counsel, emanating from many years of experience in education. And, of course, there is Nan, with her intelligence, charm

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and wit - an educationalist in her own right. I am always asked "How are the Brookses?" not, "How is Ronald?" or "How is Nan?" As a couple they are an example to us all. Our thanks and God Speed to you both.

Adrian Rogers retires at the end of this year after no less than 30 years service to Michaelhouse. I am often asked the question "What makes Michaelhouse great?" There are a number of reasons, but one is undoubtedly the input of people, like Adrian, who dedicate their lives to the school. His input has been tremendous, time doesn't allow me to use this forum to detail his career. A thumb sketch would show him being involved as a History teacher. Head of History department, VIth Form Director, Housemaster of Farfield, Housemaster of Founders, sports coach, editor of St Michael's Chronicle and Marketing Director. Most impressive - and our grateful thanks go to you. Again, the role played by Wendy, Adrian's wife, has been staunch and invaluable. Adrian and Wendy will not be leaving us though, as Adrian is taking over from Ronald Brooks as from the beginning of next year. So, his input to the school continues, albeit from a different direction.

Next year promises well: a full school, completion of our building programme, exciting moves into Information Technology and Entrepreneurial and Business skills and our Centenary celebrations. At the beginning of this address I spoke of the importance of a correct attitude to life, an attitude that leads to growth and development, an attitude that is indeed based on Christian principles and epitomised, I believe, in this prayer written by William Barclay:

"Oh Father give us the humility which realises its ignorance, admits its mistakes, recognises its needs, welcomes advice, accepts rebuke. Help us always to praise rather than to criticise, to sympathise rather than condemn, to encourage rather than to discourage, to build rather than to destroy, and to think of people at their best, rather than at their worst. This we ask for Thy name's sake"

SENIOR PREFECT'S SPEECHDAY ADDRESS -1995

I often used to think it a bit off - a schoolboy addressing an audience of erudition and real life experience, as yourselves. Now it is my turn. I do not have a profound message; rather I can speak simply about what this school has meant to me and what I hope and champion it to be. Balance my thoughts with schoolboy naivety and an innocent perspective of the world at large.

Michaelhouse teaches its every member two main things: the first is knowledge, the second is wisdom. Which of these is of greater educational value depends on objective and personal vocation. To learn here is easy: nothing hinders anyone other than individual self-discipline. To many one goes to school to acquire facts and skills, but Michaelhouse is that and more than that. More than a school - it is a life. It is an existence not contained by classroom walls.

A proper study of mankind is man himself. It is the wisdom Michaelhouse facilitates that distinguishes our school. The teachers of this wisdom are the boys themselves. To misquote Churchill's quip about Russia, living at Michaelhouse involves the enigma of schoolboy politics, wrapped in the

riddle of 500 peopled close quartered living, inside the mystery of adolescence. At times this conundrum has disturbed my equilibrium; by merely existing I have collided and stumbled over fellow people. Michaelhouse (and we all are Michaelhouse) has taught me through its foibles, and its sincerity of being thoroughly human, the perspective of how I fit in with you, for we can be Michaelhouse only together.

But on the other side of the coin I have had a demonstration of nobility. The school nurtures within its members a unique collection of manly traits. Loyalty: in unison we will make our school better. Commitment: a determination and perseverance, a stoicism of belief. Gentlemanliness: genuine friendship to one another; politeness in the doing; confidence in the speaking; honour in the thinking. Fleeting or regular each one may be found.

This is the wisdom I talk of, the wisdom of simply living. The excellence of it is virtue; the quirks of it are invaluable character-builders, growth experiences, learning curves. This wisdom is, in essence, an opportunity to become a superior person. Not in relation to one's neighbour but superior to the boy who wide-eyedly walked into new boys' day wearing a house-tie.

I say opportunity, because that is exactly what it is. We must be humble to know more, to grasp as much of this Michaelhouse experience as we can. Entering the household of this wisdom is one thing, aiming at the threshold of one own's mind is by far and away incomparably greater. May each Michaelhousian linger long in the passages of becoming wise. May we have a hand in our education, not hope to have our education handed to us.

Undoubtedly the proof of this wisdom has been every situation of care and love in my six years of life here. Whenever someone has gone out of his or her way for me, simply because it is kind, I have been overawed. I am convinced that whenever we do good to another self, just because it is a self, we satisfy not only their desire for happiness, but curiously our own. It is love for one another. That is love's strongest quality: it deals in halves, in imperfections, in fractions and it accepts that. Love gives of itself to consum-

mate. Its beauty - that in giving it does not dilute or weaken itself but conversely concentrates and strengthens. It is not the quality of creature we should be, but principally, what attitude we have which is important. I have only my own experience as credential, but I can exhort you all to no higher calling than love.

My thanks must go to my family and friends; the Rector and staff; Richard, a fantastic vice, and the school prefect body; to you the boys - keep shouting. Most importantly I want to thank my Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, for providence and faithfulness with someone who never completely deserved either.

"To whom much is given, much is expected." Our world needs dedicated workers. "I will not cease from mental fight," said William Blake, "nor shall my sword sleep in my hand, till we have built Jerusalem in our green and pleasant land." May we with our means and rays bring some of that self-same holiness to this, our school. In doing so, may we all fade into glory.

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Chapel Notes

CHAPEL

Chaplain: Rev Alan Smedley

Another very busy year has passed and much has taken place in the spiritual life of our community. The Boys Christian Fellowship group has met each week under the very capable leadership of the Senior Prefect of 1995, Andrew Purchase. The House Bible Study groups have met each Thursday evening for half an hour after prep. The regular weekly Chapel Services; the annual Confirmation class, Divinity classes and special events, have all provided us with ongoing nourishment and encouragement in our faith and have contributed to our spiritual growth.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following for all that they have done to enhance the Spiritual life of Michaelhouse.

The Layministers were Messrs John Pluke, Allen Duff, David Lewis, Andrew Cook, Tony Carter, Tsietsi Seleoane, Adrian Rogers and Blaise Reynolds. We will be very sad to lose Blaise Reynolds at the end of 1995 as he moves to Clifton Nottingham Road. I would like to record our special thanks to him for the way in which he has so willingly served our community as a Layminister during the past few years.

The Choir Mistress, Ms Carine Kruger, for her very competent and professional leadership, as well as the many hours of hard work she has done with the choir this year. They have truly been a great credit to the school.

The members of the Chapel Choir, who give so much to us all.

Chaplain Alan Smedley

The Organist, Mr Enrico Gerber, and Mr Derek Spencer, the Assistant Organist.

The Chapel Servers, School Prefects and the Ladies who so freely give of their time and talents to arrange the flowers in the Chapel.

The Divinity Teachers: The boys in C, D and E Block are taught Divinity by a number of different teachers. I am extremely grateful to Mrs Beryl Lavender, Mrs Liesje Carter, Mrs Heather Cook, Mrs Wendy Rogers, Mr Andrew Cook and Mrs Fran Winckworth for all that they have done for these boys during the year. Special thanks go to Liesje Carter, who left the department earlier in the year, and to Wendy Rogers and Fran Winckworth who leave at the end

of 1995. They have all made a valuable contribution to the Divinity Department over the years and I greatly appreciate their service and dedication.

I would also like to record our sincere gratitude to Fran Winckworth and Heather Cook who retire from teaching in our Sunday School. They have voluntarily taught the children of this community each Sunday morning during term time, for the past 10 years.

To all these people, a very big thank you.

A significant event which took place this year, was the Christian Focus Week Follow-up.

CHRISTIAN FOCUS WEEK FOLLOW-UP

As a follow-on to the very successful Christian Focus Week held last year, we had a much more "low key" week this year. The week ran from Sunday 30th April to Sunday 7th May.

The team of seven visitors consisted of six who were here last year plus one other and was led by Michaelhouse Old Boy, Reverend Peter Twycross (School Prefect and East Head of House in 1969). The other members of the team were Judy Twycross, Ross and Nicki Armstrong, Bart Wielenger and Charlie Bester (from Scripture Union in Independent Schools) and a student from Maritzburg University, Philip Ncongo.

Peter preached on five occasions to the whole school in Chapel and his theme was the "Cross of Christ". He also spoke at four voluntary meetings in the theatre at 20.10. It was very pleasing that over a 100 boys attended each of these meetings. The team then spent one period with every class in the school, during school hours. They also had personal interviews with those who requested them and interacted with the boys at meals and in the Houses.

One of Peter's talks in Chapel focused on the Michaelhouse School Badge. He referred to the Scales of Justice; our dependence upon God enshrined in the School Motto; the importance of the Cross of Christ in the centre of the badge; and all of this encased in the Shield of Faith. It was very helpful to be reminded that the Christian Faith, symbolised in the School Badge, is foundational and central to all that Michaelhouse is and stands for.

I believe that the week was extremely helpful in consolidating and building on the spiritual growth that occurred last year. For many boys it was an opportunity to renew their faith and rededicate themselves to following Christ. During the week God worked in a deep and significant way in many of their lives. The Voluntary meetings in particular, were

very challenging and yet encouraging to those who are serious about their faith.

A valuable aspect of this week, which continued in the Christian Fellowship meetings thereafter, was the ministry some boys received from God, the Holy Spirit. We invited

boys who wished to experience a personal blessing from God to remain behind after the meetings and receive prayer. It was absolutely wonderful to witness a number of them experiencing the love and presence of our Heavenly Father in a special way.

I am extremely grateful to Peter and all the visitors for freely giving of their time and energy to come and spend a whole week with us. They have self-sacrificially given of themselves to help further the spiritual mission of this school and we are so fortunate to be able to benefit from the generosity of such people.

In conclusion, "to God be the glory for all that was accomplished during that week. In His mercy and by His grace He has once again blessed us all."

CONFIRMATION

On Saturday 16th September 56 boys were Confirmed in the Chapel by Bishop Michael Nuttall. Of these, five were also Baptised during the same service.

The Confirmation classes were held in the Choir stalls in the Chapel each week during the year. The group had been divided into two and we met every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon at 17h00. We used a little book by Norman Warren called "What's the Point?" as the basis for our discussion.

The Confirmation Service itself was once again a very moving experience. This year the baptisms took place at the front of the Chapel just in front of the Communion Table. This enabled the proceedings to flow more easily as well as making it possible for the congregation to see and so participate more fully in what was happening. As before the par-

ents and family members came forward at the moment of confirmation to pray for the boys when Bishop Michael confirmed them. The Choir, under the direction of Carine Kruger, sang beautifully and greatly enhanced our worship. It was a wonderful and very meaningful service. Once again, to God be the glory for all He has done!

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

On Sunday 12th November we held the annual Remembrance Day Service. It was a Full School Eucharist and so all the boys and staff were present. Being the 50th anniversary of the end of World War 2, we felt that it would be appropriate to invite as many local Old Boys, who had served in that war, to attend. I am most grateful to Mr Neil MacGillivray who got the word out and helped to organise the service.

It was wonderful to have about 20 ex-servicemen and their families with us on the day. It was a particular pleasure to have the following men laying the wreaths:

The Rector on behalf of the School.

Dr Barry Stacey (37-39) and Mr Donald Blackhurst (35-37) on behalf of the Navy.

Col. Peter Francis (30-32) and Mr Walter Strachan (39-42) on behalf of the Army.

Air Commodore Teddy Morris (29-30) and Mr Neil MacGillivray (35-39) on behalf of the Air Forces.

The Wreath Laying ceremony took place inside the Chapel in front of the Communion Table at the start of the service. This was followed by Bruce Turner playing the Last Post and the Reveille from the pulpit. After the sermon the Senior and Second Prefects read the Roll of Honour.

Alr/Com, Ted Morris, Donald Blackhurst, Barry Stacey and Nell MacGillivra y standing In front of the Roll of Honour

In the place of a sermon, I asked Col Peter Francis, Dr Barry Stacey and Mr Walter Strachan to each share a three minute reflection with us. It was a great privilege for us all to have the opportunity to hear what they had to say. I certainly valued their comments and am quite sure that they made the service much more meaningful for the boys. With their permission, their talks are recorded below.

ADDRESS BY COL PETER FRANCIS

"On the wall at the entrance to this chapel are inscribed the names of the men from Michaelhouse who lost their lives in World War 11 - that war which ended more than 50 years ago.

We are here to honour their memory and the memories of those who died in the earlier World War. Many of those men were my schoolday companions - and some were my soldier comrades in the Natal Carbineers - South Africa's senior regiment.

Memory turns back to many brave soldiers from this school

- such as Sgt Michael Duggan who served with me in A Company and was killed with seven of his platoon while holding an ancient Italian tower which was shelled to rubble by direct fire from the 88mm gun of a Tiger Tank. There was Major Rex Tomlinson MC, who while 2ic of the battalion chose to lead a Rifle Company assault in the Appenines north of Florence and was destroyed by shellfire with many of his men.

There were other well known Michaelhouse carbineers who survived the war. Cpl. Rex Pennington became Rector and Captain - later Canon - Victor Shaw, headboy in the 1920's, was our gallant Regiment Chaplain through five testing years. His great friend Major Jasper Crowe awarded colours here for both cricket and rugby captained Natal. I am convinced that the days which were shared as happy well ordered companions at this great school, fitted us readily as good soldier comrades in a fine disciplined regiment.

Neither a school nor an army nor indeed the very land in which we live can hope to prosper without discipline - the sort of discipline which recognises not only human rights - but equally human obligations.

These thoughts bring me in conclusion to that prayer which is part of our morning service and commands, yes commands, that we love the Lord our God with all our heart, all our soul and all our mind and love our neighbour as ourselves, and ordains that upon these two commandments all our laws depend."

ADDRESS BY DR BARRY STACEY

"I have been asked the question as to whether the war influenced me spiritually. The answer is a simple "yes".

Let me start in general terms and finish on a personal note.

Those of us who were on active service in World War 11 felt that somehow we were representing the forces of GOOD against the forces of EVIL. In that event, we might expect there to be signs from God, working in our favour.

Perhaps there was not the parting of the Red Sea, but nevertheless, in my mind, there were very definite miracles that can only be ascribed to the hand of God.

- 1. The evacuation of some 300,00 men from Dunkirk across the English Channel in spite of the might of the German army and Luftwaffe.
- 2. The Battle of Britain was won when all the odds favoured the Nazi's. Without going into details, it was really only won when Hitler attacked London and other large cities instead of fighting in fields.
- 3. Finally one which I saw with my own unbelieving eyes was the most obvious. The East end of London lay in ruins. The very symbol of England's Christianity, St Paul's Cathedral stood majestically virtually unscathed.

There had been a 1000 lb unexploded bomb in the foundations, removed by a British major and helpers from the bomb disposal unit and a new decoration was awarded - the George Cross and George Medal.

Surely all these were indeed miracles.

War has often been described as having long periods of monotony, interspaced with short periods of violent activity.

During these hectic moments we really have only one person to turn to. In fact a friend of mine reminded me that we had a hot line to Christ. The fact that some died while we lived remains a mystery as yet unsolved, except possibly "only the good die young!"

The Royal Navy is steeped in tradition. For instance the custom of saluting on boarding a man-o-war, began when a crucifix faced the gangway.

In all shore establishments and ships, divisions were held every Sunday morning. If no Padre was available the service was conducted by the captain.

Now those of us school old boys who shared this very

chapel with you, albeit when it was somewhat smaller, went to war knowing we had a friend close at hand. Those of our friends who lost their lives, surely fell straight into His arms. Today we pause, to remember the fallen from this school in two World Wars and we honour them.

I wish to end on a personal note to you all. As Christians you will all be faced with challenges. Weigh them in the balance like our own school badge, and when you know what is morally RIGHT strive for it with all your might."

ADDRESS BY MR WALTER STRACHAN

"At the request of the Chaplain, I am privileged to be able to share with you some memories on this Remembrance Sunday.

I entered Farfield at the beginning of 1939 and in September of that year, war was declared. The most indelible memory of that time remains the reading of the School Prayer at the conclusion of the Sunday evening Chapel service which in those days, took place every-Sunday and at which it was compulsory attendance for boys and staff. It had been decided by the Rector to include in the School Prayer the name of every old boy killed in action until the conclusion of hostilities.

The roll of honour was small and a little impersonal for the first two years and then contemporaries who you remembered well as school boys began to appear and the full realisation of the meaning of the war was brought home forcibly to us.

In 1944, I joined the Artillery and after travelling to Italy in a troopship, I found myself in a reserve camp near Cassino in a tent with seven other gunners, all aged about nineteen, five of whom were contemporaries of mine at school and two were to become presidents of the Old Boys Club. We lived together in this confined space for four months sharing each other's food parcels and you can imagine, really getting to know the worst and best of each other while undergoing further intensive training.

The drafts to the frontline were announced weekly and as we were all anxious to join our regiment in action, we waited each week with much excited anticipation. Johan Rissik, a friend, comrade and a school contemporary from West was the first from the tent to go. Next week, came my turn and while I was packing my kitbag, I was shocked to learn that he had been killed in action within twenty four hours of his joining the first 6 Field Artillery Regiment. He, like all of us in the tent, had been trained as a Gunner Officer's assistant and his first duty in action was to accompany the observation officer to the observation post in a forward position, in this case, on top of a mountain known as 826.

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He may well have been directing artillery to support the Natal Carbineers, commanded by Col Peter Francis, when an airburst shell from a German 88mm gun exploded above the observation post killing Rissik and severely wounding his officer.

You will therefore realise that in addition to the many names included on the roll of honour today many of whom were also my friends, at school, one particular name Johan Rissik has a special memory and I would like you too to remember this old boy who lies beneath a white cross in the beautiful cemetary at Castiglione in the Appenines South of Bologna near where he was killed.

I believe the war imbued in all of us a spirit of service and indeed this school with its long roll of honour can be justly proud of its achievement in this regard. I believe also, that the spirit of service of the war years is still part of the school today and may you all realise that being at Michaelhouse means that you too will be called to serve the community in which you live and to hold dear the very fine traditions of this great school."

CHAPEL CHOIR REPORT by Ms Carine Kruger

The Chapel Choir, consisting of approximately 70 boys, has once again been busy this year.

On Sundays, the choir fulfilled their role in the worship during Choral Services. Joint services with St Anne's and Wykeham Collegiate were also held. On both occasions two numbers were performed by the joint choirs, consisting of more than a hundred voices.

The traditional Speech Day performance and Carol Services were enthusiastically received. A short Easter programme was also held.

Recordings for the School's Centenary CD were made. The gruelling two hour sessions of utmost concentration and endless repeats were dealt with in a positive manner by all the choir members.

Two outings livened up the calender. A day spent in Durban at the Waterfront and beach was unanimously voted in as a good future tradition. A braai at Midmar Dam during the last week of the year was the ideal way to release all the exam tensions.

An undoubted highlight was the First International Youth Choir Festival in Pietermaritzburg during September.

For a whole week, choral performances were held in the

whole Midlands area. The choir invited the Kempele Youth Choir from Finland to perform at Michaelhouse. This cultural exchange was so successful that when the Chapel Choir performed in the Pietermaritzburg City Hall later during the week of festivities, the Kempele choir changed their touring schedule in order to be present at the Michaelhouse performance. The boys thoroughly enjoyed the experience and the public exposure did much for the choir's morale.

Sincere thanks to the Chaplain who supports us, the committee of boys who help to organize internally, Mr Gerber, who is much more than just a good accompanist, and to every boy who contributed so much to make the choral year such a positive experience.

THE SCHOOL CHOIR

Back Row: J. Swinstead, D. Lorimer, S. Metcalfe, K. Molell, T. Masimula, S. du Toit, A. Weschta, G. Hatfled, A Ndlovu, S. Lumley G Blanchl 4th Row: S. Scott. H. Twidle, J. Sayer, J. Lewis, S. Fincham, C. Marlett e, S. Malinga, A. McKenzie, J. Pickstone, T. Schoon, L Alers W Zadi S Grey-

vensteyn, A. Alexander, P. Ross, M. West, J. Lloyd, C. Quayle, J. Nachm las, G. Bhengu, O. Lee, M. Lewis '

3rd Row: T. Mapham, M. Lockett, M. Harris, S. Dunning, I. Caldwell, B. Paynter, K. Reynolds, J. Haggle, K. Jones, P. Hill, C. Dumlny R. Rovle

P. Forbes, K. Lamont-Smlth

2nd Row: S. Mwelase, P. Gasa, D. James, D. Chennells, C. Gallo, Cawood A. Groblckl, T. Walwyn, M. Dlamlnl, B. Rivera, P. Zulu, R. Arthur

M-J. Damant, A. Somerville, S. Hensman, R. Net, J. de Waal,

Seated: S. McKernan, T. Mosese, P. Madlde, Mrs L. Gerber, Mr E. Gerber, Miss C. Kruger, F. Makara, P. Motanyane, J. Modlse P Norton

BAPTISMS

The following Baptisms took place

Peter Campbell Brown

Matthew Guy Phillips

Guy Anthony Kirkpatrick Pitman

Jason David Young

Robert Anthony Surtees Shotter

Gavin Ronald Erasmus

MARRIAGES

Dirk Schoeman and Victoria Kincard-Smith

Warwick Price and Cleo Schreiber Douglas Paul Hathorn and Chantal Cheri Oscroft William Hugh Dymock Jonsson and Karen Rejane Andrew John Terence Bellingham and Hazel Katherine Spencer David Crompton and Catherine Breytenback Allen Richard Bechard and Robyn Johnson Gregory Robin Leal and Patricia Rhoda Turner

during the year:

- 13 August 1995
- 16 September 1995
- 25 February 1995
- 4 March 1995
- 1 April 1995
- 8 April 1995
- 22 April 1995
- 1 July 1995

8 July 1995

19 August 1995

Grant Robert Larsen and Hayley Leanne Garside Alpheus Musa Mchunu and Constance Quelu Sikhakhane Vincent Basil Scrobby and Tracey-Leigh Thomas Dominic Philip Rowe and Anne Steiger

Nicholas Andrew Blackwell and Janine Wendy Webb Pieter Theron and Maria Elizabe Fick

BURIALS AND MEMORIALS

Mike Norton Marjorie Poynton Ryan Nielsen Ralph Poynton

PREACHERS DURING 1995

We do express our appreciation to those who were our guest preachers during the year.

Father Nick King, Rev Janet Trisk, Rev Jacques Pretorius, Rev Peter Twycross, Bishop Peter Harker on Old Boys Day, Charles Bester, Rev Fred Isaacs, Peter Langeman and Mike Battison.

- 2 September 1995 17 September 1995
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- 24 September 199511 November 1995
- 25 November 1995.
- 10 March 1995 7 April 1995 5 August 1995 29 August 1995

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S A CHILDREN WRITE ON FIFTY YEARS OF THE UNITED NATIONS. By Andre Jurgens

Sacrifice pays off for young Stephen

"Trading two days of his school holidays to study the United Nations has won Stephen Metcalfe the holiday of his dreams.

The Std 8 mathematics wizard from Michaelhouse school in Kwazulu Natal has won the Sunday Time UN 50th anniversary essay competition.

Stephen's essay - on what the United Nations could do to make the world a better place - has won him a trip to the United Nations in New York and a visit to Washington. His school will receive R10 000.

The prize is a "dream come true" for Stephen.

"I have always wanted to travel to America and see the White House," the 15-year-old said.

Stephen set himself a strict deadline to finish the essay in two days at his home in Parktown West, Johannesburg.

"My father was going to London on business and he asked me to go along. I had two days to finish the essay in between packing."

Not only is Stephen a good writer but he is also a top mathematics scholar and is learning to speak French.

"I enjoy the sciences but make time to study and play music as well.

"It is still a bit early to decide what profession to choose when I have finished studying," he said.

"I am hoping to study at university in the UK and explore other parts of the world."

Overall winner of the United Nations 50th Anniversary Essay Competition.

"WHAT CAN THE UNITED NATIONS DO TO MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE FOR ALL?"

"To unlock the future, we must relive the past." Although unsure of where I heard these words, I know that they had something to do with the plight of those suppressed during the Civil Rights Movement in America. I think that they are just as relevant today in relation to the United Nations' role in making the world a better place for all.

In assessing what the United Nations can do, we must look not only at its aims, but also to what it has achieved since its establishment fifty years ago. For half a century, the United Nations has fought, with varying success, for peace and people's rights. From deploying peace-keeping forces to protect South Korea's independence, to imposing economic sanctions against Rhodesia and providing food for starving refugees, the UN has remained the champion for protecting peace and civil liberty. It is these roles in the past that are the key to what the UN can do in future.

The UN is the only organisation that can operate as a type of world government by virtue of its wide membership and its ability to enforce a charter that is common to all members, regardless of their racial, language, religious or cultural background. The UN can continue to promote quality of life by remaining a unifying super-power. It can and should make an impact on existing and emerging situations that prevent individuals and nations from reaching their potential.

After the Second World War, the original 50 charter members planned the UN as an organisation to help keep peace in the world and initially, peace-keeping was the main focus. This role in saving "succeeding generations from the scourge of war" remains vital as we still see in Bosnia today. But it is not through its Security Council that the UN can contribute most to promoting "equal rights of men and women and nations large and small" and "social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom". The Economic and Social Council with its numerous specialised agencies, from the World Bank to the World Health Organisation, has developed as a major part of the UN.

An investment in today's youth can reap its rewards in tomorrow's world. The UN has devoted much of its resources to improving the nutrition and health of young children in developing countries where the need is greatest. For example, the UN estimated life expectancy at birth in sub-Saharan Africa to be around 40 years in 1960 and around 51 years in 1985. This remarkable increase was mainly due to the decline in infant and child mortality. In turn, the decline can largely be attributed to the UN which has, through its agencies such as UNICEF, WHO and FAO, employed "international machinery for the promotion of the economic and social advancement of all peoples". Smallpox

has been eliminated and childhood immunisation and development programmes have been successful even in some of the poorest member states of the UN.

In the 1990's, the favourable trend in declining mortality in developing countries has ceased and in some countries is reversing. Just as the UN is achieving a better place for all, environmental disasters, urbanisation with its violence and substance abuse, new diseases like AIDS and old diseases like tuberculosis all emerge as new challenges preventing a better life for both young and old. Other challenges continue

 the UN Women's conference has just ended in Beijing, 20 years after 1975 was declared International Women's Year to promote equality between women and men. Clearly, this equality has not been achieved and poses an ongoing problem.

The UN has insufficient resources to solve all the world's problems as they change and escalate. However, it does have the means to prioritise and focus on the things that can be done to produce the maximum benefit for all. There are so many agencies, organisations and committees within the UN that it must be difficult to coordinate all the functions and activities. Because of the UN's wide range of concerns, its efforts are dissipated and it therefore takes longer to resolve the problems at hand. In my opinion, it is essential for the UN to concentrate on particular issues if it is to find solutions to some of the world's problems.

The subsequent question is which issues should have priority over others. States of emergency would no doubt continue to carry greater urgency than those which were in the process of developing. However, the UN should try, where possible, to concentrate on preventing states of emergency, rather than dealing with them. All the UN's resources should be harnessed towards the long-term goal of attaining a better place for all.

Yes, wars are important, women's rights are essential, poverty and ignorance are begging attention. The goal of universal literacy and education could be achieved through the United Nationals and I believe that this alone could combat many of these problems as well as many other aspects of quality of life. But of utmost urgency, are the environmental issues which cannot wait for the world to be educated. We hear that Venice is sinking, the ice caps are melting, pollution is out of control, deserts are spreading and people starving. It will be a challenge even to maintain the status quo in developed or developing countries. We all have to rely on our super-power, the United Nations, because only it can effect the changes necessary to save our world for us to live at all, never mind make the world a better place!

Stephen F Metcalfe Std 8 Michaelhouse

Stephen Metcalfe decided to put the R10 000 prize towards buying a computer for Asithuthuka School.

HAPPY AS A SANDBOY

"Newboy! What are you doing tomorrow?"

"Who me? Well, Sir, I'm playing hockey in the morning, then I'm having lunch...."

"I don't want to know your whole bloody life story. I'll tell you what you're doing tomorrow. You're doing sand for First Team."

"But Sir...."

"Give me any more buts and I'll kick yours, ha ha, hee hee, that was a good one right?" He glanced expectantly around for confirmation. His peers, never to back-stab a fellow senior in the presence of a newboy, nodded affirmatively while an odd grin even lingered upon a roughly stubbled face.

"Okay, Sir, B....uhm, I don't know how to do sand, Sir."

"He doesn't know how to do sand, "sniggered the bully, and was rewarded with more dutiful grins and even a lonely chuckle.

To this the humiliated and reddening newboy offered a nervous "Yes. Sir."

"This isn't higher-grade, cretin. When the dudes about to kick...."

"When's that, sir?"

"Don't interrupt me when I"m speaking! Didn't your mother teach you anything?"

"I don't have a mom, Sir"

"How were you born then? Out of a test tube?"

"No sir, actually test tube babies are not...."

"Don't get clever with me, you dumb newboy. Get the hell out of here and make me a tuna, egg and cheese snack-which. How's his bloody mind"

The bemused newboy closed the door on this humiliating

scene of interrogation, only to be greeted by the smell of charred bread and dirty dish-cloths which constituted the Copshop kitchen. While he engaged himself in the familiar task of oozing fish-oil out of a roughly slashed tuna tin, the newboy was able to surrender his thoughts to the meaning and requirements of doing sand.

The hand loomed before me. Three fingers gripped a sweaty palm, while the fourth, extended a gnarled wavy line. The line unmistakably terminated on the form of a mangled trash-can. Once painted in horizontal bands, it now resembled a barber's pole which had long before spun out of place and been mangled paintless.

This, I was led to believe, was the sand bucket, and the numerous dents were the result of collisions of the limbs and skulls of equally numerous and doubly hardy rugby players. Minutes later, crouching as inconspicuously as one possibly can against a candy striped trash-can filled with beach sand, I felt conspicuously isolated from the jeering crowd behind my exposed back. Thankfully the same crowd soon reabsorbed me into one of its many extensive pseudopodia. But my relief was short lived, for I soon returned to my uneasy position after the singing of a severely bastardised version of the original "Sizo bahlula ..." now inaudible amongst the many new interpretations which included "House, house" for "Adeswi, Adeswa".

I waited, staring expectantly through the shade of my inversely cupped hands at the kicker, for the game to com-

The opportunity came about ten minutes into the first half. My enquiries the night before had taught me to be on the look out for the symptoms. "When the dude holds his hand above his head like this and then sticks his arms out in front like this." It was a penalty and the other "dude" was about to kick. He needed sand. I burst from my starting blocks and raced to the far side of the field where a different kicker was waiting. I arrived triumphantly before him and proudly produced a cup of sand. "Tee," he said.

"Tea?" I thought, "tea?" What could he possibly want with tea. I would go so far as to admit that the creamy coloured contents of the cup vaguely resembled tea, and although I was sure he knew, I offered. "It's sand, sir."

"I know it's sand, cretin, just get me a tee."

"Oh, a tee," I thought. Where on earth would I find such an object on a rugby field and how was he going to use it. While I hurried back to the crowd, I entertained myself with various images of a rugby ball being propped up by a golftee. But it was not to be. On arrival at the now familiar sand bucket, I was directed by various extended fingers to the right of the object, where lay a circular blue rubber construction whose practical purposes could not be over-looked. Stooping low, I plucked the tee from its grassy home at full gallop and continued across to my customer's position. From the look on his face, I knew I had done well. I even remembered that I would have to recollect the tee and waited politely on the nearest touchline. Returning once more to my battered bucket, I just hoped it would be enough to avoid serious psychological breakdown as a result of the excessive "chunage" which I may not have entirely prevented.

Ken Goulding 2nd Prize- Alan Paton Creative Writing

mence. The kicker ... "When the dudes about to kick...." Before I could reason this analogy to a solution, numerous cries erupted from the adrenalised crowd behind me. "Sand", "Hey, who's doing sand?", "Come on you dumb newboy, take him some sand."

Needing no more encouragement, I set off towards the centre of the field - without the sand. My error was not crucial or even particularly embarrassing as I had only fashioned a few hurried steps onto the field and retreated in no time to the relative solace of the sand-bucket. Peering through its open mouth at the multitude of sand granules, I realised that it would require a Herculean effort to transport even a fraction of the required amount of sand to the centre. I was about to undertake it when I noticed a red plastic cup, coincidentally very similar in appearance to those out of which I

was accustomed to drink in the school dining hall. I snatched it up and scooped a sizable piled cupful of sand out of the container. Seconds later I nervously handed the same cup to the kicker.

For a moment he stood there, all six foot two of him glaring menacingly down upon me, in uneasy silence. Then with a dramatic "Humph!" he snatched the cup out of my trembling hand, knelt down and proceeded to garden the centre-spot of the rugby field. Eventually, he unceremoniously tossed the cup at me and I thankfully darted back to my dutiful position. Crouched once more by the sand-bucket. I was subject to further mockery from the crowd behind and I was pleased that they couldn't see my face whose blood vessels I felt would any moment be certain to burst. The glowing of my face was enhanced by a lingering worry of what would happen when I was reabsorbed into the crowd. I was convinced that I would never hear the end of this and that as soon as I got back to my dorm, such "chunage" would ensue that I would be irretrievably driven to mental instability. My sentiments about the game before me were muddled.

I both dreaded being called back onto the field to "do sand", and longed for the opportunity td redeem myself.

FATHER

When they told me you were gone on that cold Sunday night, everything ceased to be.

I thought that everything should

cease, cease to be

and know that you were gone!

But my faith is as calm as dawn, and

like a child has faith, I believe that one day

We will meet again; where everything can be again.

Feko Makara

Commended - Alan Paton Creative Writing

KNIGHT

Atop the great dead oak, his castle, he perches.

Primeval lord of the winter dark.

Over his dead land he peers and searches.

His death-yellow eyes spot battle. He rises in an arc.

Swiftly and powerfully he flies, a knight into the fray.

His skull his helmet, his feathers his shield, his wings his speed.

With his talons of steel he grips his wretched prey He has won, killed his foe, an awesome deed.

He sits, tearing still-warm flesh from the bone.

As legend has it, he feasts after the fight.

As dawn cracks the dark he returns home,

But darkness will return - and the patrol of the knight.

Michael Rosholt Commended - Alan Paton Creative Writing

MORNING BREAKS

Calloused hands flick open a worn blade, rusted

With age and exposure to saline residue.

Fingers wrap around a handle encrusted With salty recollections of previous years.

Hairy arms break the icy surface In fluent strokes with ramshackle oars.

The metallic perfume of harvested oysters dominates. Odours of trawling boats linger.

The poignant stench of armoured crayfish confined in wooden crates.

Panic, brawling, scrambling, fighting.

The fresh flavoured aroma of seasoned shrimp Weaves its fragrance into the angler's clothing.

Over the horizon Breaks the morning sun.

Stephen Metcalfe

A WORLD WINGED

A myriad of migrating majesty Incommensurable clouds of living colour

Slipstreaming unto the unknown.

The winged horizon,

The fast moving clouds,

The calling shapes of coloured shrouds.

With instinct their compass Assurance their guide Memory their flightchart And hope on their side.

A world on the wing Moving in union.

A world moving northwards Beating in unison.

Jason McCormick

REFLECTION

There is poetry in builders' rubble:

In pyramids of broken bricks and straight spaghetti girders; In wisps of russet wire from concrete shards and burnt out boilers.

There is beauty in the haphazardness of stacked up planks and crunching gravel's sound,

As well as in many pillared mansions with stately gables crowned.

There is poetry in the miner's song:

In the steaming strong coffee of the night shift and the muggy heat of the slopes;

In the inexorable power of the jaw crusher and the straining of steel headgear ropes;

In the fresh blasted ore from the sub-shaft,

That the skips and conveyor belts bring,

Just like the glistening of Rand Refined bars or the magic of the simple gold ring.

See not just the omnipotent oaks or the yellowoods dark, looming round,

But smell the rich, earth wholesomeness of leaf mould and note the weird bracket fungus clusters on trunks so much closer to ground.

And so although all things striking must have attention,

Give some thought, too, to what lies behind them.

Hedley Twidle 1st Prize - Alan Paton Creative Writing

PERFECT ENGLISH

I am a English student in a block thats known as C.

I have not got a A or a language degree.

To rightly know your English well or just to sometimes try Is one of the bestest of things - just between you and I.

Of all the things I like the most I like a nice, nice poem.

One with most coolest rhythm and rime.

The images must be very life-like and affective.

The similars and metafors are quiet alike.

Looking through previus school books, English breaks all the rools.

Exceptions are the worst of things, they seem to ruin your tools

Which aid when decideing which words to use or e'en to spell.

Because we never are able to use our talents well.

I know my verbs and nouns, adverbs and other parts of speach

And when I is elder I hope to help children and teach.

Bradley Shearer

KITE

I grip the handles tightly in both hands Prepared to launch my kite into the sky.

Then up she climbs above the glistening sands:

With brightly coloured sails she starts to fly.

She screams into a rapid "loop-de-loop",

Dive bombing like a mighty bumble bee.

At hundred K's an hour she starts to swoop.

She soars above - a multi-coloured bird Displaying her tail feathers in full flight.

Above the kite the screeching gulls are heard They can't compete and leave the skies in fright.

I feel excited, powerful and "high"

My kite is the ruler of this stretch of sky.

Dominic Chennells

Age: 13

DIARY OF MY MIDLANDS MEANDER

In the heart of the Natal Midlands, entwined in dusty farm roads and flanked by plantations, there lies a mountain in the shape of a reclining woman's breast, called Nhlosane in Zulu. It was on the slopes of this dastardly bit of topography, which strikes fear into the heart of any Michaelhouse by who has made the 30 km trek there, that our first overnight stop was located during a recent hike undertaken by the Standard Eights.

Our group decided to leave early, at 4.00 a.m., and we were thus provided with the infamous Michaelhouse packed lunches containing the proverbial cold chicken (invariably showing one a part of the chicken anatomy one had never known existed), floury apples and sickly sweet juice which had without fail leaked into the lumpily buttered, sparsely sprinkled cheese sandwiches.

It was thus a doleful group of twelve who trudged out the school grounds that morning, still getting accustomed to the novelty of walking with a twenty ton backpack weighing them down. Those who had brought luxuries from home began to regret it very swiftly

On we trudged, but trudged fast, on dirt roads past dairies, through sweeping plantations, over fields and fences, past dams and farmhouses and copses and waterfalls, through yellowwood, bluegum and pine, on tarred roads and sheep tracks, down ridges and up rises and onwards. Brooks and marshes and other water hazards provided assorted squelches that stayed with us the rest of the journey. My socks remained in varying degrees of dampness throughout the entire trip so that when they were finally removed, my feet looked positively leprous.

We were provided with a map which (we thought) would show us where to cut out those unnecessary bends in any roads. We soon left the road to make up for lost time caused by our numerous rests and set out through uncharted bush. Murphy's Law took the golden opportunity and it soon became the customary ill-fated short-cut. We soon ran into an electric fence and then an extensive grove of bram-

bles, which let me tell you, has more stopping power than any brick wall.

And onwards, over firebreaks and fields, past cliffs an kopjes and pastures through scrub and valleys and natural forests, on meandering tracks and passes, over tussocks and bridges and the never ending undulations towards the gradually swelling destination.

The rest of the hike was much the same: a collage of bone-

jarring, ankle-rattling bounds downhill and painful gaining purchase on the tussocks and mounting muscular agony uphill. The only consolations were the accommodation with which we were provided after our first day (beds, a fire place, a bath) and the occasional lift we were able to secure. There is nothing quite like getting a lift during a hike like this: one first sees the trail of white dust so far away and the distant sound of an engine. If the vehicle stops, the euphoria and gratitude is quite unparalleled while the wind races past and the distance you would otherwise be walking is eaten up so swiftly in front of you.

On the second night, we camped in a pine forest and this meant no fires to thaw out our hands frozen by the icy blast coming off the 'Berg. We built up some form of shelter with our packs and hay bales, but all our efforts were nullified when the wind direction swing right around during the night and cut into us from the un-barricaded front.

On the last day we got up early once more and began to make our weary, aching way across the vast and variegated patchwork of forest and farmland between ourselves and the school. We managed to lose our way soon after leaving the road and went so far off course we eventually struck the railway which we followed back home.

And yet, as I sit here, now that the post-hike stiffness has worn off, the blisters have disappeared and the shoulders are no longer bruised and the effects of living on powdered mince and macaroni for three days have ceased, I can look back on it as one of the most enjoyable and rewarding experiences of the year.

Hedley Twidle Std 8

House Notes

TATHAM HOUSE

Housemaster: Mr J D Pickstone

Senior Tutor: Mr G H Scholefield / Mr A W Cook Tutors: Mr P G Lavender, Mr S N Winckworth

Head of House: Quentin Cantlay

Prefects: Evert Ackron, Noel Carbutt, Paschal Madide, Oliver Stainer, Brendan Wilson

Reflecting on the last year, it gives me a great deal of pleasure to realise how much success the majority of boys have achieved in their particular spheres, and how much they have been willing to do for others.

There were several sporting events which may illustrate the spirit displayed by the House members this year. Our sailors have never enjoyed a high profile, perhaps because it is perceived as a loner sport - "one man against the elements". It was the first success of the year for us in terms of Interhouse Competitions and Oliver Stainer, Rupert Brodie-Smith, Dean Williamson and Bradley Rigden are to be congratulated. Oliver Stainer pursues the sport with some fervour and was awarded Natal Colours and School Honours. As our Commodore he won "top skipper" and along with Dean Williamson won the Natal Schools Laser trophy.

The second competition reflected total House commitment. Athletics Standards followed a series of losses - some deserved and some undeserved. Motivation and efficient organisation by Quentin Cantlay saw us win both the Standards as well as Interhouse Athletics. There were many fine individual performances but these were capped by Dino Papadopoulas (Senior Victor Ludorum), Brian Dalton (best individual performance), Richard Schroder, Mike Barbour and Sameer Surka. The depth of ability and the co-operative willingness made these very fine wins indeed.

The third heart-warming competition was Interhouse Waterpolo. The tussle on paper was between three other Houses. None of them had the discipline or fair minded determination of Doug Phillips' team. The side played a 7 man game and swam themselves to a standstill. Well done. The year has not been solely concerned with sport. Four boys were rewarded for academic achievements in exams with Brains Bars: Dudley Lamont-Smith, Charles Lewis, Duncan Passmoor and Richard Schroder.

D Block Outdoor Education: Boat building

On Speech day 20 prizes came our way: Doug Lorimer (English, Biology, Science and Latin), Kobus Swart

(Afrikaans, Maths, Computers). Gabrielle Massey prizes went to Trevor Ngubane and Doug Lorimer. Doug won four special prizes too (Tatham Memorial essay, Godfrey Immelman Maths, Peter Beard Music prize and the F S Bishop Drama Prize). Kobus Swart (Rector's Afrikaans essay), Sameer Surka (P D Barnard Afrikaans), Dean Williamson (Richard Hedden Community Service), Oliver Stainer (Hailey Stott yachting and John Allen Art), Philip Norton (Printing). Philip was the one responsible for the design of the Centenary logo-displayed on the range of clothing celebrating this event. Academic Colours were awarded to Kobus Swart and Doug Lorimer. Kobus has also been Head Chapel Bell ringer for two years. Doug is the vice Head Chorister and winner of the Alan Paton Literary competition and a finalist in the Rotary - Daily News team speaking competition. Honours this year went to Evert Ackron (Rugby), Oliver Stainer (Sailing) and Doug Lorimer (Music).

First team players in the House were: Quentin Cantlay, Dino Papadopoulos and Evert Ackron (all rugby). Maphetha Sithole and Paschal Madide (Basketball), Doug Phillips and Zayne van der Merwe (Waterpolo), Arthur Nkosi, Dino Papadopoulos and Gaba Bhengu (soccer), Brendan Wilson (hockey).

Midland /Kwazulu Natal players this year included Malcolm Cumming (waterpolo), Brendan Wilson (hockey), Evert Ackron (rugby).

The House play this year, "After Magritte", was directed and produced by Doug Phillips. It was a surreal interplay of characters and their perceptions. D Lorimer, E Ackron, C Smith and R Vossgatter did it justice. Interhouse Public Speakers: Malcolm Cumming (Time, Saviour or Bane?) and Doug Lorimer (Wasted Youth).

We had a large number of boys playing in either the concert/jazz/Swing/ Rock bands: Jamie Swinstead, Richard Vossgatter, Doug Lorimer, Spencer Fincham,~Ken Lamont-Smith, Malcolm Cumming. Those confirmed this year included Charles Lewis, Dudley Lamont-Smith, Duncan Passmoor and Rob Royle.

Generosity of spirit to the Community was displayed by the number of boys being awarded Service ties: not just juniors, but seniors too and this perhaps explains relationships in the House: James Endersby, James Sayer, Rob Royle, Charles Lewis, Simon Daniels, Justin Heath, Zaheer Surka, Doug Lorimer (2nd), Paschal Madide (2nd), Jamie Swinstead (2nd), Philip Norton (4th), Kobus Swart (4th), Doug Phillips (5th) and Dean Williamson (6th).

Good luck to the 1996 Prefects: Dino Papadopoulos (Head of House), Arthur Nkosi, George Constantinou, Justin

Heath, Doug Lorimer, Zaheer Surka, Kobus Swart, Dale Jardine. Serve us well!

Well done lads on an action packed year. My thanks to you all for your part in our successes.

Salvete

Spencer Fincham, Peter Hill, Duncan Passmoor, James Sayer, Kyle van der Merwe, Johnny de Waal, Mpumi Gasa, Nicolas Gidaracos, Kenneth Lamont-Smith, Dalitso Tembo, Sameer Surka.

Valete

Quentin Cantlay, Evert Ackron, Noel Carbutt, Shaun Cole, Gaba Bhengu, Rupert Brodie-Smith, Paschal Madide, Bradley Rigden, Maphitha Sithole, Cavan Smith, Oliver Stainer, Richard Vossgatter, Dean Williamson, Brendan Wilson.

MACKENZIE HOUSE

Housemaster: Mr K R Shuter

Senior Tutor: Mr J M Buckley

Tutor: Mr A Daniels

Head of House: Duncan Wattam

Deputy Head of House: Richard Morgan-Grenville

What a year! Mackenzie was "launched" on 27th January,

1995, having been filled by volunteers from all the other Houses. The process of encouraging boys to move was a difficult one - House loyalty at Michaelhouse is extremely strong - and it could not have been easy for those who were thinking about making the change. There was also the very real possibility that we would end up with the "three R's" - Rebels, Renegades and Refugees. That, fortunately, did not happen, and Mackenzie started with as fine a group of young men as the School had to offer. We are grateful to the other Houses for their unselfish contribution.

House spirit and identity were established in a remarkably short space of time. A special chapel service was held officially to accept Mackenzie into the Michaelhouse community and all members of the House read the House Pledge in front of the assembled School. Two Inter-House competitions - House Plays (directed by Justin Maritz) and Senior Tennis - were won in the first quarter and to these were added Junior Tennis, Junior Squash, Wall-Climbing and Basketball later in the year. This has helped to place the new House firmly on the Michaelhouse "map". In the sporting field, we had several representatives at first team level and our younger sportsmen acquitted themselves very well. We were runners-up in the Academic Trophy (an indication of a meaningful contribution from all members of the House) and Hedley Twidle and Stephen Metcalfe were consistent in bringing aclaim to the House through academic and cultural excellence. Stephen was awarded first prize in a national essay competition which won him a trip to the United States

and R10 000 for the School. He has also been chosen as an exchange scholar to Hotchkiss School in America in

1996. Raphael Rivera, who directed the House Music, was awarded Honours for Music and Andrew Mackenzie gained Honours in his Trinity College of London Grade 6 Speech and Drama examination.

The Prefects were exemplary in the difficult task of uniting the boys. They immediately established an atmosphere of

care and concern, while maintaining firm but fair discipline. This atmosphere has permeated the House throughout the year.

Of course, it has not all been plain sailing. As a new Housemaster I have had to cope with a fair share of problems, but these all form part of the very fibre of the House and we would not grow without them. I am grateful to our Senior Tutor, John Buckley, his wife Glynnis, Tutor Andrew Daniels and his wife, Duane, for all that they have done to help share the load.

Ken Mackenzie, our Founder and benefactor attended our first Leavers' Dinner. In his message to the boys he emphasised the need for pride in one's House. I firmly believe that all of the "Mackenzie Men' have developed that pride to a larger or a lesser degree, and I am confident that the positive traditions which have already been established will continue far into the future.

Salvete

B Wright, T Walwyn, R Till, I Ortlepp, R Nel, P Zulu, C Timcke, M Taylor, B Rivera, B King, B Harding, C Hackland, A Grobicki, T Cook, A Clements, R Whitehead

Valete

D Wattam, G Crookes, R Milne, R Whitehead, T Akhurst, T Boast, B Hopkins, R Kay, W Lister-James, J Martiz, R Morgan-Grenville, T Persson, J Smithers, F van Zyl, J Venables, C Williamson.

MACKENZIE HOUSE: FOUNDATION MEMBERS

Back Row: R. Rivera, B. Hopkins, R. Whitehead, T. Akhurst, F. Van Zyl, J. Venables, T. Boast, G. Crookes

4th Row: O. Lee, R. Snowden, P. Wefelmeler, D. Bothner, I. Chaplin, M. B aker, M. Paslya, J. Pickstone, A. Mackenzie, N. Tshlkosl, S. Plllay 3rd Row: A. Clements, T. Cook, B. Rivera, M. Taylor, D. dos Santos, A. G robicki, B. Harding, M. Cook, G. Jackson, N. Milne, S. Metcalfe, B. Ngco bo.

M. J. Maler, B. Maltland-Stuart, J. Sellkane, H. Twidle, C. Hackland, J. Lewis, A. Steyn, C. Timcke, P. Zulu

Seated: J. Smithers, C. Williamson, T. Persson, Mr A. Daniels, D. Wattam, Mr K. Shuter, R. Morgan-Grenville, Mr J. Buckley, J. Maritz, R. Kay,

W. Lister-James

In front: R. Nel, T. Walwyn, B. Wright, 1. Ortlepp, R. Till

PASCOE HOUSE

Housemaster: Mr A C Vincent Senior Tutor: Mr G Ross Tutors: Mr P E Dennyson, Ms C Kruger Head of House: Andrew Stephens

Deputy Head: Scott Hudson

House Prefects: R Andersson, M MacNaughton, Goulding, B Dyson, S Leitich

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1995 has been a rather strange and in some cases difficult year for the Men of Pascoe.

After the disruptions of being a "house divided" last year as a result of the refurbishment we all looked forward to being united under one roof this year. This was not to be - at the start of the year the contractors had not completed their work - showers were not done and one or two bedsits were still incomplete. None-the-less occupation of the new facilities was allowed. At last under one roof again - or was it

.... no sooner had we settled in than the roof was

removed!

I must congratulate all the boys on their patience in dealing with these small draw backs.

As I have mentioned the year has been rather strange in some ways with Pascoe managing to fill "second" spot in most of all the house competitions. I was assured by the Head of House that it was, of course, high time that we gave the other houses a chance. This certainly does not in any way suggest that a lesser effort had been made. I was always highly impressed with the effort made and the genuine willingness to participate. This was amply displayed in the house music competition where Pascoe under the guidance of Rob Andersson and Callum MacNaughton won all three of the disciplines - an outstanding achievement from all.

In things academic Pascoe continued to perform outstandingly well. Ken Goulding produced an exceptional performance in the trials exams - 6 A's and an aggregate which earned him school honours. Ben Dyson, Sebastian Leitich, Gary Parker and William Marshall-Smith all achieved very good results and we wish them all the very best in the end of year finals.

On the sports field Pascoe did reasonably well particularly in the junior age group. Although we did not win any of the

house competitions we were runners up in most. On the positive side Pascoe won the interhouse Gala for the first time in many years (in living memory according to Mr Cook). However on the down side Pascoe were placed second in the interhouse cross-country for the first time in 12 years. Congratulations to Farfield who pipped us but were themselves pipped in the gala.

In the house in general the atmosphere of friendship across the blocks continues to grow, despite the "separations" created by the new bedsit structure. I must say that the special relationship engendered by a common goal is apparent and very healthy. This attitude is due largely to an effective and empathetic prefect and A Block group.

Many thanks are obviously due at the end of each year. To Andrew Stephens and his prefect body for their essential input in running the house, integrating the new boys and helping both the tutors and myself. To all the tutors, Gavin Ross for his efforts at the end of last year when I was on long leave - "Money Bags" Dennyson for his efficient running of matters financial and to Carine Kruger who with her hounds, has added a new dimension to Pascoe. Lastly to my wife Debbie, a great debt of gratitude is owed for her assistance in entertaining boys and parents, fielding many phone calls, dealing with problems in my absence and generally providing wise counsel on the many and varied situations which develop in this occupation.

I am sure that the house will go from strength to strength under the guiding hand of Michael Fell, the new Head of

House of Pascoe, his deputy Simon Bothner and new prefects Simon Bridges, Andrew Pitman and Iain Nash. I look forward to an exciting and productive 1996.

Salvete

K Jones, J Macris, N Pauling, G Pitman, N Zwane, R Arthur, S Bland, R Hendrikz, N Mhinga, J Modise, G Randall

Valete

S Hudson, A Stephens, A Rose, R Andersson, B Dyson, N Goss, K Goulding, S Leitich, C MacNaughton, W Marshall-Smith, G Parker.

EAST HOUSE

Unfortunately, the end of a successful and enjoyable year has come with great haste. East was once again a high-spirited, well-disciplined house and lived up to its reputation of having the most Housemasters in a year. Mr Terence Henderson was appointed as Housemaster in the latter part of the year after Mr Hall stepped down due to health rea-

sons. The house thanks him for his contributions over the past year and a half.

East was only able to clinch one memorable victory, that of course being Senior Rugby. It was also the first time that seven-a-side rugby has been re-introduced for a number of

Tarzan at L'Abrl

years. East was also in close contention for house golf, not to mention canoeing!

Thanks must go the Cameron Cozens and Sakiwe Poswa for writing and directing the house play and singing. East came a close second to Mackenzie.

Academically, East House was well represented. Robert Urquhart and Gustav Beekman were both presented with their Honours. Unfortunately, East did not fare too well in the house standing though being placed a distant 6th place. Speech day once more saw a fair number of boys from the house receiving prizes: Gustav Beekman - English; Robert Urquhart - History; Michael Barry - English prize and Peter Bell English literature; Charles Strachan - Andrew Henderson Prize for Agriculture and Senior Zulu progress prize; Matthew Faircliff - W A van der Walt Dramatic Prize; Bruce Wacher- Lions River Conservation Prize.

Culturally, East once again proved its talents. Bruce Turner received his colours for music. The house still upholds a high level of house-spirit, general enthusiasm for all spheres of house activities and a unity among the boys. This was particularly evident during the closely fought rugby final where East boys supported the team at a level which by far out classed the other houses. Robert Shorter, CJ Milln and Alastair Telford all performed well in the school production "The Elephant Man". A number of boys were also involved in choir and other musical activities.

D Block Outdoor Education

Sport has always been a great tradition of East House and 1995 was no different. Sakiwe Poswa was awarded his colours for his contribution to the "red and white" while JP Coppez, Andrew Campbell, Richard North and Craig Friderichs were all awarded their "teams". John Harris was also awarded the Kevin King Cup for being U16A rugby captain. Special mention must also be made to our Vlth Formers, Gary Clelland and Joseph Solms. Gary was unlucky not to make the Natal rugby side for a second year because of a broken left hand but was nonetheless awarded his colours. Joseph Solms ran circles around most sides including Maritzburg College. He was awarded his rugby honours after being selected to represent Natal "A" side. We thank them both for their valuable contributions to the House over the past year.

Thanks must also go to the House prefects, JP Coppez, Andrew Campbell, Charles Strachan, Matthew Faircliff, Rob Urqhart and Justin Acker for keeping the House in such an orderly state.

Justin Acker, James Armstrong, Gustav Beekman, Andrew Campbell, Henri "JP" Coppez, Cameron Cozens, Matthew Faircliff, Jonathan Lamb, Richard North, Sakiwe Poswa, Charles Strachan, Robert Urquhart, Guy Williamson.

Valete

Chad Baxter, Duncan Gordon, Sean Hensman, David James, Siyabonga Mwelase, Paulo Rodriquez, Robert Wacher, Doug Sherrard, William Mitchell-Innes, Marc Coppez, James Christopher, Jonathan Chetwyd-Palmer, Siviwe Nopeci, Robert Shorter, Adam and Luke Stepney, Hitesh Verma and Joseph Solms.

FOUNDERS HOUSE

Housemaster: Mr C Purchase

Senior Tutor: Mr N G Cahill

House Tutors: Mr J Taylor, Mr P van Zyl

Vice-Head of School: R Newton

Head of House: E Dixon-Smith

Prefects: K Russell, B Garcin, A Nowlin, B Chadwick

Founders experienced some vicissitudes this year but the house's strong traditions kept it going. A spirit of respect and friendliness prevailed throughout the year that started without a number of boys who moved to Mackenzie. Four of them became prefects in that house.

The house welcomed two new masters. Jason Taylor came to us from Canada. Jason was Michaelhouse's first student master for some time and it was an honour to have such a friendly, caring, young man in Founders where he fitted in very well. However, he only spent this year with us and it is a pity his time was so short. We also welcomed Paul van Zyl and his wife Elmarie. Paul worked in the Music Department. He made an impact on Founders and he will be remembered for this outrageous hairstyle. He unfortunately leaves us for Durban next year and we wish him and his wife the best of luck in the future.

The fact that we won only two inter-House competitions this year was not a true reflection of what the house achieved. House Swimming was a real nailbiter and victory was snatched from our hands by Pascoe. In House Athletics we

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led for most of the way but could not hold on to our lead. Congratulations to Adam Alexander who competed with determination, winning the Junior Victor Ludorum to keep Founders in front. We won the highly enjoyable Go-Kart race for the second year in a row, thanks to Roger Raw's "Red Devil". Conrad Murrey and Greg Smith put together a wonderful play in which Founders was unlucky not to be placed higher. Gareth Shaw's expertise shone through with a wonderful effort by those involved in the House Music.

On Speech day prizes went to - M Lewis (Zulu), A Goble (Zulu), S Diaz (Junior Art/Printing Prize), B Erasmus (Art Prize). Service ties have been earned by J Morris, K Russell, M Lewis, G Smith, M Warner, A Weschta, G Erasmus, R Raw, A Williams. A few boys competed in the Maths Olympiad some coming in the top 20 while D Chennells reached the top 6%. Many boys participated in the choir and music played an important role in the House. G Shaw as a senior led the way and he received his music colours as did G Erasmus, J Chang, N Cotterell and S Schoon. It was always good to see the large proportion of Founders boys in the school band when it performed. Gavin Erasmus, Greg Smith, Murray Lewis, Stuart Scott and Adam Alexander took various parts in school productions which proved to be successful.

James le Cordeur, Andrew D'aubrey and Richard Chennells participated in the Duzi Marathon and did well in their age group. Brendan Garcin was selected for Natal U19 B squash. He received his squash colours as did Richard Newton. Richard Newton also represented S A school B Hockey side. Murray Lewis played for Natal Midlands and the U14 Inter Provincial Hockey Tournament in Bloemfontein. Kiran Russell was awarded the Garnett Payn Cricket Trophy for Sportsmanship, a fitting award for a Founders boys as Mr Payn was an old boy of this house and Kitt, his Grandson, is presently in the House. Anthony Goble took a Hat-trick in his game against Northwood and was presented the ball. Andrew Nowlin was a regular member of the First XV and did well, particularly as the team kicker. Richard Newton was also a regular member of the 1st Cricket team and made some above average contributions.

Founders "Red Devil"- winners of the Soap Box Derby

The House had an enjoyable year and I would like to thank this years prefects and Mr Purchase for doing such a wonderful job. Good luck to Brendan Garcin and his prefects next year. Congratulations to Gavin Erasmus who will be setting out on an exchange to Deerfield in the USA, for two terms in the new year and Nic Cotterell who also goes on an exchange to Trinity in Canada. We look forward to having their counterparts in the House.

Salvete

R Colsen, B Erasmus, A Goble, H Mulholland, J Needham, T Schoon, S Scott, N Anderson, D Chennells, L Dixon-Smith, S Dunning, J Hoddinott, W Le Cordeur, A Lewis, R McMartin, P Ross, K Domenighetti.

Valete

R Newton, A Chang, C Murrey, A Nowlin, K Payn, S Pringle, G Shaw, R Tucker, A Williams

BAINES HOUSE

Housemaster: Mr B S Tarr

Senior Tutors: Mr D Elkington, Mr J van der Vegte

Tutor: Mr E Gerber

Head of House: P van Onselen

House Prefects: J Hibbs, C Kuun, L McIntosh

We welcomed Mr Jaap van der Vegte at the beginning of the year who joined Mr Don Elkington as a Senior Tutor while Mr Enrico Gerber continued as a Tutor. We bade farewell to Mr Andrew Daniels who took his expertise across the quad to Mackenzie - our thanks for his input and contribution to Baines.

1995 brought a first for the house when Colin Maggs and Benjay Martin combined to win the Inter-house Public Speaking competition - a great effort and perhaps the beginning of a "cultural Renaissance" which we hope will see the house competing for top spot in this competition and others like it (i.e. House plays, House music) in the years to come. Our runners showed their mastery of tight cornering and frying pans to win the Shrove Tuesday Pancake race and the senior cricketers triumphed thanks, in large measure, to a sparkling innings from Captain Peter van Onselen, in the final against Farfield. The senior Squash team (Peter van Onselen, Sean Lumley, Chet Vosloo, Colin Maggs, Ben Parham and Gareth Smith) were expected to win this, and did so comfortably; while our golfers (Jason McCormick and John Rawlings) pulled off something of a surprise to pip Pascoe. James Hibbs, Richard Lay and Douglas Arnot did well to bring home the Canoeing trophy. The Senior Rugby side also did well to be squeezed out by East in a most exciting final while the basketball team put up a really gutsy performance in giving the powerful Farfield side some very nervous moments before succumbing in the first round. We were also looking good in the Waterpolo competition when the team sailed through the first round but were forced to play without our "VIth

Form stars" and lost in the next match. All who represented the house are commended for their commitment and effort as are the prefects and respective captains for their organisation and motivation.

On the academic front Speech Day prizes went to Chris Kuun (A Block, Afrikaans), Lachlan McIntosh (A Block, History), Jason McCormick (B Block, Geography), Colin Maggs (B Block, History), Matthew McCormick (E Block, Music); while Gabrielle Massey prizes were awarded to Michael Homer (C Block) and Paul King (D Block).

Baines boys represented the school across the full range of sports teams and participated in a wide range of cultural and societal activities. Such involvement and commitment is what this school is all about but it is also important to acknowledge individual talent and there have been some outstanding achievements this year. Steven Small (Rugby), Sean Lumley (Squash), Chet Vosloo (Squash), Douglas Arnot (Canoeing) earned their Honours; while Adam Cawood (Rugby), Justin Frost (Cricket and Rugby), Richard Lay (Canoeing) and Ben Parham (Rugby) were awarded Colours. MP Ferrerira scored two consecutive centuries and was selected to Captain the Natal U15 cricket team while Charles Duminy and Justin Bloem made the Midlands U15 side.

1995 has been a difficult year in Baines. The citation for the John Richards Award reads as follows:

"Awarded annually to a leaver, who is neither a School nor a House Prefect, but who has displayed outstanding qualities combining academic industry, keenness in sport, extra curricular activities, support of house authority including the House system and the principles which the house tries to uphold, and good-fellowship".

This year, for the second time since 1960, no award has been made. The award traditionally goes to an A Blocker and this year's decision was made as the result of a general absence of the sort of commitment, co-operation and

involvement that has produced so many worthy candidates in past years. That this attitude resulted in the necessity to take serious disciplinary action is regrettable but salutary and the mood in the house suggests that valuable lessons have been learnt and that there is a very positive way forward in the new year.

B Block Leadership at L'Abrl

Our thanks to Mrs Tarr and the Tutors for their invaluable contributions to house life and congratulations to the prefects for 1996 - Jason McCormick (head of House), Colin Maggs (Deputy Head), Christian Balak and Marlon Shaw. Special congratulations to Ben Parham on his appointment as Senior Prefect and the assurance that he has the best wishes and support of all in Baines.

Salvete

M Phillips, N Mtonyana, M McCormick, W Hill, W Christie, J Bloem, A Bam, M Johnson, P King, M Leuner, J Lloyd, S Ralph, R Syme.

Valete

A Cawood, S Lumley, S Small, P van Onselen, C Vosloo, D Arnot, J Frost, J Hibbs, G KEarns, G Kelmanson, C Kuun, R Lay, R Muller, G Nunes, M Simelane, G Smith, R Varney.

WEST HOUSE

Housemaster: Mr A L Carter Senior House Tutor: Mr E de Klerk Tutors: Mr T G Hart, Miss L Heymans Head of House: Andre Wenham

Prefects: Jeremy Boyd, Gregory Hatfield, Justin Brown, Themba Mtombeni, Paul Rebeck, Deon Robert, Justin Sage

It has been a very successful year in the sense that friendships have been built throughout the house. We had fifteen newcomers into West and they have all identified with and contributed to the spirit of the house.

Although we have not had much success in winning house events, we have always been in close contention and have come second and third in a number of events.

Greg Hatfield did very well in his squash and was made Natal squash captain. He has made the S A schools A team and he came third in the S A Championships.

Cricket Colours went to Phetheho Motanyane and Andre Wenham, hockey and basketball colours went to Themba

Mtombeni, and soccer colours to Nceba Hene and Abednigo Ndlovu.

Darryl Betz, in his short stay, showed his ability on the athletics track and was made athletics captain. Paul Rebeck was fortunate enough to tour Zimbabwe with the first tennis team which he thoroughly enjoyed.

On the cultural side West did very well in the house music, thanks to the competent organisation of Justin Brown, and came a close second. Justin Brown is to be congratulated on being awarded honours for music. Phetheho Motanyane, in recognition of his loyal service to the choir, was awarded his choir tie. Although the house play was not a winner, it provided much entertainment for everyone.

On Speech Day, Justin Brown, Rob Strachan and Paul Smith all won prizes.

Luke Alers was chosen to go to Hotchkiss for two terms which he valued enormously and in exchange, Paul Hoffmeister came to us. We really enjoyed having Paul and his talent at basketball was much admired.

West received a new house tutor, Miss Heymans, and we thank her for the input she has already made.

It is with much affection that we say goodbye to Mr Carter as Housemaster. He has been a wonderful father figure to us and we greatly appreciate all he has done for the house. At the same time we welcome Mr de Klerk as our new housemaster and I am sure that he will follow in Mr Carter's footsteps. We wish him every success in his new position.

I have really enjoyed the year and I would like to thank my prefect body, Justin Brown, Themba Mtombeni, Paul Rebeck, Deon Robert and Justin Sage, together with the rest of the house for all their support. I wish Justin Sage, his prefect body, and everyone else in West the very best of luck for 1996, the Centenary Year.

Andre Wenham (Head of House).

It is with a mixture of relief and nostalgia that I step down as Housemaster of West after eight and a half years. The job carries with it considerable responsibility and this undoubtedly sets up stresses which are at times difficult to manage while still keeping a forward looking, positive attitude. In Mr de Klerk, West boys have a younger man who will give enormously of himself to our boys - he will be empathetic to their needs while adopting a firm stand against any miscreants who occasional rear their heads. I wish him every success!

My final year has been made "easy" by the very sound way in which the prefect body under Andre Wenham have managed the house. Non-resident housemasters and tutors make it vital that the prefect body be given guidance on how to manage a group of people only marginally younger than they are. This is an enormous challenge and needs an innovative approach much different from the bully-boy tactics of days gone by.

I will miss the immediacy of contact with "my" boys in West, but I will be observing their progress over the next few years while still keeping contact on a non-routine basis. I wish each of them every success for the future.

A L Carter Housemaster West

Salvete

Darryl Betz, Paul Hoffmeister, Attila Szenvedi, Ralph-Marc Cawood, MJ Damant, Louis de Wet, Simon Greyvensteyn, Thambiso Masiela, James Matthews, Sinqobile Ntshangase, Michael Harris, Bryce Lindsay, Mandla Msomi, Anthony Matthews, Julian Nachmias, Douglas Osier, Paul Smith.

Valete

Jeremy Boyd, Shaun du Toit, Gregory Hatfield, Darryl Betz, Justin Brown, George Chang, Nceba Hene, Michael Maine, Phetheho Motanyane, Themba Mtombeni, Abednigo Ndlovu, Paul Rebeck, Deon Robert, Patric Venables, Andre Wenham, Paul Hoffmeister, Bryce Lindsay.

FARFIELD HOUSE

Housemaster: Mr J van Rooyen Head of House: Nick Folker

Another year of success and enjoyment for Farfield has come to a hasty end, with success being achieved in all three spheres that Michaelhouse strives for - culturally, academically and in the sporting arena. Much of this must be attributed to the wonderful spirit within the House generated by the A Block, prefects and House captains. Special thanks go to the House captains for ensuring the smooth running and success of Farfield's team this year.

Farfield's tradition of always being competitive in the house events was even greater this year winning no less than 7 competitions, the second highest ever by Farfield. The first three wins came in one day, namely junior and senior hockey and junior rugby. All were very exciting especially the junior rugby. These were soon followed by cross-country with excellent individual performances from Michael Leslie and Brendan Greene both finishing 1st in the senior and junior events respectively. Next came the Inter-House Relays Trophy followed by the surprise of the year, the shooting. Farfield also featured significantly in other events: losing in the final of the senior and junior cricket; as well as waterpolo, senior squash and finishing in the top three of most of the other competitions such as swimming, public speaking and athletics. As is evident, it was not just the individuals who excelled but it was the whole house's contribution that led to Farfield's success.

On to individual sporting accolades. The following received colours:

Feko Makara - basketball re-award, soccer and drama

Nqoba Koza - cricket, rugby

Nick Folker - rugby

Andrew Caldwell - rugby

Graham Leslie - hockey and tennis

Andrew Purchase - cricket

Mike Osborn - academic

Thabang Mosese - music

Honours went to: Brian Osborne - hockey

Success was also achieved by Farfieldians out of the organ-

ised sport at school. Lad Le Roux made the SA schools Polo Team which toured Zimbabwe. Andrew Caldwell represented Natal Schools B rugby, Cuan Tarr the Midlands U18B Hockey, Graham Leslie made the Midlands and S A U16 hockey teams, Brian Osborne was selected to represent the SA U18A side of the Junior World Cup in Pakistan. Mike Cook was selected for the Natal Schools Cricket squad and the Midlands U18B Hockey team as captain; Patrick Forbes made Midlands U14A waterpolo and Nick Folker achieved a 4th and two 5th places at the SA shortcourse swimming champions and was in the relay teams that broke two South African and African shortcourse records.

Farfield boys also featured prominently in the cultural sphere. Mike Leslie, Bradley Paynter, Mike Cook and James Craig-Cochrane received service ties while Feko Makara got his 5th tie! (quite an achievement). Thabang Mosese received his Royal School of Church Music Tie for four years of service. Abey Mokgwatsane was privileged to spend a term at Trinity College in Canada as part of our exchange programme and found it a most enriching experience in all respects. Nine Farfield boys were also confirmed this year, upholding the spiritual ethos in the House and school.

Academically, Farfield was again tops by winning the academic shield. Bradley Shearer contributed significantly to this by achieving a 9th in the Afrikaans Olympiad and a 3rd place in the Maths Olympiad and while also receiving a "highly commended" for his poem in the Alan Paton Literary Competition as well as winning five Speeh Day subject prizes. David Bannister and Matthew Burchell achieved a

2nd place at Expo for their project and Bradley Paynter made it through to the second round in the Maths Olympiad. Feko Makara also received a "commended" for his poem in the Alan Paton Literary Competition. Speech Day prizes went to Nick Lockett, Guilliame de Rosnay, Thabang Mosese, Feko Makara and Andrew Purchase.

On a lighter note, away from the serious house competitions the boys made Farfield a house to be proud of, maintaining its position as the House with the best spirit. Whether it was cheering at the pancake races on Shrove Tuesday, or the push-car races, or dominating the after lights out pillow fights it was definitely a year to be remembered by all.

Sadly all good things must come to an end and this year was certainly one of those good things. Congratulations to Abey Mokgwatsane on his appointment as Head of House for 1996 and I wish his prefect body every success for the year. I must also extend my gratitude to my team of prefects for their disciplined and mature approach to their duties, and to all the A-Blockers for generating the wonderful house spirit and for such a great year. Thanks also go out to Mr van Rooyen for his "easy-to-work-with" and understanding

approach to the House and me, which made my job much easier. Also much appreciation to the House Tutors for their support and guidance throughout the year. May 1996 be as good if not better than 1995. Good luck!

Nick Folker Head of House

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Director of Schlesinger Theatre: Andrew Daniels

I have been at Michaelhouse now for five years; that is long enough to have seen our oldest boys at Michaelhouse progress from E to A Block. In school-boy terms that also means I too can be recognised as a senior. Like the matrics, I am entitled to my leaver's dinner - and be warned Rector, I might claim my own silly-season as well.

I would like this report to be not only a celebration of theatre in 1995, but also a celebration and culmination of my five years at the helm of the Schlesinger Theatre. I am not blind to some of the difficulties, problems and failures of theatre at Michaelhouse. But let me be indulgent and take note of all our successes, all that has been good in our drama world in the recent past.

If you have been at Michaelhouse five years and are a keen and talented drama person, you could have participated in two dance or movement productions, three musicals, three serious dramas, one comedy, a melodrama, an Elizabethan banquet, two school drama festivals, five years of house-plays and seen about 100 amateur and professional productions. You could also have written and performed your own play in one of the country's finest theatres. You could have travelled to Hilton, Maritzburg or Durban to see some fine productions. You could have done all this without even taking Speech and Drama as a subject.

In this time we have fully computerized our lighting-system making us (in terms of lighting) the best equipped school theatre in the country. Computerisation was initially expensive, but since the change we have saved thousands of rands on light-bulbs. Our best lighting-technicians are familiar with jargon phrases such as presets, chase-patterns, X-fade times, roboscans and gobos. Some of our lighting crew are able to walk into almost any professional theatre and, after an hour or two of familiarisation, rig and run a show with all the effects needed.

Many of our school productions have been unusual and challenging - and yet without fail, our boys (and visiting girls) have risen to the occasion. In "The Elephant Man" this year, I was particularly astounded by the performances of Hedley Twidle, Peter Wefelmeier, Andrew Mackenzie and Henri Landon who all grasped the subtleties and sensitivities of a very difficult script.

In the junior production of "Macbeth the Musical", I see much talent waiting to be developed. Chris Quayle, Joseph

Modise, Patrick Forbes and Stuart McKernan are particularly noteworthy.

I see a host of potential for a number of boys in a variety of areas:

In the lighting there is Philip Norton, James Sayers and Jamie Swinstead.

I would like to see the following boys moving into scriptwriting: Hedley Twidle, Adam Alexander, Anthony Steyn and James Haggie.

I would like to see a number of boys given the opportunity to participate in movement. Andrew Mackenzie would surely be at the forefront here. There is of course, great potential for comedy and mime in James Lewis - but I guess he is his own best tutor!

I know I sometimes complain about the boys' behaviour in the theatre, especially the insidious "crash and burn syndrome" (which I think is now on its way out), but there has been progress in this area as well. There was a time in Michaelhouse's history when professional companies

dreaded performing in front of a Michaelhouse audience, but this is certainly not the case now. It is somewhat ironic though, that if audiences are going to spoil a show, it is our own that they choose.

Like so many other facets of school life, we too in the theatre see much that is truly good: moral, spiritual and intellectual growth, gaining confidence, team-work, guts and determination, friendship. But there is something unique to the production process, that process of creation for something so ephemeral, that shall last only three or four days. There are few things in the school programme, more difficult than seeing a production through to the end: that excitement, that disillusionment, that boredom, that adrenalin on opening night, that delight in success, that strange sense of loss when we finally strike set. These make being on stage seem like a microcosm of life itself.

From the multitude of wonderful things that have happened in our theatre in the past year, I am required to select three categories of achievement:

- a. the best novice
- b. the best actor, and
- c. the person who has contributed most to theatre during his school career.

It is not easy to isolate and rank one individual above anoth-

er, but the task must be done, and so it gave me great pleasure in making the following awards:

The W A van der Walt award for the best performance by a novice: Joseph Modise.

The Bishop Memorial Award for best actor is a shared award: to Hedley Twidle and Peter Wefelmeier for their performances in "The Elephant Man."

The van Velden Trophy for the boy who has contributed most to the theatre during his time at Michaelhouse: Dean Williamson. Colours were awarded to Hedley Twidle and Peter Wefelmeier.

Next year, Mr Ken Shuter will relieve me of the post of Theatre Director. I cannot think of a better man for this position. I shall remain in charge of the technical aspects of the theatre and I hope that there will be opportunity for me to direct some productions especially of the experimental kind. But at last, the running of the theatre will be spread wider and that is how it should be.

Scenes from the The Elephant Man Princess Alexandra (Kirsten Comrle), John Merrick and Fredrick Treves

(Hedley Twidle)

his charge (Peter Wefelmeier) Ross, Manager of The Elephant Man (James Lewis) discusses business w ith his charge (Peter Wefelmeier) Peter Wefelmeier: The Elephant Man

However, over the past five years, I have not worked alone. I have enjoyed the support of many pupils and staff in so many different ways. I am confident that Mr Shuter will enjoy that continued support from all, staff, parents and boys.

I wish to make particular mention of the support I have had from Duane, my wife; she has made costumes, helped me paint sets, rig lights, run errands and provided me with the moral support during difficult moments of production. I thank her sincerely for her input.

I thank the staff for their varied contributions. They have been much appreciated. I must thank the women members of the cast of "The Elephant Man" for their fine performances and for enduring those long weeks of travelling to and from Maritzburg.

We can look forward to an exciting Centenary year with Mr Shuter as the new Theatre Director.

SUMMARY OF THEATRICAL EVENTS AT MICHAELHOUSE DURING 1995

- 1. Friday, 17th February at 20.10 Inter-house Public Speaking Competition.
- 2. Tuesday 21st, Wednesday 22nd, Thursday 23 February at 20.10 Michaelhouse presented "The Man".
- 3. Friday 10th March at 20.00 performance by the Durban Philharmonic Orchestra.
- 4. Wednesday 22, Thursday 23 March at 19.00 Interhouse Plays competition.

The Pinheads: Alastalr Telford, Stephen Metcalf and Ken Jones watched over by their keeper Gavin Erasmus

Carr Gomm (Andrew Mackenzie) clinches a deal with Freddie Treves

(Hedley Twidle)

- Saturday 8 April to Saturday 15th April Music in the Berg.
- 6. Friday 28th April at 14.00 Playhouse Dance Company presented a movement workshop.
- 7. Friday 5 May at 20.10 Therin Venturas Productions presented "Birth of an African Day" and "Isiqulo

Sendaba".

- 8. Tuesday 23rd May at 19.00 Inter-House Music Competition.
- 9. Thursday 8th June at 19.30 The Max Boyce Show.
- 10. Tuesday 22, Wednesday 23 and Thursday 24th August at 20.10 Michaelhouse presented "The Elephant Man".
- 11. Saturday 16, Tuesday 19 and Wednesday 20 September at 20.10 Michaelhouse presented "Macbeth the Musical".
- 12. Saturday 30th September to Wednesday 4 October "Theatre in the Berg" (a schools' drama festival).
- 13. Wednesday 11 and Thursday 12th October at 20.10 Michaelhouse Jazz Band presented "All that Jazz".
- 14. Friday 13th October at 19.30 Michaelhouse Jazz Band presented "All that Jazz" at the Hexagon Theatre, Pietermaritzburg.

- 15. Saturday 14 and Sunday 15th October at 19.30 Michaelhouse presented "All that Jazz" in the Grand Foyer, Playhouse, Durban.
- 16. Thursday 19th October at 19.00: Theatre Dinner.
- 17. Thursday 26th October at 20.10 Anna Roussouw presented "Bulldozer".
- 18. Saturday 4th November at 19.00 Shaggy Dog Shoestring Productions presented "Catch Caldwell" in the Centenary Pavilion.

THEATRE IN THE BERG

Theatre in the Berg, which has ended its second run, is set to become the country's annual dramafest for school productions and workshops. The brainchild of Theatre Director at Michaelhouse, Andrew Daniels, the four day festival gives play to the essential exchange of ideas normally reserved for those of independent means. Morning workshops and evening productions run close on one another, and the afternoons act as intervals, long enough for rehearsing, meandering and enjoying the general revival of a Kwazulu-Natal Midlands spring.

So, what makes this different from other drama festivals? For a start the venues used at Michaelhouse are all equipped with lighting and sound equipment; and props are available. Hence there is no need for schools to foot this bill. Everything happens in ONE location; pupils are housed at Michaelhouse, and those adults accompanying them stay in a separate school house and are themselves relatively free during the four days. Workshopping is conducted in small groups, to pupils only; and evening productions are performed by the pupils. Some productions are scripted and directed by the participants themselves. The fee of R300 per pupil is all inclusive, with the added use of all facilities on the school grounds. Michaelhouse is in the process of establishing sponsorship for this venture in the hope that the festival will become more representative.

This year began Market Laboratory's involvement, and their workshops included such sessions as satire in theatre, bringing the Shakespearean text alive, and freeing expression. Selby's Production Company hosted an hour's extravaganza in the latest in lighting technology. And the last evening closed with Gaynor Young's "My Plunge to Fame", in its widest sense of celebration of, in the words of one of the participants, the "sorrowful" reserves of tender and even comic adaptations for stage.

Pupils' productions (an hour or less in running-time) tested such waters as dance and movement sequences; work-

shopped themes from surprising sources; madrigal singing, ruminations on courage as a way of seeing; and very funny and very good satire. The fact aside that young people can be disarming (even in their undisguised confidence), their productions were feisty, moving, and utterly controlled.

Flat Lux: Doug Phillips at the lighting controls

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ATHLETICS

SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Back Row; A. Alexander, B. Greene, S. Bridges, J. Acker, A. Rose, A. Cawood, J. Holley, A. Pitman, B. Ngcobo, P. Rebeck 3rd Row; J. Lloyd, S. Leitich, R. Knoetze, R. Schroder, J. Cornlsh-Bowden, M. Barbour, A. Caldwell, P. Rodriguez, M. Cumming, G.Benson, S. Mallnga,

C. Quayle

2nd Row: M. Harris, S. Harris, R. Hadfleld, D. dos Santos, M. Johnson, T. Dunn, J. Nachmlas, K. Reynolds, Z. Surka, A. Khumalo, >JT Grobicki,

T. Mapham, M-J. Damant, T. Maslela Seated: B. Dalton, Q. Cantlay, J. Smithers, S. Lumley, D. Betz, Mr T. Henderson, W. Lister-James, P. Motanyane, D. Papadopoulos, S. Hudson

Master-in-charge: Mr T Henderson

During the 1995 athletic season Michaelhouse lacked some depth in their athletics. During the first term all the good athletes were taking part in their first choice sport, namely Cricket, Soccer or Basketball. The result was that we had no athletes and only a couple of rugby players who started to train for the rugby season.

The Michaelmas term was a very busy and short term leaving us with only three weeks of athletics in which to fit the Standards, Heats, Inter-house Relays, Sportsday and Triangular meeting. The Standards competition was run on a different system from previous years. We decided to give the prefect body and the House captains of the school more responsibility with their Housemasters to run this competition. Each boy in the school had to take part in a minimum of four events and a maximum of seven events. Each house would then send their top three athletes through to the next competition namely the Heats. Each boy who took part in the heats and who made it to the final would start earning points for his house. The Standards results were based on the number of representatives each house had taking part on Sportsday. These athletes earned three points for their houses in each event they were taking part. The results for the John Odam Trophy were: Tatham 201 points, Pascoe 128. Farfield 113. Mackenzie 111. West 108. East and Baines 89 and Founders 78.

The Inter-House Relays are always most exciting. It was nail-biting stuff right till the last event. The Inter-House Trophy was won by Farfield (90), followed by Tatham (67), West and Pascoe (66), Founders (45), Baines (44), East

(37) and Mackenzie (26) points.

Sportsday was held on the 16th September. Quite a few of the top athletes were injured and some of them were not able to take part due to circumstances beyond our control. We could not have asked for a better day and a very exciting athletics day took place. The Willows track was once again in a tip-top condition, thanks to Mr Jon Morgan, Jonathan Cribbins and their staff. This year although no new records were broken, there were some exciting events.

The Paul Nash Trophy, which is awarded to the Junior Victor Ludorum, was won by Adam Alexander. The John Odams Memorial Trophy for the Senior Victor Ludorum was won by Dino Papadopoulos. The Barford Trophy for the Open 100 metre was won by Joseph Solms. The Stan Evan Trophy for the most outstanding performance of the day was awarded to Brian Dalton, for his performance in the Discus boys U16 (43,19m). The final placings at the end of the day were as follows: Tatham (220), Farfield (190), West (165), Pascoe (156), Mackenzie (125), Founders (119), Baines (92), East (90).

A squad of 52 athletes was selected to compete in the Triangular Meeting held at Kearsney on the 18th

September. With nearly a third of the team not taking part it was virtually impossible for Michaelhouse to match their opponents despite some outstanding performances by our boys. The Triangular was won by Kearsney 157, Hilton 99 and Michaelhouse 59 points. Lastly a hearty thanks to the staff for their involvement in the athletics and to Paul Hayes for the tea and cake on Sportsday and the snacks after the meeting.

BASKETBALL 1ST TEAM

With the help of Jason Taylor (Canadian Exchange Student), basketball improved tremendously at Michaelhouse. The players as well as our coaches learned a lot from him about the tactics and skills of the game. Our 1st team did very well and we had some very tense and close games. Our stayers side of 1995 looked very promising beating Maritzburg College at their Stayers Tournament. During the first term we lost narrowly against Alexandra and St Charles but were victorious against Hilton. At our annual Triangular games against Hilton and Kearsney, we narrowly lost against Hilton in the fourth term. We also played against Treverton and Carter High and beat them easily. With our promising 1996 team, we are planning a tour to Cape Town during the October holidays. We will also participate in a tournament in Johannesburg at St Johns on the 17th February 1996 which will test our strength against other provinces when we will wear our newly designed basketball clothing. We still, however, find our basketball facilities most unsatisfactory and dangerous for the players: wouldn't an indoor facility for basketball be great as it is such a growing sport in South Africa.

Interhouse basketball action

Colours were awarded to five players for their commitment and assistance in coaching to the following: Temba Mtombeni, Frans van Zyl, Pascal Madidi, Timothy Persson and Feko Makara. The captain of the 1996 side is William Zadi. Congratulations!

A tense moment in the inter-house basketball

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Master-in-charge: Mr P G Lavender

In the first quarter, although the teams we played were strong, we managed to put up some good opposition, mainly through the fitness and enthusiasm of our players. M Dlamini captained the side, and the following were in the team: M Bennett, B Lindsay, L Lee, S Ralph, R Syme, M Gasa, A Clements, J Chetwynd-Palmer, D Tembo, D Weatherson, N Gidaracos, D Breyer-Menke. A Alexander

was selected captain in the fourth quarter and managed to weld the team into an effective unit. The team began to develop better strategies and skills. Those who played in the fourth quarter were: A Alexander (Captain), L Lee, R Syme, S Ralph, C Lewis, S Nopece, P Ross, S Duarte, N Gidaracos, D Roldao, N Pauling.

CANOE CLUB

Master-in-charge: Mr D Elkington

Captain: J Hibbs Secretary: C Strachan

Canoeing has again proved to be a popular sport with the club being over-subscribed. It is very much a case of success breeds success and the team has has a year of noteworthy achievements. Some highlights are recorded below:

The Michaelhouse team won the inter-school trophy in the Dusi marathon. James Hibbs was selected to represent Natal. Doug Arnot and Charles Strachan were the 1st Junior pair home in the Umkomaas and Tugela marathons. Mr

THE CANOE CLUB

Back Row: J. Le Cordeur, R. Chennells, P. Larsen, G. Slater, A. Pitman, A. d'Aubrev

Middle Row: D. Robert, A. Ackron, I. Nash, O. Holley, J. Erasmus, N. Lockett, B. Wacher, T. Dunn, J. Archibald,

Seated: N. Goss, C. Strachan, D. Arnott, Mr D. Elkington, J.Hibbs, R. Lay

Spike Holley and Oliver, father and son team, came in the top 20 in the Tugela Marathon.

At the Hilton/Michaelhouse interschools tournament held annually at Underberg, Michaelhouse proved to be a formidable team taking the honours in both singles and doubles events. Mention must be made here of the paddlers' mums who saved the day when it was discovered that the weekend provisions had been left behind! Our thanks go especially to Meg Chennells, Linda Holley, Jane D'Aubrey and Mary Slater for their wonderful assistance on that occasion

and also for their donation of a storage, catering trunk to the school.

Finally the Club extends gratitude to Mr Spike Holley, a parent, who has shared his canoeing experience and assisted with coaching and weekend races. His help has been invaluable and he will continue to participate next year.

Honours: James Hibbs, Douglas Arnot

Colours: Charles Strachan, Richard Lay.

CRICKET 1ST X1

Coaches: Mr A Vincent (first term);

Mr A Cook (fourth term)

Captain: Scott Hudson Vice-Captain: Michael Cook

The 1995 1st X1 had a number of good players who on occasions performed superbly. However, cricket is a team game and good results come from consistent team performances. From this point of view the 1995 team failed to live up to expectations. The weather, injuries and a change of coach mid-season did not help; nor did the number of limited overs matches played this year. But their commitment to the game was never in doubt: it is this grit, discipline and determination which were characteristic of their best performances that will see them realise their undoubted potential in the game. They were an extraordinarily pleasant group of players who needed to have more confidence in their ability.

Canoe polo: Mark Larsen stirs It up

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FIRST XI CRICKET

Back Row: J. Holley, N. Folker, A. Purchase

Middle Row: N. Koza, M. Slmelane, J. Frost, A. Wenham, P. Motanyane,

D. Bothner, R. Newton

Seated: P. van Onselen, S. Hudson (Capt) Mr A. Vincent, Mr A. Cook, M.

Cook (v-Capt), W. Lister-James

The season began with Mr Vincent at the helm and Scott Hudson elected as captain for the year. Things started emphatically enough with a crushing win over Westville on the Roy Gathorne Oval. Richard Newton stroked his way to a fine 78 to enable us to notch up a total of 158 all out - a lot more than it suggests on a grassy wicket, heavy outfield and big boundary. Michael Cook spun us to a 93 run win with the superb return of 7 for 12 off 9 overs.

The game against a young and talented Mynahs side was washed out, although not before Wayne Lister-James could grab four Mynahs wickets. A limited overs affair against Kearsney saw us going down, being a few runs light, with wickets in hand but no overs. Richard Newton continued his early season run with another mainstay fifty.

Travelling to Goldstones (Pietermaritzburg Boys College) is

Cricket vs Old Boys: restoring the tissues at lunch

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Practice makes perfect: Ngoba Koza and Scott Hudson

never going to be easy. Although the scorebook says we drew we played well to return with our pride intact. The batting was patient until opportunity called, enabling a late declaration, sensibly not being impetuous against a strong College line-up. Skipper Scotty Hudson weighed in with a steadying fifty; a feature being good shot selection. In the end both sides ran out of light and time.

Scott timed his way to another sweet fifty against Northwood the next Saturday. It became an intriguing draw: we needed 3 more wickets. They needed 40 runs. Mike Cook grabbed four more wickets.

The highlight of the first term was a great win over old rivals DHS. Everyone chipped in with the bat to enable us to post a fair total for limited overs. It turned out eventually to be a winning score. It was line and length from our spinners and seamers alike that saw us comfortably home by 34 runs. It was memorable if not for the application of every player in every discipline, then for the tremendous team work it demonstrated.

We had mixed fortunes in the annual Day/Night series. Against a composite PMB schools side Newton and Frost had a century stand to push a sizeable first innings total over 250. The fast, true wicket was also to our bowlers liking, restricting the opposition to 140 in their alloted overs. The match against Hilton just proves why we all play cricket: it's never simple or predictable. Limiting them to a very getable 140 (Purchase four wickets) we appeared to be cruising at 100 for 3. "The old enemy" took our remaining 7 wickets to leave us beached, 3 tantalising runs light.

By contrast, the two day game against Hilton played in very uncertain weather never really caught fire, both sides being unwilling to risk sufficiently to set up a winning situation.

The second half of the 1995 season began with a change of coach: Mr Vincent took over from Mr Giles as coach of the First XV and Mr Cook returned to coaching the First X1. After a most enjoyable Old Boys fixture at the end of the Third Quarter, the team was thrown into the Maritzburg College Week during the Michaelmas holidays.

The first of the four matches was against Grey (Bloemfontein) who brought one of their strongest ever sides to the tournament. They were fresh from the Nuffield Selection trials and in great form as the 348 for four posted painfully proved. Crucial dropped catches flattered them a little but their punishment of the wayward delivery was a sanguine lesson to our miscreants. Fortunately they batted for too long and we were able to salvage a draw from them thanks in part to the weather.

Michaelhouse hosted KES on the second day of the tournament, which is traditionally played at Michaelhouse under limited overs rules. After a shaky start to our innings on a difficult wicket Dominic Bothner played a superb knock to help us finish with 220 for 9 in 50 overs. This ought to have

Michael Cook takes a quick single against College

James Carmichael

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Scott Hudson practising

Jason McCormick thinks of a second

Andrew Purchase in action

been a winning score but KES batted well and we let them off the hook so that despite some excellent bowling and fielding they won with two wickets and a ball in hand.

The game against the Natal Development X1 saw Nqoba Koza score the highest individual score of the week (130 n.o.) and our most solid batting performance of the year. Even a five wicket haul by legspinner Michael Cook was insufficient to secure a win and the game ended in a draw with two wickets still outstanding.

The last game against Selborne was something of a mare. They batted superbly to score 250 in the 50 overs. Despite some poor fielding and a defiant innings from Peter van Onselen, we were dismissed for 193, never in any real danger of winning this encounter.

With scarcely a day to recover, eight of our team went on to play in the four day NBS Selection trials as members of Zonal teams, but more of that later. Suffice to say that this is a critical time for those who have academic aspirations and one has to question the wisdom of such a glut of cricket at this stage in their careers.

The fourth Quarter has been frustrating from our cricketing point of view although for many I know the rain has been most welcome. Our match against Kearsney was keenly anticipated but soaking rain ensured that not a ball was bowled. We then travelled to DHS to play their fancied side and despite being put in on a snake pit we batted courageously and quickly to score 152 for 9 on their slow field. Scott Hudson's declaration was deliberately provocative and it nearly paid off. This was our best bowling performance and Scott's field placing, timing of bowling changes and overall captaincy was most impressive. The match was played in a fine spirit and despite being another draw was a match for the connoisseur.

Flushed with near success, our approach to the Hilton game was in retrospect the wrong one. We looked to manufacture a win against an in-form side and, in going for broke, we came away severely battered! A more circumspect approach would have been wiser but it does not excuse our poor batting performance: 128 all out was never going to be enough to put Hilton under pressure and they never were.

Our game against Alexandra saw a much improved all round effort despite having lost three key players in Wayne Lister-James (knee op.), Michael Cook and Peter van Onselen (Vlth Form). Ngoba Koza, Dominic Bothner and Scott Hudson batted with authority to secure the win after a sporting Alex declaration. Rain for most of the next fortnight

prevented us from being able to capitalise on this success and the season ended with a depleted team matched

against College. This too was a limited overs game and our bowlers did very well to dismiss a rampant College side for 211 (their lowest score in the season). Unfortunately, we were not able to match the bowling with our batting. We got off to a deplorable start (3 for 8) and after a fine steadying partnership between Koza and Hudson were unable to change gear to attack. The College team's fielding was sensational attested to by no less than four run-outs which cost us the game.

Eight Michaelhousians were picked for Zonal teams which competed in the NBS Natal Schools Selection week. Only Michael Cook was selected to attend the final squad for the Natal team and in the end he missed out on selection. No doubt, next year will yield a better crop.

My sincere thanks go to Mr Jon Morgan and his assistant Jonathan Cribbins for all the work they and their groundstaff put into the preparation of pitches and fields. Thanks too to the tireless kitchen staff who provided teas and lunches throughout the season.

AWARDS

Colours

A Wenham, A Purchase, D Bothner, P Motanyane, R Newton, W Lister-James

Teams

S Hudson, J Holley, R Newton, N Koza, D Bothner, M Cook, W Lister-James, P Motanyane, M Simelane, A Purchase, J Carmichael, J McCormick, A Wenham.

Scorer

Bradley Paynter.

RESULTS

FIRST TERM

vs Westville

MHS 158 (R Newton 78)

Westville 65 (Cook 7/12)

MHS won by 93 runs.

vs Kingsmead Mynahs

Mynahs 172 (Lister-James 4/51; Cook 3/28)

MHS 5/2

Rain stopped play. vs Kearsney (50 overs limited)

Kearsney 207 (Simelane 3/37)

MHS 149/5 (Newton 54; Frost 30)

MHS lost by 58 runs.

vs Pietermaritzburg Schools (50 overs limited)

MHS 257/8 (Frost 76; Newton 83)

PMB Schools 148 (Wenham 2/17)

MHS won by 109 runs

vs College

MHS 218/9 (Hudson 57; Bothner 37; van Onselen 37) College 134/3 (Lister-James 2/46)

Match drawn.

vs Hilton College 50 limited overs - Jan Smuts.

Hilton 153/8 (Purchase 4/16)

MHS 128/9 (Hudson 36)

MHS lost by 25 runs

vs North wood

MHS 187/9 (Hudson 53)

Northwood 149/7 (Cook 4/43)

Match drawn

vs DHS (limited overs 50)

MHS 181/9 (Simelane 41)

DHS 147 (Cook 3/35)

MHS won 34 runs

vs Hilton College (2 day game)

Hilton (First innings) 198/7

MHS (First innings) 182/8 (Newton 41; Folker 46)

Hilton (Second innings) 160/6 (Cook 3/39)

MHS (second innings) 116/4 (Folker 32; Newton 42)

Match drawn.

FOURTH TERM

Old Boys 229 (Motanyane 3/43; Lister-James 3/54) MHS 197/9 (Hudson 68)

College Michaelmas Cricket Festival

vs Grey College (Bloemfontein)

Grey 348/4 MHS 60/3

vs KES (limited 50 overs)

MHS 220/9 (Bothner 78; Lister-James 35)

KES 222/8 (Motanyane 3/41)

KES won by 2 wickets.

vs Natal Development X1

MHS 256/2 (Koza 130 n.o.; Holley 61; Hudson 36 n.o.) Development 182/8 (Cook 5/51)

Match drawn.

vs Selborne College (limited overs 50)

Selborne 250/8 (van Onselen 4/37)

MHS 193 (van Onselen 61; Lister-James 33)

MHS lost by 57 runs.

vs DHS

MHS 152/9 (van Onselen 35)

DHS 134/8 (Purchase 2/16)

Match drawn.

vs Hilton

MHS 128 (Frost 30)

Hilton 129/1

Hilton won by 9 wickets

vs Alexandra

Alex 185/8 (Carmichael 4/38)

MHS 189/6 (Koza 52; Bothner 49; Hudson 40)

MHS won by 4 wickets

vs Maritzburg College (50 overs limited)

College 211 (Cook 3/38)

MHS 115 (Hudson 52 n.o.)

College won by 96 runs

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CRICKET 2ND X1

Coaches: Mr G Giles and Mr B C Revnolds

Captains: A Purchase & K Russell

This was always destined to be a match-winning side! Led by Andrew Purchase, the Seconds took the field in their opening game against Westville. In a very business-like manner Andre Wenham set about the opposition, who were dismissed for 73 runs, Andrew claiming 6 wickets for 7 runs. This was to set the tone for the season. Michaelhouse won that game by 4 wickets after a sound knock - one of many during the season - by Justin Smithers of 34 not out.

The next game, a limited overs affair against Kearsney, was equally successful with Kearsney scoring 120 all out. This was due to fine spells of bowling from Andrew Purchase (5/41) and Jason McCormick (3/27). Michaelhouse suffered a collapse in the top order, but thanks to a spirited 50 from James Holley and a lusty 36 not out from the skipper, Michaelhouse went on to win the game by 6 wickets.

Riding high as the team was, it was almost inevitable that it would take a tumble, and that it did against Northwood. Despite a stout 32 from Justin Smithers, there was a notable lack of real application from our top batsmen and Michaelhouse were all out for 112. The woeful tale continued with some rather mediocre bowling and Northwood cruised through to a 7 wicket victory.

SECOND XI CRICKET

Standing: S. Bothner, J..Carmichael, J. McCormick, J. Holley, B. Garcin, A. Caldwell, P. Varndell P Wenham Seated: B. Dyson, J. Smithers, K. Russell, Mr B. Reynolds, R. Whitehead. L. LeRoux Michaelhouse then took on Maritzburg College, and being firmly resolved, took the field with intent. Batting first against some tight bowling and good fielding from a well disciplined College side, Michaelhouse managed 156 all out, with James Holley scoring 53 and Jason McCormick making a valuable 38. Some tight bowling had College at 128 for 8 at the end of the day with Kiran Russell and Jason McCormick taking 3 wickets apiece. A draw that College would have been well-pleased with!

Against DHS, Michaelhouse put them into bat first on a pitch that offered good turn and pace, and managed to dismiss them for an economical 117 all out. Michaelhouse went in and passed their total with six wickets down. Lad Le Roux was the main contributor with 38 runs, not out.

The last game in the first term was against Hilton and this was to prove a real humdinger. Michaelhouse was asked to bat on a damp wicket and clawed its way to 96 runs all out. Again Justin Smithers was the mainstay with 28 runs. Hilton went into bat and were struggling a little on 47 for 5. They then moved to 91 for 7 and defeat looked inevitable. However, thanks to the team's two stalwarts, McCormick and Dyson, the last three wickets were claimed for an additional two runs. A victory by 3 runs!

The start of the new season began with the traditional game against the Old Boys. In a fun, no-quarter-asked-or-given kind of game, which saw well over 400 runs being scored in a limited overs affair, the 2nds came out with a well deserved victory which boded well for the 4th Quarter. Particularly impressive were a century form James Holley and 98 from James Carmichael. Sadly it was at that point that both of them left for greener pastures and became regular members of the 1 st X1.

Our next game against Hilton was again a limited overs match. It was here that Darryl Betz made his debut as a "leggie" of note by taking 4 wickets for 35 runs. The game was undoubtedly won in some very spirited fielding and some fine catches held, the most memorable being the final

catch taken on the boundary by McCormick off Brendan Garcin's chest!

Then the rain intervened. The 2nds were however lucky enough to play the only game against Northwood away. Amidst a display of some very mediocre batting performances, Peter Varndell scored a well-played 52 not out and took us into respectability. Then with Northwood at 38 for 6, James Carmichael wreaking havoc in the gathering gloom and mist, the game was called off.

Sadly our final game of the season was against Maritzburg

College, and caught us on the last Saturday of term when all our matric players had already departed for their various therapeutic destinations after their exams. However, in batting first we managed 133, a commendable 32 from Andrew Caldwell who was promoted to opener, but we were overhauled in mid-afternoon by the College batsmen with four wickets down.

Overall, an interesting season, in which a lot of growth and experience had taken place. Thanks are extended to both Mr Giles and Mr Reynolds, who coached the side in the 1st and 4th terms respectively, for their cheerfulness and commitment. To those leaving we wish them every success and hope they will continue playing the game. Good luck to Rowland Whitehead with his umpiring career. And for those returning, work hard at it!

1ST TERM

vs Westville

Westville 73 all out (A Wenham 6/7)

MHS 74/6 (J Smithers 34 n.o.)

MHS won by 4 wkts.

vs Kearsney

Kearsney 121 all out (J McCormick 3/27, A Purchase 5/41) MHS 122/4 (J Holley 50, A Purchase 36 n.o.)

MHS won by 6 wkts.

vs Northwood

MHS 112 all out (J Smithers 32)

Northwood 113/7 MHS lost by 3 wkts.

vs Maritzburg College

MHS 156 all out (J Holley 53, J McCormick 38)

College 128/8 (J McCormick 3/32, K Russell 3/25)

Match drawn

vs DHS

DHS 117 all out (A Purchase 3/35)

MHS 118/6 (L le Roux 38 n.o.)

MHS won by 4 wkts

vs Hilton

MHS 96 all out (J Smithers 28)

Hilton 93 all out (J McCormick 3/15, K Russell 2/19)

MHS won by 3 runs.

4TH TERM

vs Hilton

MHS 226/7 (J Carmichael 53, S Bothner 32)

Hilton 148 all out (D Betz 4/35)

MHS won by 78 runs

vs Northwood

MHS 162/8 (P Varndell 62)

Northwood 38/6 (J Carmichael 3/0)

Bad light/rain stopped play. Match drawn

vs College

MHS 133 all out (A Caldwell 32)

College 134/4 MHS lost by 6 wkts.

vs Old Boys Old Boys 261 all out

MHS 265/4 (J Holley 102, J Carmichael 98)

MHS won by 6 wkts

TEAM MEMBERS

A Purchase (Captain), K Russell (Captain), J Holley, J Solms, A Wenham, J Smithers, S Bothner, M McCormick, B Dyson, L Le Roux, G Clelland, P Varndell, J Carmichael, P Wenham, C Friderichs, P Sacco, D Betz, B Garcin, A Caldwell, R Whitehead.

Played Won Drawn Lost

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CRICKET 3RD X1

Master-in-charge: Mr B S Tarr Captain: G Smith (1st term)

C Friderichs, M Osborne (4th term)

A year's cricket very much divided into two halves as team composition varied a great deal from the 1st to the 4th guarter. This was brought about by open cricket members being decimated in the final quarter by VIth Form departures and by those who discontinued cricket in the final term of the year in order to prepare for matriculation examinations. Our ability to maintain a consistent standard over a year's cricket is clearly illustrated when one studies the two College games played this year - in the first term Michaelhouse scored 232 for 8 and won a hotly contested and enjoyable game; in the fourth quarter we managed 26 and lost by 150 runs. Perhaps the only positive spin-off of the situation is that many keen cricketers get a game in the latter half of the season but this year the rain saw to it that even this didn't work out too well as matches were cancelled and many practices not possible.

Despite these tribulations there was a lot of good, positive cricket played. Gareth Smith grew as a captain in the first term and performed well with bat and ball. Roland Whitehead made lots of runs before moving up to the 2nds while Peter Varndell, Craig Friderichs, Patrick Sacco and Colin Maggs and Charles Creasey made runs. Ben Parham, Andrew Caldwell and Michael Homer used the new ball effectively and Peter Wenham, Patrick Sacco and James Morris were very useful spinners.

The team that took the field were always enthusiastic and committed and they are commended for playing the game in the right spirit.

The following represented the 3rd X1 this year:

C Creasey, P Sacco, R Whitehead, B Garcin, C Tarr, C Friderichs. P Varndell. G Smith. A Caldwell. B Parham.

P Wenham, R Rivera, C Maggs, M Homer, B Craig, I Boyd, R Snowden, M Osborn, J Morris, A Kirkland, M Braithwaite, M Baker, M Macris, A Lewis, S Jhilmeet, G Tomlinson, G Franklin, R Hanslo, D Palmer

Results

Played Won Lost

844

CRICKET COLTS

Coach: Mr C Purchase

It was decided at the start of the year that the date for the age groups would be taken from the 1st of January instead of the middle of the year. This resulted in new groupings of boys. Some had to jump from under 13 into the under 15 teams and a few newboys came directly into this group from their junior schools.

This brought together a number of very talented cricketers. All that was missing was a spin bowler and an experienced wicket-keeper. Nick Cotterell had been Captain and continued to hold this job. He proved to be above average and showed he nad a good feeling for the game which became more effective as he matured as a cricketer. MP Ferreira, who had come from the under 13's as an opening bat,

made his mark by scoring two 100's in the first two games of the fourth quarter. He had been selected for the Natal U15 side and captained it against a touring English Country U15X1. The most consistent batsman during the year was James Haggie who with Ferreira got the innings off to a good start. Nick Cotterell, Michael Barbour, and Simon Greyvensteyn, S Christie and C Quayle also played some valuable innings.

The bowling was made up of seamers who varied from medium fast to medium slow. It was impressive to see them develop as the season progressed. They worked at improved accuracy and variation brought about by change of pace and width of delivery. All this came together in the last game against College who had not been beaten as a team for the past two years. They managed only 110 runs which was surpassed by our batsmen and enabled us to reverse the result of the first term.

Two games in the first term will be remembered for a long time by those taking part in them. Against DHS the scores in a limited overs game were the same with one ball remaining. The DHS batsmen attempted a run but did not make it. This enabled us to win because that wicket meant we had taken one more than they had. Against College we had to

get 250 to win and were 132 for 7 but progressed to 230 for

7 with time still on our side but we could not make the final

19 runs required and so lost our only game of the year.

This was a fine group of cricketers who played hard and enjoyed winning.

Team

J Haggie, MP Ferreira, N Cotterell (Captain), N Dougherty, T Masimula, M Barbour, C Quayle, S Greyvensteyn B Greene, S Christie, C Purchase, G Nothard, S Sage, G Benson. M Cook.

vs Westville

MHS 174 for 6 (MP Ferreira 38, J Haggie 27, N Cotterell 38, Greyvensteyn 23)

Westville 87 for 8 (C Purchase 4 for 45)

Draw

vs Kearsney Kearsney 114 for 8

MHS 115 for 5 (J Haggie 25, Greyvensteyn 40)r~~

MHS won by 5 wickets.

vs College College 252 for 6

MHS 234 all out (Quayle 58, Christie 78)

Lost by 18 runs

vs Northwood Northwood 153 for 7 MHS 146 for 6 (J Haggie 46)

Draw

vs DHS (Limited overs)

MHS 181 for 6 (J Haggie 41, Cotterell 38)

DHS 181 for 7 (J Haggie 4 for 24)

MHS won

vs Hilton

Hilton 135 all out (Christie 5 for 28, Dougherty 4 for 30)

MHS 137 for 1 (MP Ferreira 77 not out, J Haggie 22, Cotterell 33 not out)

MHS won by 9 wickets

Fourth Term

vs Hilton Hilton 222 for 4

MHS 223 for 7 (MP Ferreira 111, Barbour 48, Quayle 22) MHS won by 3 wickets

vs Alex

MHS 235 for 7 (MP Ferreira 101, Dougherty 50)

Alex 136 all out (Greyvensteyn 7 for 38)

MHS won by 99 runs

U15 A CRICKET TEAM

Standing: M. Cook, S. Greyvensteyn, M. Barbour, B. Greene, C. Purchas e, T. Maslmula, C. Quayle Seated: S. Christie, N. Dougherty, Mr C. Purchase, N. Cotterell, M. Ferrei ra, J. Haggle

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vs College

College 110 all out (Nothard 3 for 25)

MHS 111 for 7 (J Haggie 50 not out)

MHS won by 3 wickets.

Played Won Drawn Lost

9621

CRICKET U16A

Coach: Mr G Ross

Captains: J Carmichael (1st Quarter), G Allen (4th

Quarter).

The side this year was a very young one with most boys jumping to U16 from the U14 age group. In the first term the team was a little intimidated by the larger schools whose players had progressed from the U15 age group. The fourth term showed a vast improvement as the boys had gained a lot more confidence.

James Carmichael proved to be an astute captain whose bowling and batting was sorely missed by the team when he was promoted to the 1st X1 in the fourth quarter. His innings of 110 not out against Northwood showed a lot of maturity as he continuously encouraged his fellow batsman.

In the fourth quarter Guy Allen took over the reins and always led from the front. His batting did however suffer a little as a result. He must learn to curb his impetuosity at the start of an innings. Greg Morris, Peter Griffiths, Lloyd Holley, Craig Stuart and Richard Lees all batted well at times and have the potential to do well next year.

Craig Stuart developed into a fine open bowler and together with Robert Knoetze were the backbone of the bowling attack. Robert must however introduce a little more variety into his bowling armoury.

Whilst the season could have been more successful the boys always gave of their best and were a pleasure to be involved with. Best of luck with your cricket next year.

Players:

G Allen, O Barstow, S Bridges, A Briscoe, J Carmichael, B Dalton, P Griffiths, L Holley, P Jason, R Knoetze, R Lees, M Macris, G Morris, M Osborne, M Pasiya, R Snowden.

MHS won by 7 wickets
4.2.95 vs Kearsney (limited overs)
MHS 162/7 (50 overs) Carmichael 52, Griffiths 44*
Kearsney 163/3 (49.2 overs)
MHS lost by 7 wickets
11.2.95 vs College College 219/7 Bridges 3/61 MHS 93 Griffiths 47 MHS lost by 126 runs
18.2.95 vs Northwood
MHS 220/4 Carmichael 110* Griffiths 43
Northwood 11/3
Drawn
4.3.95 vs DHS (Limited overs)
MHS 109 (32.2 overs) Bridges 39*
DHS 110/9 (45 overs) Stuart 3/19 MHS lost by 1 wicket
11.3.95 vs Hilton MHS 133 Hilton 133/3
MHS lost by 7 wickets
14.10.95 vs Glenwood Rained out
21.10.95 vs DHS Rained out
4.11.95 vs Hilton

Scorer:

D Osier Results:

28.1.95 vs Westville

MHS 136/3 Allen 88*

Westville 132 Carmichael 4/25

Hilton 164 Jason 3/47 Stuart 3/76 MHS 83

MHS lost by 81 runs

11.11.95 vs Alexandra MHS 110

Alex 58 Stuart 6/18 Jason 3/31 MHS won by 52 runs

18.11.95 vs Pinetown Rained out

25.11.95 vs Northwood Rained out

2.12.95 vs College (limited overs)

MHS 149 (48.3 overs) Stuart 41 Morris 33 Lees 31 College 150/4 (46,4 overs)

MHS lost by 6 wickets

Summary of results:

Played Won Drawn Lost

9216

CRICKET U15B X1

Coach: Mr P E Dennyson Captains: S Sage, J Briscoe

Once again the weather was the winner with the second half of the season being restricted to two matches. We never had our two practices a week, so we never really got ourselves organised as a team.

Consequently the whole year was characterised by a series of impressive individual performances. Simon Inglis bowled well to win us the match against Westville, and Graeme Nothard had impressive figures in the first match against College. It is always pleasing to beat College - though they did get their revenge in the closing match of the season, despite a splendid innings from Angus Lewis.

We had the better of the two matches against Hilton, with Matthew Cook bowling us to victory in the fifst one, and Graeme Nothard batting so well in the drawn second one.

Our two captains, Sam Sage in the first half of the season, and James Briscoe in the second, always set a fine exam-

ple on and off the field. They used their bowlers sensibly and never failed to encourage the rest of the team.

I think there is a lot of talent among these cricketers. But they must be willing to work hard at sorting out weaknesses

 and they must be patient. Think of Atherton, think of Russell. Cricket is a great game - it deserves special attention.

Results

Jan. 28th vs Westville Westville 50 (Inglis 3 for 9)

MHS 55 for 2 (Sage 33 n.o.O Won by 8 wkts

Feb 4th vs Kearsney MHS 52

Kearsney 53 for 3 Lost by 7 wkts

Feb 11th vs College College 122 (Nothard 4 for 20)

MHS 126 for 6 Won by 4 wkts

Feb 18th vs Northwood MHS 160 for 8 dec Northwood 87 for 6 Match drawn

March 4th vs DHS

DHS 161 (Nothard 3 for 20; Inglis 3 for 22)

MHS 124 Lost by 37 runs

March 11th vs Hilton MHS 119

Hilton 64 (Cook 5 for 42)

Won by 55 runs

Nov 4th vs Hilton

MHS 188 for 8 dec. (Nothard 40 n.o., Bean 32)

Hilton 126 for 4 Match Drawn

Dec 2nd vs College (50 overs)

College 263 for 8

MHS 212 (Lewis A 60; Cook M 49)

Lost by 51 runs

Team

N Anderson, J Bean, G Benson, J Briscoe, O Colquhoun, M Cook, T Cook, M de Vos, S Hughes, S Inglis, M Johnson, A Lewis, M Louw, G Nothard, S Sage, S Schoon, J Swinstead.

CRICKET U15C

Coach: Mr M T Goulding

Captains: Stephen Metcalfe and John Rawlings

The recent return to international cricket has caused a resurgence of interest in cricket with the result that U15 cricket is very healthy and there are a number of very competent cricketers who played for the C team. Of course this is true for other schools as well so we came up against some strong sides.

The first match of the year against Westville produced good bowling figures of 3/12 for Jamie Swinstead and 3/10 for Adam Alexander. Angus Lewis top scored with 18 runs to help us win by 29 runs. We were outclassed by a strong Kearsney side and despite a good 23 by Simon Schoon we

lost by 7 wickets.

The first match against College was ridiculous. Played in ridiculous heat which caused players on both sides to become ill, a ridiculous declaration at 310/8 and a ridiculous batting display by our withered batsmen: 89 all out with Rory Till top scoring on 20. The match against Northwood was a rain interrupted draw after Michaelhouse had scored 123 (Mike Louw 23) and Northwood going well on 98/1. Moral victory to Northwood. Another draw against DHS with Michaelhouse scoring 126 (Swinstead 39, Louw 41) and DHS on 11/7 when play was interrupted. The first term match against Hilton was a close one: we were bowled out for 101, Louw top scoring with 27 and Hilton making 102/9, Paul Osborne taking 3/17.

The rains came in the fourth quarter and only three matches were possible. A good match against Hilton saw Hilton score 175 (Richard Schroder 3/21, Swinstead 3/37). Michaelhouse was all out for 115). The game was a more intriguing contest than the scores suggest. Alex U15B were not strong and we scored 186 with a very even contribution from our batsmen. (Rory Till 27, Matt de Vos 21, Ant Steyn 25, Richard McMartin 21 and Hitesh Verma 21). Alex were bowled out for 84. (Schroder 4/10, Schoon 3/37).

Finally the return match against College played in perfect conditions on a full sized field where captain John Rawlings and his slow bowlers could position their fielders in catching positions on the boundary. College scored 138/9 in their allotted 45 overs with de Vos bowling beautifully and taking 4/16 and Till in his first ever spell of spin bowling taking 3/28. Our batting going along well ahead of the run rate until a sudden collapse saw us all out for 104 (de Vos 22). Despite the results we have some very competent cricketers coming through this group and this augers well for the open group in a few years.

Results
Played
9
Won
2
Drawn
2

Lost

CRICKET U15D & U15E X1'S

Coach: Mr R H W Hall Captain: Anthony Steyn

The U15D played five matches during the 1st quarter winning two, tieing one and losing two. Anthony Steyn captained the side competently and added most of our runs, 24 against Kearsney, 31 against College, 33 against DHS and 41 against Hilton.

Major wicket takers were: L Dixon-Smith (5/19 vs College), G Jackson (3 caught vs Kearsney), R Laubscher (3/12 vs Kearsney), R McMartin (3/11 vs Kearsney, and 25 runs vs DHS) and B Turner (3/11 vs College).

The results were:

vs Kearsney MHS .114/8

Kearsney 73 MHS won by 41 runs

vs College College 81

MHS 71 lost by 10 runs

vs Hilton MHS 57

Hilton 79/8 lost by 5 wickets.

vs DHS DHS 117

MHS 120/9 won by 1 wicket

vs Hilton Hilton 106/4

MHS 106 Tie.

With a large number of players we were able to play two matches with the U15E X1. Unfortunately we lost both:

vs Weston U15B MHS 32

Weston 33/1 Lost by 9 wickets

vs College U16F MHS 73

College 74/3 Lost by 7 wickets.

It is to be hoped that all players enjoyed practices and matches.

CRICKET U14A

The side struggled throughout the year against bigger and stronger opposition. A number of good performances were made but, generally, we were unable to dominate any situation. A number of matches in the 4th quarter were cancelled due to rain and this too, did not help matters.

The bowling machine being used by a junior group

Charles Duminy captained the side - a difficult task - with care and competence.

vs College

Match drawn (Needham 31)

vs Northwood Lost (Needham 35)

vs DHS lost (Bloem 32)

vs Hilton lost

vs Hilton

lost (Needham 39) vs Alex

match drawn (Reynolds 60) (Reynolds 3-69, Duminy 3-42)

vs College lost (Needham 77)

CRICKET U14B

A disappointing season for the side. At the start of the season the side struggled in all aspects of the game. However, as the season progressed the side developed tremendously in its batting depth. This progress unfortunately was not mirrored in bowling and was compounded frequently by indifferent fielding. As a result many games were lost despite reasonable batting scores. Despite the many disappointing losses the boys always played with enthusiasm.

Played Won Lost

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Players who represented the side in three or more games:

D Gordon, R Hadfield, N Pauling, S Rosholt (Captain), S Dunning, A Goble (Captain), W Christie, R Arthur (Captain), D James, T Narassa, R Colsen, P Zulu, J Nachmias, C Gallo.

Cross Country

Master-in-charge: Mr S N Winckworth

Cross Country in the Natal Midlands took another step towards normality in 1995, and yet things stayed very much

what they had been in recent years. The schools league, in which our traditional opponents still participated, was a little shorter than usual, but otherwise normal. At the end of the season a zonal trials event was held at Treverton and those who were selected represented Midlands at the Interprovincial A and B championships held a few weeks later.

As far as Michaelhouse was concerned we had a small group of runners who participated on a regular basis, supplemented by a few others on odd occasions. Our top senior runner during the main season was Rob Shotter, followed by Michael Leslie who tried to fit in cross country with his rugby. Brendan Greene was our best junior, but he could not run regularly, followed by Andrew Grobicki.

At the trials run at Hilton, early in the third quarter a number of the top runners did not participate and so there were some unexpected names amongst those who got through. In the seniors there were two age groupings, U17 and U19, which split the already depleted group and we ended up with Richard Milne, Andre Wenham and Lad le Roux all being selected to run in the zonal trials. In the juniors Brendan Greene was also selected and he went on to gain a place in the Midlands U15 B team which participated in the B Interprovincials at Amanzimtoti.

Once the rugby and hockey was over the school went into athletics and cross country mode. Unfortunately, because of the shorter term, the programme had to be curtailed and so there was only one Standards Cross Country run. This year

Pascoe's stranglehold on cross country was broken and Tatham won the standards with a relatively poor score of 54.1% to Pascoe's 49.1%. The Interhouse event was held a few days later and here Farfield came out top on 123 points to Pascoe's 147. Individually the junior event was won, as expected, by Brendan Greene who ran away from the rest of the field and finished in the sound time of 20-30. Adam Alexander was a distant second. In the seniors Mike Leslie managed to get ahead of Rob Shotter, and stayed there, to win relatively comfortably in a time of 28-54. This was the slowest winning time recorded since we have gone back to the current course. This is perhaps a reflection on the constraints of the season, rather than the quality of the runners, and was even more pronounced in the middle distance athletics events held on sports day.

Looking to the future, it is unlikely that standards will improve for the school as a whole unless more time and effort can be devoted to athletics and cross country during the third quarter. This will depend on many things some of which are beyond the control of the Games Committee. This is cause for concern and should be looked at closely before next season.

Midlands

U15B B Greene Awards

Teams: D Betz, R Milne, R Shotter.

HOCKEY 1ST X1

Coach: Mr B S Tarr Captain: Richard Newton Vice-captain: Scott Hudson

Six regulars from the 1994 side provided a solid nucleus for this year's team, and they blended well with the "new blood" to produce a fine season. The 1995 1st X1 were never boring, sometimes lethargic and switched off, often exciting and innovative, but always committed and competitive. The season was highlighted by many outstanding individual feats and achievements but the team was atjts very best when it played as a team, and this was very much the key to their success. Richard and Scott led by example and were both demanding and encouraging - this approach developed a fine team spirit which was very evident in several gutsy fight-backs in tight matches and in the "big" games against our traditional rivals.

The season started at the end of the first quarter when the Old Boys game was lost (2-3) and a valuable early lesson was learnt about midfield control from the likes of Charles Teversham and Gary Scott. The April holidays brought the Easter Festival at Hilton and the opportunity to develop a pattern and style of play - five good wins were recorded. The first Saturday of the 2nd quarter brought the team back down to earth with a bump when they went down to a strong College side by the only goal in a hard-fought encounter. The Ascension Festival at Jeppe was unfortunately curtailed by rain but enterprising hockey produced good runs over. Sandringham (5-0) and West Ridge (4-0) and a splendid fight back to pip Springs (2-1).

Sixteen goals in the next three games were interspersed with a draw against Alexandra (1-1); and our annual hockey lesson from Mike Madsen's X1 (4-7); before the first of three Hilton fixtures which saw them take their chances to inflict on the team their fourth and final defeat of the season

1-3). The return game against Alexandra was won (1-0) and College were held to a draw at home. A most enjoyable mid-week game at St Anne's found its way onto the fixture list and the term ended with an exciting win over Hilton (1-0) after which a rather jaded team pulled off a draw after being

2-0 down to Westerford on the Monday.

FIRST XI HOCKEY

Standing: C. Tarr, B. Wilson, N. Thomson, T. Mtombeni, A Stephens, G. Leslie Seated: S. Mlsselbrook, M. Cook, R. Newton (Capt), Mr B. Tarr, S. Huds on, B. Osborne

The third quarter started with a very creditable draw (2-2) against a strong Natal Old Boys side followed by a win (3-0) against an enthusiastic Estcourt team and another midweek liaison, this time at the Wykeham Collegiate. The season ended with the Hilton game but this time on the artificial turf in Pietermaritzburg. Both teams rose to the occasion to produce an exciting display of skilful hockey (2-1).

An enjoyable and satisfying season - the side blended well as players and personalities and I thank them for their hard work, enthusiasm and co-operation.

The following represented the 1st X1.

RICHARD NEWTON (Link - 21 games /14 goals) was a captain who always lead by example. His high work-rate, well developed skills and determination made him such a valuable player at school and provincial level. SCOTT HUD-SON (centre back - 24 games/6 goals) while rock solid in defence showed more flair on attack this season where his pace was so effective on the counter-attack. BRIAN OSBORNE (Goalkeeper - 24 games/2 goals) had a great season in the goals and richly deserves his trip to the Junior World Cup in Pakistan with the SA U18 side. MICHAEL COOK (Sweeper - 25 games/3 goals) was very much the key figure in our defensive pattern; ably assisted by BREN-DÁN WILSON(Centre-back - 20 games/ 1 goal) who matured into a composed and effective defender, and THEMBA MTOMBENI (left half - 23 games) who was unflappable and a tight marketer. NEIL THOMSON (right half - 23 games) displayed good skills and positional awareness but needs to be stronger in the tackle and to mark more tightly. CUAN TARR (half/link/striker - 25 games/5 goals) was most comfortable and effective in the half line, but served the team well in mid-field and up front as did GRAHAM LESLIE (link/striker - 22 games/5 goals)

who adapted well to hockey at this level and grew in confidence and flair as the season progressed. SIMON MISSEL-BROOK (striker - 25 games/23 goals) always ran hard and scored some outstanding goals, while ANDREW STEPHENS (wing - 25 games/6 goals) always gave 110% on both wings and was a great team man. JAMES COCHRANE played 11 games for the 1st X1; COLIN MAGGS 7: MATTHEW COOK, JAMES ERASMUS and IAN NASH 6 each; HITESH VERMA 4; RUPERT MILES and JAMES HOLLEY 3 each: JAMES BEAN 2 and PETER

WEFELMEIER 1 game.

SOUTH AFRICAN SCHOOLS' HOCKEY REPRESENTATIVES G. Leslie (under 16), B. Osborne (U19 A), R. Newton (U19 B)

RESULTS **EASTER FESTIVAL** St Andrews won 2-0 Jeppe won 3-0 Selborne won 2-0 Glenwood won 4-0 KES won 1-0 ASCENSION FESTIVAL Sandringham won 5-0 Springs won 2-1 West Ridge won 4-0 INTER-SCHOOL FIXTURES College lost 0-1 Kearsney won 3-0 Alexandra drew 1-1 Carter won 7-1 Estcourt won 6-0 Hilton lost 1-3 Alexandra won 1-0 College drew 1-1 Hilton won 1-0

Hilton won 1-0 Westerford drew 2-2 Estcourt won 3-0 Hilton won 2-1

OTHER GAMES Old Boys lost 2-3 Madsen's X1 lost 4-7

St Anne's won 3-2 Natal Old Boys drew 2-2

Wykeham Collegiate won 3-2

Played Won Drawn Lost Goals Goals

Inter-School 20 15 3 2 for 51 against 9 Other 5 2 1 2 14 16 Total 25 17 4 4 65 25

PROVINCIAL/NATIONAL REPRESENTATION

South Africa U18 A: Brian Osborne

South Africa U18 A: (Non-travelling Reserve), Richard Newton

Midlands U18 A: Richard Newton, Brian Osborne

Midlands U18B: Michael Cook (captain), Simon Misselbrook, Cuan Tarr, Brendan Wilson

Midlands U18C: lain Nash, Neil Thomson

South Africa U16A: Graham Leslie

Midlands U16A: James Bean, Matthew Cook, Graham

Leslie, Peter Wefelmeier

Midlands U16B: Hitesh Verma

Midlands U14A: Murray Lewis, Kian Reynolds

AWARDS

Honours

Brian Osborne Colours

Graham Leslie, Themba Mtombeni, Andrew Stephens, Neil Thomson.

Alan Butcher Stick

Graham Leslie

Hockey action In the Hilton/MHS match played on the Maritzburg Astroturf: Richard Newton delivers

Cuan Tarr and Graham First XI Hockey

Leslie keep an eye on celebrates another

the ball f/ne w/n

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First XI half-time strategic plan

Michael Cook sweeps

2nd TEAM HOCKEY

Coach: B C Reynolds Captain: B Dyson

1995 was a season of mixed fortunes. Once again we had the daunting prospect of an opening match to the season against Maritzburg College which was the annual sharpening of teeth! Theirs more than ours on this occasion! We lost that one 1-4. However, it did serve the purpose of exposing weaknesses, particularly in defence, and in giving us an early indication of what had to be done. Most noticeably, this game was a lesson in marking your opponents in defence - an area that was to be our Achilles' heel throughout the season!

We were fortunate, early in the season, to establish two fine, hard running wings in James Erasmus and lain Nash. who enabled us to distribute wide and to attack most effectively down both the left and right. Greg Crookes at striker, and Colin Maggs at right line, represented a strong and penetrative right-side attacking force, so we really did miss them when they were unable to continue in the 3rd term, particularly in the final Hilton/Michaelhouse match. Justin Maritz was a star goalkeeper who not only kept improving but was also instrumental in keeping team spirits buoyant. Patrick Sacco proved himself a colossus at sweeper, solid in defence, effective in clearing and distributing as well as a committed team member. Ben Dyson was always hard working, and as a captain he displayed a suitable blend of leadership and diplomacy. Charles Creasy (a popular drawcard for St Anne's and Wykeham Collegiate spectators!) had a sound season despite a need to curb his on-the-field errant inclination! Tim "Divot" Akhurst was dogged in his defence of the right and was always a difficult man to get past. James Craig-Cochrane proved himself a very useful utility player. Both at the front or in defence he was tireless and oft times "not amused"! Other players who represented the side were Neil Thomson, Rupert Miles, Douglas Lorimer and Robbie Kay. We certainly appreciated their unstinting commitment and the extent of their contribution to the team's success during the season.

As the season progressed, the Seconds grew steadily better. They established a much better rhythm and they

became markedly more disciplined. Although we lost the first Hilton/Michaelhouse encounter we went on to win games against St Charles, Carter, Linpark, Howick and Estcourt. Then, in what was clearly our peak period, we beat Hilton 2-0 and went on to draw against Maritzburg College 1-1, in what was an exciting and very hard fought

game, which saw College put in an equaliser in the dying moments of the game.

The 2nd team Festival was its usual success with 16 teams taking part. The 2nds finished with the creditable record of having played 6 games, won 4 and lost 2. This tournament remains valuable as an exercise in retaining the much needed contact with schools outside of our normal playing area.

Unfortunately the Nomad Wanderers did not manage their annual fixture this year which was disappointing, as it left a gap in an already arid third term as far as games go. In fact the dearth of matches during this period must provoke consideration as to the feasibility of continuing hockey after the mid-year holiday.

There is no doubt that some of the players who have spent a year nurturing their skills and talent in the 2nds this year, will work themselves into the 1st team next year, and to them I wish everything of the best. Those who are leaving, I hope you will continue to play and enjoy your hockey, be it at University/Technikon or club level, and that you will find opportunities to come back to Michaelhouse and support us, particularly when we need a team to play on Old Boys' Day!

Members of the 2nd hockey side

Ben Dyson (captain), Justin Maritz, Patrick Sacco, Tim Akhurst, Charles Creasy, Rupert Miles, Iain Nash, Robbie Kay, Colin Maggs, Greg Crookes, James Craig-Cochrane, James Erasmus, Douglas Lorimer.

Games Played

Maritzburg College 2nds lost 1-4

St Charles 1 sts won 1-0

Carter 2nds won 12-0

Hilton 2nds lost 0-1

Linpark 1 sts won 5-0

Howick 1 sts won 2-0

Estcourt 1 sts won 1-0

Hilton 2nds won 2-0

Maritzburg College 2nds drew 1-1

Hilton 2nds lost 1-3

2nd Team Festival

Maritzburg College 3rds lost 1-2

Kearsney won 1-0

Pinetown won 2-0

D.H.S. won 4-0

Kloof won 1-0

Maritzburg College 2nds lost 0-2

Played Won Lost Drawn Goals for Goals against

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HOCKEY 3rd XI

Coach: J D Pickstone Captain: SduToit

The 1995 3rd hockey team got off to a good start to the season when we narrowly lost to Maritzburg College 4-3. That match promised to be one of our toughest encounters.

During the season that followed a lot of hard work at skills and fitness was put in. The results obtained proved to be very heartening and can be attributed to the eagerness and determination shown in each match.

As i reflect upon the past season I will always remember our moments of skilled team play, but also more importantly remember all the humorous moments on and off the field. Things like the punctuality of Sihle Ntshangase, always arriving at practice at least ten minutes late; Conrad Murrey trying his absolute best to bite a chunk out of the Carter hockey ball ending up hospital-bound with stitches; the over-confident antics of Batian Craig the "Running Golfer"; Noel Carbutt, our sweeper, always over committing and ending up overtaking our wing; the gasps and groans of the "Running Man" - Greg Hatfield our right wing.

Although a few names have not been mentioned, every team member played with heart - which was evident in our one Hilton/Michaelhouse victory, the climax of the season. We started off the year with a really competent side, but as the season progressed many players showed great ball skills and were promoted to the 2nd team, thus weakening the side. However, we were still a force to be reckoned with and continued to notch up a few wins.

In retrospect it was a great season and I would like to thank Mr Pickstone, our coach, for putting us through our paces, my team, for putting up with me, and everyone involved for a great season.

RESULTS

Played Won Lost Drawn Goals for Goals against

17 10 5 2 43 23

REGULAR PLAYERS

S du Toit (Captain), Z Bam, J Pickstone, N Carbutt, S Ntshangase, G Shaw, C Murrey, A Ndlovu, B Craig, G Hatfield, R Kay, J Hibbs, D Williamson.

U16A HOCKEY

Master-in-charge: Mr J v d Vegte

Captain: James Holley

The theme for the team was "to have fun as a team by playing simple and committed hockey". Whenever we lost sight of the fun aspect of the game we played badly. Memories of the 10 minute period of play which followed after we took a

2-1 lead against Hilton substantiates this fact. We played stiff, disjointed and individualistic hockey during that period and it took an equalising goal from Hilton to pull us out of it. Then came the three pinpoint passes which took the ball through the midfield and out wide to Richard Lees. For me these three passes represented what hockey coaching is all

about.

"Boys enjoying the execution of skills that they have practised".

The fact that Richard then scored a memorable match-winning goal with a smooth accurate shot, was an added bonus.

U16A hockey vs Hilton

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Out of sheer joy most of the team threw their sticks into the air. What most people did not see was the Peter Weffelmeier had thrown his stick backwards over the fence behind him. The scramble to get the stick back to Peter in time for him to stop the next Hilton attack must have been hilarious. This incident gets "the most amusing incident of the season" award.

For the boys, Richard's goal against Hilton was the most memorable incident of the season. It was a great effort but I remember many other wonderful action moments:-

- Peter Weffelmeier's diving save when he edged a certain goal around the post in the first Hilton match
- the team jockeying backwards as a unit and disrupting Hilton's passing pattern (also in the first match)
- James Haggie's smoothly executed goal in the last minute of the match against St Stithians to give us a 2-1 win
- James Bean's natural ability to score goals from all angles
- Lloyd Holley's incredible shot which hit the post in the first match against College.
- Richard Lees suddenly playing a reverse stick dummy in the second match against College, (he had never done it before).
- Craig Stuart saving several shots off the goal line in various matches

The team's commitment was illustrated by their stoic acceptance of all the practice runs over the "hill", the half an hour run before the Carter match, the run at six in the morning to watch the sun rise over the frost on the Bloem astro and many more. The common thread of running is easy to see. The basic fitness that all these "hated" runs gave to the players ensured that we were always competitive in the last

ten minutes of a game.

The team was always able to adapt to new tactics and game plans, while individuals were versatile enough to play in different positions. This ability made them competitive in the various Midlands teams.

The tour was a great experience and although we played some of our worst hockey, the players learnt to cope with the mental strength that it required to work through this bad patch. Many new friends were made and many new memories experienced. Making new friends and enjoying the challenge of top class competition is what touring is all about.

The Captain, James Holley, commented 'A long and hard fought season came to a stunning climax as Rick Lees hammered home arguably the best goal of the season in the last match against Hilton. This gave us an emotional and brilliant 3-2 victory which ended the season on a high note. It was a fitting example of the guts and determination with which we played throughout the season. It reflected back onto a great season during which many friends were made and new talents realised. My thanks go to Mr v d Vegte for a memorable season. However it must be said that we could have done without all the running particularly those which included winter morning darkness and frost in Bloemfontein. To my team mates "thanks guys, you made the whole season".'

My thanks go to James for his unending enthusiasm, incredibly high work rate and balanced opinions on new tactics. Peter Dennyson was once again an unending source of competitive chirping and good humour while Bryan Tarr deserves high praise for all he puts into hockey at Michaelhouse. Keep on enjoying your hockey.

Team

P Weffelmeier, R Snowden, C Stuart, L Holley, C Quayle, M Cook, J Holley (Captain), J Haggie, J Bean, J Briscoe, R Lees, H Verma

Results

Played Won Drew Lost Goals for Goals against

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HOCKEYU16B

Coach: Mr P E Dennyson Captain: Justin Heath

This was very much a curate's egg sort of season - we played some excellent hockey at times, but all too often we either failed to convert our chances or we relaxed towards the end of the second half and paid dearly for our lapses.

It should be noted that lots of our matches were against "A" teams, so many of the results are worthy of great praise. But we fared poorly against Hilton and College. The latter gave us a miserable start to the season, with a 5-0 drubbing in Pietermaritzburg, but the return match demonstrated our improvement, even though we lost the match in injury time. Hilton beat us twice, but a splendid Lloyd Holley goal earned us a draw in the third match.

The strength of the side lay less with specific individuals and more with all-round team work and mutual encouragement. This is not to say that certain individuals failed to add a special quality to our matches. James Lewis volunteered to be our goal-keeper and performed admirably as our last line of defence. His cries of encouragement or anguish rolled around Hannahs on most Saturdays. He grew in confidence as the season progressed - and in size as new equipment arrived via the budget!

The defence remained firm on most occasions. If the enemy sped past a Twidle or a Jackson, then there was always the calm figure of Trevor Ngubane or the solid Michael Dlamini to explain that hockey balls were not allowed in their corner of the field.

The real drama or charisma of the team lay with the forwards. Every time we attacked, there was much swishing and swinging and missing, and all too often the assault came to nought. Messrs Swinstead and Knoetze showed lots of skill down their respective wings but they tried to beat one man too many and lost the ball. Knoetze's crosses would have been more at home on a rifle range, for the ball scorched bullet-like across the circle to crash into the fence at the other side of the field! In fairness, he showed great speed and determination, and scored many fine goals himself.

In the circle. Tim Cook and James Briscoe showed lots of

aggression and eagerness. They ran all day and scored impressively at times.

Captain Justin Heath always set a splendid example - he ran to all corners of the field and encouraged the team to keep trying. His keenness and his enthusiasm were infectious. It was unfortunate that in his eagerness to hit the ball all the way back to Kenya he generally missed it completely!

I think we all enjoyed the season. We practiced scientifically and "effectively" and I hope we improved. Hannahs bears testimony to our efforts.

Results

Played Won Lost Drew Goals for Goals against

13 6 4 3 40 25

Team

J Lewis, M Dlamini, H Twidle, S McKernan, G Jackson, T Ngubane, N Maistry, J Heath, J Swinstead, G Benson, T Cook, J Briscoe, L Holley, G Pitman, S Metcalfe, R Knoetze.

HOCKEY U16C

Coach: Mr C Purchase Captain: Nayoshen Maistry

This was a happy and hard working team who had a successful season. The first game was the only one which ended in defeat. We had to play College before the U16 group as a whole had settled into their teams. We lost 5-0, but that was turned into a 3-0 win later in the season. The games with Hilton were as usual very close and against other schools we were often up against B teams and still acquitted ourselves well.

During practices there were very few occasions when a good deal of enthusiasm was not shown. The boys took it seriously while developing basic skills and always enjoyed giving Shane Diaz some exercise in the goals. His keeping often drew comments from the opposition coaches. Our forwards scored more goals when keeping the ball moving towards the target than by wild swings at the edge of the circle. Andrew Lewis and Stephen Metcalfe scored some notable goals. The mid-field players worked hard and by the end of the season were better in supporting the forwards and falling back in defence. Simon Schoon showed some nice touches of stick work while lan Caldwell and Nayoshen Maistry ran hard. Alan Briscoe and Andrew Holley were effective in clearing the ball from our goals.

HOCKEYU16D

Coach: L Heymans Captain: Daniel Ng

We started the season with 11 players and ended with 16 players. This resulted in a couple of players being sidelined in matches. The competition between the players was fierce and the boys never gave up trying to make the team. It was rewarding to see how the player's positional play and basic skills improved with every match.

Played Won Lost Drew

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BUNNIES HOCKEY

Coach: Mr D M R Lewis Captain: Patrick Forbes

Midlands A: Murray Lewis and Kian Reynolds

Last year we had only 16 players in the game: this year only 14: and the worrying aspect is that this year there were no U13's to fall back on because there is no U13 age-group, either in hockey or rugby, and no group in the school is playing both.

Now it is our policy to allow boys to choose freely what sport they wish to play, and that is the correct policy. But it concerns me that there are some boys who are better at hockey, and would really prefer to play it, but peer pressure in the school forces their choice to rugby, even to one of the lower teams. So, in effect, there is no free choice, after all, for some boys and the future of hockey at Michaelhouse, a sport that has been played since the 1930's and that has produced 14 Springboks, is in jeopardy. Hopefully, the outsized E Block next year (1996) will help to remedy that. Present players must encourage their friends who enjoy hockey to continue with the game.

This year's team:

Ken Lamont-Smith in goal made non-stop progress, especially when he got better pads. Ken saved many a goal and became a keeper in whom the team really had confidence. Justin Lloyd at sweeper has great potential with a good eye

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and good hit. More experience will keep him calm under pressure. He did some sound defence work.

Murray Lewis has good stick-work and work-rate at right half, though he made the Midlands team at left-half. Congratulations!

Patrick Forbes learnt the art of captaincy quickly and was a very effective centre-back, unlucky not to make the Midlands side - perhaps needed to be a bit fitter for that key position.

Tom Mapham was an effective defensive centre-back. His distribution was good but basic control let him down a bit under pressure.

At left half Charles Duminy showed good basic ball control and hockey sense, but needs more speed to be really effective.

At left wing Tom Schoon was a very effective attacker with a really sound pass across the centre and was beginning to show initiative in the other aspects of right-wing play by the end of the season.

At right-inner Andrew Somerville showed great commitment and work-rate, but basics, especially the back-tackle, let him down a bit. Get those right and there is plenty of good hockey ahead for him.

Kian Reynolds at centre-forward scored some very good goals, though he missed some too. He needs to rove more. Congratulations on his selection for the Midlands team.

At left-inner Simon Dunning showed some good stick work and a good dummy, but work-rate is suspect, which kept him out of the Midlands side.

Dalitso Tembo at left wing improved through the season. He has some very good runs but basic control let him down. Dominic Chennells played with great determination but was a bit gentle in tackling and hitting and Ivan Ortlepp was very effective when given the ball, but needs to learn to fetch it too.

This was a good team with impeccable manners and great enthusiasm, whose team-work improved through the season and who were a pleasure to coach.

Results

Played

Won 6 Lost

3

Drawn

3

Only College and Hilton got the better of us, though some matches with them we drew. All matches were enjoyed, especially the two festivals, one at Hilton and one at Michaelhouse, the annual U14 and Prep. School festival.

house this should do a lot to revive interest in running. A number of Old Boys teams will also be taking part as well teams from the local private prep, schools.

Races we attended were:

Pietermaritzburg

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Durban

12 August Capital Climb 15 km

1 September Varsity Nite Race 8 km

19 November Natal Carbineers 10 km

3 December Yellowwood Park 15 km

ROCK CLIMBING

Master-in-charge: Mr P C Fleischack

During the past few years custom-made hand holds have become available. These have different shapes and can be attached at different positions on a wall to vary the routes used by climbers.

We have been lucky enough to purchase a number of these holds and to have the maintenance department secure about 250 anchors on the eastern wall of the theatre. So we now have a climbing wall which is almost twice as high as the old wall, and which has endless scope for variation and difficulty.

Boys climb the school wall during the week and trips are still made to climb "the real thing" at Sarsden. With the help of

ROAD RUNNERS

Master-in-charge: Mr S N Winckworth

Road running hit a bit of a low in 1995, with fewer boys wanting to run anything in excess of 10 km, but the support at this level is pretty steady. The trend of fewer runners bothering to get licences continued, with only five doing so. The other runners either ran as fun runners, where this was possible, or took out temporary licences. These are now cheaper than in the past so the option is a reasonable one. Time trials have continued on Mondays, as in the past, over a distance of 5 km, starting at 4.30 p.m. from Willows. Any visitors are always welcome. Times were slower this year, with only Robert Shotter and Darryl Betz breaking the 19 minute barrier. What is encouraging is that a number of juniors are running on a semi-regular basis and are getting close to the initial 20 minute target.

Capital Climb was again on the Hilton/MHS day and so again we had only a few participants for this normally popular race. There was also a clash with the Varsity Nite Race. In fact, for one reason or another, Michaelhouse runners were seen at very few races in 1995. With the road relay race from Loop Street to Balgowan being held on Old Boys Day (16th March) and teams of 10 participating from each

Rock climbing at Sarsden

the Natal University Mountain Club stainless steel anchors were attached to rocks at Sarsden. Setting up ropes at Sarsden is now quick and the climbing and abseiling are both safe and challenging. To date very few boys have reached the top of the difficult route while most can manage the easy route. The abseiling route passes some interesting ledges with a variety of birds nests and lairs.

The Inter-house wall climbing was held for the first time on the new wall this year. Mackenzie House was the overall winner, having won the junior competition and being placed third (behind West and Farfield) in the senior event. Best senior climbers were James Erasmus (Farfield) and Greg Crookes (Mackenzie). The event was held on the last evening of the third quarter under flood lights and proved to be a most exciting occasion.

RUGBY 1ST XV

Coach: Mr A C Vincent Captain: S Small

The 1995 Rugby season will most certainly be remembered as a real roller coaster ride. Firstly, the great upheaval of the resignation of Garth Giles after a remarkably successful four years of coaching the 1st XV. Mr Giles most certainly brought Michaelhouse rugby into a new era and all the players and coaches really appreciated and benefitted from his commitment and expertise.

The season started well with the squad winning all three of their tour games, and recorded a 17 points to nil victory against Estcourt in their first home game. The stage was set for a great season.

The DHS game was the first real test of character for the team. This highly rated side were taken right to the wire by a very committed Michaelhouse side. It was only in the last five minutes of the game that the pressure became too much and DHS ran in two soft tries.

The Westville game proved to be a great game; both sides playing attractive running rugby. In the end the superior pace of the Michaelhouse three quarters saw some great tries being scored and a good win was recorded.

Maritzburg College again proved to be the top schoolboy side in the province soundly beating all opposition. Michaelhouse, however, proved to be a tough nut. Real guts and determination saw Michaehouse come roaring back from a 23 points to 3 deficit with 15 minutes remaining to lose the game 29 points to 21. Joseph Solms proved his worth as a wing scoring two outstanding tries.

A good win in the end against Northwood followed by a very dicey draw against Glenwood at Glenwood was the preparation for the first Hilton/Michaelhouse clash at home. This game, although not inspiring, was close all the way through. Hilton leading 13 points to 12 in the final minutes of the game, Michaelhouse tried to run the ball from their own 22 metre area. A handling error allowed Hilton to intecept and score beneath the poles and so win the game 20 points to 12.

The third quarter was jam-packed with fixtures, five in three weeks. The highlight of these games was the Kearsney game. Trailing 30 points to 15 with 8 minutes remaining the real character of the side came shining through. Two goals and a try were scored in the remaining time seeing Michaelhouse through to a 34 to 30 victory.

FIRST XV RUBY

Back Row: L. McIntosh, G. Clelland, A. Cawood, A. Rose, W. Lister-James, N. Folker, R. North, J. Smlther
Middle Row A. Nowlin, D. Papadopoulos, J. Frost, J. Coppez, R. Varney,
B. Parham, Q. Cantlay, C. Vosloo
Seated N Koza, A. Caldwell, Mr G. Ross, S. Small, Mr A. Vincent, E. Ack
ron, J. Solms, S. Poswa

Steve Small leads his men onto Meadows

All members of the side performed outstandingly well throughout the season and I think the final Hilton game was testimony to their guts and determination. Although Hilton won the game 22 points to 20 the final 20 minutes belonged to the red and white.

To single out a few players from such a team is very difficult. But mention must be made of our captain Steven Small and vice-captain Evert Ackron. Both these boys not only lead by example but offered support and encouragement to

A fine catch in the game against Westville

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Brendan Garcin throws in for Michaelhouse

all their fellow team mates. Joseph Solms and Andrew Caldwell developed into very exciting runners with the ball. In the forwards Adam Cawood and Wayne Lister-James were tireless work horses always giving their all.

I would like to thank all the boys for their support and commitment particularly the "selection committee" for giving of their very best throughout the season. Also a great vote of thanks to Mr Gavin Ross for his unstinting support in the coaching sphere - long may it last.

Next year is going to be particularly interesting with a tour in March/April to Australia, the Independent Schools Festival at Bishops in late June, The St George's Festival in Harare in late July and finally the Centenary Matches against Rugby School, Campbell College and Wellington College all played at Michaelhouse in the third quarter.

Results

Kingsburgh won 40-nil
Port Shepstone won 48-nil
Helpmekaar won 35-7
Estcourt won 17-nil
St George's Harare won 22-3
St Charle's (Night game) drew 12 points all
DHS lost 24-10
Westville won 23-11
Northwood won 37-23
Maritzburg College lost 29-21
Glenwood drew 18 points all
Hilton lost 20-12
Pretoria Hoer Skool lost 20-7
Boland Landbou Skool lost 11-22
Kearsney won 34-30

Voortrekker won 30-nil Hilton lost 22-20

Won 9 Lost 6 Drew 2

Rugby Awards Honours

Steven Small, Joseph Solms, Evert Ackron,

S Small and J Solms - Natal Schools Team E Ackron and A Caldwell - Natal Development Team

Colours

Wayne Lister-James, Nqoba Koza, Justin Frost, Ryan Varney, Adam Cawood, Sakiwo Poswa, Nick Folker, Ben Parham, Andrew Caldwell, Justin Smithers.

Rowland Whitehead leads the Haka

Team

A Nowlin, J Solms, R Varney, D Papadopoulos, G Clelland, S Small (Captain), J Frost, A Caldwell, N Koza, J-P Coppez, S Poswa, L McIntosh, E Ackron (vice-captain), A Cawood, R North, Q Cantlay, W Lister-James, J Smithers, A Rose, B Parham, C Vosloo, N Folker, P Madide.

Scrum down: First XI vs Hilton

Players who played more than three games

A Campbell, Q Cantlay, J-P Coppez, E Dixon-Smith, M Fell, C Friderichs, J Frost, B Garcin, P Madidi, L McIntosh, P Motanyane, R North, A Nowlin, G Nunes, D Papadopoulos, A Rose, J Sage, M Simelane, C Vosloo, D Wattam.

Results

Played: 12 Won: 7 Drew: 1 Lost: 4 Points for: 205

Points against: 164.

Matches

Ixopo 1st XV won 17-12 Treverton 1st XV won 20-10 DHS won 21-12 Westville won 25-20 Northwood won 40-7

Good preparation for a scrum

RUGBY 2ND XV

Master-in-charge: Mr G H Ross

Coaches: Mr G H Ross, Mr A C Vincent

Captains: L McIntosh, E Dixon-Smith, C Vosloo,

R North, N Koza

The 2nd XV started the season off with five wins on the trot. Whilst these games were not won handsomely apart from the game against Northwood, the side always showed true grit to come back and win in the last few minutes. Early mistakes and the taking of wrong options always put the side under pressure. It was only a matter of time before a side capitalised on these errors. College was that side. They did not let Michaelhouse get back into the game and won convincingly.

From here on the season was one of ups and downs.

Injuries and 1st XV call ups sadly disrupted the teams rhythm, especially in the crucial games against Hilton, whilst a strangely lethargic team went down to Kearsney.

The team was forced to use five different captains. This undoubtedly had an effect on the unity of the side especially in the later part of the season. It must be mentioned that each boy who captained the side did so very well under difficult circumstances.

Throughout the season the players showed a tremendous enthusiasm for the game and a willingness to learn. This made them a superb group of players to coach and to be involved with. All the very best for next year, be it back at school or in the U20 leagues.

The Balgowan front row v Voortrekker (Geoff Nunes, Brendan Garcin and Mike Fell)

Second XV action against Hilton

2nd XV bonding (Arthur Nkosi, Charles Strachan, Duncan Wattam and Dino Papadopoulos)

College lost 3-43
Glenwood won 17-8
Kearsney lost 0-16
Hilton drew 6-6
Voortrekker won 37-0
SCR Varsity XV lost 13-22
Hilton lost 6-8

RUGBY 3RD XV

Master-in-charge: Mr N G Cahill Captain: Charles Strachan

The 1995 season was a rewarding and interesting one. The players adapted well to the "arrival" of a different coach shortly after the season had begun. They showed enthusiasm and determination throughout and the results bear testimony to this. Charles Strachan led by example and proved an extremely reliable and loyal captain.

A feature of the year's play was the constant effort to eliminate mistakes - to reduce the number of penalties given away. Too often, Michaelhouse sides are on the wrong side of the penalty count.

I am sure a large number of the boys returning in 1996 will be seen in 1st team colours.

vs Estcourt 2 Won 25-10 St Charles 2 Won 23-5 DHS 3 Lost 22-11 College 3 Lost 27-9 Northwood 3 Won 30-6 Westville 3 Won 25-10 Glenwood 3 Won 27-9 Hilton 3 Lost 5-18 Hilton 3 Won 14-13 RUGBY4TH XV

Coach: Mr M T Goulding

Captains: H Imrie, R Morgan-Grenville

On the day when South Africa and France drowned each other in the World Cup at Kings Park, the 4th XV lost their unbeaten record because Kearsney were better able to adapt to the awful conditions of pelting rain and driving wind, than we were. The only other match lost was the second one against Hilton where our disrupted side were unable to get a pattern of play going against a very determined home team. Generally the season was tough one and the team showed immense courage and character.

The season started with matches against Ixopo and Treverton 2nd XVs. We drew the first 24-24, with tries by Homer, Nunes (2), Williamson and 2 conversions by Wenham, and won the second 8-5 (try - Randall, penalty - Wenham).

Next up were tough matches against DHS and Westville. We beat DHS 24-17 with tries by Wenham, Cole and Imrie and conversions by Persson and drew with Westville 12-12; the scorers being Pitman and Wenham with Wenham converting Pitman's try. Northwood proved an easier fixture and we managed to beat them 40-12. Try scorers: Muller, Williams (2), Imrie, Persson, Pitman, Cole. Conversions: Wenham, Penalty: Wenham.

Then came the clash against College. Incredible fortitude was displayed on that day; our tackling was our strength. Hamish Imrie broke his arm for the cause and we were without hooker and captain for 15 minutes while a replacement was fetched from another field: George Constantinou insisted on playing on after his shoulder dislocated (yet again). To be fair this was not a normal College side: they were uncharacteristically selfish and time and again launched one man attacks which our defence held out. The game ended with MHS victorious 14-12. Tries by Le Cordeur and Acker and two conversions by Betz.

Our game against Glenwood was not a memorable one. We won 26-3 with Nunes, Williams (2) and Balak scoring tries and Betz kicking three conversions.

The rugby in the rain has been mentioned and the home game against Hilton played out to a 7-7 draw. The records become a little vague for the third term. Only two matches were played. We beat Weston 2nd team 24-3 and lost to Hilton 17-5.

Other players who helped in no small way to put the above names on the honours lists were: Wayne Freed, Paul Rebeck, Paul Larsen, Mike Leslie, Doug Phillips, Franz van Zyl, Rory Tucker, Branson Bowman-Edgar and Richard Lay.

Deon van Zyl shows how to do It

Results

Played Won Drawn Lost Points for Points against

11 5 3 2 191 127

RUGBY 5TH XV

Coaches: Mr R McMlchael and Mr R Hall

At the start of the season the side showed great potential. Both backs and forwards combined well to produce exciting 15 man rugby. This resulted in the side winning 3 and drawing 1 of its opening 4 games. However, injuries at higher levels made it difficult for the side to maintain its momentum. Continual positional and player changes were frequently having to be made at late stages to facilitate the 2nd team game.

Despite this the team continued to give of its best and only narrowly lost games as the season progressed. At all times the side played hard, aggressive but clean rugby. This commitment made the season an enjoyable one for all the players involved.

Players who played three or more games for the 5th side were:

S Pickstone, R Lay, P Varndell, R Muller, T Tucker, S Leitich, O Holley, P Rebeck, D Betz, H Skead, J Morris, J Boyd, K Swart, M Sithole, P Larsen, G Beekman, G Slater, J Armstrong, B Bowman-Edgar, Z Surka, G Parker, C Maggs, Z v d Merwe, CJ Milln, C Slatter, C Balak, C Kuun (Captain).

Played Won Drawn Lost Points for Points against

11 6 3 2 145 105

RUGBY 6THXV

Coach: R H W Hall

A season characterised by unpredictable results. This was perhaps because the personnel changed so much, but we did try to ensure that everyone played in a match at some stage.

Over confidence was our downfall against DHS and weak line-out work and slow and uninspired loose forward play led to an 11-13 defeat.

We had good wins against Treverton 3rd (21-0) and Westville (36-22) but we gave away too many penalties,

and we drew against Northwood 19-19. A real whacking (0-70) against College did not auger well and the Kearsney match was flooded out leaving us to draw 0-0 against Hilton.

Mr McMichael coached the team in Mr Hall's absence in the 3rd quarter and the up-and-down results continued.

An enjoyable season overall but some basic faults need to be ironed out.

RUGBY U16A

Coach: Mr G Rudolph Ass Coach: Mr A Cook Captain: John Harris

A new season saw the birth of this new age group. With only some 36 boys in this age group, depth was limited. Despite this the U16A played some superb rugby. Early in the season it became evident that the strength of the team lay in the quick back line. The hard working loose forwards were not far behind with No. 8 Mpumzi Pasiya leading the way.

John Harris, centre and scrum half, controlled the game well from the base of the scrum. Leading by example his breaks were at times decisive and resulted in some fine tries.

The forwards, generally smaller and lighter than the opposition, showed what guts and determination can achieve. Never giving up they gave all they had for the team. Gavin

Erasmus at prop and Alex Ackron at hooker lending strength to a relatively small front row. The locks, Brian Dalton and "Marie" Baker always played well and got good possession from the lineouts.

The backline was one of talent and speed. This resulted in a number of superb tries scored from hard, running rugby. On many occasions the centre combination of Andrew D'Aubrey and Simon Bridges, away from his usual wing, proved unstoppable. We won't forget Daube's crash ball and Simon's winning try against the Glenwood team.

Good wins over DHS and Westville were the result of hard practice and commitment on the field. The losses to Maritzburg College and an epic duel with Hilton at home were not the way we would have liked to end off the second term. The loss to Hilton was the result of a last group try by Hilton - the end of a superb game, in which rugby was the winner. Carmichael was always steady at flyhalf. Big wins over St Charles and Ixopo (63-8 and 70-0) were the result of the running rugby that became the hallmark of the U16A's. The loss to Kearsney under atrocious weather con-

ditions was a fair reflection of the day's play but not of the team's ability. This led to the final match of the season against Hilton in which we never recovered from two early tries. The team never gave up and fought back gamely.

The year was a good one, one of which the team can be proud.

Players

M Braithwaite, B Ngcobo, P Griffiths, A D'Aubrey, S Bridges, J Selikane, J Carmichael, A Lewis, A Ackron, G Erasmus, M Shaw, B Dalton, B Wacher, M Shaw, M Pasiya, M Ross.

Played Won Lost

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RUGBY U16B XV

Coach: Mr A W H Cook Captain: Thabang Mosese

The U16B XV played some entertaining rugby and although they were not hugely successful during the season they never gave up.

When Thabang was not playing for the A team he captained the side with shrewdness and determination. Ours was a light pack so much of the time was spent in foraging for the loose ball and trying to make the most of it by good handling. The team developed real commitment in the tackle (they had to!). Matthew Macris at scrum-half had some particularly effective runs, sniping around the scrums and mauls.

One of the most improved players in the team had to be Alexei Weschta who eventually earned selection to the A team. Sibusiso Dlamini came on wonderfully well at full back.

The game of the season was the match against College where the lads found the heart to hold their own against an unbeaten team. They were a willing team and one of the fittest around - a real pleasure to coach.

Regular team members

S Dlamini, A Khumalo, M Braithwaite, I Boyd, D Jardine, G Allen (v-captain), M Macris, S Jhilmeet, J Young, I Chaplin, A Lewis, S Myburgh, M Gee, M Burchell, T Mosese, J Modise.

RUGBY U15A

Master-in-charge: Mr T Henderson Captain: Thabiso Masimula

The 1995 U15A rugby team presented as a side with tremendous character. The team improved markedly as the

season progressed. This progress could largely be attributed to the dedication and determination which all players manifested during all their practices and games. It was the aim of the team to play open, running and attractive rugby, as well as to develop the individual skills of each player. The team can look back on the season with a great deal of satisfaction. There was a tremendous team spirit amongst the lads. They were keen to learn and put into practice what they had learnt during the coaching sessions. They were prepared to take risks on the playing fields, in the interest of the game. Team harmony was evident, both on and off the field. I would like to thank all the players for the support and co-operation which they gave me for every minute of the season. I also thank the team for an exceptionally pleasant and rewarding season. It was a pleasure to work with and get to know the "lads".

The season consisted of ten fixtures. We lost only two matches narrowly. Again this demonstrated the players' guts, character and determination to succeed. I must thank T Masimula the captain and S Sage the vice-captain, for their support and hard work.

The pack scrummed extremely well: another notable characteristic of theirs was their mobility and excellent ball handling. No set of three-quarters can run with confidence and aplomb unless the pack has procured clean possession and established the necessary solid platform from which they can launch their attack. The three-quarters were, more often than not, running hard at everything in sight. Their handling, tackling and willingness resulted in brilliant running and many great tries were scored.

Team

S Inglis, S Christie, T Masiela, N Anderson, N Cotterell, M Barbour, S Greyvensteyn, S Sage, C Lewis, MP Ferreira, M Larsen, D Lamont-Smith, T Masimula, G Chennells, G Nothard, C Purchase, B Greene.

Estcourt U16A 32-0 won DHS 0-12 lost Westville 18-8 won Maritzburg College 8-23 lost Glenwood 48-3 won Northwood 26-8 won Kearsney 10-8 won Hilton College 15-5 won Voortrekker 38-0 won Hilton College 13-12 won

RUGBY U15B

Coach: Mr P Lavender

Captain: Nicolas Cotterell

Although we did not achieve the number of wins we would have liked, many of the matches were close, and in some cases we were unlucky to lose. It was a pleasure to be associated with the team as they were disciplined and enthusiastic; they played the game of rugby with a good spirit, and never gave up. At the start of the season, Nicolas Cotterell captained the side, with considerable authority and intelligence. When Nicolas was promoted to the A side, James Endersby took over, and he proved to be an able and worthy successor.

Team Members

O Colquhoun, A Alexander, M Leuner, M Johnson, T Masiela, N Cotterell, S Hughes, J Endersby (C), S Strang, M Louw, P Osborne, W Mitchell-Innes, W Le Cordeur, M West, N Mtongana, A Moodley, K van der Merwe, J Arnold, M Moleli, G Nothard, C Mariette.

RUGBY U15C

Coach: Mr J van Rooyen Captain: C Mariette/B Martin

It was a season of good, clean, entertaining rugby. Apart from bruised shins, there were no injuries and only a few players were lost to higher teams. The team did not get off to a very good start, but as the season progressed, team spirit improved and they really began to work well together.

The forwards were generally strong and were ably led by C Mariette prior to his promotion to the B side. The backline had the ability to run well, but tended to lose some of their determination and drive when faced with tougher opposition.

Team members

R Cawood, C Chung, M Moleli, S Ralph, M Taylor, S Ntshangase, A Kirkland, B Martin, C Timcke, C Mariette, J Arnott, D Passmoor, A Moodley, G Gordon, C Wynn, R Schroder, N Duck, L Weston, A Lewis, L Ngwenya, W Mitchell-Innes, M Johnson.

RUGBY U14 A

Coach: Mr E de Klerk

With only one win to their credit, the 1995 U14 A's did not enjoy much success. Lack of experience and the fact that many players had never played rugby before, hampered our chances of victory. I must commend the players on their positive attitude and willingness to learn. The tackling and

basic skills did improve as the season progressed. It was most enjoyable and rewarding to watch as they narrowly lost in their last game against Hilton. A special mention must be made of Justin Murray, who lead by example, and always played to the end with determination. It was a pleasure coaching a side with so much enthusiasm and I am sure that they are eagerly looking forward to the next rugby season. Thanks too for the loyal support of the parents.

Team members

J Needham, B Erasmus, R Royle, J Nachmias, S Scott, J Bloem, A Goble, R Wacher, W Christie, B Wright, J Murray (captain), M Cummings, Z Zurka, P Ross, N Gidaracos, P Hill and R Hadfield.

U14B RUGBY

Coach: Mr G H Scholefield

Captain: L de Wet

The season started well despite the lack of size in the side. A spirited performance against Ixopo U14A was followed by a good win in the match with Treverton U14A. However, once the matches against those schools with large numbers of correspondingly aged boys began, the side found superior height, speed and weight difficult to match. Heavy losses to Northwood, DHS and Maritzburg College were recorded before the team secured a valiant draw against Westville.

Wins against Hilton and Voortrekker were well-deserved, the forwards combining efficiently to supply clean first-phase ball for the backs whose handling was excellent. It was unfortunate that the team was disrupted by several enforced changes, due to injury, for the second Hilton game which was lost narrowly away from home.

All in all, the season proved an encouraging one. A team of relatively small boys showed much determination and

courage, taking on bigger teams time and again with

resolve. It was a pleasure to coach a side of character.

Regular team members

L de Wet, R Arthur, P Zulu, M Harris, D James,

N Gidaracos, J Bloem, S Fincham, P Hill, S Rosholt,

D Gordon, A Bam, P Rodriquez, P King, M Damant, D Dunn, D Osier.

RUGBY U14C XV

Master-in-charge: Mr D Elkington Captains: J De Waal, M Lockett

After an indifferent start to the season the team soon gained in confidence, finishing on a strong note with two convincing wins over Hilton College.

Their success was very largely due to the interest and involvement of several senior rugby players, namely Richard North, Wayne Lister-James, Justin Smithers, Evert Ackron, JP Coppez, Charles Strachan, Saks Poswa and Ben Parham.

Saks Poswa must take credit for initiating the participation of the matrics and he proved to be a highly competent coach and motivator. The improvement in the team's skills and performance levels was very apparent in the latter half of the term. The team is extremely grateful for their efforts and assistance.

Regular players were drawn from a large group consisting of:

J De Waal, S Hensman, C Baxter, M Gasa, M Phillips, M Mhinga, K Morrison, J Sayer, M Astrup, T Narassa, M Lockett, D Dos Santos, C Gallo, R Hendrikz, N Pauling, J Chetwyn-Palmer, A Maclachan, R Colsen, P Smith, D Raldao, D Osier, R Nell, T Walwyn, D Sherrard, S Nopece.

SAILING.

Master-in-charge: Mr T G Hart and Ms L Heymans

Commodore: Öliver Stainer

Vice-Commodore: Dean Williamson

The last season's racing was a particularly successful one, due in no small part to the enthusiasm and leadership of Oliver and Dean, for which they are to be congratulated.

Rob Strachan sets sail

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THE SAILING CLUB

Back Row: Miss L. Heymans, C. Hackland, N. Milne, M. Whitfield, A. Telfo rd, S. Jackson, Mr T. Hart Seated: H. Twidle, R. Strachan, D. Williamson, O. Stainer, R. Raw, R. Br odle-Smlth, J. Pickstone

Regular Saturday racing continued, with Michaelhouse predominant in the two major classes of Lasers and Mirrors due to little serious competition from the other schools. In addition, an experimental "sleep-out fun weekend" was organised which seemed to meet with the approval of all the boys and girls involved.

The Natal Inter-Schools Team Regatta was again held at Midmar, with Michaelhouse entering the most boats of any school. Our sailors put up an excellent performance generally, and succeeded in taking the Laser class trophy for the second year running. My congratulations to all competitors who gave of their best at all times.

Awards and Trophies

Natal Schools Laser Trophy: O Stainer and D Williamson Natal Junior Colours and School Honours: O Stainer School Colours: D Williamson

SMYC Trophy (best single-handed performance): O Stainer Parks Trophy (best skipper and crew): R Raw/B Rivera Mayfield Trophy (most improved skipper): D Williamson Don Ord Trophy (best junior): M Tapson Ferguson Trophy (for enthusiasm and enjoyment): B Ridgen

SOCCER 1ST X1

Coach: Mr G Rudolph Captain: A Ndlovu

Although the team was not as successful as their ability had led me to believe, they were a pleasure to coach. The never-say-die attitude always did them proud. Their commitment to improving their skills and ball distribution saw a marked improvement as the season progressed. A pleasing foundation has been laid for 1996, with eight of the current squad returning:

Abednigo Ndlovu, Nceba Hene and Feko Makara were awarded colours.

Players

P Motonyane, W Zade, N Hene, F Makara, D Popodopoulous, J Craig-Cochrane, J Modise, K Goulding, G Bhengu, T Mosese, A Nowlin, A Mokgwatsane, A Nkosi, S Dlamini.

Results

Played Won Lost

FIRST TEAM SOCCER

Standing: J. Modise, A. Mokgwatsane, K. Goulding, W. Zadl, P. Motany ane, J. Cochran, T. Mosese, G. Bhengu, H. Verma Seated: A. Nowlin, D. Papadopoulos, Mr G. Rudolph, A. Ndlovu, F. Maka ra, N. Hene

SOCCER U15A

Coach: Mr G Rudolph Captain: H Virma

A junior team was fielded for the first time this year and displayed superb talent. A number of players can look forward to a rosy future in the 1st X1 when their time comes. They always played with spirit and commitment; skills improved as the term progressed.

Players

M McCormick, C Mariette, W Christie, R Hendricks, D Thembo, S Mwelasi, M Gasa, M Astrup, N Mhinga, N Pauling, S Sage, N Maistry, N Mtongana, T Masiela.

Played Won Lost

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Squash Rackets

Master-in-charge: Mr S N Winckworth

Coaches: Mr D M R Lewis (1st Quarter), Mr K R Shuter

(2nd Quarter), Messrs A C Vincent & G H

Scholefield (4th Quarter)

Captain: G Hatfield

Vice-captain: P van Onselen

1995 marked the end of an era regarding Michaelhouse squash, with yet another very strong team at 1st team level, but probably the last for a few years to come. There are individuals of quality who will be with us in 1996, but most teams will be lacking the depth which has been so evident in recent years.

The year started in its usual low key manner, with the setting up of the under 14 ladder being a priority. This was followed by matches against all our traditional opponents in the second half of the term. In a departure from the norm some senior players took part in the O F S Junior Open tournament held in Bloemfontein during February. We had the good fortune to share transport with girls from Epworth who also participated in the tournament. The weather was warm, as it can be in the Free State, and the early season lack of fitness showed after a while. Greg Hatfield was the

TOP SCHOOLS SQUASH TEAM:

(L-R) G. Hatfield, P van Onselen S. Lumley, C. Vosloo Sitting: R Newton, B Garcin

FIRST TEAM SQUASH:

Standing: R. Newton, B. Garcin, S. Lumley, C. Vosloo Seated: G. Hatfield (Capt), Mr S. Winckworth, P. Van Onselen

runner up in the U19 age group, and the other players - Sean Lumley, Chett Vosloo and Neil Thomson - all played good squash.

Early on in the second quarter we had two teams participating in the Natal Interschools tournament, held in Pietermaritzburg again this year. Michaelhouse was considered so strong that we were given two places in the A section and so, in order to make our weaker team more competitive, we split strengths slightly, moving the nos. 4 & 5 down a team. This did not significantly change the 1st team results, but it did make the 2nd team more competitive. Our 1st team won the competition comfortably, winning the finals against College 4-1, and the 2nd team came 5th out of the 8 schools in the A section, finishing ahead of Westville, Hilton and Kearsney first teams. This qualified us for the S A Top Schools competition which was held later in the year.

For the remainder of the term there were a few school matches, but most of the time was taken up with Pietermaritzburg and then Natal trials and championships. Peter van Onselen (U19) and Kian Reynolds (14) were the Pietermaritzburg champions in their age groups. In addition, Chett Vosioo, Sean Lumley, Brendan Garcin, and Greg Hatfield (injured) made the U19 team, Matthew Cook and Steve Hughes the U16 team, and Doug Osier the U14 team. As far as Natal schools was concerned things went very much as expected, except that Matt Cook withdrew to play interprovincial hockey and Steve Hughes went through a bad patch and failed to make a team, despite having beaten several players eventually ranked well above him earlier in the season. Also Peter van Onselen broke his foot. and was provisionally selected as no. 2 in the A team, but did not recover sufficiently to play in the tournament.

After the interprovincial in July we came back determined to do well in the S A Top Schools tournament. Here we came up against the top schools in other provinces. We beat Selborne and St Andrew's (Bloemfontein) comfortably, but then came up against St Stithians, who were seeded to beat us. We were soon into a 2-0 lead, with Sean Lumley and Chett Vosloo having relatively easy wins. Richard Newton then came on and, having lost the first game, started to dominate the match. He won the second, narrowly lost the third 8-10, won the forth 9-0, and then lost control, and the fifth 4-9. Peter van Onselen then came on, and was not expected to do well as he was lacking match practice, and was playing an opponent with a S Atop 10 ranking. Much to our surprise he went into a well-deserved 2-0 lead, but

then literally ran out of steam and lost 2-3. Finally our S A ranked player, Greg Hatfield, came on, and his opponent was also out of the top drawer. The first game was a real nail-biter, but Greg lost that 8-10 and from then it was one way traffic and he lost 0-3. St Stithians then went on to lose

- 1-4 to Wynberg Boys High in the finals, while we beat Alexandra Road, from Port Elizabeth, 3-2 in the playoff for
- 3-4. Here Greg lost to Greg la Mude, the top junior in S A, but we had superior depth.

Apart from the formal schools matches during the year we have also had friendly matches against Weston. In order to give our top players more competition we enter schoolboy teams in the Pietermaritzburg league at adult level. This year we had teams in 1st league (with AWC), 3rd league (with TH) and 6th league (with SNW). In addition there are five other teams, including one staff team, playing in league, using the Michaelhouse courts.

The Interhouse competition was held during the course of the third quarter. Baines, with three players with honours, could hardly fail to win at the senior level, and they did so easily, defeating Farfield 3-2 in the finals. The junior competition was closely contested with Mackenzie beating Tatham 3-2 in one semi-final, and then beating Pascoe 3-2 in the final. In the individual competition, completed reasonably early in the fourth quarter, the finals went according to the seedings. Greg Hatfield beat Chett Vosloo 3-1 to win the U19 competition, Matt Cook beat Steve Hughes 3-2 at the U16 level, and Kian Reynolds beat Warren Christie 3-0 in the U14 championships.

Thanks, as always, must go to Supervision Services for the catering throughout the season, particularly for league and at the Squash Dinner which was held for the first time this year. Most parents of the top players were able to attend and this helped to make the evening a memorable one and a fitting way to end a most successful season.

Special mention must be made of Greg Hatfield, captain for the last two years and champion for the last three. He had the singular honour of representing S A Schools A as the reserve player at the All African U19 Squash Tournament played in Johannesburg. He did have the odd injury problem during the season, and yet managed to keep his play at a remarkably high level. He is a player who will continue to do well at the top level and I am confident that it will not be too long before his name appears in the national rankings, along with that of Gary Plumstead (O M) who has certainly made his mark since leaving school.

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Honours
S Lumley, C Vosloo
Colours
R Newton
Natal Schools
U19A - G Hatfield (Capt.) (4th in S A), S Lumley, C Vosloo
U19B - B Garcin
U14A - K Reynolds
Team Results
(Matches in brackets were played in the 4th quarter using
1996 age groupings)
1st vs Hilton
Kearsney
Westville
College
Glen\:ood
Jesters (Pmb.)
won 5-0, won 3-2,
(lost 2-3)
won 5-0, 'won 5-0,
(won 4-1)
won 5-0, won 5-0
won 5-0, *4-1, won 5-0,
won 5-0, (lost 2-3)
*won 4-1
won 4-1
Heather Secondary
Selborne
St Andrew's (Bloem.)
St Stithians
Alexandra Road (PE)
Parkview Invitation
Jesters (Jhb. & ET)
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2nd vs Hilton

College Jesters (Pmb.) Heather Secondary 1st Hilton 1st College 1st Westville 1st U16Avs Hilton Kearsney Westville College U16Bvs Hilton College U14Avs Clifton N R Hilton Kearsney Westville College U14Bvs Clifton N R Hilton College won 4-0 won 5-0 won 5-0 lost 2-3 won 3-2 lost 1-3 (lost 1-3) won 5-0, won 3-2, (lost 1-4) won 5-0, won 5-0, won 4-1, (lost 0-5) won 3-2 'lost 1-4 'won 4-1 'lost 1-4 'won 3-2

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lost 0-5, lost 2-3,
(lost 1-4)
won 4-1, (lost 1-4)
lost 1-4
lost 2-3, lost 0-5,
lost 0-5, (lost 1-4)
lost 0-5, lost 0-5,
lost 0-5, (lost 1-4)
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won 4-1

lost 1-4, lost 2-3 won 3-2 lost 2-3

lost 0-5, lost 1-4, lost 0-5. (lost 2-3)

won 4-1, won 5-0, won 4-1

lost 1-4

lost 0-5, won 4-1 lost 2-3, lost 2-3, lost 2-3

Indicates matches played at the Natal Interschools tournament.

SWIMMING

Master-in-charge: Mr Ken Shuter

Captain: N Folker

Although the 4th quarter is traditionally not a swimming term as such, due to the incredible tardiness of the pool contractors we were forced to postpone our Inter-House Gala - normally held in the 1st quarter - to 27 October. And was the wait worth it? What a pleasure to have such a wonderful facility to work with! The increased number of lanes allowed Houses to organise their own swim-offs and, on the day, every House had a competitor in every event. That part of the organisation of the Gala was, therefore, made extremely easy, and many thanks must go to the House Captains for getting their teams ready so efficiently.

In spite of the fact that swimming has not "officially" started, the general standard of swimming at the gala was surprisingly high. The boys are really motivated and, at their request (and certainly as a result of the warmer water) training sessions are well under way. We look forward to a good season next year. We will also be hosting the traditional

Triangular Gala' next year and, even if our swimming has not quite reached a standard to defeat Hilton and Kearsney, our poolside strutting will take a lot of beating!

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SCHOOL SWIMMING TEAM

Back Row: N. Anderson, J. Acker, B. Bowman-Edgar, A. Campbell, M. Rosh olt, S. Pickstone, M. Faircliff 3rd Row: S. Rosholt, S. Greyvensteyn, M. Varndell, D. Jardine, A. Alexand er, J. Sage, A. Telford, P. Wefelmeier, S. Leitich, S. Bland 2nd Row: A. Somerville, S. Scott, I. Ortlepp, M. Gee, B. Wright, J. Hoddl nott, T. Walwyn

Seated: R. Morgan-Grenville, E. Dixon-Smith, A. Cawood, Mr K. Shuter, N. Folker, M. Ross, J. Stacey

TENNIS

Master-In-charge: Mr P J Snyder

The outstanding feature of the 1995 tennis year must surely be the 1st Team's tour to Zimbabwe during the Easter holidays. While the results on tour were disappointing, it was clear that the standard of school tennis in that country is very high. All four matches were well contested; the St George's game in particular was closely fought. Overall the tour was a great success, and the chance to experience places such as Bulawayo, Hwange, the Falls, Kariba, Harare and Great Zimbabwe was appreciated by the entire group of 17, eight players and nine supporters.

Locally, the 1st team did well, scoring good wins against College and Kearsney, and going down by the odd match to Hilton, twice! The 2nd team had mixed fortunes, although their drubbing of Hilton in the Christmas quarter was an obvious highlight. Several members of the 2nd represented the 1st during the year on tour and in matches where the top eight played, and acquitted themselves well.

Results from the teams were sound rather than outstanding. An encouraging feature for the future is the number of competent players in the U15 Group.

FIRST TENNIS TEAM

Standing: H. White, R. Urquhart, R. Kay Seated: G. Leslie, D. Wattam, Mrs G. Scholefleld, S. Du Toit, G. Hatfield 1st Team

Master-in-charge: Mr G Scholefield

Played Won Lost Drew

570

Team

S du Toit, D Wattam, G Leslie, G Hatfield, R Kay, R Urguhart, H White.

2nd Team

Played Won Lost Drew

230

Team

P Rebeck, C Kuun, K Payn, R Tucker, G de Rosnay, D Eriksen, M Braithwaite.

DENNESS TROPHY Master-in-charge: Mr P J Snyder 1st Team

Played Won Lost Unfinished

9531

Team

L Le Roux, D Wattam, G Leslie, R Kay, A Purchase

2nd Team

Played Won Lost

633

Team

D Eriksen, K Payn, G Franklin, N Dougherty U15A

Master-in-charge: Mr J Taylor

Played Won Lost Unfinished

7431

U15B

Master-in-charge: Mr P J Snyder

Played Won Lost Drew

9531

Team

J Haggie, S Schoon, G Benson, M Lewis, S Christie, S Greyvensteyn

U14 - Bonnefin

Mistress-in-charge: Mrs I Swart

Played Won Lost

918

Team

M Harris, R Colsen, D James, W Christie.

TENNIS TOUR - ZIMBABWE, 1995

Master-in-charge: Mr G H Scholefield

The tour party comprised nine players:

Duncan Wattam, Graham Leslie, Robbie Kay, Hugh White, Chris Kuun, Paul Rebeck, Mark Braithwaite, Gareth Smith and Mike Leslie and eight supporters: Nick and Anne Leslie and daughter Kate, Herman Kuun and the Scholefields. The Kays, Kevin and Sally joined the group for the last four days in Harare. In all the tour lasted some fourteen days, and started in Bulawayo where rain interrupted the match against CBC when Michaelhouse were well down. The following day Matabeleland Schools proved too strong winning

11-1. We set off for Hwange and then Victoria Falls before

crossing Kariba by ferry and then flying to Bumi Hills for three days of fishing and game viewing on the lake at Chalala Fishing Camp. In retrospect this was the highlight of the tour. The boys had their own boat and managed to catch plenty of tiger and bream and they had the opportunity to relax out of the public eye.

We flew back to Kariba and then drove to Harare for the match against St George's which had been brought forward because of the change in the Zimbabwe School holiday dates. In an exciting match, Michaelhouse lost two tiebreakers in the third sets and went down 8-4. This was a good performance against a very strong school side. The

following day's fixture against St John's was played in the morning because of the popular inter-schools athletics meeting that day, and after some very well contested matches the hosts ran out 9-3 winners. Thursday's match with Chisipite girls was played as a friendly mixed doubles and it must be pointed out that the girls remained after school had broken up for the term to honour this fixture and a hockey fixture the following day. The matches against Peterhouse and Midlands Christian School in Gweru were cancelled. While it was disappointing not to secure a win in the four matches played it must be said that we chose the best sides possible to play against and that we were weakened by the absence of several strong players. Be that as it may the tennis was of high standard and the Michaelhouse boys were always competitive, the majority of sets being decided by a single service break.

For the rest, the tour was a resounding success. The conduct of the boys was superb and many was the compliment heard regarding their appearance and behaviour on and off the court. Duncan Wattam, Robbie Kay and Mike Leslie in particular took the initiative and set fine examples for the rest of the side.

The choice of offering to have parents and families along was a successful one. Herman Kuun had not been back to Zimbabwe since he was a boy at Plumtree in the 50's, and Nick and Anne Leslie were superb company and the use of their vehicle made the different needs of the tour members possible. All in all the supporters were great to have along and the Zimbabweans responded in like as only they can. It was clear that we would be welcomed back by all their private schools for fixtures in the future.

My thanks go to Pete Snyder for his advice, to Barry Rebeck at Beacon Sweets for the sponsorship of tennis bags and shirts and to Joni for her help with the complicated finances and helping to repair damaged bodies and egos. We look forward to Kenya in 1997!

WATERPOLO

Coach: Mr J D Pickstone 1st team Captain: A Cawood

This is a good game to learn the importance of a disciplined team effort. Unnecessary fouling results in expulsion from the water and usually a goal forfeit. Many of our players are learning to play the ball rather than the man and certainly this improves spectator appeal. The spacious new pool is helping us to play a more tactical game too and our swimming off the ball is greatly improved. We were also fortunate this season in having a nucleus of seasoned players. They swam hard, handled the ball well and passed accurately. This exposure has benefitted the less experienced as well

as winning us games. Commitment to sport tends to drop as seniors approach the matriculation exams. This is to be expected. Fixtures still need to be met though and there is a growing tendency, it seems, to put self interest first. This was particularly evident in the last match of the season against Hilton where we lost heavily as a result.

Interhouse matches were held in wet, cold weather on Friday afternoons. Many of the more favoured sides lost to weaker teams because of ill discipline or ignorance of rules.

The competition was won ultimately by Tatham; but it is pleasing to see the general level of skills improving throughout the school, as more players are drawn to the game (55 this season). Swimming strength and fitness will, I am sure, benefit all the other sports over the next few years.

Results

Played Won Lost Drew Points for Points against

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1st team players

A Cawood, A Rose, N Folker, J Acker, A Campbell, R Morgan-Grenville, M Fell, M Faircliff, D Phillips, R North, M Ross, Z v d Merwe, M Gee.

2nd team

Coach: Mr A L Carter

Captain: J Stacey, P Wefelmeier

We started out the season in good form. Sufficient players were available to have a group that worked well together and produced some winning games. Skills were developed and we saw these put into action.

As the season progressed our team became the feeder for the 1sts and both teams lost out as a result. The coordination in the pool seemed to be lacking and we ended up as individuals without really looking at the overall team action. Most of our matches were very close finishes however. Enthusiasm was there and a consistent turnout resulted in some good training sessions.

One would hope that next year our players will again opt for waterpolo and put together a winning combination. Some tough pre-season swimming will need to be considered as a prerequisite for a winning side.

Regular players

G Nunes. B Bowman-Edgar, B Chadwick. W Marshall-Smith.. G Randall, M Rosholt. J Stacey. C Smith. D Jardine, S Bridges. P Wefelmeier, D Lorimer. T Boast.

Results

Played Won Lost Drew Points for Points against

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JUNIOR WATERPOLO

Coach: Mr R H Hall

Waterpolo has been in the doldrums at Michaelhouse for a while and using the new pool was a great pleasure after the difficulties of the old pool and the need to contest use of New Dam with the grass carp. It was with trepidation that I, a brand new coach, approached the task of producing two representative teams from a group of 32 under 14 and under 15 players - many of whom had not played the game before either.

Fortunately we had a nucleus of last season's juniors and were assisted by a handful of under 16's who were not being used by the open group. These players showed tremendous enthusiasm and were able to teach the newcomers and inspire them to fitness and skill. We learnt a great deal from the Hilton team in a number of encounters and our good progress is partly due to their demonstrations of expertise.

Our progress is best shown by our performances against Hilton:

U15 U14

First encounter Lost 1-9

Second encounter Lost 3-8 Draw 4-4

Third encounter Draw 3-3 Won 6-2

With both teams playing in the same tournaments, and sharing players, it is best to view the results as a whole.

Played Won Drawn Lost Goals for Goals against

18 6 2 10 80 91

An enjoyable season full of promise for the Centenary.

Societies

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Master-in-charge: Mr J B Morgan Chairman: Charles Strachan Secretary: Rob Strachan Treasurer: Gilbert Kearns

The year began with the Agricultural Society being involved in a practical on the school estate itself. At the end of 1994 many yearling calves were left to mature and grow because they were too small for castration and de-horning. This posed a major problem because these calves grew rapidly and it took many hours of hard work and sweat before the task was complete.

It is always a privilege for the Agricultural Society to visit the surrounding farming enterprises. This year we visited a few of these enterprises, examples being the Scott Bros. Horse Stud and the Invermooi Horse Stud. The annual high-light is always the visit to the Pietermaritzburg Royal Show. Here boys are exposed to the professional judging, showing and breeding of livestock and poultry.

The Agricultural Society runs a herd of cattle on the estate and it is here that most of our practical knowledge is acquired and practised. The Society is important in that it is a base or platform from which any boy interested may further his knowledge and contacts in agriculture. It is a very interesting society and is popular amongst the boys.

Our sincere thanks go to Mr Morgan and Mr Cribbins for organising and running the society.

AFRICAN AFFAIRS

Master-in-charge: Mr D M R Lewis

Chairman: V P Madide

Secretary/Treasurer: Z N Bam

Seven meetings have passed since the last Chronicle report, possibly the most significant being the first, addressed by Mr Ron Steele of the Rhema Church group. This was a formal evening with video footage, questions and answers. The talk focused on the ongoing civil war in Rwanda and the history of Tutsi and Hutu intertribal warfare. Mr Steele pointed out to us that the funds and aid raised for Rwandian relief, through, Operation Mercy, were not being diverted from South African relief organisations. The amount raised, although plentiful, was tragically only enough to last for one day.

Other meetings included discussions on whether traditional

rule should have a place in South African politics, with particular relevance to the Zulu monarchy.

Debates were held on whether the government could have prevented an incident such as the Mooi River Truckers' blockade, and if doctors and/or nurses have the right to strike.

The issues of capital punishment, and strike action were frequently on our Agenda for meetings, as were the increase in crime, and the availability of drugs.

Our penultimate meeting served as real eye-opener for us. We watched a video of an address made by Donald McIlvaney to a group of American investors. Mr McIlvaney, who was extremely pro-Right Wing, gave an extremely biased and sometimes untrue account of South Africa under National party rule, giving way to the forces of anarchy.

Our final meeting took place in the form of an address by Major D Hall. The talk detailed his search for the place where his uncle was killed in action in the First World War. Although this talk, which was a joint meeting with the History Society, was not centred on African issues, it

marked the end of a successful year for the African Affairs Society. Our thanks to the outgoing committee for all their efforts and best of luck to the incoming committee.

ART SOCIETY

Master-in-charge: Mr P G Lavender

Chairman: O Stainer

Secretary: J Craig-Cochrane

Most of the meetings this year took the form of practical sessions in the Art Department, or video evenings, with members watching a varied range of film material.

One of the videos dealt with the characteristics of Cubism and its influence on the twentieth century. Another video showed the development of Constable's "The Leaping Horse", from the sketch to the final painting showing the changes in style and the reasons for these, and the compositional adjustments. A video on brush-drawing showed the expressive way in which the brush can be used.

At practical sessions, members were free to decide what projects they wanted to work on. Afternoon art sessions gave members the opportunity to complete or continue with work begun at meetings.

In the first quarter there was a visit to the Playhouse in Durban to see an exhibition of the 1994 Natal Art

Sculpture by Brendan Wilson

NIc Lockett and James Erasmus: Sculptors at work

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"Cactus Shapes

Mrs Cook, Mrs Goulding and Mr McMichael have taken the more able players at their homes and for this a particular thanks must be extended. The beginners have been instructed by Mr Snyder.

The current society year ended with two Duplicate Bridge evenings in the Community which were thoroughly enjoyed.

BUSINESS GAME

Standard Bank Management Contest

Masters in charge: Mr R McMichael and

Mr S N Winckworth

The objective of the contest was to produce and market a pre-chosen product - in this case, Satellite dishes - as successfully as possible. At the beginning of the year, Michaelhouse entered two teams into the competition from A and B Blocks.

Chess pieces In the New SA

Matriculants' work. There w^re works by our 1994 matriculants on the exhibition.

Royal Show Results

Special Prize:

First prizes:

Second prizes:

Third prizes:

Highly Commended:

O Stainer

O Stainer, S Small, C Hackland,

O Barstow

K Goulding x 2, G Chang, H Twidle, S Dias, A Grobicki, R Till, T Walwyn, P Smith, S Surka, J Murray.

G Constantinou, C Smith, O Stainer, B Garcin, D Papadopoulos, C-J Milln, G Morris

G Chang, N Lockett, B Wacher, J Pickstone, M Lewis, B Erasmus, H White

Michaelhouse won the cup for the boys' school winning most points in the Arts Section of the 1995 Royal Show.

ART OLYMPIAD

Kenneth Goulding won the top award in the Art Olympiad, a Cumma Sum Laude certificate, for a work in which he combined his knowledge of computers with his skill as an artist.

MHS business game team photographed at the Standard Bank cluster In Durban at the Natal finals D. Arnot, D Lorimer, M Faircliff, J. Lamb, K. Swart

Initially both teams did extremely well passing though the first round high on the charts. However, the "B" Block team narrowly missed the Natal Finals at the end of the Second Round. A combined team entered the Natal Finals in Durban alone.

Initially the team was well placed coming second to St Anne's, the final winner. However, the team failed to alter its strategy during the closing stages of the final and as a result built up an overdraft of R300 million. As a result further bank financing was not forthcoming and the business was liquidated.

"A" Block Team: "B" Block Team:

D Arnott, M Faircliff, J Lamb C Friderichs, J Morris, I Nash, M Osborn, K Swart, D Lorimer.

CHESS SOCIETY

Michaelhouse entered one team into the PMB and District Chess league this year. The side was promoted to the "A" league where they finished fifth overall. This was slightly disappointing as in many of the league fixtures the players managed to squander a winning position. Players representing the school were: D Papadopoulos, S Surka, Z Bam,

S Leitich and D Tang.

The interhouse competition was played during the third term and was won by Pascoe who beat Farfield in the final.

BRIDGE REPORT

Master-in-charge: Mr P J Snyder

The Bridge evenings continued to be very popular with a number of boys and during the past year 25 have been regular members of the Club.

CLASSICS SOCIETY

Master-in-charge: T G Hart Chairman: Michael Rosholt

Regrettably, as a result of unacceptable behaviour by our juniors, the end of year classical quiz had to be abandoned

and their membership terminated. As a result, stricter criteria were applied to prospective members, and there was a considerable drop in membership numbers.

Our programme this year started with the screening of the 1933 Eddie Cantor classic, "Roman Scandals" which features lots of humour, chariot races and a bevy of beautiful girls. This was followed by an informative talk by Mr Ronald Brooks on the Greek vocabulary on modern English. The latter part of the year has been taken up with screenings of the excellent serialization of "The Last Days of Pompeii".

It is to be hoped that in future years, more pupils who have actually studied Latin will become active members of the society.

CURRENT AFFAIRS SOCIETY

Master-in-charge: AE Duff Secretary: Zweli Bam

The twice quarterly meetings have been well-attended. The meetings which are structured round recent international and national events, are informal so that everyone is encouraged to contribute. Some of the events/topics which have been discussed include Bosnia; the swing to the Republicans in the US congressional elections; the role of the US Dollar; the impact of unification on East Germany; policies in Kwa Zulu Natal. Zweli Bam deserves mention for his efficiency and conscientiousness in writing up the Minutes Book.

JUNIOR DEBATING SOCIETY

Master-in-charge: Miss L Heymans

Chairman: C Hackland Secretary: A Moodley

Competing once again in the Midlands League against Escourt, Weston, Treverton and Maritzburg College, Michaelhouse started off well by winning their first debate and taking best speaker. Of the last three debates, we drew two and lost one. Apart from the obvious educational value of the exercise, the boys also enjoyed the social side that went with it.

A number of internal debates of various forms were also conducted. The quality of debating varied considerably, although, in general, there was a definite improvement in debating skills.

FILM SOCIETY

Master-in-charge: Mr A J Rogers

Chairman: L McIntosh

Films shown during the Society Year were:

Hannah's War - A World War 11 drama set

in Hungary and Palestine.

Angel Heart - A modern adaptation of the

Faustus theme.

Remains of the Day - A look at "Upstairs and

Downstairs" in English Society between the World Wars.

In the name of the Father - IRA drama as a "possible"

miscarriage of justice. Maverick - An amusing look at the

"Old West".

The Crying Game - "A love triangle" in an I R A

setting in Ulster and in London. A very different film

Two trips to Pietermaritzburg to see films of the boys' choosing.

The intention of the Society has been to expose the boys to a variety of films, that portray different techniques in the art of cinematography. A preview of each film is given, either by

discussion before the showing, or by a review posted on the Notice Board. Discussion follows the showing of the films and debate is encouraged.

HUNTING SOCIETY

Master-in-charge: Mr G Rudolph

1995 was not a very active year for the Society. Although the interest of the boys was always high with meetings well attended, only three hunts were conducted. I am sure this will change next year. Michael Fell was awarded the prize for the Hunter of the Year for 1995.

JUNIOR MATHEMATICS SOCIETY

Master-in-charge: Mr G H Scholefield

The Junior Mathematics Society met regularly during the course of 1995. Drawing members from D and E Blocks, the enthusiasm for activities such as this is apparent, and members were often excused on the basis of other activities such as drama.

Evenings were spent in informal preparation for the Junior Mathematics Olympiad the first round of which is written early in the year. While designed for specifically gifted students, this offered a meaningful challenge to those in the society.

Several evenings were spent on puzzles of a mathematical nature, and this has proved to be very popular. Mrs Marianne de Vries from St Anne's, spoke to the group on the Mathematics of Music, and Dr Hugh Glover of the University of Port Elizabeth spent time on extension questions on series and other topics.

All in all the year's activities were successful, and the members seemed to have enjoyed the occasions we have met.

SENIOR MATHS CLUB

Master-in-charge: Mr J Buckley

The club has eleven members from B and C Block with five A Blockers from the EAP programme attending whenever they are able. We attempt to run at least two meetings per quarter.

Thursday 23rd February

Mr Thomas Hagsphil of Hilton College spoke to us on the common errors that pupils make in Mathematics and punctuated his talk with examples where correct answers were achieved from horrific Mathematical errors!

Tuesday 14th March

We travelled to Hilton College to listen to Dr Zaverdinos from the University of Natal talking on mathematical and other irrational numbers but although interesting the talk was a little beyond many of the audience.

Wednesday 10th May

Mr Dave Raftery of Hilton College was our guest speaker and gave us a delightful talk entitled "Things ain't wot they seem to be". He highlighted the fact that unless care is taken to define situations clearly almost anything can be proved.

Monday 12 June

Professor Hugh Glover from the University of Port Elizabeth ran a problem solving evening at St Anne's during which he posed some very searching problems to those attending and which our boys handled rather well.

Wednesday 14th June

Professor Hugh Glover spoke to the Junior and Senior Maths Clubs at Michaelhouse on problem solving and posed a number of open ended problems which our boys found very challenging.

An evening of problem solving will be held later this quarter and two further meetings still to be decided during the fourth quarter.

The boys really have enjoyed all these outings but the problem still remains of over commitment making it difficult to get the whole club together at any one time.

MOTOR CLUB

Master-in-charge: Mr R H W Hall

The Motor Club continues on a small scale. We have an average of three members per meeting.

The Club is attempting to disassemble, repair and reassemble a Kudu Diesel motor from a lawn mower. We have always been better at taking things apart than putting them together, though.

We still have hopes of getting a Yamaha motor to run and Case Grinwis has offered us another motor to "fix" when we have done enough to the others.

It is a good learning opportunity for the members as well as an enjoyable and relaxing experience.

MUSIC SOCIETY

The Music Society dealt not only with a specific type of music this year, but with a wide range of styles. On one of our outings we attended a Rap Concert presented by "D C Talk". This group consists of three main "rappers" and some very experienced musicians.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Master-in-charge: Mr B C Reynolds

Chairman: M Fell Secretary: K Goulding Treasurer: D Williamson

At the onset of the new year, the Natural History Society was suffering from a largely lethargic majority, a problem which has been solved by some selective culling. Having rid ourselves of those in search of an easy society option and those unwilling to take an active role, the society has progressed a good deal more satisfactorily. We have established a number of splinter groups of interest - birds, snakes and falconry - which are working well. Our members, made up almost entirely of the younger sector of the school, are now displaying a greater willingness to do things, particularly over the weekends.

ELECTRIC GUITAR GROUP

Back: R. Andersson, R. Vossgatter, T. Boast In front: Mr P. Van Zvl and P. Wenham

During the second term we attended a Jazz Trio performance by students of the University of Natal - Durban. The students, all of whom were in their third year, presented a programme of musical styles ranging from swing to bop.

Mr van Zyl gave several interesting and informative talks on contemporary jazz and Mr Burgess showed videos on the legendary Louis Armstrong and the Canadian Brass Quintet.

The Society would like to thank both Mr Burgess and Mr van Zyl for their interest, enthusiasm and invaluable contribution to the Music Society.

Justin Brown

There have been a number of society outings this year which started with a trip to the Tala Game Ranch as the guests of Peter and Chrissie Briscoe. We spent a Sunday morning driving around viewing the birds and wildlife and were then handsomely lunched by our hosts. We also had the opportunity of seeing and sampling the interesting products of Chrissie's cheese industry.

Our second visit was to Kronsberg Estates belonging to Mr E Taeuber in Wartburg, which was arranged by Spike Holley. The beautifully preserved nature park lies adjacent to the Umgeni Valley Gorge and this afforded us some exciting viewings of crowned eagles. Of further interest was a colony of bald ibis, and the sightings of yellow-throated iongclaw and black cuckoo shrike.

In the third quarter the society enjoyed two outings. The first was to the game farm of Advocate Alkema, just outside Weenan and on the Tugela River. Large tracts of the farm are inaccessible, and they were also in desperate need of rain. Nonetheless it is a beautiful, unspoilt area and we saw much game and bird life. The limited water tended to concentrate the birds and early in the morning before it became really hot, it was possible to witness common, sweet and blue waxbills, blue-billed fire finches, yellow-eyed canaries, melba finches and pied barbets all drinking from the shallow water-filled hoof marks of the wildebeest from the night before.

Daren Baker, who is the Game Ranger cum Caretaker, went to great trouble to show us around and make us comfortable. It was a great weekend, memorable not least of all, for getting the combi up some pretty treacherous mountain roads.

Natural History outing to Weenen Advocate Alkema's Game Farm

Our last event in the 3rd Quarter was a slide-tape show and talk given by Dr Peter Taylor to the Society. Dr Taylor is the curator of mammals at the Durban Natural Science museum in Durban, and his special interest lies in the promotion and conservation of bats. In his talk he dispatched a number of myths about bats, such as the notion that they are blind and natural carriers of disease. On the contrary, they are clean animals which groom themselves and can be easily trained. They are also highly intelligent animals. After the talk, the group proceeded in convoy to the Hilton bat tunnels - an abandoned railway tunnel, - where Dr Taylor was hoping to find several species of insect-eating bat. With the aid of a GPS (Global Positioning System) and an electronic bat detecting device (it translates bat calls into sounds which the human ear can hear) we proceeded into the dark and watery tunnel where a number of Schreiber's long-fingered bats were caught and identified. A fascinating trip which will hopefully leave us all a lot wiser and future contributors to the BIG (Bat Interest Group).

Natural History members go batty

The society can also boast a wide and stimulating range of activities in our twice-termly meetings which have included a talk and slide show by world renowned photographer Anthony Bannister, who gave us a fascinating insight into his profession. He travels all over the world and has recently returned from China where he was on location for the shooting of a film entitled "Little Panda". Pictures taken there have not yet been released, but will hopefully be shown at a meeting some time in the future.

Other meetings have seen members giving talks, and have included Gavin Erasmus and Bruce Wacher who spoke on Falconry and introduced us to their newly acquired African goshawks. Stuart McKernan and Patrick Forbes talked to the society on Wild Dogs; Ollie Holley on owls, about which he is very knowledgeable, and our chairman Michael Fell talked on snakes, snake-bites and their treatment. We held a quiz earlier in the year which was won by Stuart McKernan. The society has also watched a couple of wildlife videos.

The society is in a healthy state, and I hope that it will continue, in my absence, to pursue its activities in birding, falconry, scuba-diving and bat hunting next year. I believe there is a core within the society that will ensure steady growth and I wish everyone involved, particularly my successor, good wishes for the future.

SKYDIVING

Master-in-charge: Mr K Shuter

The sport continues to enjoy a large measure of popularity among the boys who participate. To date we have had approximately 100 pupils complete the course, and many have progressed to free-fall. At the risk of tempting fate, it is

Dale Jardine, Paul Cross, Ken Shuter and Peter Wefelmeier, Inter-schools Sky Diving

interesting to report that, in well over 1 000 jumps, the only injuries that have been sustained are one sprained wrist, a couple of near heart attacks (anxious mothers watching their sons jump for the first time!) and one or two dented egos when landings have not been quite up to text-book standard! One boy has had to deploy his reserve chute as a result of a canopy malfunction, but he landed safely and is now well into free-fall progression. At the moment another of our boys, Marc-Jason Maier, is the youngest skydiver in South Africa (if not the world) to reach Category 1.

Michaelhouse was once again largely responsible for the organisation of this year's Annual Inter-Schools' Accuracy Competition which was held at Oribi Airport in Pietermaritzburg in the third quarter. One of our competitors, Paul Cross, was placed second.

TAALVEERENIGING 95

Master-in-charge: Mr T Henderson

Secretary: L McIntosh Treasurer: L McIntosh

Daar was agt lede in die Taalvereniging. Dit was'n bedrywige jaar gewees en al die lede was aktief betrokke. Tydens die vergaderings het die leerlinge aan verskeie aktiwiteite deelgeneem bv. Videos, pannekoek bak, speletjies gespeel

- Afrikaanse weergawe van pictionary, 'n opvoering byge-

woon. Onse groepie het 'n Afrikaanse Kerkdiens by

Merrivale in die NG Kerk bygewoon. Die seuns se grootste pret was toe ons een naweek gemeenskapsdiens verrig het naby Estcourt op mnr. McIntosh se plaas. Saterdagoggend vroeg het die seuns met hulle taak begin. Hulle moes al die vee in die veld bymekaar maak en dan na 'n versamelpunt neem. Dit was om en by veertig kilometers wat die seuns saam met die Suid-Afrikaanse Polisie bergop en bergaf beweeg het om die vee bymekaar te maak. Dieselfde aand was almal van hulle voor agtuur in droomland. Die volgende oggend was almal douvoordag uit die kooi gereed om al die vee vanaf die versamelpunt terug na die plaas te bring. Dit was bloedig warm en die agt en dertig kilometer was geen grap nie. Die voedsel op die plaas was fantasties en elkeen van die seuns het'n fooitjie van mnr. McIntosh ontvang en daarna was daar'n heerlike braaivleis gehou.

Die ander hoogtepunt was toe twee van die seuns as beoordelaars by Clifton Nottingham Road moes optree vir die Afrikaanse deklamasie. Die manne was aan die begin senuweeagtig, maar het hulle goed van hulle taak gekwyt.

Die doel van die Taalvereniging is om met mekaar in Afrikaans to kommunikeer en om dinge uit te redeneer. Die ledetal vir 1996 staan op sestien en ek sien uit om met die nuwe seuns baie opwinding te he. Dankie aan almal vir'n suksesvolle 1995.

TOASTMASTERS

Master-in-charge: Mr W Ashmole/Mr D Elkington

Chairman: Robert Urquhart

Toastmasters is a society which provides members with the opportunity to develop as public speakers, to impress their views on all matters and interpret subjects as they see fit. It also leaves members with fond memories of meetings and the spirit that prevails throughout the society year. This year certainly did not disappoint in this respect.

From being nervous, new members at the first meeting with many a forced smile and an overwhelming sense of relief at finding one's ice-breaker completed, the season progressed to the final dinner where all were at their ease and cold fear only a distant memory.

This became evident when Brad Chadwick handled some "sabotaged" information with aplomb, and in so doing had the audience laughing with, rather than at him. "Wouter" le

Roux will certainly be remembered for his novel approach to all topics with his wry smile preceding his sometimes confusing, yet unique, oratory.

Freedom of speech and interpretation was prevalent in almost all of Simon Misselbrook's speeches, whether it be Socialism or the journey of a river. And yet the characters don't end here; they continue from "Lunch time" McIntosh's booming voice to Duncan Wattam's blushing face (after being made the scapegoat for many deeds), and finally all the way to Abie's interesting sermons.

Yet behind the fun, the experience, the characters, was the quiet, calming leadership of Mr Elkington and Mr Ashmole. It is thanks to them that the society celebrated its centennial dinner this year. This was a nostalgic event for it was to be Mr Ashmole's (the founder of the society) last. All members past and present are grateful for his input of his into the society and we would like to thank him for making it what it is today. I would also like to extend our thanks to Mr Elkington, who takes leave of the society and the Michaelhouse community, for always being there to back Mr Ashmole up, to keep the members in line and for running the society this year. We wish you both the best of luck as you continue on your separate paths.

THE TOASTMASTERS' SOCIETY:

Back row: J. McCormick, D. Wattam, K. Swart, C. Creasy, S. Mlsselbrook, B. Parham 3rd Row: H. Imrie, K. Goulding, C. Maggs, B. Osborne, A. Caldwell, L. Le Roux, B. Chadwick 2nd Row: S Bothner, F. Makara, P. Varndell, C. Kuun, R. Kay, K. Russell, D. Lorimer, A. Mokgwatsane Seated: R. Morgan-Grenville, R. Urquhart, Mr D. Elkington, L. McIntosh, C. Macnaughton

Rob Urguhart, Mr Bill Ashmole and Peter Armitage at the 100th meeting

of the Toastmasters

TROUT CLUB

Master-in-charge: Mr M T Goulding

Captain: Ben Dyson Secretary: Ken Goulding

Members: D Bannister, D Bennett, M Burchell, A Caldwell,

B Dalton, J Maritz, C Strachan, R Snowden.

The year started with a trip to Willy Messenger's. Three fish were landed in windy conditions of which Ken Goulding's and Andrew Caldwell's were each over 2 lbs.

With the drought beginning to break fishing was again bad in East Griqualand. In the week before we left there was a lot of rain in E G and the water was discoloured. At McDougall's, where we started on the first day, it rained most of the time and only the die-hards were out in the downpour determined to tempt that big one. None were tempted and we left empty handed.

After a pleasant night at Highdown our host, Stiggs Cathcart, split us into groups. Stiggs' dam was muddy and no fish were caught in bitter, cold weather. Some bass (using sonar?) got themselves hooked. The group at Glencoe fared no better for the same reason: the fish could not see the fly.

Day 3 was again tinged with optimism as the groups set out after a hearty E G breakfast. One group went to try out Glencoe again as it was thought that the water was not "that" dirty and the other group set out to try Crystal Waters. The water at Glencoe was dirtier than "that" and again a

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blank day. The Crystal Waters group had a good day with the pound and a half stock fish keeping the interest up and David Bannister landing one of 3 3/4 pounds and Snowy landing one of 2 pounds.

Day 4. The group who had yet to touch a fish, went to Crystal Waters and the other group fished the upper reaches of the Ndawaan River on Ken Gilson's farm. The old timers showed how it should be done with Paul Inman catching the biggest river trout and Mr Goulding using all his guile and experience to outwit three four pounders at Crystal Waters.

The last day was to include the now traditional stop off at Hulett's and several faces were saved that day as Hulett's lived up to its reputation. Ken Goulding caught and released a 2 pounder, Justin Maritz a 3 pounder and Neil Goss and Charles Strachan returned in a boat with three 3 pounders. Since neither is a fisherman of repute many pointed references were made to worms, spinners and even dynamite - all hotly denied! Catch of the day went to David Bannister with a fish of almost 6lbs which he caught more by accident than good fishing!

For the remainder of the year the fishing was not good. Too wet. Too dry. Too hot. Too cold. Too windy. Too calm. We heard the lot. Neil Ross' dam was good, with stock fish keeping the interest going. Guest Matt Cook disgraced himself by taking a three pounder from under the regular members' noses. A trip to Armstrong's dam at Rosetta also had the stockies keeping the interest up but otherwise no further memorable outings to report.

We again thank all the friends of Michaelhouse who so generously allow us to fish their water.

JUNIOR TROUT

Master-in-charge: Mr N Cahill

The Junior Trout Club has been on several fishing expeditions this year. We have fished at Kamberg, Glengarry, McCormick's dam and the Mooi River.

Other activities have included videos (A River Runs Through it), lectures and fly tying.

A trip to the Himeville area is planned for the last week of the quarter.

WEIGHTS CLUB

Master-in-charge: Mr E de Klerk

I am delighted that more staff members are making use of the Weights Room. Rising health costs and today's rushed lifestyle make setting an example of a healthy lifestyle and stress management an important aspect of a well-rounded education.

This year we purchased three new machines for cardio-vascular work which are used before the weight training programme starts. Ultimately, I would like to see the Weights Room expanded to cater for a "super circuit training".

Dion van Zyl, a Biokinetieist, has also been assisting our boys with programmes to improve their fitness and strength. His advice and assistance has been of great value to the boys and the masters. All new C Blockers who join the Weights Club have also been shown how to do the exercis-

es and given a programme. I discourage the image of 'body builders" and we concentrate on strength training

The Chairman for 1996 will be Scott McPherson and I compliment him on his commitment to make the club function well.

Watching some boys training in the afternoons, they know what works - hard work and determination; sweat, more sweat, free weights and cardiovascular exercise. Repeat after repeat - focus - patience.

Dom Bothner works out

WOODTURNING CLUB

Master-in-charge: Mr C Purchase

A small but enthusiastic group of boys have regularly attended sessions of the Club. They have been instructed by "The Woodturner" who is on the Midlands Meander. His enthusiasm and genuine interest in the work of the boys enabled them to turn bowls out of green-wood that are of a high standard. They will soon be given instruction in turning between centres.

Three lathes have been found in the workshops and they should soon be working for the club to use. A suitable room still has to be identified for the Club, so that it can function at school.

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Old Boys' Section

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Eighty-Third Annual General Meeting of the Michaelhouse Old Boys Club held in the Schlesinger Theatre, Michaelhouse on 18 March 1995

The President (S B Sharratt) called on the Rt Revd Peter Harker, Bishop of Zululand to say the opening prayer.

All remained standing while the secretary read the names of those Old Boys whose deaths had been reported during the past year. They were as follows:

Lewington George Archer (35-38)

Gerald Frederick Vivian Brazier (43-47)

Most Reverend Bill Bendyshe Burnett (31-35)

Kenneth Guy L'Estrange (30-33)

Alfred Lindsay Evans (22-26)

John Henry Finlayson (42-46)

David Neil Forsyth (35-39)

Eric Holland Goodall (13-16)

Ronald Gowans (26-29)

Lovell Edward (Ted) Greene (29-32)

Paul Michael Harker (31-35)

John Edward Harris (61-65)

Ernest Francis Harriss (34-41)

Noel Richard Henry Harriss (33-36)

Peter Egerton Helme (31-33)

Frederic David Marrian (65-69)

Raymond Kenneth McLuckie (80-84)

Michael Alan McMaster (44-48)

Jeffrey Morphew (31-36)

Ruth Pennington LADY

Leonard Denny Pickles (33-35)

Niel Richard Reid (19-22)

John Samuel Schlesinger (37-40)

Jonathan Clive Shedlock (89-92)

Kendal Wynne Simpson (27-30)

Murray Stewart Taylor (73-76)

Gavin Douglas Tweedie (83-86)

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WELCOME

The President welcomed all present. Don Hall (20-22) was declared Khehla and was applauded.

ATTENDANCE AT OLD BOYS' DAY AGM

C A Byron, R Gathorne, D M R Lewis, F. Dyson, O Q Stubbings, J J Price, T H Tatham, J D R Short, D W Osborn, K I Mackay, L B Leslie, P M Wattam, A D North, R K Reynolds, L K Reynolds, G B D McIntosh, G D R Armstrong, A J Ardington, J A Craven, J R Anderson, B McCormick, J M McCormick, D P H Atkinson, D W Strachan, J J Rymer, P V Moberly, R E Turner, J R Bates, James Quin, P Quin, D Parkin, J Hall, J J Egeland, John Pemberton-Lowe, S H Harris, C Butler, A B Blackhurst, P Harker, D Pennington, P Framcos, P M Smythe, G S Oxley Oxland, R M Steere, D E Button, K O'Brien, J Cheshire, D Lister-James, REA Folker, J M du Plessis, V M C Shaw, W V C Shaw, I C Cochrane, M Seymour, G Seymour, R Martin.

NEW MEMBERS

The following new members were elected on the proposal of Roy Gathorne, seconded by John Cheshire.

Archibald, P B D (91-94); Alfonso, M F (93-94); Alcock, A D (90-94); Arnott, S M (91-94); Balladon, O J (94); Barras, R J (91-94); Baxter, H L (91-94); Bedford, S P (91-94);

Bekker, J B (91-94); Bevan, N (60); Black, J M (90-94); Botha, E J (94); Bradley, D V (91-94); Briscoe, D E D (91-94); Bronneberg, B M G J (92-94); Bryant, G (90-94); Cairns, S M (92-94); Campbell, M D (94); Chennells, P J (91-94); Christie, G M (90-94); Collin, R P (92-94); Collins,

J V (91-94); Dennyson, C (90-94); De Rosnay, G J

(92-94); De Villiers, L D R (86-90); Dollow, J A (91-94); Dottridge, S W (91-94); Douglas, S J S (91-94); Du Toit, S R (92-94); Eslick, M I (90-94); Eriksen, D S (90-94); Erlemann, M E (89-94); Fell, C M (91-94); Garrett, B D A (91-94); Goldby, W A (89-94); Green, W J N (90-94); Holderness, I J (91-94); Homer, G P (91-94); Hughes, J P (90-94); Knight, B H (90-94); Kubheka, M M (90-94); Lamont, C H (94); Larsen, R S (91-94); Lewis, D H (90-94); Macduff, D R (90-94); Makan, P K (91-94); Manqele, C (94); Matthew, S R (91-94); Mayes, R C (90-94); McBride,

R C (90-94); Moller, C J D (91-94); Mooi, C A (91-94); Mrkusic, I P (91-94); Mrkusic, P C (91-94); Msimango, T T (93-94); Murray, K N (91-94); Macduff, D R (90-94); Naidu,

P (90-94); Nairn, R A (90-94); Nash, M W (91-94); Neilsen, R M (91-94); North, C D A (91-94); Oscroft, K D (91-94); Plane, B (94); Pool, C G F (90-94); Quayle, L M (91-94); Porter, S G (89-94); Potter, FAR (91-94); Potter,

L M (91-94); Pretorius, J (90-94); Ralfe, B D (91-94); Ralph, B C (89-94); Reinhardt, C J (90-94); Roberts, M J (94); Roberts, R D (93-94); Rose, Q E (91-94); Russell, N B D (90-94); Sacco, N G (90-94); Sayer, B (92-93); Schulze, M (89-94); Slatter, S P (91-94); Smart, A F D (90-94); Smith, C D (90-94); Smith, W G M (89-94); Southwood, S T (91-94); Steyn, T R (90-94); Swart, H (90-94); Thomson, H (91-94); Thorsen, A S (90-94); Turner, J W (90-94); Uren, R H T (91-94); Valentine, R B (90-94); Van Schalkwyk, D R (90-94); Vaudin, M J S (91-94); Willcox, E J (93-94); Willemse, B (93-94); Wilson.

J P (91-94); Winckworth, A D (91-94); Wood-Collier, R G (92-94); Wynn, G R (90-94).

HONORARY MEMBERS

Cahill, N G; Elkington, N D R; Giles, G G; Tarr, B S; Vincent, A C.

THE RECTOR'S REPORT

The Rector welcomed all present warmly and especially John Craven (54-58) who was visiting the school on his way back from Tokyo to London.

He explained that during building operations the school had been able to accommodate only 450 boys. Now there was the capacity for 480, and the demand for places next year was very healthy.

All houses had now been completed but there was still building taking place. Still to be completed this year would be a VIth Form Centre, and English teaching area, an Art Centre and possibly a Resource Life Skill Centre. A very

beautiful pavilion was going up near Meadows and a new pool was already in place.

Despite the disruptions things had gone smoothly and the achievements of matriculants had been most encouraging. Good study areas had led to a better study ethos. He commended the role of Allen Duff, Bursar and Senior Master, staff coordinator of the programme and Mr John McCormick who had kept everybody on their toes.

In the matriculation exam there were no failures, 75 pupils entered for Matric examination all had gained that exemption except one who had been converted to a school leaver's pass. John Black gained six subject As, Richard

Newton four subject As and two Bs. Of the matric candidates 17,3 gained A aggregates, 25,3 B, 36 C. Mathematics Olympiad successes especially in the Junior Olympiad were something to be proud of.

He gave credit to George Burgess, Musical Director and his team. The jazz band was in great demand, and everywhere people commented on their expertise. They would be used for the Centenary Ball. Music was going from strength to strength.

Boys were making good use of the theatre for small productions as well as major productions.

The basketball team had been the best for some time. Cricket had gone well, and young old boys Dale Benkenstein, Bill Stelling and Lloyd Ferreira had excelled. Tennis and squash were also strong. The rugby should be good.

Mackenzie House had opened under Mr Ken Shuter and boys had volunteered to be founder members. The colour of the house was bright orange.

He said that the very best use must be made of the good facilities. A Strategic Planning Meeting had been held with* Governors and Senior Staff. Next day there would be a Report-Back Meeting of eleven sub-committees. He would then put a paper together for the next Michaelhouse News.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu had been admitted Ad Portas on 25 August.

He expressed gratitude to the staff for dedicated service.

Corporal punishment was to be outlawed in all schools and he had decided that we would be ill-advised to continue with it. Recently very few had received corporal punishment and alternate punishments had already been put in place. He gave an assurance that there would be no breakdown of discipline.

The Rector then referred to the fagging system and told of changes being made to keep the good and remove the negative.

He concluded:

"We are confident that the school is set firmly in the right direction to meet the challenges of the new South Africa.

I do believe that we have gone through, and are still going through, one of the most exciting periods in the history of the school. Once again the role of the Old Boys has been immense. Their support and input to the school have been quite invaluable. Without this support there is no question that the school would not be in the position we find it today. I would once again like to record my extreme gratitude to all those Old Boys and parents who have given so much of their time, their expertise and support to Michaelhouse. I particularly would like to thank the outgoing President Stan Sharratt for his dedication and wonderful support over the past two years.

We now look forward to our Centenary year next year - a new century for our school combined with a new era for South Africa. The same message that was there for you at Michaelhouse remains for the young men of today:

'When duty whispers low Thou must The youth replies - I can'."

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 1995

Chairman of the Board, Rector, Bishop Harker, ladies and gentlemen. Well, I survived another year and once again it was a pleasure to have been of service to the community.

One of the pleasures has been the letters sent to the Secretary from local and overseas recipients of either congratulatory letters or letters of commendation. The writers have obviously been quite moved to be remembered by their old school. Another pleasure is the camaraderie that is evident when visiting other Branches and a third pleasure is just visiting the School.

A sadness was the passing in December last year of Ruth Pennington one of our three honorary Lady Old Boys. She has a special place in our hearts. Our sympathies to her family. A chapter in the history of Michaelhouse has closed.

Old Boys' Day last year was the first to be held on a date other than Ascension Day and I consider the day to have been a success. It was enjoyable to be at the School in a functionable mode, with the choir singing in the Chapel, and enthusiastic supporters urging on their heroes on the sports field. We wait with anticipation to see the response this year.

The Branches, especially those of Johannesburg, Maritzburg, Midlands and Durban maintain their commitment and organised many functions on behalf of the Old Boys and the School. I am pleased to say that East Griqualand has been resuscitated and some of us, including the Rector, spent a hectic evening at the Swartberg Club in February. The hospitality was traditional but I managed to get to bed before 2 o'clock.

A function is being held at Ian Garland's farm in Zululand on April 23rd which will bring the Zululand Branch back into the fold. I realise that these two farming communities have had many problems in the past few years and so I am pleased that they are able to participate in the affairs of the Old Boys' Club again. We are also hoping to add the Eastern Free State as a contact group. It is very important in view of our impending Centenary Celebrations that we have a strong base on which we can organise our activities.

I view with great interest the part that the younger members of the organisation are now taking in the affairs of the Club.

I see in all the branches the emergence of a strong core of these members involved in committee work, bringing with them refreshing ideas and enthusiasm. It augurs well for the future of the Club which is as you may know considered to be the strongest Club of its kind in the country.

A successful Gaudy was held in September for school leavers in the years 1982-1984 and was well attended.

The Senior Old Boys' Lunch (44-45) took place in April on a typical Michaelhouse Day. Some of the guests had not seen each other for years and an enjoyable afternoon was had by all.

I must praise the efforts of Jamie Inglis who runs the Fund Raising Committee. I should say "drives" the Committee, as he puts in a great deal of work to ensure that as much money as possible is gathered for the School to ensure it a place of eminence in the new South Africa.

The School is looking tremendous with the grounds in their usual immaculate condition. You must take a tour of the buildings to realise how much effort and time the Board

Wallace, David Wheelwright, David Scoglngs, Michael Renton, Alan Clulow Back row (L-R) John Mason-Gordon, Darrell Hall, Miles PrIce-Moor, Hugh Wallace, David Wheelwright, David Scoglngs, Michael Renton, Alan Clulow

Middle row (L-R) David Parkin, Basil Hersov, Leonard Brunt, Errol Tath am, Sleg Maske, Mark Kumleben, Michael Dyer, John Patchltt Front row (L-R) Ronald Brooks (standing), David Chambers, John Hurst, Peter Harker, Babs Pluke, John Pluke, Chick Henderson, Francois Juno d.

John Freer, Peter Strachan (standing)

under the Chairmanship of Tony Ardington has devoted to plan and implement the upgrading of the facilities. You will see that the programme is still ongoing with the pavilion being constructed adjacent to Meadows. The generosity of all donors, both large and small, has been tremendous. John Pluke has given you an update on the affairs of the School and you can see that matters are well in hand. I have heard him give many addresses at various gatherings over the years and one has the impression of a man completely dedicated to his task. I thank him for his support in my two years in office and also to the staff of the school. Thank you for hosting us today and I trust we will all have a pleasant day.

This is Ronald Brook's last Annual General Meeting as Secretary and I, on behalf of all old boys, here and overseas, thank him unreservedly for his dedication, hard work and enthusiasm. He is remembered with affection by all. Thanks also to his staff who deal efficiently with the running of the Club.

To my Committee who have had to listen to me for two years I say thank you for your support and wise council and

I wish Chick Henderson and his Committee all the best for the future especially in the Centenary Year. You will have seen in the notice you received with the Michaelhouse News the plans for 1996 that have been put together by Graeme Armstrong and his Committee.

Old Boys' Day will be on 16 and 17 March and will, apart from the Relay Race from Loop Street, have the usual format on the Saturday. On the Sunday a host of activities has been planned and depending on the response from your-

selves we will put the plan into action. You will shortly receive a general notice with a preliminary reply slip indicating those functions or activities in which you would like to participate and I urge you to reply so we can ensure a great weekend. South Africa is changing fast and we must move with the times and I urge you, especially the younger members, to continue to make an effort to ensure that

Michaelhouse remains at the pinnacle of secondary educational institutions.

Stan Sharratt

It is with great pleasure that I present the incoming President of the Michaelhouse Old Boys' Club - John Hamilton Henderson, that's official - better known as Chick

- one Old Boy whose voice has been heard for many a long year commentating at rugby matches around the country. He not only commentates but is actively engaged in the administration of rugby and is President of the South African Barbarians.

An astute businessman and committed family man he left the school in 1947 as Head of House (Founders) Colours in cricket and rugby. Incidentally his house tutor was none other than Ronald Brooks. He went on to play rugby for Scotland and Transvaal and is now your President for 1995 and 1996, in other words the Centenary President.

Chick Henderson

It is with sadness that I report that this will be the last Old Boys' Day, officiated by Ronald Brooks, our Secretary and the School's Community officer.

Ronald will be retiring during the year and will move to Cape Town. He first came to the School as a master in 1947 and after 10 years was appointed Headmaster of Cordwalles. After 28 years he returned to Michaelhouse as the Old Boys' Secretary. His duties not only covered the Old Boys' functions but included secretary to the Board, Community Officer, Teacher and Adjudicator of Bursaries. He has been the warp and weft of the Old Boys' Club for many years and knows so many OMs from school or Cordwalles and has any amount of anecdotes to tell.

He is a keen gardener and will be amongst his family in Cape Town. We wish him and Nan well in the future.

THE TREASURER'S REPORT

The Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December

1994 have been tabled in the foyer.

The Income and Expenditure Statement shows a surplus of R11,245.

The income of the Club is made up as follows:

Life Subscriptions R31 800

Profit on Sales R18 157

Permanent Secretary Fund R32 763

Sundry Income R 5 847

R88 567

Expenditure amounted to R77 322.

Donations received for the Chronicle Fund now amount to R44 806.

The advertisements of our sponsors for the 1995 Chronicle have contributed R14 000.

It is because of the generous donations from Old Boys to the Chronicle Fund and the substantial amount received from advertisers, that we are able to maintain the life subscription at the existing rate of R300.

BRANCH REPORTS

Reports were given by representatives of Durban and Coast (J D Cheshire), Johannesburg (K J O'Brien), Pietermaritz-burg (T H Tatham), Midlands (J R O Bates), E Griqualand (D W Osborn).

CONGRATULATORY LETTERS AND COMMENDATIONS

Congratulatory Letters 1994-95

Dr Peter Ardington (61-65) President SA Veterinary Board.

Simon Armstrong (80-83) Captain SA Polo.

Giles Bonnet (78-82) Captain of Hockey, South Africa.

Rory Bryden (88-91) South Africa, Polo.

Professor Alan A Dashwood (54-58) Professor of European Law at Cambridge University.

Professor Alan Davenport (44-48) - award of the 1994 Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada's Gold Medal for his work as Director of the Boundary Layer Wind Tunnel.

Michael Ellis (82-84) SA White Water Champion - Canoeing and represented Great Britain in the 1988 Olympic Games.

Dudley Forde (53-56) appointment as Headmaster of Durban High School.

Ian Garland (40-43) Honorary Doctorate of Science, University of Natal.

Ian S Haggie (31-34) On his long service as Prior of the Order of St John.

Basil Hersov (40-44) Awarded the Wits Business School Management Excellence Award.

David Hatton (50-53) President of the Wild Life Society.

Michael Stevenson (57-61) Vice-President (Academic) York University Toronto.

Nick van Beek (81-85) Mr Universe Award.

Professor David Woods (51-55) Chairperson of the International Division of Bacteriology and Applied Microbiology Societies.

Commendations 1994-95

Scott Balson (68-71) Success with his computer business in Perth.

Andrew Bates (88-92) Rugby for Natal U21 squad.

Richard Bates (86-90) Natal U23 Rugby, member Natal Senior Squad.

R J de Bufanos (86-91) Cedara Awards.

Jack Brotherton (83-86) Representing South Africa in the World Freestyle Ski events all over the world.

Stuart Butcher (88-91) Natal U21 Rugby.

Stuart Collins (88-92) Rugby for Natal U21 Squad.

Andrew Dymond (64-68) Chairman Natal Hockey Association.

John Elliott (47-51) Awarded prize at the Royal Show for his Supreme Grand Champion Aberdeen Angus.

Lloyd Ferreira (87-92) Cricket for Boland.

Bradley George (89-90) Rugby WP U23.

Keir Hall (36-40) National Champion Aberdeen Angus.

Patrick Hall (84-87) Cape Technikon's Young Marketer of the Year award.

Charles Holley (65-70) President SA Polo Association.

Shaun Holliday (71-74) President of the Americas and Caribbean region of Guinness Breweries Worldwide.

Anthony Ireland (88-91) Rugby for Natal U21 Squad.

Bill Lambert (51-55) PMB Umzinduzi Transitional Local

Council.

Phiwayinkosi Mbuyazi (87-89) De Beers Centenary Award, a scholarship to Oriel College, Oxford.

Graham McIntosh (57-60) Retiring after 22 years as Chairperson of Scripture Union in the Independent Schools.

Christopher Nupen (48-51) On winning the Czech Crystal Award at the 31st International Television Festival in Prague for his music film "Franz Peter Schubert".

Chris Pearson (88-92) Rugby for Natal U21 Squad.

Fred Pitout (62-65) On his preferment as Canon.

Hayden Pooke (89-92) Rugby for Natal U21 Squad.

Billy Stelling (85-88) Boland Cricket.

Hamish Stevenson (74-78) Distinguished academic, sporting and business career.

Dave Short (52-56) Pietermaritzburg Squash League Convener and convener of veteran squash tournaments.

Bruce Sutherland (85-89) Rugby Transvaal and Northern U23.

Dan Wardlaw (53-56) President Natal Society of Chartered Accountants

Gyles Webb (61-64) 1994 Winemaker of the Year.

Jason Wesson (91) Rugby Transvaal U21.

Nick Whitely (61-64) Artes Award SABC Cape Town.

Alistair Whitton (83-86) Volkskas Atelier Award for Sculpture.

Nigel Williamson (89-91) Rugby for Natal U21 Squad.

Dr Jonathan Youngleson (67-71) Medical Research Council s programme manager for technology, development and transfer.

GENERAL

- (a) J A Craven reported on the UK Bursaries Trust of which he is a trustee. He informed the meeting that Sir Richard Scott was Chairman of the Trustees, and Archbishop Desmond Tutu was also a trustee. He said that there were four UK bursars in the school at present and there would be a fifth in 1996.
- J A Craven was on a brief visit from London. He was greatly impressed by all he had seen of Michaelhouse and especially by the open-friendly manner of the boys.
- (b) It was agreed that messages of greeting this meeting should be sent to former Rectors Rex Pennington and Neil Jardine.
- (c) The President reminded the meeting that the Secretary, R C Brooks, would be retiring soon and this was his last AGM. He paid a warm tribute to him, a presentation was made to him and he was applauded.
- (d) The President spoke appreciatively of his successor J H Henderson mentioning his distinguished career as a boy at Michaelhouse in sport, sports commentating and business thereafter.

The incoming President, J H Henderson, thanked Mr

Sharratt for his hard work and efficiency in his two years as

President. He also spoke kindly of the retiring secretary.

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DURBAN AND COAST BRANCH

Chairman's Report -1995

An enjoyable and successful parents' and prospective parents' cocktail party was held at Clifton Cricket Pavilion on 3 March 1995. About 120 guests attended which included the Rector and Senior Staff.

We took part in the Wynand Claasen 7-A-Side Rugby Tournament at Kearsney on 14 May 1995 and managed to reach the quarter-finals, that is after being counted out of a place in the semis.

Unfortunately Durban was poorly represented in this year's Hudson-Bennett Golf Tournament - the major contributory factor being a clash of dates with a World Cup Rugby fixture at Kings Park. The Norman Lewis Golf Day was played on 4 November 1995 at Selborne Country Club and we finished 6th out of 22 teams. The Annual Golf clash against Hilton (D A Chapman) was held on 26 November and we successfully managed to defend our title.

Two successful 100 Club draws took place at the Durban Club on the 25 April 1995 and 22 August 1995. Both evenings were well attended and guest speakers were Tony Ardington and Graeme Armstrong respectively.

The Annual Dinner and AGM took place on 17 November at the Durban Club. A record number of 127 Old Boys attended and we were fortunate enough to have as our guest speaker Mr Pat Symcox.

The branch has a lot on its plate for the Centenary and has actively begun preparations for the coming year.

Lastly, a big thank you to the current committee for their hard work and continued support.

John Cheshire, Chairman.

PIETERMARITZBURG BRANCH

The Maritzburg branch of the Old Boys' Club has had an unspectacular but consistent year.

The Annual Hudson-Bennett Golf Tournament was held on the 5 June. Unfortunately we fell victims of the England vs West Samoa World Cup Rugby match and attendance was well down on previous years. This did mean however, that Durban were deprived of the Trophy which returned to Maritzburg for the first time in a long time. Due to the clash with another World Cup Rugby event the Annual Rugby Dinner was postponed to the third-quarter. The Dinner organised by Hilton and addressed by Roy Maclean was as usual an enjoyable event.

The Hudson-Bennett Tennis Tournament was held during August and won by the Staff team.

A cocktail party for parents was held at the Hexagon Theatre which was organised by the School and was well attended. The Jazz Band played afterwards.

A "Bulls Party" was held for Roy Gathorne at the Country Club on the 16 November. This event was well attended and gave the Old Boys a chance of wishing him and his wife well.

An informal dinner with wives was held at the end of November. This is becoming an increasingly popular function amongst the hard core of Maritzburg Old Boys. There was no guest speaker and a very pleasant evening was had by all.

It is planned to have the normal new Old Boys' Cocktail Party at the end of February. This function has been grow-

ing in stature over the last few years and will no doubt ensure that Maritzburg has a young, fit and very competitive relay team.

EAST GRIQUALAND BRANCH

Other than an AGM in February 1995 at which guests nearly outnumbered the Old Boys present, not much activity has been seen in EG.

The main activity has been in the Old Boy support of the Midlands Weaner Scheme and 35 to 40 weaners have been placed with local OM farmers. It is felt generally that this method of raising funds in a predominantly farming community is much more acceptable than direct approaches for funds especially with the present state of the farm economy.

The Branch has agreed to enter a team in the relay on 16 March 1996 and the Kokstad Toyota Dealer - The Motique

- has agreed to sponsor our team over and above the National sponsorship by Toyota SA.

A get together of all OMs, present pupils and past and present parents has been arranged for 17 December 1995 at which we hope to gauge the response for the dinner on 14 June 1996. Our problem is that the decision on a venue for the dinner is dependent on the numbers to be catered for

and the numbers are completely unknown at present.

The branch has a mailing list of 108 Old Boys and 18 parents of Old Boys, present pupils or pupils entering the school in 1996.

Although EG Branch activities have been minimal in the past it is anticipated that the Centenary Year will cause a resurgence in interest in the School. Of the 8 present pupils,

5 are sons of Old Boys. 1996 sees a further 5 new boys, including 1 Old Boy's son.

MIDLANDS BRANCH

The main activity of the Midlands Branch continues to be the weaner cattle scheme and management of the Midlands' Bursary Fund which provides bursaries for sons of Old Boys who are farmers in the region.

In 1995 six pupils were the beneficiaries of Midlands' Bursaries and there is respectable growth in Bursary Funds for 1996. Our thanks go to all the Old Boy farmers (particularly in East Griqualand and Northern Natal) who ran weaners as part of the scheme over the drought period of 1994-5.

The Committee is active and met 5 times in 1995. Activities during the year included a golf tournament at Bosch Hoek, Balgowan, good participation at the Annual Michaelhouse/College/Hilton cocktail party and involvement in the Hudson-Bennett tennis played at Michaelhouse.

In November the Midlands Committee hosted a dinner for Ronald and Nan Brooks to wish them well in their retirement to the Cape and to thank Ronald for all the input and assistance he has given the Midlands Branch over the years.

ZULULAND BRANCH

Our annual function was held on the 23 April 1995 at Twin Streams, the home of Ian and Jean Garland of Mtunzini. This proved to be a wonderful and unique venue which attracted 30 Old Boys and their families for a meeting and luncheon under the trees in their magnificent garden. Lunch was preceded by a walk through "Mick's Park" led by our energetic and knowledgeable host and included a tour of some of the stream bank vegetation rehabilitation work which Ian has pioneered and which has put Twin Streams

on the International environmental map. It was a fitting venue for the meeting especially as Ian had only a few weeks before received an Honorary Doctorate from the Natal University for his wonderful contribution to conservation in Natal

We were pleased to have John Pluke and Ronald Brooks as our guests and the occasion was a great success.

We are now involved in planning activities for the Centenary Year and hope to have a successful Centenary Dinner and committed participation in the relay race, Centenary Ball and other activities.

TRANSVAAL BRANCH

The Committee Members who served during 1995 were: K O'Brien (chairman), R Buchholz (treasurer), J Anderson, M Blades, J Hindle, C Henderson, R Hewitt, M Stewart.

During the course of 1995, two golf days were held in Johannesburg:

- (a) The annual Michaelhouse/Hilton Golf Day was held on
- 20 August 1995. Unfortunately, Michaelhouse was soundly beaten.
- (b) The annual private schools Golf Day was held on 29 October 1995.

Another successful Annual Dinner was held on 2 November 1995 at the Inanda Club. Hugh Bladen was the guest speaker and approximately 120 Old Boys attended. We also had the privilege of the company of two past Rectors of Michaelhouse, Neil Jardine and Rex Pennington.

Preparations for the Centenary Dinner are underway and the Pretoria Old Boys have shown great enthusiasm for holding their own dinner in 1996.

Thank you to my Committee members for their support and guidance during 1995.

WESTERN CAPE BRANCH

The monthly meeting on the third Thursday of each month at the Keg & Grouse, Rondebosch has been discontinued due to lack of support by both OMs and OHs.

1995 was the second year running a "club within a club ", the idea being to see which OMs were prepared to support local functions by paying an annual subscription of R50. Of the 250 or so eligible only 21 elected to support the W Cape

branch in this way. It has become nonsensical to send out 250 or more circulars for functions which are either poorly supported or had to be cancelled for lack of support.

A spring cocktail party was arranged as usual in October, jointly with OHs. The cost was R20 per head and, besides 5 OMs and partners there were a like number of OHs present. Again a disappointing turnout particularly as three of the OMs were committee members and, furthermore, Mike Duggan prepared excellent fare for us at his restaurant, The Upper Crust.

We do not know what we as a committee are doing wrong! Perhaps Ronald Brooks may be able to help get things going for us in 1996. We do not want another flop when it comes to organising the local Centenary Dinner on 14 June.

Anthony Hart

Old Boys' Notes

A FAREWELL MESSAGE FROM RONALD BROOKS TO ALL MEMBERS

This Old Boys' Section is my last. By the time it appears Nan and I should be settled in our new home in Cape Town, at 19 Hastings Street, Tamboerkloof. We hope that from time to time OMs will call on us there.

It has been a privilege and joy to serve the Michaelhouse Old Boys' Club as secretary for 11 years.

In 1947 I joined the Michaelhouse staff immediately after the Jubilee celebrations and I now leave immediately before the Centenary celebrations. (There was a gap of 28 years when I was at Cordwalles.)

It has been a particular delight to be in touch with those whom I knew as pupils between 1947 and 1956 and those OMs who were with me at Cordwalles. But OMs of all generations have helped to make my work enjoyable as I have experienced their comradeship at gaudies or by correspondence. My respect for our remarkable association has grown steadily as I have learned more and more about the varied careers and amazing achievements of OMs and their loyal support and love of their old school.

The 11 presidents, whom I have served, were all known to me when they were boys. They have all been wonderful men to work with, as have been all the members of the central committee and our branch chairmen.

The ladies in the office, Gyll Rouillard and Pushpa Ramharack do a great job for the club. I have been most fortunate to have had their efficient and devoted assistance. Their work-load has been especially heavy in recent months, as they are handling the centenary memorabilia but they are coping well. Please do inform the office when you change your address. Yes, we do slip up sometimes, but almost always, when we lose touch with someone, it is because we have had no notification of a move. Gyll and Pushpa do deserve your support.

Adrian Rogers takes over from me. I wish him luck. After thirty years on the staff he is known by a great many of you and he knows you.

Goodbye then, and thank you for a richly rewarding chapter of my life.

NATAL

RICHARD ADDERLEY (52-53) and Nora are proud grand-

parents of two-year-old Gabriel and baby Sebastian. Richard sees quite a lot of MICHAEL KEATH (48-52) and has been in touch with DAVE TUTTLE (48-52).

WALTER BLAKEWAY (80) is project manager with Topic Stores (Pty) Ltd, Sun Valley.

When CLIFTON BOWLER (91-94) wrote in April, he was still missing Michaelhouse. He is a student at Scottsville (presumably the university not the race course!)

DENZIL BRADLEY (4^-53) is Deputy Chairman TWS Communications, the largest P.R. Company in South Africa.

OLIVER BRADLEY (82-87) married Nicola Fenton on 25th February, 1995. He is assistant Branch Manager OMO at Lever Bros. Durban.

DAMIAN BRADLEY (92-94) is studying Business Management at the Natal Technikon in Durban.

DR LEONARD BRUNT (42-44) attended the 1944-1945 reunion lunch. He lives in Umhlanga Rocks where he

'shamelessly pursues an un-productive existence devoted largely to reading, golf and fishing." His most recent venture in the last category was a holiday in an uninhabited region of Alaska, accessible only by float plane. It is a fly-fisherman's paradise, which he would recommend to all enthusiasts.

CHARLES BYRON (49-52) has now retired and lives on his small holding ALTNABREAC in the Kamberg valley.

Church Warden, Parish of Mooi River: 1993 to date.

Chairman Natal Conservancies Association: 1993 to date.

Warden, Kamberg Conservancy: 1989 to date.

Member, Dabulamanzi Combined School Committee: 1992 to date.

Committee Member & Secretary, South African Crane Foundation: October 1994.

Nominated in 1994 for the Natal Parks Board Conservation Award for 1993.

25th March, 1995 he celebrated the 60th anniversary of his birthday in the company of 60 of his friends and relatives, including several OMs.

From Doris Campbell comes the death of GLADYS HESOM, who was nursing sister from (65-74). Sister Joan

Brunskill was with her when she died (in April 1995).

CHRISTOPHER DALGARNO (47-50) is retiring owner of Spartan Workwear C.C. Ladysmith.

KIM ELGIE (46-50) has retired to Gillitts.

In May the Secretary was hailed by PETER GERSON (55-58) and was reminded that he taught Peter 40 years ago. His face was familiar. He lives in Maritzburg, a bachelor and is involved in marketing.

Guise Beaumont and Richard Buckland attended an evening service in Christ Church Grahamstown to thank God for the life and ministry of the late Archbishop Bill Burnett, when Bishop David Russell dedicated a plaque in his memory. It is a brass plaque about 18 inches across and 2 feet long. It is inscribed as follows:

To the Memory of

BILL BENDYSHE BURNETT

31 May 1917 to 3 August 1994

Chaplain to Michaelhouse

Rector of Ladysmith

Bishop of Bloemfontein

General Secretary, SA Council of Churches

1950-1954

1954-1957

1957-1966

1967-1969

1970-1974

Bishop of Grahamstown The first South African-born

Archbishop of Cape Town 1974-1981

who consecreted this church on 16 October 1971

Placed by his loving wife and family in thanksgiving for his life and ministry.

Praise God, Alleluia

LESTER HALL (27-30) on his 83rd birthday in August was keeping well and looking forward to going to England for a three weeks holiday.

GUY HENDERSON (80-83) has passed first Major exams specialising in anaesthetics, in Durban.

SANDY INGLIS (81-83) is engaged to a French girl, lisa.

JAMES LESLIE (80-85) won a gold medal in the 1985 Dusi Singles race, coming 6th. Two years ago he came 8th in the singles and received a gold medal.

In 1995 James was seconded by Graham Leslie (B Block) and Michael Leslie (A Block) and also by D J LESLIE (54-58) and Nick Leslie.

KONRAD LILLIECRONA (28-32) now 80 years old can look back on a life of extraordinary achievements as a fisherman and expert in matters piscatorial. In 1949 he recorded the longest cast (170 yds, 1 ft, 2 inches) ever made in South Africa. In 1955 he was elected vice-president of the South African Anglers' Union. In 1960 he captained the SA Team for the International Light Tackle Fishing competition. In 1966 he published a book Salt-Water Fish and Fishing in Southern Africa. A letter from the SA Association for Marine Biological Research refers to Konrad's "incredible feats not only as a fisherman but as a prophet of the sardine run along our coastline". Go well, Konrad!

STUART MALAN (79-83) is a master at Clifton Prep, Nottingham Road.

JOHN MCDERMOTT (49-52) has moved to Durban from Johannesburg. He is engaged to Wendy Hull. He is now the Managing Director of Separation and Recovery Systems (Pty) Ltd, which is a joint venture company between Separation and Recovery Systems Inc. Irvine, California and Fraser Alexander Waste (Pty) Ltd.

MARK MCLEOD (80-83) is a partner in the firm of attorneys, Rogers & Morris, in Matatiele. He proposed to Nicky Reay on the top of Illimani (5 400 m) a high altitude ice climb in Bolivia and was accepted.

KEN MCINTOSH (77-81) is a magistrate on the Civil Bench, Durban.

CAMPBELL LESLIE MACNEILLIE (35-38) now lives in the Village of Happiness, Margate. He is a retired sugar farmer and former pilot 25 Squadron SAAF and was for 20 years on the Zululand Reserve of NPB. On 25 April 1995 he and June celebrated 50 golden years together and 14 grand-children.

BILAL NABY (87-90) hopes to complete honours in Commerce at the end of 96, at the University of Natal.

On the 4 March 1995, WARWICK PRICE (85-88), son of JON PRICE (61-64) and Lin, married Cleo Schreiber in the school chapel.

DR STEVE REID (74-77) is Director of a vocational training programme for rural doctors at McCord Hospital, Durban. He recently moved back to Durban after 9 years at

DR GEORGE HOUGHTON (28-31) and Diana celebrated their golden wedding on 3rd July, 1995.

George writes, "This photograph was taken late on the day at Elizabeth's home in Henley. She and Sheena who also lives in Oxfordshire organised a splendid get-together. PETER (66-69) deserted his practice and arrived from Canada. RAYMOND (62-66) is fully occupied with Region-Air in Oman. He sent us a book on that country with a card "From Raymond the Arab".

"Diana and I met in West Africa and were married in Calcutta Cathedral. We were attached to the 82nd W.A.DIV, sailing from Lagos and finished up down the Arakan, Burma. We were sometimes 200 miles apart. Fortunately we discovered the O.C. RAF

Station at Cox's Bazaar was George Chater, my contemporary at Michaelhouse. He made life for us easier as he could send down light aircraft (L5) to land in a clearing in the jungle. Later, after we were married we found him again on a houseboat on the Dal lake in Kashmir. He was able to organise air transport all the way back to our respective units in Burma. The atomic bomb was dropped soon after that and we were eligible for demob, in UK months later.

"I have included a picture of Hamish the latest of 11 grandchildren. He is holding a replica of the World Cup Rugby Ball, which we carried over in June and which acted as 'open sesame' when dangled before customs officials etal"

Bethesda Hospital, Ubumbo (Zululand). He is married to another doctor Janet (Giddy) and they have four children.

SHAUN RENTON (75-78), a farmer in the Estcourt district, married in 1988 and now has 2 sons, 4 and 2 years old.

The prominence of OMs in the SA Sugar Association is shown in this group photograph taken on the occasion of the AGM.

Seated: DICK RIDGWAY (45-51) Past Chairman.

Standing (L-R) DON MACLEOD (61-65) Chairman SA Sugar Millers. Managing Director Illovo Sugar Ltd.

TONY ARDINGTON (54-58) Present Chairman. Chairman Marriott Merchant Bank Ltd, Marriott Holdings Ltd.

RODGER STEWART (63-66) Chairman SA Cane Growers' Association.

CIVE RIGGS (63-67) is Projects Manager, Grindrod Seafreight, Durban. He celebrated 25 years with the company on 30 September 1994. He was married to Sharon in 1976 and their first grandchild was expected in August 1995. Clive has muscular dystrophy, having unknowingly carried it throughout his years at Michaelhouse, and he has been in a wheelchair for 2 years. He is still very active and determined and he gets wonderful support from his family and close friends.

RYAN ROBERTS (87-90) is a broker consultant with Sanlam.

MARTIN SCHROEDER (82-83) a member of Surelinks Consultants (Financial Services Brokerage) is building up a multi-service business for financial/accounting services. He is involved in community upliftment projects through Gateway project PMB.

PETER SIDDONS (52-55) has transformed the interior of a house named Mulberry Hill in Curry's Post and made of it a home of great beauty. Luxurious bed and breakfast accommodation is available. The secretary was privileged to attend a luncheon party given by Peter, who is a host par excellence.

DENBY SIMMONS (60) is chairman, Natal Potato Committee.

GRAHAM SMYTHE (79-82) has recently married. He is the curator of the museum at Rorke's Drift.

GRAHAME TODD (49-52) writes (April 1995)

For the past two and a half years we have been building a house on the lagoon waterfront within the Belvidere Estate at Knysna. This has been undertaken with a gradual or progressive retirement in mind. We are always struck by what a beautiful part of South Africa it is.

HUGH JAMES (58-61) is now my Joint Managing Director at Big Bend Sugar Estate in Swaziland and so after some 32 years in that very hot lowveld climate we are able to reinvigorate ourselves in more moderate climates. Hugh is doing an outstanding job and has recently been responsible for the production of an all-time record crop of sugar cane/sucrose.

As all our children (two married) now live in the UK we have moved out of our house at 652 Essenwood Road, Durban and when in Natal we live in our newly renovated flat at 81 Cadogan Gardens, 298 Musgrave Road, Durban, 4001.

We are travelling to the UK and Europe on business in May where Hugh James and his wife Ingrid will be joining us for a family and friends celebration of my recent 60th birthday, before travelling on to Hamburg and then to the South of France for a few days. We were last in that part of France two years ago as the guests of our dear friends, Chris and Di Perry. It was here that we met Jack (Arthur) Crutchley's charming daughter, Sue, who was married last Saturday in the St. Anne's Chapel, followed by a wonderful celebration at the Crutchleys' home in Kloof. Chris Perry proposed the toast to the bride and groom in a most brilliant and humorous manner and which was a great credit to him and Michaelhouse, in providing some of the grounding for his brilliance. In the cutting of the cake with his Sword of Honour, it was also good to be reminded of Jack's great distinction at Sandhurst, followed by a career filled with distinction and success.

Our son ANDREW (82-85) produced his first music album towards the end of last year and after some publicity by his brother, Michael, and his producer, at the

1995 Midem musical festival in Cannes, we are waiting in anticipation of the next developments. He also "plays" a key role in the family application of computer technology. His music requirements and computer technology "know how" appear at times to have stretched certain software producers to their limits.

JOHN TUCKER (62-67) has a son in his final year at Michaelhouse and a daughter at St. Annes. He is

involved with off-road motor racing. For 15 years he has been farming in the Natal Midlands.

John reports that he has visited JACK MUDD (62-67) on his game farm "Nyati", at Hoedspruit. He recommends a visit, as wild life is abundant and there is a bar called "Jungle Jack" which makes Mampoer.

DAVID WHEELWRIGHT (42-45) wrote to us sometime before his death.

"Johannes ZAMA our Zulu teacher composed a Zulu war cry for the school to be called at Rugby matches. The Rector asked me to endeavour to find a copy of this war cry which was approved by Rector F R Snell and, after being printed by the school press and placed in the classrooms to be learnt by all, had to be withdrawn through objections from a number of the teaching staff. Zama was the first teacher at the Farm School. We had great respect for him. I remember asking him if he thought it fair that he only received 20 % of what other teachers received and he replied that he did not need a motor bike and he was happy to have the respect of his

people and grateful to be able to teach us his language and to have a school for his people. He was my first master to see when I returned to Old Boys' Day in '46 and '47. I was too far away to attend in the 50s. I heard much later that he had passed on".

He died in 1958.

DAVID WILLIAMS-ASHMAN (83-86) is an articled clerk with Adams and Adams, Attorneys, Durban.

Having watched Michaelhouse defeat St. George's College Harare on 29 April 1995 at Michaelhouse MAR-TIN WINTER (43-46) recalled the last occasion that the two schools met on the rugby field, the 29 June 1946 (49 years ago). He unearthed a press report of the match from The Sunday Mail, June 30, 1946. It opens as follows:

"St. George's College Lost to Michaelhouse

VISITORS SCORE FOURTH VICTORY OF TOUR

MICHAELHOUSE Rugby team gained their fourth victory during their tour of Southern Rhodesia when they beat St. George's College by 26 points to 11 on the Police ground, Salisbury, yesterday.

Close on 3 000 spectators were treated to a fine exhibition of Rugby in which the home team won the honour of scoring the highest total against the tourists so far.

Michaelhouse Team - McFie, Howland, Winter, Hart (Captain) McClung, Fletcher, Taylor, Nelson, Clayton, Henderson, Cunliffe (Vice-captain), Field, Gornemann, Dougall, Dyer."

Two more extracts:

"Howland opened up the scoring from one of his runs. His centre, Winter, made all his openings."

"Winter again went over the St. George's line from a quick reverse pass from his wing."

PAUL BYDAWELL (88-92) is a croupier on the casino staff at the Fish River Sun, Port Alfred. He is a single handicap golfer. He has completed his travels in Zimbabwe, where he did white water rafting, survived a bungi jump from the Victoria Falls bridge and caught 38 tiger fish in one afternoon.

DAVE COBBOLD (53-55) is product manager Bergkelder Estate Mines. Stellenbosch. In December 1993 he remar-

ried to Ottolie Rossouw.

C ANDREW EMBLETON (52-56) writes:

I am retiring this year after some 39 years in the world of steel! Elizabeth and I will be going to live in our home in Hermanus.

We now have 4 grandchildren. My son lives in Dubai where he flies for the Emirates airline after spending 3 years with Singapore Airlines, and SAA earlier in his career. My middle daughter has a son and lives in Durban, where her husband is in business on his own. My youngest daughter will soon be returning from Prince Albert, Canada, with her two children as her husband will be specialising at King Edward VII. They also have a son, perhaps another candidate for Balgowan in the years to come?

CAPE

ANDREW BAKER (74-78) is branch manager, Grindrod Ships Agencies, Port Elizabeth. He has a daughter (5) and a son (2).

WALTER BLAKEWAY (80) is project manager with Topic Stores (Pty) Ltd., Sun Valley.

MICHAEL BUTTON (76-80) has moved to Vyeboom in the Cape.

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Mervyn Grey with the Archbishop, Desmond Tutu at Bishops Prep (on right is the Prep Chaplain, Martin Coomer.) Photo by Dr. F Raimondo (54-58).

MERVYN GRAY (58-62) has now completed ten years as headmaster of Bishop's Prep School. He is the Chairman of the Western Cape Conference of Heads. Both his children have now left school and have spent a year "stooging" at the Dragon School in Oxford. In 1996 Mervyn and Sue will be taking long leave and spending about three months in UK, Europe and USA, where they would love to catch up with old friends wherever they are on their travels. Please will they make contact before then.

A L (ANT) HALL (59-62) and his wife have moved permanently to their farm in Barrydale, where they farm fruit and sheep. All OMs are welcome when in the Klein Karoo.

NEIL KISCH (65-68) is married to Robyn-Mary (Wilson). They have three children, including seven-year-old twins (Amnber, Cameron and Nina). They have moved to Cape Town. Neil is a property developer.

R A (GINGER) MUDD (28-33) celebrated his 80th birthday in Johannesburg on 7 September 1994, a great family gathering. Two great-grand-daughters now. Ginger still enjoys golf, and still chairs local NSRI station.

GRAEME J NEWCOMB (84-86) is working in Sasolburg.

OWEN OVENDALE (41-44) retired in May 1995 from the position of MD of Lifecare Clinics (Pty) Ltd. He has moved from Muldersdrift to Simonstown. Owen and his wife, Doreen, are in good health.

DR DAVE PERKINS (70-73) leads a remarkably active life. He is in private practice as a GP serving the Xhosa Townships of Lwandle and Nomzamo, between

Somerset West and Gordons Bay. He has been chairman of SANTA, Somerset West from 1990 and is Provincial ExecuWe Chairman and also Chairman of SANTA, Western Cape. At the SANTA national conference in September 1995 he was the keynote speaker.

From 1990-1993 he was chairman of the Helderberg Aids Centre.

In 1993 he received the Mayor's Award (Somerset West) for outstanding community service.

He is a lay minister and very active member of All Saints Anglican Church, Somerset West.

He went on a special short mission on the ship MV Logos II in June 1994 to Salvador, Brazil and Bridgetown, Barbados as ship's medical officer. He proceeded on to New York City where he addressed the city health department on TB in Africa.

He was team captain of the Western Province 8-Ball Pool Men's league 1984, the winning team.

In 1985 he was the winner of Western Province Men's Pairs Snooker League.

Still more - Runner up novices singles S.W. Bowls Club 1994.

Quarter Finalist W.P. men's trips 1994.

Runner-up men's trips S. West Bowls Club 1995.

We hope he manages to have a rest from time to time.

Later news: On 12 September Dave was elected to the National Executive Committee of SAMTA

MATTHEW REID (77-80) is a musician (clarinet) and teacher in Cape Town.

WILLEM VAN DER WALT (STAFF 63-87) took early retirement from Bishops at the end of 1993. He is now living in his late mother's 170-year-old house in Petrusville (1 Andrea Street) 8770. He enjoys the peace of the Karoo and being in a small town, a friendly community. He is concentrating on his writing and he goes for long walks.

We hear that Willem is now living in Cape Town again. Address please, Willem!

STEPHEN WIMBUSH (85-89) expected to graduate at UCT at the end of 1995 and to be doing his internship at Groote Schuur Hospital.

ROB YOUNG-PUGH (75-79) is an architect in private practice in Somerset West, married to Julia with one child, Jonathan (2).

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hopes to complete his LLB in 1996 and then to continue his studies overseas in Canada or the USA.

ANTHONY AKERMAN (63-66) visited the school on 14 August and the secretary enjoyed walking round with him and chatting. Celebrated as a dramatist and director of plays in several countries, he is now contemplating a play about a boys' boarding school in the sixties.

He writes, \

"I had a pleasant afternoon wandering around the school. I've never said 'good afternoon' so often in one day. Neither have I been addressed so frequently as Sir.

It tends to give you a rather inflated opinion of your worth! I enjoyed watching some of the inter-house rugby and observing the boy (juniors and seniors) interacting. I briefly met Tony Carter - housemaster of West and a science teacher. He was very helpful and friendly.

The plot and characters are floating on the hot-air currents of my mind and I don't want to pin them down until I've done more of the interviews. I'm sure I'll visit the school once more before I start writing and I'll certainly be in touch with you before then.".

MURRAY BOLTON (82-65) lives in Illovo. He is an assistant marketing and fincial manager.

DRUMMOND CAMPBELL (52-56) has retired and lives in Rivonia.

ANDREW DE KLERK (74-78) joined MLS Bank in Durban in 1992. In 1994 he moved to Johannesburg and he is now financial consultant MLS Bank.

DON HENWOOD (29-32) celebrated his 80th birthday and his Golden Wedding in 1994.

GRANT EDMUNDSON (86-89) is an LLB student at Wits. He completed his B.A. Law in 1993. Invited to do honours in Politics at Wits he completed this in 1994. He played hockey for Wits and was secretary to the hockey club. He

SCOTT EDMUNDSON (88-91) is also an LLB student at Wits, having completed his B.A. Law in 1994. He represented Wits for cycling in the 1994 Australian University Games. He also managed the Wits Cycling Team at the SA university event in Bloemfontein. He enjoys playing golf too with ALEX ANDERSON (86-90).

JOHN FROST (VITH FORM 1990) graduated with B.Comm. Economics from the University of Natal (Pmb) in April 1995.

In May he started his first job as Project Analyst Corporate Banking with First National Bank in Johannesburg.

R F HAYWARD (55-58) and his wife Pam have lived in Randburg since May 1981 when they moved from Zimbabwe. They love to travel and in November '94 they visited their daughter Sarah in Australia, a SA Rotary Exchange Student, based in Lockhart near Wagga Wagga, NSW.

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OWEN HOOKER (50-53) called at the school in October. He was looking forward to running in the New York marathon in November. Owen has run four Comrades marathons.

Sandown Primary School closed its doors in December 1993. In January 1994 the school board's decision to go private was implemented. At the beginning of 1995 a new headmaster, Neil Jardine, took the reins and instituted some new ideas.

CHRIS KEEPING (75-77) is account director, Lindsay Smithers FCB Advertising Agency. In June'94 he married Josie (Martin) and they were expecting a child last October.

DAVID M LAWRENCE (64-68) is Managing Director of First Corporation.

DENIS and GWEN MAXWELL visited Michaelhouse in April 1995. They are enjoying their retirement in San Sereno, Bryanston, where Gwen, a highly qualified librarian, runs the library.

Good news of B R NAIDU (STAFF 81-90) and the Naidu family:

B R has been appointed by the Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC) as Group Manager, Human Resource Development Division in Pretoria.

Angie is teaching at Redhill Prep School.

They enjoy living in Gauteng and the challenges of their work and city life.

Their son PHILEN (90-94) left for overseas travel after matric and spent 3 months at a Kibbutz in Israel, a hard life but he enjoyed it - "similar to boarding school!" Then to London, working as a barman, long hours but fun. Then to

Holland, France, Greece, Turkey, Cyprus and Egypt before returning to SA. In 1996 he will study electro-mechanical engineering at UCT.

After 15 months at Darnall Sugar mill as production manager, ROB SCOTT (67-71) was promoted and transferred to Entumeni as Mill Manager in July 1994. He resides in Eshowe and regularly sees Graham and Jonathan Chennells, Hugh and Rhyder Lee, James Stevenson, Tim Scott-Barnes and Malcolm Abrahams.

PETER SCOTT-WILSON (64-67) addressed the staff at their meeting on 18 April 1995 on a proposed survey to be done by Markinor. He has two daughters at St. Annes.

ALAN SPRINGORUM (71-75) writes: "After 4 years of operating from Durban my brother (P.A.) and I have now decided to go back into agriculture and are now proud owners of the farm, "Boschjeskop" in the Brondal region outside

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White River. The farm has been badly neglected and it poses a tremendous challenge to get it back into shape and running efficiently.

BRITAIN

RICHARD AITCHISON (70-73) married Frances Adkin in July 1995. He is head of the English department at Milbourne Lodge Prep School, Esher, Surrey. (Richard was on the Michaelhouse staff from 1982 to 1990.) He would welcome OM visitors.

MIKE BOND (67-70) lives in Cookham, Berkshire. He is marketing director of Arlington Securities, the UK's biggest business park developer.

He says that having scratched a living in the UK since 1985 he was greatly encouraged by the tremendous changes in the Cape when he visited in June 1994. He is looking forward to retiring to a cottage in Cape Town by the time his children (Gemma 14) and Mark (9) finish their secondary education in England.

Olivier and Gielgud rather than imitate the mumblers of today's stage and screen. I would gladly welcome anybody I was at school with, so if there are any erstwhile travellers in South Africa I will do my best to provide them with a temporary roof while they are in England.

The President of Poland has awarded RUSSELL DENOON DUNCAN (39-42), Chairman of the British Polish Legal Association, the Officers Cross of the Order of Merit. This was presented to him in London by the Polish Ambassador.

Russell has been chairman of the Association during the last five years and has been personally involved in many of its initiatives. After wartime service in Egypt and Italy he was a partner of Webber Wentzel & Co, a leading law firm in South Africa. When he came to the UK he joined the predecessor firm of Cameron Markby Hewitt. He became its Senior Partner and is now a consultant to that firm. His practice area has been business law with a strong international element.

JULIAN (49-53) and Rosemary Faux visited Michaelhouse on 24 April 1995. Julian has retired from his work in the Foreign Office, but they still reside in Cambridge.

Julian wrote from Cambridge on 15 September, "After we left you went to Hluhluwe and to Swaziland. Thence to Melelane to stay with DOUG STARLING (51-54) who was in great heart. In Johannesburg we met your Chairman Chick Henderson and his wife."

TREVOR BROWSE (84-86) qualified as an Optometrist in

1993 and worked with Moffatt and Hulbert in Pietermaritzburg until June 1995. He married Kerry (Lyons) in February and in June they left for the UK to travel for a year or two before settling down in South Africa. Last October they were working at Selfridges in London and had met up with several OMs.

JAMES CAMPLING (42-45) wrote declining the Rector's invitation to the senior Old Boys' lunch in April as he expected to be mid-Atlantic on a sailing clipper approaching the Azores en route from the W. Indies to Spain.

GLEN CHRISTIE (90-94) is Aberdeen's solitary OM representative, at the university studying Forestry. He says that the first year was "cool", except for the alarming deficiency of stone-fish! The weather got him down, but it is great for playing rugby. He is "best mates" at varsity with a first cousin of James Gilmour (86-89), who, coincidentally was the skipper on the boat at VIth Form Ocean Sailing.

MARK COMPTON-JAMES (87-90) writes: "My address has changed. I no longer live in Durban but I have moved to the UK so if it is possible please send all my Old Boys' News letters to: 26 Hawkins Way, Lamborough Hill, Wootton, Oxon 0X13 6LA UK where I now reside. I moved in order hopefully, to pursue a career as an actor and if I do succeed then I will try my best to achieve a style akin to

Julian is photographed on his trip with ROB LEWIS (50-54).

R J W (JOHN) HENDERSON (64-68) is in Merchant Banking, consultant to Baring Brothers. He lives in Cheyne Walk, London. He visited the school on Easter Day. He has a son Thomas, six years old, who would "love to be a South African".

ANDREW HOGG (90-94) phoned to say that he and his father are together running a pub, The Edward VII in Royston, Herts. All are welcome there.

AHMED JAMALOODEN (84-86) graduated from Barry University, USA. He is now in Swindon, doing clinical rotations at Princess Margaret Hospital.

DR RICHARD JONES (74-77) started work as an anaesthetic consultant at the Royal Halifax Infirmary last August for a year.

SIR IAN LLOYD (35-38), as one of only a couple of dozen surviving Members who served in WW2 attended the great occasion in Westminister Hall when both Houses assembled to commemorate VE day.

He writes:

My wife (who also held a commission in the Rhodesian forces) and I were invited to be guests of the Speaker and were accorded a most priviliged position behind the Speaker, on the dais just to the right of Her Majesty and Prince Philip. We had a very fine view of the proceedings.

I doubt if I will ever again see such an array of medals as those worn that day. But by far the most moving part of the ceremony was the procession down the length of Westminister Hall of the Rolls of Honour of the two Houses, carried by the senior Doorkeepers of each House, as the Coldstream Guards band played the Nimrod variation from Elgar's Enigma Variations. Not many dry eyes survived that emotional moment.

BOB ROSEVEARE (STAFF 52-60) and lone wrote a cheerful letter on receiving the circular re Centenary celebrations. They will be with us enjoying all the events (especially the Hockey Festival as so much of Bob's life at MHS was centred on the hockey-pitches), but they regret that it will be in spirit that they will join us. They say that their friends Mr and Mrs Andrew Gordon-Clark (staff in the sixties) may be present in person. They conclude, "Every good wish for the success of your labours - with the happiest memories of the years 1952-1960 when we were so privileged to be allowed to teach and serve at Michaelhouse."

MICHAEL J SNELL (56-59) (son of Rector F R S) and Brigitte are living in Ely. He is a divisional director with Mott MacDonald, working mostly on water resources projects in Asia.

MICKY PORTER (87-90) got his Masters degree at the LSE in July and he is now working for Fleming Martin in the City of London.

ADM (TONY) STUBBINGS is an agricultural economist who travels widely (Ghana, Zambia, Tanzania, Philippines) in the last few months. He has a boy and a girl at school in Edinburgh.

BASIL STUBBINGS (29-32) celebrated his 80th birthday with a lunch at Rhodes House (Oxford) and 28th October for 80+ family and friends. His two sons were there and his

grand nephew, RICHARD DYSON (85-89), who is a teacher at a prep school in London, having completed his degree at Bristol University.

J SIMON STUBBINGS (59-63) is a solicitor, managing partner Theodore Goddard, London. He has a girl and a boy at King's School, Canterbury.

NICHOLAS WELZ (84-87) (in May'95) was living in Earls Court and working in Dillon's Bookshop. He was hoping to start studying at the University of Scotland in September for his HDE, as he intends to teach.

While in England in December 1994 STEPHEN WIMBUSH (85-89) bumped into GUY RAMSAY (86-89) who was

working in Harrods, Knightsbridge.

AFRICA KENYA

B R GRANVILLE-ROSS (50-54) and his wife called at the school on 15 June 1995. They were in RSA for the World Cup. Brian is involved in horticulture.

DAVID RUSSELL (43-46) sent his address in Nairobi, and says that he lives next door to JACK BARRAH O.B.E. (43-47). He reminds us that his son CADE RUSSELL (87-91) was a good ruby player at Michaelhouse. He tells us also that PETER NICHOLAS (41-44) lives at Malindi and runs a lodge for an American multi-millionaire.

ZAMBIA

A letter from The Moorings Farm, Monze, from TEL SAVORY (50-54): "I am writing for the first time since 1954. On leaving Michaelhouse I went to UCT, where I obtained my B.Sc. in Mathematics and Statistics. I then worked for two years with Dunlop Rhodesia Ltd., and finally joined my father on this farm in 1960. In 1964 I married Corin Crozier (B.A. Hons. Hong Kong and Dublin), and we had two daughters, Joanne and Jacky, both UCT graduates and both now married.

"In 1983 my wife died after a long illness, and for 10 years I remained single, until I met a Dutch doctor Thea van Huis, we were married on 7 August 1993, and now have a son Thomas Lee, entered for Michaelhouse in 2007."

ZIMBABWE

IAN BICKERSTETH (53-56) lives in a townhouse complex in Harare. He has a son in London, a daughter in Hong Kong and another daughter in Zimbabwe with two children. D P YOUNG (33-37) is in the same townhouse complex.

RICHARD BIEGEL (56-60) is with Dunlop Timber Industries in Harare.

Our Zimbabwe chairman PAT ENGLISH (39-42) has been engaged in writing a book, which amounts to a social history of South Marandellas, which is where he and a number of other Michaelhouse boys grew up, namely Pat's brother JOHN (41-45), JOHN CHOMLEY (35-37), JOHN MACIL-WAINE (35-37), TONY SEAGER (36-39) and MIKE ARK-WRIGHT (38-41) and his brother John. The Old Boys mentioned above are also mentioned in the book, particularly John Chomley who was killed in the Battle of Britain. The book covers a period of about 30 years, from 1925-1955.

DAVID MALCOMSON (80-83) is third secretary, SA High Commission, Harare. He served for two years at the Russian desk at Foreign Affairs in Pretoria. He was placed in the top five candidates for the Diplomatic Exams. He won the best speaker prize. In Zimbabwe he has met TONY COGHLAND (79-82), COLIN HURLBATT (82-85), DAVE BURGER (80-83), GRAHAM DYKES (83-86).

OTHER COUNTRIES FRANCE

EMMANUEL HENING (86-90) is in his fourth year as a student of law at the University of Assas (Paris). He graduated from the Universite Libre de Bruxelles as a Bachelor of Business.

HONG KONG

JOHN DINGLEY (82-85) has been selected for the Hong Kong hockey eleven.

OMAN

After the collapse of Flitestar in April 1994, RAYMOND HOUGHTON (62-66) spent eight months in Athens flying to London and back for various airlines. He wrote in April 1995 from Oman and was flying Airbus A320s to Trivandrum in India, Karachi, Kuwait, Dubai, Salalah (local), Cairo and Zanzibar. He expected to be based in Muscat, Sultanate of Oman for at least a year being employed by a Singapore-based company.

ITALY

FRANCIS KEEPING (73-75) continues his great singing career based at Modena.

AMERICA

TREVOR ACUTT (73-76) moved to San Francisco on a three-year contract with Price Waterhouse doing SAP business systems installations.

DOUGLAS M BROWN (68-71) writes from 1900 Field Road, Wilmington DE 19806, USA. "I completed my PhD in 1994 at the American University in Washington DC. My company, the Logistics Management Institute, based in Tysons Corner, Virginia, is beginning to explore international consulting projects in infrastructure and environmental issues and I would be delighted to hear from OMs who might have ideas, especially in South Africa. Of course, I would also be delighted to hear from OMs who pass through Washington DC.

CHRIS HEMUS (80-83) and Helene moved to Washington D.C. with '-their three-month-old baby daughter into the heart of winter. Quite an upheaval but very exciting. Chris is working in the Treasurer's Department of the International Monetary Fund. Previously he lectured at UCT.

M H JAMALOODEN (82-85) graduated from Florida

Atlantic University and now lives in Florida with his wife and a two-year-old son, Mohamed Raza.

MARK LOWE (92-93) called at the school in May 1995. He was then working in SW Africa on game ranch development. He expected to return to the States (North Carolina) in August to begin his veterinary degree.

DAVID LLOYD (56-60) called in at Michaelhouse in April 1995. He is Associate Dean of Medical Education at the University of Western Ontario.

A chance meeting with his father gave the secretary news of ROGER ROOD (74-77). He is married and living in Virginia, making a living with his beautiful pottery.

DR PETER E SCHRAM (68-72) is a partner in a medical practice in British Columbia. His wife is Julia (n6e Boast) and they have three sons and a daughter.

RICHARD SCHRAM (77-80) is deputy treasurer of Methaney in Vancouver. His wife is Jenny (n6e Sanderson) and they have a son Nicholas born February 1995.

PETER TUCKER (58-61), his wife Lynn and their two children are living in the States, sound fully American and Pete is part-owner of and managing a magnificent marina on Chesapeake Bay.

ALAN YOUNG-PUGH (74-77) is a management consultant with Pim Goldby Touche Ross in Toronto.

AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND

DAVID BARWISE (81) has a medium-sized country practice as a solicitor in the "Australian Alps". He enjoys the work in Albury-Wodonga, NSW.

EDWARD CURRY-HYDE (79), after working at the University of NSW for five years, decided to do MBA at INSEAD France. He has now completed that and has returned to Australia where he has taken up a position as Associate at Booz-Allen and Hamilton, Management Consultants. His wife and daughter (2 in November 1995) clocked up the air miles visiting him whilst he was in France.

ROBIN GLADWIN (71-74) proudly announces that on 14 April 1995 (Good Friday) his wife Cheryl, after a long illness, gave birth to a beautiful daughter, their first child, Amy Louise.

In February Robin was promoted to Divisional Manager of the Trimmings Division, Charles Parsons and Co. Their home is in St Ives. NSW. DR GEOFFREY GREEN (74-77) is Senior Registrar North Shore Hospital, Auckland, N.Z. He has completed the examinations of the Royal Australasian, College of Physicians and plans shortly to become a physician specialising in geriatrics. He has lived in New Zealand for eight years. His wife Cathy, is also a medical doctor, both UCT graduates. They have two daughters.

DR DAVID SMITH, a senior lecturer at Queensland University of Technology visited the school in September looking for records or photographs of his father DOUGLAS FRANK SMITH (22-23) who died many years ago. He attended DHS after Michaelhouse. If any of Douglas Smith's contemporaries have photographs in which he appears or memories of him, Dr David would like to hear from them. Douglas Smith was good at tennis, swimming and squash.

NICK THOMSON (67-73) continues to enjoy running a successful management consultancy business (Maxwell Consulting), and he is also a keen veterans road and track cyclist. He is state champion in three events.

STUART THOMSON (70-73) is senior manager at SAN-TOS Petroleum in Adelaide. He has a wife Steph and child Robyn. He is a keen baseball player.

NIGEL YOUNG (73-77) has emigrated to New Zealand and has settled in Auckland.

TONY READHEAD (58-62) has been elected a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, which is the oldest academy of the sort in America, founded by John Adams in 1780. Among the original members were Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, George Washington etc.

He has also been elected to the National Academy of Sciences, the most prestigious and exclusive scientific society in America and equivalent to the Royal Society in England.

Tony is a professor of Astronomy at Caltech in Pasadena, California.

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FROM THE PRESS

SUNDAY TIMES - 19 November 1995

ANTHONY EVANS (56-60) has been elected president of the Witwatersrand Agricultural Society.

SUNDAY TIMES - 5 November 1995

MIKE HANKINSON (63-66) Romatex chief executive said that unbundling had enabled Romatex to be a smaller, more focused business.

RICHARD CHANCE (70-74) has been appointed corporate affairs manager at SA Breweries beer division.

NATAL MERCURY - 31 October 1995

Deutsche Morgan Grenfell has acquired a 50 % stake in the stockbroking firm Ivor Jones Roy (IJR).

JOHN CRAVEN (54-58), the chairman of Deutsche Morgan Grenfell, said the link between the two organisation was in line with similar moves by the international group in other countries.

Deutsche Bank employs about 7 000 people in 50 countries

Craven said IJR would merge into the Deutsche Morgan Grenfell network. The independence of the IJR directors was assured.

SUNDAY TIMES - 29 October 1995

Wine Estate rejuvenation at Spier.

What the old-money Enthoven family, headed by brothers Dick and Hollard Insurance chairman Patrick ("Boomy"), and their partners are doing at Spier Estate in Stellenbosch could well eclipse previous big-money rejuvenation programmes in the winelands.

This became clear when initiator and driving force DICK ENTHOVEN (51-55) a former Progressive Federal Party MP, unveiled plans for the estate, on the banks of the Eerste River.

Spier's history can be traced back to 1679. From 1965, however, it was owned by the Joubert family. It began to falter in the 1980s and was bought by Dick Enthoven in 1993.

Since then, master craftsmen have been working to transform the estate into a vibrant village intended to spark the

rebirth of the winelands as a tourist hub and to celebrate South Africa's transition with wine, music, food and art.

The Enthovens are the sons of the insurance mogul and Rand Club stalwart Robert Enthoven, who died earlier this year. He was the founder, in the late 1940s, of the Enthoven

& Co broking firm, which was eventually sold to London-based Willis Faber.

With his private school diction and elegant if taciturn manner, Dick Enthoven couldn't seem a less likely partner to the rough-and-ready chap South Africans have taken to calling "Dough".

Though both Enthoven brothers live abroad - Dick in London and Patrick in California - the Spier project is a testament to their faith in the new South Africa.

Says Dick Enthoven: "My brother and I based ourselves overseas in the late 1970s because we were depressed by South Africa. Now that things are changing, we want to share in the excitement and make a contribution."

Using the meticulously restored manor house as their focal point, the developers are blending Cape Dutch heritage with no-expenses-spared modernity to create a rendezvous that includes.

- Conference facilities
- Four restaurants
- A wine centre
- An 800-seat amphitheatre and world-class opera venue
- An equestrian centre, among other facilities

And this is only the first phase. Mr Enthoven says the development cost - R125 million - is a dynamic one.

One must salute Mr Enthoven - and wife Angela, who, dressed in gardening garb and supervising workers on the launch day, seemed endearingly oblivious to anything but the development's progress - for the integrity and tastefulness of his vision.

DAILY NEWS - 19 October 1995 (Advert)

There are many good reasons to bank at Nedbank. Here is one. Mark Tingle (73-77), Commercial Division, Durban Nedbank Centre, Smith Street.

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SUNDAY TIMES - 15 October 1995

The old is battling it out with the new as the campaign for the post of vice-chancellor of the University of South Africa hots up.

On the one side is perceived white establishment figure^ Professor David Woods (54-58), while on the other is Dr" Mamphela Ramphele, seen as a black radical.

Recently, Dr Ramphele has reportedly claimed that UCT turned out "good little Englishmen" and the university had to change to suit the realities of the new South Africa.

She also said that Xhosa fluency should be a requirement tor graduates and criticised her (mainly white male) colleagues for refusing to learn an African language.

In contrast, Professor Woods has kept a low profile, preferring to pitch his efforts at the (mainly white male) University Senate who, on Thursday, will choose the winner of the race.

(David Woods withdrew from the contest and was elected Vice-chancellor of Rhodes University)

NATAL WITNESS - 5 October 1995

Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe) - German Thomas Hilger won the down river Kayak race on the third day of the Camel International White Water Challenge in scorching weather at the Victoria Falls on Tuesday. Maritzburg's Springbok canoeist ALICK RENNIE (73-76) of the Kahlua term finished fifth.

NATAL WITNESS - 27 September 1995 GATHORNE-WHITE

Roy and Barbara have great pleasure in announcing their engagement.

NATAL WITNESS - 27 September 1995

FARMER HIJACKED, ROBBED

Prominent Nottingham Road farmer PETER BROWN (38-42) was hijacked and robbed of his car when he

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then are you

free to enjoy life...

gave two men a lift in Cedara on Monday evening. He sustained minor cuts to his fingers when he tried to wrest a gun away from one of the men before he was dumped along the side of a farm road later.

Brown said yesterday that he had dropped two Cedara College students off near the college at about 17:30 when the two men asked him for a lift to Crossways Hotel in Hilton.

"When I stopped at the hotel the one man pulled out a gun and the other took over the steering wheel with me squashed in between the two," said Brown.

The men drove back towards the freeway before doubling back and heading down towards the Sweetwaters Road. They turned off at The Knoll and Brown said that "about 1 km up the road they told me to get out and I walked to the house of friends who live nearby". The vehicle had not been recovered and no arrests had been made by late yesterday.

Brown is a former stalwart of the Liberal Party and served lengthy banning orders in the apartheid years.

SUNDAY TIMES - 17 September 1995

DALE BENKENSTEIN (89-92) will lead the South African A team against Zimbabwe A at Kingsmead on October 6-9. He is holding the cricket Currie Cup.

NATAL MERCURY - 11 September 1995

Fears have been raised about the safety of several South Africans on St. Maarten, the West Indies island near Puerto Rico which has been devastated by the worst hurricane to hit it this century.

Mr CHRIS BONNETT (47-51) of Ocean Sailing said he knew of at least three Durban yachts that had sunk and eight yachtsmen who lost their lives. Mr Bonnet said yachtsmen had two choices in a storm like that - "to get off the boat or to stay on board and try to stop it going down."

FINANCIAL MAIL - 8 September 1995 TONY ARDINGTON (54-58)

SUGAR IN THE BLOOD

Like his predecessor, Dick Ridgway, SA's new Mr Sugar is a superb raconteur. But behind his jovial facade are

strengths which will be tested to the full as he guides his industry through transition and reform over two years.

Tony Ardington (55) certainly has the right pedigree to chair the SA Sugar Association (Sasa), which represents farmers and millers. He has, so to speak, sugar in the blood as a third-generation farmer in the Amatikulu district, where he farms about 300 ha.

Ardington is also a director of a large multiple crop farming company and is involved with the RMBT Group as chairman of its new Marriott Merchant Bank.

Beyond that, though, he combines a formidable intellect with good old-fashioned values. A product of Michaelhouse, he completed a BSc (Hons) degree in physics at Rhodes. Then, as a Rhodes Scholar, he obtained a first-class degree in politics, philosophy and economics at Oxford in 1966.

He agonised over whether to pursue a farming or academic career but, in the event, returned to Natal. His father had instilled in him the importance of fighting for agricultural rights and "always felt that, contrary to popular belief, farmers have a raw deal."

Ardington says the challenges facing him are to: achieve rational and fair competition among sugar industries within southern Africa, establish credibility with government and the Department of Trade & Industry and improve competitiveness.

He has taken part in initiative to stimulate upliftment in SA and Natal. "Our industry encompasses large parts of the province and is threatened by instability. It has a vested interest in a better deal for the majority."

In the Seventies, Ardington contributed to the debate about the consolidation of KwaZulu and Natal through the Lombard Report.

He also played a role in the National Economic Initiative aimed at providing all South Africans with the opportunity to participate in every level of the economy.

Another facet of his public life is his involvement in conservation as a trustee of the Natal Parks Board Trust and the KwaZulu Conservation Trust.

Ardington is married and has three children. He enjoys music, sport and nature.

NATAL WITNESS - 7 September 1995

ESTCOURT FARMER IS NEW NAU PRESIDENT

Estcourt cattle farmer Graham McIntosh is the new president of the Natal Agricultural Union.

McIntosh, who has been directly involved in agriculture since 1971, replaces Cedarville farmer William Mullins, who has held his position for the past four years.

He was one of the pioneers of the growing irrigated winter wheat in Natal.

Together with his farm manager David Ducasse, he has established a reputation for supplying reliable grade bulls from his commercial breeding herd.

The University of Natal and the department of agriculture run veld grazing trials and experimental plots of irrigated pastures on his farm Malanspruit near Estcourt.

McIntosh was a member of Parliament for 10 years standing for the UP and PFP in Pinetown and Maritzburg North, but currently has no party political affiliations.

When still in Parliament he was involved in agricultural, land and labour matters.

NATAL MERCURY - 4 September 1995

'COUNCIL OF WISE MEN' TO BEGIN ITS WORK

Some of the province's top businessmen begin their work this week as KwaZulu-Natal's hand-picked "Council of Wise Men" to help in developing a business plan for the region.

The advisory council will sit with Finance Minister Senzele Mhlungu, Tourism and Economic Affairs Minister Jacob Zuma and KZN Director-General Otty Nxumalo.

(Among the 18 named as members of the council are TONY ARDINGTON (54-58) and MIKE SMITHYMAN (59-63).

NATAL MERCURY - 4 September 1995

BENKENSTEIN (89-92) PROVED TO BE A GOOD INVESTMENT

It could have been a disaster - intense heat, flat pitches, incompetent umpires and some ferocious "sledging". Instead, Dale Benkenstein's under-24 team, which arrived back in South Africa at the weekend, emerged triumphant from their three-week tour of Sri Lanka, winning the all-important test series 1-0 and sharing the two limited overs games.

Benkenstein's adroit handling of his team, on and off the field, has confirmed Natal's belief in him as a strong candidate for the province's captaincy in the future. And his rocksolid batting in the middle order was a crucial ingredient in the team's success. In the two tests in which he batted, Benkenstein made 98 and 61, as well as scoring a fine century in the tour opener against a Sri Lankan Board President's XI.

NATAL WITNESS - 1 September 1995

TONY TATHAM (65-69) chairman of the Pietermaritzburg centre of St. John's Ambulance, and Mike O'Donovan, Natal regional director, were paid a visit this week at their new premises in the city by Jamie Waterton, the British Consul in Durban.

INTERNATIONAL EXPRESS - September 1995

ARMS PROBE MINISTER^MUST SWEAT

Ministers under fire for their roles in the arms-to-Iraq affair face another six-month delay before knowing their fate.

Sir Richard Scott's long-anticipated report into the controversy will not be published until spring.

It means the report - a potential political bombshell - will have taken some three and a half years to be published.

Insiders say the report will be the size of three phone directories.

"JOY"-August 1995

Respected theologian and author DR DEREK MORPHEW (65-69) has, in recent months, experienced the power of God's Spirit and the glory of His presence in a fresh new way ... his booklet, entitled Renewal Apologetics is a balanced theological assessment of materials which are critical of the "Toronto Blessing.

Derek is a pastor of the Vineyard Christian Fellowship in Cape Town and Area Pastoral Co-ordinator for Vineyard churches in the Cape.

SUNDAY TRIBUNE - 27 August 1995

GILES BONNET (79-82) has tasted life on all sides of the hockey coin - on the playing side (where he has captained KwaZulu-Natal and South Africa) as coach (of the

KwaZulu-Natal women's team) and as administrator (Director of Coaching Affairs in KwaZulu-Natal).

In an interview with Mike McGrath he said, "When I was at school (SA Schools 1981 and 1982, the latter year as captain) we were unbeaten at schools level for four seasons. We went on to win the Under-21 inter provincials for four years, then we won IPT for eight out of ten years and we were in the finals for a ten-year period. But there has been a split with Midlands hockey

SUNDAY MAIL, ZIMBABWE - 9 July 1995

International experience has certainly reaped rewards for globe-trotting Zimbabwean squash player GRAEME DYKES (82-86), who won the Mashonaland Open, his first major local recently. His best achievement on the international scene to date was last year when he took two sets off the experienced Adarranga, ranked 20th in the world at that time.

NATAL WITNESS - June 1995

Some exciting polo at Karkloof Classic

The Karkloof International Polo Classic over the weekend lived up to its name once again and produced some of the finest polo this season.

The final between Tarsus and Boerseuns was a victory for polo as the favourites, Tarsus, comprising GEORGE MORGAN (80-84), BUSTER MACKENZIE, SIMON ARMSTRONG (80-83) AND LEO BAXTER, galloped away to a 3-2 advantage.

This was confirmed during the third chukka as former Michaelhouse ace, George Morgan, ran rampant to take Tarsus a further four goals up, and the half-time score to a seemingly unassailable 7-2.

However, that's just not what polo is all about, and the tough men from the country districts clawed their way back into the game with two more goals during the fourth chukka. Their quartet of Wesley Uys, Antonie Cilliers, Francis Mandy and "Emwee" de Jager played superbly.

However, the penultimate chukka, and the fiery play of the ubiquitous George Morgan, looked to have sealed their fate as Morgan fired one through to match the Boerseuns earlier goal and the scoreboard moved to 8-5. The Boerseuns refused to give up, and two more scoring efforts in the sixth and last chukka took the score to a cliff-hanging 8-7, before a merciful bell.

NATAL WITNESS - 25 June 1995

City attorney SIMON JOHN FRANCIS (62-66) has been appointed to the board of the Natal Witness.

Francis matriculated at Michaelhouse and obtained his BA degree at the University of Natal, Pietermaritzburg and his LLB at the Durban Campus. He is currently a director of Venn, Nemeth and Hart.

FINANCIAL MAIL - 23 June 1995 FINK HAYSOM (66-70)

THE SHADOW OF POWER

Prof Fink Haysom (43), legal adviser to Nelson Mandela, is at pains to point out he is "merely a backroom boy". But lying low is becoming increasingly difficult for the personable, good-looking human rights veteran, legal academic labour lawyer.

Indeed, he has recently had to put out fires on the President's behalf - over the dismissal of Winnie

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Mandela, for example. He was also chided by the NP and the DP for his ongoing work for the ANC. They argued that as a senior public servant, he should not play a role in party politics.

Still, it was Haysom - Fink is a nick name for Nicholas - who played a central role in drafting the constitution and is now charged with interpreting its political structure for the principal player and others.

Not that Haysom, son of a Black Sash member, is the bushy-tailed radical he may have been in the seventies. This was when, having matriculated at Michaelhouse, he completed his BA (Hons) at Durban University and LLB at UCT and was president of Nusas.

Haysom's involvement in police matters - he has been a member of the Police Board since 1992 - strikes many as ironical, since he was frequently detained and banned (and convicted in 1978 for refusing to testify at a political trial). It has also won him a second sobriquet: General Haysom.

Says his friend, conflict resolution consultant Charles Nupen: "Fipk plays hard; he works harder. He has a penchant for wrecking cars: he loves Yeats, makes an excellent speech and would walk any road and pay any price in defence of principle".

Haysom and his wife, artist Mary Ann Cullinan, have a son and two daughters from 5-12. He is passionate about rugby ("I played it well beyond a sensible age") and enjoys reading, the bush and cooking for friends. He also co-wrote an award-winning play, The Native which Caused all the Trouble.

NATAL WITNESS - 10 June 1995

RADIATOR MAKER IN CITY by KEIASHA NAIDOO

When the idea of building radiators dawned on a local entrepreneur, he had no idea that it would take two years to get in motion. But the planning and the effort began paying off last week when he started manufacturing from his factory in Pietermaritzburg.

KELVIN BOSCH (78-79) was amazed at the high prices he had to pay for radiators and their components when he shopped for his company, Pietermaritzburg Radiator Works.

"There are only three major radiator manufacturers in the country and their prices are very high, so when I decided that it was time for me to expand my business I thought I

would make radiators and market them at a lower price."

Ten new machines were purchased to manufacture a basic radiator and Bosch has ordered other machines that will be used in doing work on bigger radiators. All this equipment will enable him to produce radiators from those required for small cars right up to big trucks.

Bosch said: "I had to spend some time in Germany learning how to operate and maintain the machines."

He says he has purchased the latest highly technological equipment so that he can produce a high quality product.

Bosch is just 34 years old and has already owned two other businesses (the first one was a butchery). He has a diploma in management and estate agency.

He feels that his newest business will be a real success because there is a big market for radiators both with smaller retailers and the original equipment market such as big car manufacturers. In future years he hopes to compete in the foreign market.

SUNDAY TRIBUNE - 18 June 1995

It takes stamina and vision to change the ways of accountants, and who better for the job than a long-distance runner.

CHRIS ENGEL (67-71) newly appointed president of the KwaZulu-Natal Society of Chartered Accountants, has the right credentials with 15 Comrades and 12 Dusi marathons under his belt. And he is a man of varied interests including wildlife and scuba diving which lured him recently to Australia's Great Barrier Reef.

A yen for marketing prompted a move to corporate banking in 1984 and he is now manager, corporate banking, at Absa Bank. Long stints on the Durban Regional Association Committee, the council of the KwaZulu-Natal Society of Chartered Accountants have helped prepare him for a pivotal role in a period of rapid change.

Chris Engel went to Highbury School in Hillcrest and matriculated at Michaelhouse. After a year in the air force during which he obtained a private pilot's licence, he completed a BCom at the University of Natal.

He spent a few months back packing around Europe before taking articles with George Davis of Steyn Douglas, now part of Ernst and Young. He joined the transport group Grindrod where he was financial accountant before moving to Absa. He is married to Rozanne and they have two daughters.

EASTERN PROVINCE HERALD - 16 June 1995

CANON HELPS CATCH PURSE THIEF

By SAMANTHA BARNARD

An alert Anglican minister, helped by a few Good

Samaritans, stopped a cheeky pickpocket in his tracks.

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The drama began after Canon Fred Pitout of St Hugh's in Newton Park spotted a man with a "Mr T" mohican hairstyle outside his church on Wednesday, at the beginning of the

9 a.m. service.

Both he and the man entered the church where the Reverend Eddie Daniels was preaching. Canon Pitout indicated to the man to join him in the church, but the man left. He returned shortly afterwards, sitting in the back pew behind an elderly woman.

Later during the service, the woman - who asked not te be named - noticed her purse missing from her handbag, which had been unzipped while she was kneeling to pray. The man had also disappeared.

Canon Pitout said: "I grabbed the woman's car keys and went in search of the man. About 10 minutes later I saw him. I recognised him even though he had changed into an overall and had a cap on.

At the corner of 4th Avenue and Newton Street I got out of the car and walked over to him - he looked very surprised to see me, then got very aggressive and pulled a knife.

"I backed off and shouted for help. He ran across the street and I followed him for about a hundred metres. Luckily, two young men who had seen the commotion stopped their car and jumped out.

"They grabbed two large rocks and threatened him until he dropped his knife, then made a citizen's arrest."

The man was then arrested by the police Flying Squad, summoned by a nearby shopkeeper.

Canon Pitout said an empty purse, not the one stolen in the church, a gold watch and about R250 in cash was found on the man.

The woman's purse was found in the Newton Park library, where two librarians saw the man run in and drop it - emptied of its cash - behind a bookshelf.

The woman said the librarians had tracked her down through the cards in her wallet.

"I am so pleased it all worked out so well and all because of so many caring people. I'm quite sure God's hand was in this," the grateful woman said.

Police liaison officer Captain Michael Faleni said the man had been arrested for theft, but would not be charged immediately as police did not believe they had sufficient evidence.

However, he said, there had been warrants out for the man's arrest in connection with two other cases in Humewood and the man would be brought to court on those cases.

SUNDAY TIMES - 11 June 1995

CHRIS NEWSON (78-81) has been appointed director KwaZulu-Natal Region in the corporate banking division, Standard Corporate and Merchant Bank.

THE MERCURY-31 May 1995

MARRIOTT MERCHANT BANK

A long association with KwaZulu-Natal and immense confidence in its future has prompted Marriott Holdings to launch a Durban-based bank, Marriott Merchant Bank. The Chairman is A J ARDINGTON (54-58).

THE MERCURY - 31 May 1995

GENERAL MANAGER, CORPORATE BANKING

ANDREW MOXLEY (67-71), general manager: corporate banking, was educated at Michaelhouse and the University of Natal, Pietermaritzburg, where he obtained a B.Com. He

also has a B.Compt (Honours) from Unisa and the banking diploma CAIB(SA). He was a second lieutenant in the Natal Field Artillery.

He began his career as an audit senior and articled clerk at Aiken and Peat before joining the corporate banking division of First National Bank for 10 years. As senior manager: special projects, he was responsible for managing a R2 billion project finance portfolio for 40 clients, structuring and marketing fixed property and project finance, and development of long-term finance products.

In 1992 he moved to UAL Merchant Bank as senior manager: treasury - corporate marketing.

NATAL WITNESS - 1 June 1995

Africa Enterprise founder MICHAEL CASSIDY (50-54) has been credited with bringing together Professor Washington Okumu and Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi. As a result, the IFP entered last year's elections at the 11th hour and the country achieved what has been called the miracle of transition. In Pietermaritzburg last night, Cassidy launched the book he has written about

those momentous events, called a Witness For Ever.

OPTIMA-May 1995

ALAN MCKERRON (50-54) heads up Anglo American's New Mining Business Division (NMBD).

Alan Bruce McKerron was born in Johannesburg in 1936. His schooling began at the Ridge School and was rounded off at Michaelhouse in Natal where he acquitted himself well academically and on the sports field, notably in the first cricket XI. He then went up to Oriel College, Oxford and graduated with an M.A. Hons (Jurisprudence.)

Alan chose to join the London office of Anglo American directly on coming down from Oxford in 1958. He returned to South Africa three years later as personal assistant to Sidney Spiro, then chairman of the Anglo American mines in the Free State.

When Spiro assumed responsibility for the Swaziland Ore Project in 1963, Alan found himself plunged into the myriad activities associated with bringing a new project to life: raising funds for extension to the Swaziland railway system: negotiating the deepening of the Lourenco Marques (Maputo) harbour with the Portuguese colonial authorities; and finally, hammering out sales contracts with Japan.

Alan's achievements in Swaziland did not go unrecognised, and in 1968 he was given responsibility for exploration. The following year he was transferred to Anglo American Corporation of Canada, first under Maurice Rush and then under Gavin Relly, both of whom he very much enjoyed working with.

Alan returned to South Africa in 1971 to join Anglo's Industrial Division.

At the beginning of 1973, he was appointed chairman of the Exploration and Base Metals Division.

NATAL WILD LIFE - May 1995

CONGRATULATIONS! TO A VERY SPECIAL CONSERVATIONIST

IAN GARLAND (40-43) farmer, teacher and conservationist is to be congratulated once again. He has been awarded an Honorary Science Degree by the University of Natal.

Other awards include The Wildlife Society Gold Medal (1991), The Green Trust Environmental Award (1992), the South African Sugar Association, Gold Medal Environmental Award (1992), and an Honorary M.Sc. Degree from

the University of Natal (1971).

His farm "Twinsteams" and the conservation miracle Ian has achieved there are, of course, legendary. Over the past 45 years, thousands of scholars, teachers, scientists and interested people have visited "Twinstreams" and been totally converted to conservation by the knowledge, demonstration and enthusiasm of this exceptional man.

Ian was a former Chairman of the Natal Branch of the Wildlife Society and helped form the Zululand Zone of the Society in 1958. He has played a key role in drawing attention to the conservation of our forests, wetlands and our indigenous flora. He established a magnificent indigenous nursery and many years ago recognised the need to propagate those species that were important for traditional medicines (i.e. muti plants).

The Wildlife Society's African Conservation Education project was run at "Twinstreams" for over 4 years. Several hundred Zulu teachers benefited from these courses in ecology and conservation. These were then continued on a wider basis under the Society's Extension Courses.

lan has made a significant contribution to ornithology, dendrology, ecology and, in particular ethnobotany. He has provided a wonderful, practical example for farmers and landowners on how they should treat their land and natural resources.

The Wildlife Society extends the warmest congratulations. His dedication and achievements are outstanding ... we would also like to mention that his wife, Jean, with her knowledge and enthusiasm has played a large part in all his achievements.

NATAL WITNESS - 17 May 1995

MARATHON ATTRACTS 'WILD' RUNNERS

If some Comrades runners are seen bolting as if wild animals are after them it won't be surprising since two twometre rhinos will be among the runners in this year's race.

Actually, it will just be ANDREW CRUTCHLEY (87-90) and Mark Millington who will run the race in life-size rhino costumes to raise funds for the Save the Rhino organisation.

And yes ... they will be running the whole race in the 12 kg plastic and rubber suits. The-costume is in two parts - pants which form the hind legs of the rhino and an armadilloshaped top with the head and horn part attached with metal bars to the neck.

Crutchley, a third-year social science student at Natal University, said "Save the Rhino was formed by people in

England who couldn't find jobs. They bought the costumes from a theatre company and began their mission to raise money for rhino conservation with sponsored races."

The group has ready conquered the Boston, New York and London marathons and Comrades will be the longest race they have undertaken.

"I agreed because it's for a good cause and for the fun of it.

I meant to run the race anyway," Crutchley said. He has never run Comrades before, though he has run other marathons, the longest of which was 56 km.

Is he apprehensive about running a 90 km race for the first time lugging an awkward 12 kg suit?

"Not at all," he says, "I have practised with it on and it's not too bad." Besides, the two will have the help of a friend, Johnny Roberts, who is a zookeeper.

NATAL WITNESS - 22 May 1995

... AND ONE LITTLE RHINO CAME HOME The one rhino got sick but the other one made it.

Natal University student ANDREW CRUTCHLEY (87-90)

one of two runners who ran this year's Comrades in rhino

suits, made it to the finish line at three minutes to six on Saturday.

Crutchley (22) and Mark Millington were determed to stick it out in the 12 kg costumes to raise funds for the Save the Rhino organisation.

An exhausted Crutchley said yesterday he couldn't remember when Millington dropped out of the race but was determined to continue running himself.

He said they were given 12 hours to finish and he made it just in time. A motorcade escorted him into the stadium.

"The crowd support was incredible. At one stage about 300 little children joined us and began toyi-toyiing down to Drummond. It was wonderful!"

- Witness Reporter.

NATAL WITNESS - 30 March 1995

Top city player GAVIN GOODWIN (75-79) beat Frank Bradford 3-0 to win the Nomads pre-season squash tournament at Collegians Club on Tuesday night. The top six players from the tournament form the initial Nomads team which will piay in the Durban league.

SUNDAY TIMES - 19 March 1995

Speaking at the fifth AGM of the Truck Rental Association of South Africa, the association's new chairman, Truck Rental Systems MD JOHN FEEK (54-57), said the industry would concentrate on building relationships and more trust.

"Recent years have helped the industry to mature and become more co-operative," said Mr Feek.

SUNDAY TIMES - 12 March 1995

Former communist PAUL TREWHELA (55-58) remembers the SACP leader he knew in the 60s - and questions the wisdom of myths in a fledgling democracy.'

I wish Joe Slovo's life had been as unambiguous as so many people believe it was.

I worked with Joe and his first wife, Ruth First, in the Communist Party underground in Johannesburg in the early 60s. He had invited me to join the party in his barrister's office opposite the High Court in Johannesburg, in 1962 or 1963. It was the proudest day in my life, up to that time. I knew inwardly the invitation was coming, and eagerly accepted.

By 1964, after Joe and Ruth and their daughters had gone into exile, I was in Johannesburg editing Freedom Fighter, the underground newspaper of the ANC/SACP army, Umkhonto weSizwe, which Joe had helped to found. A few months later we were all arrested, and I was tortured and imprisoned.

I was very glad Joe and Ruth were safely out of the country

- I attributed a lot of things to them when I finally made a statement in police headquarters in Pretoria, as we all did in the end, after long sleepless sessions of standing torture. I was able to conceal a lot, and only got two years (for membership of the party).

When I came to London in 1967, I resigned from the party after several long discussions with the Slovos.

SUNDAY TIMES - 5 March 1995

Apartheid's Exports - Talents who turned their backs on SA to rise to the top in Britain.

Law

SIR RICHARD RASHLEIGH SCOTT (48-51) leading British judge who headed the arms-for-Iraq inquiry. He was educated at Michaelhouse and Cape Town University and went to Cambridge University in the 1950s.

Business

JOHN CRAVEN (54-58) Chairman of Merchant Bank Morgan Grenfell and director of New Rothmans and Rothmans International. He went to school at Michaelhouse.

THE NATAL MERCURY - Thursday, 2 March 1995

The Legal Resources Centre, for many years a source of legal support for those who could not afford legal representation, has established a Constitutional Litigation Unit.

The chance of being part of this "new and exciting" venture has brought Durban advocate CHRIS NICHOLSON (59-63) SC, founder of the Legal Resources Centre's local office, back to litigation after a period as an academic.

"It's very challenging, like a new job. Constitutional law in South Africa is very new," said Mr Nicholson, who recently returned from a six-month learning tour of the USA, Canada, Australia and Britain.

The unit has been set up as a centre of specialist expertise in constitutional litigation to make legal representation in constitutional matters possible for people with little or no means.

With headquarters in Johannesburg, the unit has the services of Mr W Trengove SC former chairman of the general council of the Bar, Mr George Bizos SC one of the most experienced human rights lawyers in South Africa, Mr Nicholson and candidate attorney Ron Paschke.

Mr Nicholson, who became an advocate In 1970, left commercial litigation to establish the centre's Durban office during 1981.

"I always had a desire to do human rights work. I felt keenly the injustices inherent in our society and I was worried. I wanted to do something about it on a day-today basis," he said.

After leaving the centre "sometime around 1991" to lecture at the University of Natal's Durban campus because he needed "a short break", Mr Nicholson's interest was sparked when he was offered the job of heading the centre's Constitutional Litigation Unit in Durban.

Mr Nicholson said the chance to be a pioneer in the

field of South African Constitutional law was very enticing. He also spoke of an "outrage barometer" - "I have to get really outraged and think, 'Hell, they can't get away with that'.

"I am more of a crusader than a lawyer. An ordinary commercial case would not always stir my interest. I prefer a case with a human rights flavour - it galvanises me into action.

"This is the most exciting job in South Africa," said the self-confessed romantic idealist who grew up in the Richmond area.

It was in human rights law that Mr Nicholson said he had done his best work.

"The, trouble is that these cases tend to obsess you, you sleep, eat and drink them and that is not good for your health or your family life."

Mr Nicholson said he felt it was going to be a very different experience for human rights lawyers to have the law on their side.

"Before we were fighting for human rights issues with the law against us. People were not considered equal, now they are.

We used to look at the old apartheid laws and try to find loopholes that gave us some room to manoeuvre. We had to choose very carefully."

THE NATAL MERCURY - Thursday, 2 February 1995

DENZIL BRADLEY (49-53) has been appointed as deputy chairman of TWS Communications and Sharon Drummond has replaced him as regional director of KwaZulu-Natal. Mr Bradley will continue to be based in Durban, commuting to Johannesburg and Cape Town.

NATAL MERCURY - 2 February 1995

A Margate school principal is hoping to take education in new directions with the opening of his independent school in Margate last week.

The brainchild GREG MC LEOD (69-73) a former principal of St Dunstan's Memorial Diocesan School in Benoni for seven years, Seahaven School, has attracted pupils from Port Edward to Amanzimtoti on the south coast and 103 pre-school to standard six students have registered for preschool to standard six classes. Set on 9 ha of farmland and with the beach less than a kilometre away, lessons will extend beyond the classroom and make use of the natural

resources available to the school.

"We will focus on open-air education because of the nature of the area with its abundant animal and birdlife."

The school aims to prepare children more adequately for the future by giving them more responsibility, having them earn respect in the community, and nurturing and providing positive role models for children to identify with.

"Education should be based on the concept that children come to school happy and because there is so much they will miss out on if they do not come," said Mr Me Leod.

SUNDAY TRIBUNE - 29 January 1995

Next week's Indira Gandhi Memorial Gold Cup Tournament in New Delhi, an eight nation event has GILES BONNET (78-82) back in charge of the Springbok hockey squad.

NATAL WITNESS - 20 February 1995

STEVE FRASER (89-93) and MURRAY WITHERSPOON

(90-93) have found an interesting way to advertise Barflies, their new bar service business: they drive their fly-covered Beetle around town. The two student entrepreneurs started their bar service business in the end-of-year vacation. They will organise the bar at any function. This involves ordering and delivering drinks, setting up, providing barmen and clearing up afterwards. Barflies are prepared to dress barmen up according to a theme if necessary and they will travel out of town. "We are also prepared to do extras such as driving drunk guests home after a function" said Witherspoon.

SUNDAY TIMES - 29 January 1995

MICHAEL HANKINSON (63-66) has been appointed managing director of Romatex.

NATAL MERCURY - Tuesday, 17 January 1995

PETER'S STATESMANSHIP WILL BE MISSED

The resignation yesterday of PETER MANSFIELD (55-58) chairman for the past three years of Durban's Management Committee, is the biggest local government news story of this or any other summer.

Having guided the greater Durban negotiating forum through more than five months of painful negotiations, he has announced that he is to have no part in the very structures he so carefully nurtured to reality. In fact, his fellow negotiators reveal that, had it not been for his statesmanship and ability to get people to compromise, the negotiations would have fallen apart many times. Mr Mansfield is widely regarded in Press circles as the most knowledgeable person on the council on local government.

The present Manco chairman will not be taking up his seat on the new council at the end of the month, and has stated that he intends to play a role in speeding up development projects crucial to the economy of the region.

Peter Mansfield (52), has played a prominent role in a range of careers, dating back to his university days.

When he was at the University of Natal in Durban in 1967 he was regarded as a "stormy petrel" on the campus by a former principal, Professor Owen Horwood. In fact, Prof Horwood suspended him as president of the Students' Representative Council and suspended the SRC because of political differences between the students and the National Party-leaning'varsity head.

Mr Mansfield joined the editorial staff of The Daily News soon after graduating from the university. He completed his post-graduate studies in government at the University of Boston in the United States.

His career in politics took a step forward in 1971 when he was appointed regional youth director for the Natal coast of the then Progressive Party.

The following year he publicly berated Durban city councillors for "failing to make Durban one of the most exciting cities in the world."

Mr Mansfield stood, unsuccessfully, as the Progressive Party's Parliamentary candidate in the Berea constituency

in 1977 and was elected to the Durban City Council the following year. He was re-elected in 1982 and served for a year as chairman of the 1985 Durban Expo board.

Mr Mansfield's career took another interesting turn in 1986 when he was appointed executive director of the KwaZulu-Natal Indaba. After leaving the Indaba in June 1990, he was the successful candidate in a by-election in the Glenwood ward of the Durban City Council.

Within a year the councillor had emerged as the most prominent spokesman of an alliance between the Democratic Party and the National Party in the council. Former Manco chairman Derrick Watterson was deposed and Mr Mansfield was elected in his place.

He outraged the council's rightwingers by issuing a public apology on behalf of the municipality for its past discriminatory practices.

In August 1993, it was reported that Mr Mansfield had set his sights on a top marketing job with the Greater Durban Marketing Authority. That did not materialise but those who have followed his career are sure that he will soon find an innovative niche for himself.

He is divorced from his wife Lyndy and they have one daughter, Robyn.

Mr Mansfield was educated at Michaelhouse prior to his studies at UND.

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DERRICK MORPHET (52-55) has been appointed general manager: Mondi Cartonboard.

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Obituaries

Since the AGM we have also received advice of the death of the following OMs but obituaries were not available at the time of going to press.

Keith Malcolm York Browne (45-48)

Alan Buchanan-Clarke (29-30)

Robin Chapman (Staff 35-58)

Leslie Ian William Jeffery (51-55)

Geoffrey Orlando Hosking (24-29)

William Murray MacRobert (63-68)

Robin Hilary McLellan (49-53)

Ronald McKenzie May (35-38)

Ralph Gerald Poynton (33-37)

Rodney Kenneth Reynolds (61-64)

Lewis Wroughton Turner (26-29)

Andrew David Philip Wadman (66-69)

Hewlett David Victor Wheelwright (42-45)

Jeremy Brooks (68-72)

I first met Jeremy Brooks when I was appointed managing editor of the Rand Daily Mail in 1981. It was a difficult time for the newspaper. The previous editor had been dismissed, the staff were rebellious and demoralised, and the pressures on the newspaper from politicians and from the society at large were extreme.

Jeremy was the night news editor, a lonely job in which he had to mend all the errors of the day staff, fill the gaps, find people who had already left their offices and dispersed to their homes, and do a hundred and one minor chores. I soon learned that he was the one person I could rely on. I remember spinning around in my chair barking, "Jeremy do this, Jeremy do that..." and he did it all, without complaint, professionally, loyally.

In the end I left the RDM, having solved nothing, and our paths did not cross until I took the editorship of the Sunday Times nearly a decade later. Of course, I had watched Jeremy's progress, and seen him grow into a mature jour-

nalist, a master of all the many skills required to be an outstanding professional. He was working in our London office, writing on every conceivable subject from politics to the adventures of the latest fashionable bimbo. He was streetwise in the cities of Europe, and skilled at negotiating for publication rights to pictures and feature articles in Fleet Street.

I sent him to cover the war in Iraq - we still have the chemical warfare suit we bought for him at the time - and he did the job with the same professionalism and competence that he brought to every other task.

I wanted him back in Johannesburg but, unhappily, he was first hired by an Australian magazine to work in their London Office. I think he was a bit nervous about returning to South Africa after a four-year absence. But in the end we persuaded him to come home, and he became deputy news editor of the Sunday Times. It is hard to exaggerate the creativity and sparkle which he brought with him to the newspaper. The success of our Johannesburg Metro section owes so much to his contribution.

His untimely death was a terrible loss for his friends and colleagues, but it was also a blow to the newspaper and to our plans. He was quite simply irreplaceable.

As a professional he was liked and admired by everybody who knew him. I have thought deeply why he should have been so well-loved and highly regarded and I think I know the answer. Jeremy brought to journalism a rare passion. He cared about injustice, and about the underdogs of so-

ciety. He cared about journalism. He cared about accuracy and the standards of the journalism which he practised. He was passionate about all these things, and he was passionate about the truth.

He was not an easy man. He was a volatile spirit and his was a turbulent temperament. But everybody understood that he cared, and that he was without malice, and they loved him. That is why such a large crowd of friends and acquaintances gathered at his funeral service, and why he will not be forgotten so long as any of us is left to remember him.

Hugh Morgan Bull (39-43)

Hugh came from Waterkloof House, Pretoria, to Farfield. He became a house prefect and was captain of squash and in the tennis team. He gained a 1st class matric, with a distinction in Latin.

After leaving Michaelhouse, Hugh served with the SA Artillery in Italy (he joined up with Walter Strachan, David

Atkinson, Doug Shaw, John Johnstone and Jex Hall). After the war he was awarded MA at Cambridge (Economics and Law) he qualified CA (SA) and he became financial director of Blue Circle Ltd., Johannesburg and eventually Group Finance Director Blue Circle Industries PLC, London.

Married to Susan in 1962 he lived for some 18 years in Farnham, Surrey. He died on 25th September, 1995 after battling with cancer for some years.

Hugh was always grateful to Nero Lyon for instilling in him a love of classics and ancient history and he and Susan spent many happy times visiting ancient sites in the Middle East, Europe and the Americas. He was fortunate that she also formed an interest in the subject and they were able to share so much together.

R J Campbell (John) (29-32)

Robert John Campbell (John) passed away on 26 June 1995.

He was born in Himeville, Natal in 1916 and attended Cordwalles before Michaelhouse. He was in Farfield House. He obtained a first class matric.

On leaving school he joined a family business in Durban and just before the war farmed in Himeville.

He served in the South African armed forces, doing most of the service in the desert.

He married Doris Fulton (Peta) in 1944, and at the end of the war took up farming in Himeville.

He served on numerous committees including Secretary of Himeville Farmers' Association, a position he held until his death. He also served as Treasurer of the Underberg-Himeville Trout Fishing Club. He was also a committee member of the Anglican Church for many years.

He served on the Board of the Natal Parks Board for 12 years with distinction.

He enjoyed many interests including travel, conservation and wildlife, trout fishing and stamp collecting.

He had many other business interests besides his farm in Himeville.

He died leaving his wife, Peta, who still lives in Himeville, son Rob and two daughters, Elizabeth Hathorn and Norajean Barras.

Robin Chapman (Staff 35-58)

After a long period of ill health, during which time he was devotedly tended by Honor, his wife, Robin died in Malmesbury, England in September. During their years in England from 1959, Robin and Honor followed all that happened at Michaelhouse with interest, and their hospitality to old boys and members of the Michaelhouse community was quite remarkable. Honour wrote to the secretary in October, "Our days at Michaelhouse were precious memories. Those days were the backcloth to the remainder of Robin's life and a stimulation in all he did."

We print below the tribute to him which was printed in the Chronicle in 1958.

A.R.C.

Mr Robin Chapman is leaving at the end of this year. It is 23 years since first he came to us and his record of quiet, steady service during that period is outstanding. He came to Michaelhouse direct from Cambridge and during his time here he was Head of the Science Department until 1946. In its initial stages, he did much to build up the Physics Laboratory when it moved to its new, and present, quarters in 1936. In 1937 he took over the Photographic Society and ran it for many years. He was for a time House Tutor of Tathams and, just after the war, was OC the Cadet Corps. In sport he did a lot of hard work for the School Rugby and for Squash, as well as helping with the Hockey. In January, 1946, he was appointed House Master of Farfield. Perhaps his most outstanding work, however, was that which he achieved during his time as Careers Master. He built up that undertaking in a most able, painstaking and successful manner.

After two and a half years in England Mr Chapman returned, in September, 1951, to resume his Housemastership of Farfield. Since then he has continued his lively interest in school activities, including his good work in the Debating and Science Societies. Recently he has held the position of Science Tutor to the VIth Form and Chairman of the Arts and Extra-Curricular Activities Committee.

His interests have always been widespread and he has given a notable example of social service in outside affairs. He formed and is Chairman of the Balgowan branch of the Institute of Race Relations and is a member of the Board of the Lidgetton Indian School, being for a time Chairman of its Building Committee. He is also a well known member of the Natal Section of the Mountain Club of South Africa.

Mr Robin Chapman is one of the fast dwindling band of masters who were here "before the war" - a legendary

period to the boys now in the School. In January, 1959, only two such masters will remain.

In his departure, which has been at the proper dictates of filial devotion to his ageing parents, the boys will be losing one who had their deepest welfare at heart. He maintained a standard of pastoral care which is the hall-mark of a good schoolmaster.

To his colleagues, and especially to the senior ones, his going will be a sad circumstance. He was always reasonable and helpful in counsel, a good companion, tolerant and understanding, with a hard core of principle that always won admiration and was frequently defended with fire.

The disappearance of Mrs Chapman from the Michaelhouse scene is as great a reason for sadness as that of her husband's. It is over twenty years ago since, as Honor Barnes, she first came to our community. Ever since then, in addition to running her own hospitable and welcoming home, her service to Michaelhouse has been great and constant. We shall miss her indeed.

In saying goodbye, we wish both Mr and Mrs Chapman and their children, Rosalind and Colin, every happiness in their new life in England.

Michael George Crosoer (30-33)

The following report appeared in the Mercury on 12 October 1995.

Prominent Durban business figure and a former chairman of the Durban Club, Mr Michael George Crosoer, died this week aged 79 after a short illness.

An accountant in the British Colonial Service in the early '40s, he was a partner in George Mackeurtan, Son & Crosoer and allied partnerships from 1947 to 1971.

Mr Crosoer is a former Durban Transport Management Board chairman and served on the city council's traffic advisory board as the DTMB representative.

He was also a past chairman of the Durban branch of the SA Permanent Building Society and a past director of their head office board.

A Rotarian and member of Junior Chamber International, Mr Crosoer was chairman of the Public Accountants' and Auditors' Boards in the 60s and served on the committee of the Durban Club and was chairman during the period of major restoration and refurbishing work.

Subsequently, he became a member of the economic advi-

sory committee, advising the president of the Chamber of Commerce. Mr Crosoer also made his mark in education, as a member of the council of the Natal College for Advanced Technical Education for 15 years and served as a member of the University of Natal council for eight years, serving on the finance and general purposes committee, and on the Development Foundation. He was a trustee of a variety of educational and charitable trusts.

Mr Crosoer, who went to school at Durban Preparatory High School and Michaelhouse in Balgowan, is survived by his wife, Mary, his son, Peter, and daughters Ann and Penni as well as five grandchildren.

Antony Richard Southey Doming (36-39)

Born 27 July 1920 - deceased 18 October 1995.

Antony passed away peacefully on 18 October in the Karkloof at the home of his great friend, Maurice Salmon.

Antony's life was full of achievement. Born into a farming family in East Griqualand, Antony's schooling was centred at Cordwalles and Michaelhouse. He excelled at several sports at school, playing first team cricket, rugby and tennis, and representing Natal Schools at cricket. He was appointed head-boy of Michaelhouse in his sixth-form year. At the outbreak of the Second World War Antony enlisted in the Natal Mounted Rifles before joining the South African Air Force, becoming a flying instructor in the early years of the war based at various Air Stations in the Union. In 1944 he was posted on active duty to No. 40 Squadron in Italy, which was equipped with Spitfires at the time. In October 1944 he was shot down while on a reconnaissance patrol, and was held as a POW in Stalag Luft 3 in Germany until the end of the war.

After the war Antony married Denise (Noo) Chaplin, and became a successful farmer in East Griqualand. He resumed an active sporting career, playing for and captaining the Natal Country Districts cricket side for several years. During this period Anthony served as chairman of the Mt Currie Farmers' Association. In the early 1960s he relinquished his career as a full-time farmer and established a successful Service Station, Vehicle Dealership and Motel in Kokstad. Antony served as Mayor of Kokstad for several years in the 1970s.

Antony spent his retirement years with Noo in Howick, becoming actively involved in the local community and St Lukes Parish.

Antony will be remembered for his keen (dry!) sense of humour, his generosity, and his unshakeable sense of prin-

ciple. He will be deeply missed by his family and the many friends he acquired in his lifetime.

Antony leaves his wife Noo, and Julia, Nichola, Warwick and Angela - the children for whom he worked so hard throughout his life.

(Prepared by Warwick Doming - son of Antony)

Greville Stuart Fenton (60-62)

Greville was tragically killed in a motor accident on 7 May

1995. He was at the time returning from Durban's King's Park where he was to be found virtually any time "his" team were playing at home.

He was a truly devoted Natal Rugby supporter whose interest in the game probably stemmed from an early school development where after toiling with the 5th XV he was catapulted into the 1st XV touring squad to the Eastern Cape. At the end of his spell in B Block he persuaded his father to discontinue sponsoring his education at M.H.S. as all concerned agreed he was not academically inclined. He then joined his father's engineering and industrial supply business in Newcastle where at the time of his death he was a partner with his brothers Justin (55-58) and Gareth (61-64).

Two of Greville's greatest attributes were his sense of humour - while sometimes wild and a bit off-beat, it was never malicious known by all and sundry as a "character" who was immensely entertaining - and his positive attitude

- possibly best displayed in his remarkable recovery from near fatal injuries he suffered in a horrific motorcycle accident some twenty years ago. While few expected him to survive his injuries - including over 120 fractures to face alone - Greville's determination saw him endure (not always without complaint) many months of intensive care and prolonged physiotherapy on the road to recovery. He subsequently enjoyed a very full social life but somewhat diminished sporting life while fulfilling his duties as an active member of the family business.

In recent years, a childhood interest in trout fishing was rekindled and Greville together with his brothers spent many happy and productive hours in pursuit of the elusive "double figure rainbow."

Greville is survived by his wife Alina and two sons Graeme (26) and Jefferson (21).

Kenneth Alwyn Gough (40-44)

(We print below excerpts from a lengthy tribute published in Grocott's Mail 30 June 1995)

The Grahamstown community was shocked and saddened to hear of the sudden death of one of its well-loved figures, Dr Ken Gough (aged 68 years), in Cape Town on Wednesday, 14 June. He retired in August last year after working in Grahamstown for 32 years.

His greatest contribution to the people of Grahamstown lay in his skills as a doctor. Beyond running his own private practice he was one of Grahamstown's longest serving District Surgeons having served for a period of 30 years.

The nursing staff of Settlers Hospital loved him dearly and he was affectionately referred to as "Uncle Ken". He was a strong father figure to them, always kept his cool and seemed to be in full control of any situation.

As an office bearer he served on the Settlers Hospital Board for a period of 10 years and on the Hospital Medical Committee. He was President of the Medical Association of the Cape Eastern Branch twice and President of the Eastern Cape Branch for a period.

He also served as a Medical Officer for the Eastern Province Blood Transfusion Service for a period of 20 years and acted as a medical practitioner for the Biopharmaceutics Research Institute at Rhodes University at regular intervals over the last 6 years.

He was involved with the formation of Hospice in Grahamstown right from its beginning and was on the steering committee in 1984 for drawing up the original constitution. He served as chairman of Hospice for two years.

He was very involved with the St Johns Ambulance Foundation in Grahamstown where he was a Commander Brother and held the post of President from 1971-1994.

Besides his vast contribution to the medical services of Grahamstown he contributed greatly to a vast array of community and sporting activities.

He was a member of Round Table from 1963 where he served for a period in the early 1970s as chairman. He then progressed to the 41-Club until his retirement last year. He also served on Rotary Grahamstown for a brief period.

As a local actor he was legendary. He was the prime instigator of the Round Table Pantomime tradition in 1963.

A keen sportsman Ken was in his youth a provincial rugby player for Eastern Transvaal where he held the position of flank. He was chosen for the Springbok Trials in 1947.

He was a superb hockey player and played the sport right up to the age of 66 years. He was president and chairman of the Occasionals Hockey Club, and both the Grahamstown Men's and Women's Hockey Association and continued to play hockey for the Albany Veterans until his departure last year.

He became very involved in both road running and cycling over the past 9 years.

He ran the Comrades Marathon three times, finishing it once in 1989 at the age of 62 years. He took on the task of chairman of the Albany Road Runners when nobody else wanted it in 1992. He cycled the Argus Cycle Tour four times the last of which he did this year with his children and grandchildren. He also completed the Herald Cycle Tour once. So committed was he to his running and cycling that he had only in the last several weeks signed up to run the Knysna Marathon this July.

He was above all a wonderful family man. His love for Myma and his children and grandchildren (their beloved Pop) transcended all else. His wonderful character has been reflected in his 7 children: Ian, Vicky, David, Kevin, Di, Steve and Jenny. All have achieved success in their own fields. This is as much credit to Myma as it is to him. She stood by him and supported him throughout his amazing career and commitment to the Grahamstown community.

Ken Hallowes (27-30)

From the Sunday Times, 16 July 1995.

Bishop Ken Hallowes, who died at his home in Maritzburg on Monday, aged 82, came from a long line of Anglican missionary priests.

His great-grandfather arrived in South Africa in the early 1870s as a missionary sent by the United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel; his grandfather was Charles Johnson, after whom the Charles Johnson Memorial Hospital at Nqutu was named; his father came from England in the early 1900s to work at the hospital in preparation for becoming a missionary. There he met and married Johnson'9 daughter.

Despite this background, it seemed at first that Hallowes would not follow in the footsteps of his forebears.

He had a typical Zulu boyhood, joining the other herdboys around the mission looking after his father's cattle. From

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this experience he learnt fluent Zulu and a great respect for Zulu culture and tradition.

After his formal schooling at Cordwalles and Michaelhouse he worked briefly as a sugar-cane farmer on the South Coast before moving to Kenya.

During the four years he spent on a coffee farm there, he decided to enter the priesthood and saved enough money to study at Oxford. He was still in England when World War

II broke out.

Shortly before he joined the army he met Nancy Joan Dewey, whom he married after the war.

He served at El-Alamein as well as in Italy and Greece.

After he was demobbed he studied theology at Cambridge.

He returned to South Africa in 1947 and spent four years at St Chad's teachers' training college, Ladysmith, before moving to Springvale Mission near Highflats, in KwaZulu-Natal, one of the longest established of the missions which his great-grandfather had helped found.

He never lost the farming and building skills acquired in his youth, building more than 20 churches during his 14 years at Springvafe.

Suffragan Bishop Matthew Makhaye, who worked with him at Springvale as an assistant priest, said that during their rounds of the mission station and its outposts, Hallowes would often "stop being a priest and become a builder", teaching his young urban colleagues how to mix cement and clamber up onto a roof to hammer in nails.

Hallowes was consecrated suffragan bishop in 1969 and retired in 1981, but during those 12 years he was always more at home in a safari suit or a beekeeper's helmet than in episcopal robes.

His period as bishop coincided with some of the worst apartheid excesses and he took a strong stand against forced removals and detentions. He joined an ecumenical church leaders' group to oppose the removal of thousands of people to the barren veld at Limehill, in northern KwaZulu-Natal, and was instrumental in persuading the Anglican church to join and help fund the ecumenical justice organisation Diakonia.

Bishop Makhaye said Hallowes "completely identified" with the Zulu people whom he served. He leaves his wife, three sons and their families.

Carmel Rickard

Noel Richard Henry Harriss (33-36)

Noel was born in Stretford, England on the 26th December, 1917. His parents, he and his two elder sisters, Violet and Sybil, returned to South Africa in 1920, where his younger brothers, Alec (34-38) and Ernest (34-41) were born. Noel was educated at St. John's Preparatory School and College, Johannesburg, completing his schooling at Michaelhouse (33-36). He was a keen sportsman playing hockey and rugby for the first teams and was captain of both Boxing and Athletics, breaking the \ mile school record in 1935.

At Downing College, Cambridge he read engineering and was with two close friends, Merrick Hudson-Bennett (31-36) and Michael Allanson (33-36). Here he continued his sporting activities in hockey and athletics and was elected a member of the Hawks Club. At the outbreak of war he joined the Royal Engineers and obtained his BA (Engineering) and commission as a 2nd lieutenant on the same day in August 1940. He was awarded his MA in 1942.

During the war years Noel served with the Royal Engineers in the East African Forces in Kenya, Italian Somaliland and Abyssinia. In 1944 he was posted to Burma with his own

Field Company which served with the 14th Army. Later in India he was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel as Commander of 11 East African Division. He was demobilised in March 1946 with the rank of Honorary Major.

On his return to South Africa he joined the family company R H Harriss (Pty) Ltd. and was married on 7th December, 1946, to Suzanne Hodgson. They had four children, Heath, Jane, Dianne and David (69-72). He became Managing Director of the firm in 1954. He retired after voluntarily liquidating the Company in 1985. During this period Noel was an active member of the Commercial Exchange serving on the committee and was Chairman in 1954. He was, also, on the committee of the Local Peri-Urban Board until the autonomy of Sandton, when he resigned, being opposed to the development of Sandton beyond the original proposal of a "dormitory town" to Johannesburg.

Noel was essentially a family man, kind and generous, also caring deeply for the welfare of his staff and was very aware of other peoples suffering, donating anonymously to them when possible.

He died on 10th February, 1995 after a long illness. He is survived by Sue, his 4 children and 10 grandchildren.

Jackson, M.A.L. (39-42)

Myles died on the 9th June 1995. He was born in Durban in 1926 and his schooling was at Kings School, Nottingham Road, Cordwalles and he was in East for the time he was at Michaelhouse.

After matriculating, he joined up and was posted to the I.L.H./Kimberley Regiment and saw service in Italy. Myles was slightly wounded by shrapnel at the battle of Monte Sole but not seriously enough to be returned to South Africa.

On the cessation of hostilities, Myles returned to South Africa and commenced Architectural studies at the University of Natal, Durban and qualified in 1951 as an M.I.A.

He then married Margaret and proceeded to London and worked in the same Architectural office that his father had worked in many years before, namely Sir John Burrett, Fait and Lome. He and Margaret returned to Durban in 1953 where Myles worked in his father's office which he eventually took over on the death of his father.

Myles was for many years a Provincial and Central Councillor of the South African Institute of Architects and was elected President of the Natal Branch 1976-1977 and for a second term 1977-1978.

His father had been elected President of the Natal Branch of the Institute of Architects in 1926 - fifty years before.

He leaves his widow, Margaret, daughter Diana and their grandchildren.

G V L (Geoffrey Victor Lange) (37-40) (Staff 61-78)

Geoffrey Lange and I were at school together and subsequently taught side by side for 16 years. A particularly close friendship developed over this latter period.

He was an outstanding scholar in History and English yet he was also able to teach such subjects as economics and merchantile law. As a teacher he was master of his subject as well as having the ability to make them come alive. Part of his secret in this respect was because he had a superb sense of humour and an unpredictability in approach which meant that his classes never quite knew what to expect next. Except that it would be fascinating! It was not unusual for anybody walking past his classroom to be electrified by a great burst of laughter.

He taught at Michaelhouse until forced by ill-health to move to Pietermaritzburg where he remained for some years at St John s. The girls there competed to be in his classes. In addition he involved himself in the producing of the school magazine and the complicated job of setting out the timetable. His pupils, whether boys or girls, showed their appreciation of his skills by working very well for him, captivated as they were by his encyclopaedic knowledge and his understanding of the children he taught.

He was also a keen follower of cricket in particular; in his days as a prep school teacher he coached the boys in his own inimitable fashion. But though he recognised the importance of games, his first priority, was to encourage a sound approach to life, to insist on a scholarly and industrious approach to learning as well as extracting from the pupils the best of which they were capable. Staff and pupils should know what were the true priorities in life. He set himself very high standards and expected high standards from those with whom he associated. Especially he could not stomach hypocrisy or discrimination. He was a dedicated man of peace.

Over many years I came to know Geoffrey very well so appreciating the warmth of his personality and his basic generosity. He was a person with very strong and close family ties and within that magic circle his qualities of compassion, thoughtfulness and selflessness earned him the love and respect of his family and many others outside it. We often visited each other and I was invited by Geoffrey, after having had an operation, to spend as long as I wished recuperating in his home. His hospitality was impeccable. It was at this time that I got to know and appreciate the fine qualities of his aunt Queenie who lived so happily in his home. She was full of praise for his goodness and kindness to her.

Geoffrey had his quirks. He had established a system of living which involved a fairly rigid timetable for meals and early retirement to bed. He then rose at 3 or 4 o'clock in the morning and busied himself with various activities which included an early morning walk through dark streets. He also enjoyed holidaying at the Kowie. But although much of his life was somewhat solitary he was a person who enjoyed company and made his friends and family truly welcome. In his last few year^ he suffered from increasing ill health which he bore with stoic fortitude.

He was a particularly close friend of mine and I shall miss him grievously. We shared so many interests including a love of good music, a deep interest in things historical and literary and a very similar though somewhat jaundiced view of politics and in particular politicians. All of us who knew Geoffrey in his academic capacity had immense respect for his integrity, his remarkable powers of imparting knowledge and encouraging wisdom in those with whom he came into contact, and the zeal with which he tackled everything that he did. His scholarly activities included meticulous organisation of games schedules and imaginative editing of school magazines. I also remember that he had a striking capacity for producing spoonerisms at the most unexpected moments. The boys at Michaelhouse on one occasion were delighted to discover on a cricket notice that they were travelling to Pietermaritzburg by Borporation Cus!

His many friends and his devoted family will miss him dreadfully but they will remember him with pride and affection for all his good qualities which shine brightly in a world where strife, violence, unkindness and disaster are all too common.

Roy Gathorne

Alfred John (Jack) Moore (44-46)

From the Mercury of 22 May 1995.

The death of popular veteran Durban journalist Jack Moore in a car crash at the weekend, in which his wife, city coun-

cillor Margaret Ambler-Moore, was badly injured, has saddened all who knew him.

Mr Moore, 65, retired as news editor of the Daily News in February after more than 40 years' service. He died when his car was involved in a six-car freeway pile-up in Westville on Saturday evening. He was on his way home after visiting his son, Alan, after the Comrades Marathon.

Mrs Moore was taken to Entabeni Hospital where she is in a satisfactory condition. Mr Moore's career started on The Mercury in 1947 as a reporter and sub-editor before he moved to the Daily News as a reporter in 1955. He became chief reporter and was appointed the paper's first promotions manager. He later became deputy news editor, a position he considered to be "the best job of all".

Before his retirement, Mr Moore was appointed zoning editor and was in charge of the Daily News's regional paper, Neighbour News.

Colleagues and friends in KwaZulu-Natal reacted with shock and deep sadness to the news of his death. Natal Newspapers editor-in-chief Mossie van Schoor said of Jack Moore: "He was a great news editor. I saw him on Friday although he had retired, he was always in the newsroom, helping out. He was a fine newsman in every sense of the word. He will go down as one of the best."

Senior Sunday Tribune journalist and lifelong friend Jack Shepherd-Smith, said: "Jack was a delight ... always the first to initiate things and take a lead. He was full of love. He loved being a reporter."

A later Mercury report:

Hundreds of people packed into St Thomas's Church on Durban's Berea yesterday for the funeral service of former Daily News news editor Jack Moore.

The much-loved and respected journalist - who retired in February - was killed in a car accident on Saturday night in which his wife, Margaret, a well-known Durban city councillor, was injured.

Paying tribute to his father, Alan Moore said Jack "had the capacity to love the world and the world loved him".

"He was the scholar and the gentfeman that they coined the phrase after," he said. "He was caring, concerned ... the eternal diplomat. And he made everyone feel so special".

Veteran Daily News reporter Farook Khan paid tribute to his colleague of 30 years, praising his "warmth, compassion, wisdom and unique brand of humour".

Mr Moore was respected and accepted as part of Durban's Muslim community with whom he had close links.

Ryan Neilsen (91-94)

A Tribute

This is a story of naivety and innocence. Ryan, Simon, Rob, Greg and Hugh had been leaping out of cupboards at each other for several days. One night Rob hid under Ryan's desk and grabbed his leg as he sat down. Ryan was determined to catch Rob unawares. During the hot summer nights the boys swam together at the dam. One misty night they stripped off and swam to the wall. Part of the routine was for one of them to mimic a master's voice as they climbed out and they would leap back in a frightened frenzy. This time Ryan held back in the water where he couldn't be seen and when the other four were beating the traditional retreat, he grabbed Rob's leg. Apart from swallowing half the dam, Rob's yell was so loud there was a real danger that the security guards and dogs would arrive. Ryan chuckled about this for weeks afterwards.

Ryan was not an easy person to get to know. This was partly due to the very high standards he set for himself and others. He wasn't a person who was stereotyped. All his

foibles were uniquely his. He would not tolerate superficiality - commitment and depth were always required. Typically, Ryan was an observer - he thought and felt things deeply.

During the last six months he had been establishing a restaurant in Cape Town. The idea of converting a city building into a bush camp was his, as was the huge indoor tent and bold murals of bushveld, baobabs and the unique view over the top of the Victoria Falls. This was a scary undertaking for one with no experience of catering or interior design but he was driven to turn the place into a walkin, three-dimensional sculpture of illusion, taste and romance. Every detail was perfect - from the Land Rover on the verandah to the sand under the tables and chairs. The name of the place, "Raptors" is a link with his sculpture commissions that he had completed.

His life was short, but it was filled with achievement of goals. The Raptor, though, symbolises to me his feelings for height, perfection and need to be in control. He was in no way a predator, though - in school his shy diffidence and non-judgemental kindliness were the bonds he forged between people. Ryan's sculptured hands in the Usher quad outside West House are as strong and sensitive as his were. He had an instinct for rightness and balance. His ability to separate the relevant from a background of irrelevance welled up from deep within. He could see magic in things.

These were the ways he expressed himself - not in words. His dignity could not be misinterpreted as an aloofness, his personal privacy was not a lack of commitment, his proud independence could never be an arrogance and his gentleness was never a weakness. Ryan's stubborn principles were all positive. He really believed in standards and he really tried to achieve them.

Everything about Ryan was fresh and new and this is what he leaves to his family and friends - beauty, calm, reassurance and peace.

Simon Pickstone

Kurt Bruno Paetzold (81-85)

An Estcourt boy, Kurt came to Michaelhouse to Baines House in 1981.

He matriculated in 1985, a house prefect, who played for the 1st XV and was awarded rugby colours. He also played first-team tennis.

He qualified BComm at Natal University. He completed his

military training in Pretoria prior to settling in Estcourt and working at Tongaat-Hulett. On 20 March 1993 Kurt and Annwere married. On 30 May 1995 Kurt died of cancer.

To Ann and to Kurt's parents we extend our sympathy.

Antony Meredith Lewin Robinson (32-34)

Antony Meredith Lewin Robinson former Director of the South African Library (1961-81) died peacefully in Cape Town on 27th June 1995, only a few days after attending the launch of his book on Lady Anne Barnard, the last work of a distinguished career. He belonged to the fast-disappearing breed of library directors whose interests were bookish and scholarly and he made a noteworthy contribution to the study of South African bibliography.

Thus, it comes as no surprise that he was interested in the activities of the English Association of which he was an honorary president and past chairman.

Born in 1916, Lewin Robinson, the son of an Anglican clergyman, emigrated to South Africa in 1932 and after three years at Michaelhouse he returned to England with a BA from Rhodes University. He received his professional training at the School of Librarianship University College,

London, and was elected a Fellow of the LA in 1943. He was awarded his Doctorate, for his studies of early periodical literature in the Cape, in 1961. In 1984 he was honoured with life membership of the South African Institute for Library and Information Service.

Dr Robinson's early professional career was at the University of Natal, Durban (1940-43) and the University of Cape Town Libraries' (1943-45). He became Chief Librarian fo the South African Library in 1961.

Dr Robinson was closely involved in the planning of the Lloyd Africana Wing, the move of the Grey and Dessinian Collections and the separation of the national library from the residual "lending library" function of the South African Library.

It is for his scholarship and erudition that Dr Robinson will chiefly be remembered. He was Editor-in-Chief of the South African Bibliography, a Paul Harris Fellow (Rotary International), an Honorary Member SAILIS 1983, and his researches into the life of Lady Anne Barnard brought him to the attention of a wider audience. His written works included the book "None Daring to Make Us Afraid", "History of St. Paul's Church, Rondebosch" plus numerous articles to journals.

In his private life, Antony Robinson was characteristically

busy, a keen Rotarian and Lay Minister of the the Anglican Church. He held office in several scholarly societies.

Antony's brother, "Robbie" Robinson, was sometime House Master and Senior Master at Michaelhouse and he is survived by his wife, Helen Austen, two sons and a daughter.

Simon Gilbert Lamont Smith (57-60)

Simon was born in Johannesburg in 1942. His early school days at the Ridge Preparatory School were interrupted when he contracted polio. This left him paralysed for a time, but devoted care and his own indomitable spirit enabled him to come through with no apparent handicap.

Indeed he began to show athletic prowess, and at Michaelhouse he achieved school records for the mile and halfmile. From Michaelhouse he gained a place at Cambridge and went up to Jesus College in 1961. At Cambridge he read Natural Sciences and continued with athletics, becoming President of the College Athletics Club and a member of the University club, Achilles. He met his future wife in the back row of a Maths lecture, proposed at a May Ball, and they married in 1966.

After a few years working in the UK he returned to South Africa in 1970, to take an MBA at Cape Town University. He got a first, coming at the top of his year, and won an Old Mutual Scholarship and gold medal.

In 1972 he went back to the UK and joined the National Economic Development Office, then in its heyday. He was particularly involved with the foundry industry and was instrumental in setting up a £50m aid scheme for this sector. After that he worked as an overseas development manager for Tube Investments, and then for the engineering consultants W S Atkins. During the 1980s he became an independent business consultant and set up Lamont Smith and Husband Ltd.

Simon was a keen hockey player, turning to umpiring in later years in order to give something back to the game that had given him such enjoyment. He also had a lifelong interest in wildlife, particularly birdwatching. His many other interests included geology and polishing and setting semi-precious stones. During the course of his career he travelled to Latin America, Australia, the Middle East and Scandinavia as well as spending many family holidays in South Africa.

He is survived by his father and sister, his wife and their two children, Timothy and Caroline. He will be greatly missed by all his family and by many many friends.

Michael Lawrence Soper (66-70)

Michael Lawrence Soper, was killed on the 9 June 1995 at the age of 42 years while riding on the GABRAN (Great Annual Bike Ride Across Natal), which is ridden over three days from Little Switzerland to Durban. The accident occurred between Winterton and Estcourt on the first day of the ride. He died at Estcourt Hospital three hours later. He leaves his wife Margi and two children, Samantha (6) and Paul (3).

He owned a very successful agency business dealing with the clothing industry. Bicycle riding and his family were the great joys in his life.

Hugh (Gandhi) Thomson

16 March 1916-6 December 1994

Hugh came to Michaelhouse from Cordwalles in 1929. The writer of this note first encountered him in 1934 when he was an new boy, and Hugh a very imposing 6th Former and Prefect, of whom we newcomers were much in awe.

After leaving school, Hugh joined the Quantity Surveying Office of Thompson and Martin, in which he worked from 1935-39.

On the outbreak of war, he enlisted in the 3rd Field Coy, South African Engineers as a private, was subsequently commissioned as 2nd Lieut. He served in North Africa, where he was captured with the 2nd SA Infantry Div-ision in Tobruk on 21 June 1942. The remainder of the war was spent in German Prisoner of War camps.

On demobilisation, Hugh decided to enter the Dental Profession and enrolled in the Dental School at Guy's Hospital, London.

While studying in London, he married Helen who he had known since their schooldays. After qualifying, he returned to Durban and joined the practice of Whalley Stranack. In 1961, the family migrated to Australia - initially Tasmania, where Hugh practised in Ulverstone and later Launceston - before moving to Melbourne, where he worked with skill and kindness as a dental surgeon for Legacy, an organisation dedicated to the care of the families of servicemen and women who had lost their lives in wartime.

Hugh retired in March 1981, and with characteristic energy,

took up the study of geology and geography at Melbourne University. These subjects he pursued with exemplary vigour and application.

Hugh maintained a keen interest in international affairs, especially South African. He felt strongly that South Africa was shabbily treated by the International Community, a view which he expressed to the (hostile) Melbourne Press. About Michaelhouse, he seemed to know everything - what was going on, who had retired - all that was afoot. As a result his company was always stimulating.

Hugh died, after a distressing illness, in December 1994.

A devoted husband and father, our sympathy goes to his widow, Helen; Ann and Carole; Bill and Jane; and his grandchildren.

George Tomlinson (20-24)

Former Group Captain of the Royal Air Force and city lawyer George Tomlinson died on Sunday. He was 87.

Tomlinson was born in Pietermaritzburg in 1907 and attended Merchiston Preparatory and Michaelhouse schools. He studied law at the city campus of the then Natal University College.

He played hockey for the university and enjoyed tennis and squash.

After graduating he joined the Natal Carbineers. Around 1933 he joined the RAF and was later posted to the Middle East.

In the build-up to World War 2, he was transferred back to Britain. Here he flew Hurricane and Spitfire fighter planes, among others.

Tomlinson was shot down over the France/Belgiun region, but managed to avoid capture.

However, his brother Bob failed to return from a flight over Norway, and his other brother Rex was killed in Italy while serving with the Carbineers.

Tomlinson was based in Britain until after the surrender of the Germans. For his involvement in the war, he received the Order of the British Empire and a Distinguished Flying Cross.

He returned to South Africa after the war and started practicing law with his father, Reginald.

He served on many committees, including the SPCA and

the War Memorial Homes.

Tomlinson is survived by his daughter Jane Henderson, sons Rex and Richard, a city attorney.

His funeral was held at St David's Church in Prestbury.

Midlands polo enthusiast dies

A farmer and polo player from the Natal Midlands, Travers Swift Lister, died on Tuesday at the age of 79.

Lister, educated at King's and Michaelhouse, grew up on his father's dairy farm. His farming career was interrupted by World War 2 in which he did duty for the Royal Natal Carbineers in North Africa and Italy. He was captured at Tobruk and escaped three times during the war and spent four years in Italian and German prisoner of war camps.

Back home Lister began playing polo and bought a farm in Bulwer. He married Noel Parks in 1947 and they had three children.

He later bought a Lidgetton farm on which he established a pine plantation and built a field which doubled up as a polo ground for the Lions River Polo Club.

Lister's first wife died in 1983 and he later married his child-hood sweetheart Tata, and moved to "Glentarn" farm.

Lister is well remembered for his contribution to the Lions River Polo Club where he drummed up local support and built the present polo ground in 1972.

Paying tribute to Lister at a memorial service this week, his friend "Gidge" Norton said that "Travers was passionately opposed to all forms of cruelty to humans and animals".

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